

25th September

Recognition Night for Rotarians whom have made a significant contribution to our Club

Please bring a friend and / or partner to ensure the evening is a special one!

Next Meetings	Tuesday 25 th Sept 2018 5:30 for 6:30 pm	Tuesday 2 nd October 2018 5:30 for 6:30 pm
Location	Highland Golf Club	Highlands Golf Club
Program	Rotarian Recognition Night	FAIM Trip
Speaker	President Lynton at al	Many
Intro / Vote of Thanks		
Dinner Fee Duty	Rod Aistrophe	Robbie Allen
Journalist	Trevor Fair	
Regalia Duty	Ken Adams	Denise Coad

If you are unable to do duty, please find a replacement and advise Trevor Fair by email: trevorf@oxleypartners.com.au



UPCOMING EVENTS

NEXT WEEK: Rotary Acknowledgement Night

Please bring along your partner, friend or neighbour to help celebrate the amazing effort Rotarians do in our community.

October 2nd – Fiji Trip Report

Although there is a creed that “What happens on a FAIM trip, stays on a FAIM trip” this will be your opportunity to hear a little of the detail, as well as the amazing work these Rotarians did while struggling through tropical heat!

Happy Hour

We are planning to meet at 5.30pm for a social get-together prior to Meetings. We are hoping the Golf Club will have a "Happy Hour" from 5:30pm – 6:30pm.

Welcome

Journalist – Denise Coad

President-Elect Robert welcomed Members and Guests.

Members had enjoyed a social get-together before the Meeting enjoying cabanosi, Baby Spinach Feta, Biscuits and Chips. Thanks **Rosemary !!**

Guests were Bob Rheinberger and Zac Hulm – Second visit to our Club by both.

Invocation: – Brian Elliott

International Toast: - David McCosh
Rotary Club of Kowloon

In an exhibition of the extreme weather events occurring more frequently because of climate change, last week there were 7 simultaneous typhoon and hurricane systems across the north Pacific and Atlantic Oceans. Two of them continue to drop heavy rain with Florence still affecting the US east coast.

Typhoon Mangkhut caused great damage and flooding across the Philippines last week, damaged Hong Kong on the weekend and continues as a rain depression into southern China. At least 65 people are reported to have died during this storm but the number is almost certainly much higher.

Kowloon is one of the poorer suburbs of Hong Kong located on a peninsula exposed to Victoria Harbour and took the full force of the winds. It is home to 2.1 million of Hong Kong's 7.4 million population.

It was ceded to the UK by the Qing Emperor in 1860 after the Second Opium War and was part of the 99 year lease with the New Territories in 1898. Now it is in China's Special Administrative Zone.

There are 69 Clubs in Hong Kong in District 3450 where the Rotary Club of Kowloon Tong was

Chartered in 2009.

It has 23 Members led by President Portia Ho. They will be hard at work with other Rotarians assisting in the recovery from the storms.



Directors Reports:

Don Graham – 5 Kids – all Girls – attended RYPEN – all funded by our Club. The difference between them from the time they went down and the trip back was Impressive. Money well spent. There were 34 RYPEN attendees – 4 from our Club which was the biggest in our District.

Interact AGM is on September 24. **Robbie Allan** is doing a wonderful job with Interact. As there is no Rotaract Club this is where we will be sourcing future Rotarians.

We are looking for attendees for **RYLA**. Applications opened September 1. RYLA - Sunday 13th – Friday 18th January 2019

RYLA is a challenging six day residential program held in January for young people aged 18 to 25. RYLA offers a unique opportunity for motivated individuals to access some influential and inspirational speakers and trainers.

With presentations, workshops and exercises, attendees will be introduced to concepts of effective leadership including:

- *Leadership Theory*
- *Communication,*
- *Resilience,*
- *Mental Health,*
- *Values & Ethics,*
- *Leadership in Service & Community,*
- *Youth Leadership,*
- *Goal Setting/Visioning*
- *Conflict Resolution & Mindfulness*

What do the RYLARIAN'S take home with them? The programme aims to help them to:

- *Build communication and problem-solving skills*
- *Discover strategies for becoming a dynamic leader in your school or community*
- *Learn from community leaders, inspirational speakers, and peer mentors*
- *Unlock your potential to turn motivation into action*
- *Have fun and form lasting friendships*
- *Build on the existing leadership of participants*
- *Encourage participants to further develop their own skills, talents and abilities, and*
- *Remind participants of their responsibility to their communities and to the world.*

Mary Ramsay – Tulip Times Roster all filled (May change tomorrow).

Mary's Joke of the week:

What do the following 4 have in common:

Bullet Proof Vest

Fire Escape

Windscreen Wipers

Laser Printers

Have a think about it and the answer will be after Dinner!

Les Vickerman Anecdote:

Paddy on buttering bread. It was a miracle that the butter on the bread landed on the top when it was dropped to the floor. A request was made to the Cardinal for it to be granted a miracle. It was not granted as the bread was buttered on the wrong side !

Dinner was very enjoyable – Chicken Kiev, Carrots, Potato Mash with Fresh Herbs. Eton Mess for Dessert.

The answer to the Joke of the week was **“They were all invented by Women”**.

Member Talk – Trevor Fair

Men's brains v women's brains

Disclaimer – These are my personal observations and there is no intent to offend anyone. I hope everyone appreciates the presentation in the humorous vane it is attempting to be.

Many people ask me how do I cope living in a house of females. With a wife & 2 daughters, + Sienna the Golden Retriever. All my life I was surrounded by females. On the farm where I grew up there were 3000 laying hens as well as 1000 ewes.

I am going to start and explain how the male brain works.

Men's brains are very unique. They are made up of lots of little boxes and we have a box for everything. We have a box for the car, another for the money. A box for our job, a box for their partner, another box for the kids. Even a box for the mother in law, somewhere in the shed.

We have boxes everywhere.

AND THE RULE IS “The boxes do not touch each other”.

When a male discusses a particular subject, he goes to the particular box, carefully pulling the box out of the shelf, and we open the box. We will only discuss whatever is in the box. And when we are finished we carefully close the box and put it away ensuring it does not touch any of the other boxes.

NOW a women's brain is very different from a male brain. Women's brains are made up of a big ball of wire. And everything is connected to everything else ZZZZZZZZZZ

Money is connected to the car, the car is connected to the job, the job is connected to the kids, and everything is connected to everything else.

It is like the Internet superhighway. And it is all driven by energy we call EMOTION.

It is one of the reasons why a women can remember everything. Because if you take an event and you connect it to an emotion, it burns into your memory, and you can remember it forever.

The same thing can happen for men, just it does not happen very often because mostly we just do not care. Women tend to care about everything.

NOW men have a box in their brain that most women are not aware of. This particular box has NOTHING in it. In fact it is called the NOTHING box. And of all the boxes a male has in his brain, the nothing box is his favourite box.

If a man has a choice, he will go to the nothing box all the time.

This is why men can do something seemingly completely brain dead for hours on end. You know like fishing!!!!

Now they have actually measured this. The University of Pennsylvania, a couple of years ago, did a study and discovered that men have the ability to think about absolutely nothing and still breathe.

You know, they connected all the wires and stuff on the head and then watched the brain activity.

The graph was a flat line, line the brain was dead.

Women cannot do that, they just cannot do it. Their brain just never stops. And they DO NOT understand the Nothing Box. It just drives them crazy.

Because nothing drives a woman more crazy or make them feel more irritated than to witness a man doing nothing.!!

This study is supports other research on the male & female brain and why women can multi task while men struggle to do so.

Just assume humans have been on this earth for 50,000 years. Approximately 49,000 years as hunters and gatherers. That is 98% of our existence.

Men, as hunters, had just 1 task. That was to track down, kill, and bring protein to the tribe. One task, one box.

Women, on the other hand, had to multi task. They collected berries, looked after the children, watched out for danger (sabre tooth tigers). See how all the tasks are linked zzzzzzz.

The conclusion of this research is that men's brains work differently to women's and there is little any of us can do to change it.



Member Talk – Don Graham

“I do not have any jokes to tell and Trevor’s Talk is a hard act to follow”.

Don ‘s jobs have been a Farmer and a Lawyer.

He qualified young and was a Lawyer for 40 years. He practiced in Sydney for 4 years and then the Central West for 30 years. He completed his University Masters in London.

He practiced Criminal Law and Family Law. Representing areas like Dubbo, Orange, Parkes and Mudgee. Also Legal Aid.

He spoke of three Cases he represented:

A guilty Fellow who went around Dubbo with a corrugated Religious Sign. He was guilty of robbing a Jewellery Store. 3 years later he turned himself in. As they never caught him there were no forensics. The term for Armed Robbery is jail. As he had never been caught he received a 5 year suspended sentence.

A man guilty of Child Pornography. “The pornography just got into the atmosphere and appeared in his computer”. He pleaded Not Guilty. It is up to the Prosecutor to prove the case. Everyone is entitled to be represented.

A man in his late 20's caught for PCA. Medium Range .08.

He pleaded guilty and said he had no other offences. It turned out he had previously been charged with High Range PCA in South Australia, but there was nothing on Police Records. Does Don tell the Court. He has no obligation to do so as he is the Defence Lawyer. If they put the Defendant in the Witness Box and ask if he is a Clean Skin and he says YES Don would be a party to Perjury. Out of Court Don asked the Defendant to come and see him in a week. He did not come as he committed suicide. Not related to this case.



Fine Session – Rosemary Kelly

Some of the fines:

Denise Coad – Hawthorn out of the AFL Finals

Ray Williams – attended NRL Final with Frank Kelly

Vicki Kelley – losing her black back in Fiji and then Europe

Grahame Jones – stand up and show Members your Mullet

Ken Adams – September Birthday

Mary's Trivia Questions:

Some of the questions:

What is a Warrigal – it is a Dingo

What is the only food that does not spoil – Honey

Who was Phar Lap's Jockey – Jimmy Pike

Which is the only horse to win 3 Melbourne Cups – Makybe Diva

What are the 5 colours of the Olympic Rings – Red, Green, Yellow and Black

What is the smallest Country in the World – Vatican

What is Australia's Coat of Arms – Emu and Red Kangaroo

Where was the Battle of the Jacobites – Bonnie Prince Charlie – Culloden

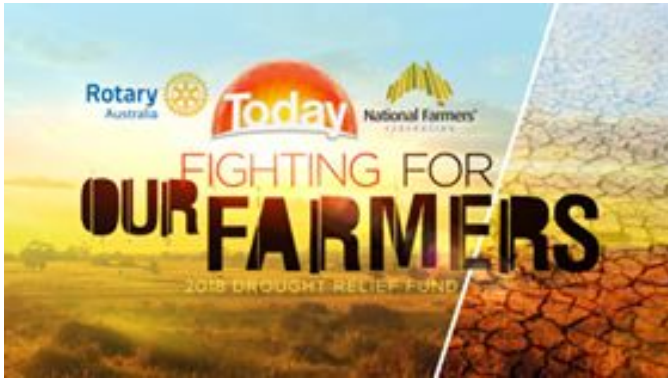
Raffle – Won by Rosemary Kelly 5 Clubs



September Birthdays:

Trevor Fair	14/9
Lynton Kettle	16/9
Graham Hicks	17/9
Ken Adams	19/9
Gerry Kroon	20/9
Jacinta Sheridan	22/9
David Rees	28/9

Meeting closed at 8.05pm



In Australia, farmers are the lifeblood of our country and they are in crisis. Record breaking heat and lack of rain means farmers are struggling to feed sheep and cattle, and keep crops alive. Families on the land are suffering and they need our help. Channel 9 and Rotary Australia have partnered with the National Farmers' Federation, launching an appeal to big business and everyday Australians, so we can provide some emergency relief. 100% of donations goes to the farmers and is tax deductible via Rotary and RAWCS. Every dollar counts.

<https://donations.rawcs.com.au/17-2018-19>

As you may be aware,
Rose Conley is STARRING
in the Sound of Music.

Planning is under way to make a block booking to cheer her on. If anyone is interested please contact Trevor ASAP to secure your seat.

