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*We meet Tuesday 7:15am for 7:40am
RACV City Club
501 Bourke Street
Melbourne, VIC 3000
Australia*

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Guest Speaker - 24th April - Mr Roger Herrod and Mr Rod Dally

Posted by Marjorie GERLINGER

The lighter side of living in a war zone

Roger Herrod is President of the Royal Australian Engineers Vietnam Association. Rod Dally is a former mayor of Kilmore and is prominent in community issues. Both served with Ed Stockdale in South Vietnam in 1967-68.

Roger and Rod will speak about life after Vietnam and the lighter side of living in a war zone for 12 months.

Duty Roster 24th April 2012

Posted by Kay STEVENS on Apr 20, 2012

Note: Duty people are expected to be on duty at RACV at **7am** as many guests start arriving from this time.

Please note; if unable to attend please arrange to swap your role with another member.

Chairperson	Russell Rolls
Sergeant	Ed Stockdale
Reporter	Micaela Lapina
Greeter	Ian Angus
Photographer	Yanpu Zhang
Door	Rebecca Riebeling

Meeting Report, Tuesday 17th April 2012

Posted by Kerstin STEINER on Apr 20, 2012

Welcome

The meeting chair, Koren Harvey, opened the meeting with a slightly altered loyal toast and Rotary Grace including New Zealand.

President Kevin Walklate welcomed guest Dave Allum from the Rotary Club of Auckland and Carolyn Ord, a guest of Neville John, who is interested in joining the club.

Sergeant's Session

Ed Stockdale questioned club members as to their knowledge of Australian history based on questions that might be used in an Australian citizenship questionnaire. It appeared that overall

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members were not in danger of 'losing' or 'obtaining' their Australian citizenship which resulted in fines for neighbours left and right.

Club Announcements

President Kevin Walklate reminded members of the birthday lunch on 6 May 2012 and that bookings should be made prior to the 30 April in order to avoid paying a higher charge. Booking details are on Clubrunner.

The Bulletin last and this week had to be unfortunately cancelled but should be running this week.

Kerstin Steiner suggested that Rotarians who still have time in May, could attend the annual fundraising event of International House, the Cafe Internationale which will be held on 5 May 2012. Details are on Clubrunner.

Tony Thomas offered an insight into the activities of other Rotary Clubs, in particular some worthwhile causes in the International Service area. Following on from the international theme, there will be a Friendship Exchange later on in the year with a group of Turkish Rotarians visiting 'down under'.

Guest Speaker - David Beanland***Engineering Education: The need for transformation***

David Beanland, Vice Chancellor Emeritus RMIT, provided an insightful commentary in the challenges that tertiary education in the area of engineering is currently facing. Engineering is an essential part of modern society yet it is underappreciated as a career path for students resulting in a significant shortfall of graduates to meet Australia's requirement. This is a fate that is shared by most developed countries and which can only be addressed by changes to the educational environment at secondary and tertiary educational level. At secondary level, students should be encouraged to continue their study of science, technology, engineering and maths at a higher level. At tertiary level, increasing the attractiveness of engineering programs requires a revisit of the teaching curriculum, making it more relevant to the expectations of prospective employers. This necessitates a shift in the teaching methodology as university education would have to prepare graduates to be life long learners. Education would thereby shift away from the traditional knowledge transfer to a more learner centred approach focusing on instilling more generic graduate attributes and skills and embedding these in problem based learning. The resonance of this talk with the club members was evident in the lively question and answer session with the speaker generously answering questions and commenting even after the session was officially closed.



Guest Speaker - David Beanland

Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre Annual Gardening Day

Posted by Bruce McBAIN on Apr 20, 2012

On a perfect day for gardening 12 club members and partners worked strenuously under the supervision of Clinical Nurse Specialist and Horticulturalist Steven Wells on the Club's annual gardening day at Royal Talbot Rehabilitation Centre. In this our 8th year of gardening we shifted our main emphasis to the first steps in creating another sensory experience in the locked back garden area, which it is hoped in time will become a sensory experience for patients and families unable to experience the now extensive sensory garden in the open environment of the centre.

In addition to the new area, we pruned and trimmed shrubbery and laid mulch in the new area and generally tidied the back garden area. Morning tea and lunch was supplied by Lyn McBain who also ensured we maintained hydration with water. Some years ago the Club looked at possibly erecting a gazebo in the locked unit but engineering difficulties associated with easements made it too difficult so despite several architectural proposals being made by Alan Seale the gazebo project was abandoned. It is now proposed that the hospital will relocate the smoking area (often a legacy of events following or preceding acquired brain injury which needs managing, hence the uncommon sight of an on campus area). The smoking area will be located in another section with limited bus style shelter, enabling the current area to be redeveloped as a friendlier social environment. At the time of our initial project Lyn and the other nursing staff organised a number of fundraising events to support the purchase of a gazebo and on Sunday Lyn presented Stephen with a cheque for \$2,000 raised by the ABI Unit nursing staff. This will be used toward the rear garden project.

The benefit of the sensory garden was very apparent to our team, it was a pleasant day and patients of the unit and family and friends were able to enjoy the garden and picnic whilst their children played happily and enjoyed the spectre and colour of the many non plant joys of the garden. Over lunch the feeling was that the working bee should become a twice a year event.



April's Conundrum

Posted by Justine MURPHY on Apr 20, 2012

This is one of a series of ethical dilemmas being brought to you each month by the Vocational Services Committee.

The ethics of taking the blame

You have been part of a team working on a large and complex project. You have heard that a fairly major error has shown up as part of the financials for the project. Apparently your boss feels that one of your colleagues is to blame for this, however, you are certain that the mistake is actually your fault.

The colleague your boss is blaming is someone with whom you do not particularly get along well. You feel he is incompetent and you have a suspicion - which you cannot prove - that he has embezzled funds from your company.

You feel that it would benefit your company for your colleague to be 'let go' and him being blamed for such a major error may, along with other factors, contribute to this happening.

Ethical questions:

- What are the issues?
- Who are the stakeholders?
- What should you do?
- What would you do?
- Was Rotary's 4-Way Test helpful?

Feel free to discuss your views with family, friends and colleagues. You may be surprised at the differences in opinion!

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