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# THE BULLY Number 7: 15 August 2012 August is Membership and Extension Month

Quote of the week: It is not what you get that makes you valuable, it's what you become along the way.



## **Dinner Bookings** & Makeup's

#### **South Bunbury:** Rose Hotel

Wednesday 6.15 for 6.45pm start, 0413 743 601 before 10 am

## **Bunbury:**

Parade Hotel Monday 6.00 for 6.30pm start 97212933

#### **Bunbury Leschenault:**

Parade Hotel Wednesday 12.00 for 12.30pm start 97212933

## **APOLOGIES: TO**

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## CLUB FORUM

Although this was a smaller than normal meeting tonight, a lively club forum was led by Administration ( President elect) Ben Andrew. It was an opportunity for members to freely express their passion for aspects of the club they loved whilst also recognising the changing landscape of club membership, projects and opportunities to both grow and preserve.

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NEXT MEETING: Wed, 22 August 2012

**Vocational Meeting at** 

# **South West Health Campus**

Meet at the Radiology Therapy Unit (close to Robertson

Dv end of campus) At 6.00 for tour

Dinner on site at 7.00 pm



## CELEBRATIONS

15 - 21 August 2012

**PARTNERS' Birthdays** 

**WEDDDING ANNIVERSARIES** 

**INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES** 

Mike Honeywell 16

Jan Pearson 20

N/A

N/A

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

**Vocational**: Andy Perrella reported the next meeting was at the South West Health Campus. CEO, Mark Ryan, will conduct a tour of the radiology and cardiology units, followed by dinner on site at 7.00 pm.

Community; Peter Hill called for expressions of interest in purchasing Christmas cakes. An order must be placed by 19 September. The cake is different from past years and weighs 900 gms at a cost of \$18. Food Bank's Clean Out Your Pantry campaign will begin in early September, so we will be calling for donations for cans of food. However, they must be "best before", no past due dates can be accepted.



**Public Relations**; Kevin Eagles, apologized for accidentally sending out the minutes to everyone. However, a number of members responded, which was actually a front runner for improving communications to members. President Stephen asked members if they would be interested in receiving the minutes of other committee meetings via email. Members endorsed the idea. The PR committee is also trying to set up a register of 'Rotary' signage around Bunbury in order to develop a maintenance program. Members were asked to submit sites and report the state of repair. Another project is the development of bumper stickers. Designs will be generated and forwarded to members for final selection and approval.



Black Tie Ball; Mike reported the Black Tie Ball was a great success with some minor hitches. The committee is expecting the profits from the evening to exceed last year's.

President Stephen, gave a vote of thanks for the organization, hospitality and effort put in by committee members.

Next Sundowner; 31 August at John Carey's home at 6.30.

CLUB FORUM CONTINUES...

Ben acknowledged some of our successful activities in the past year and some forth coming events to look forward to.

However, with the pending elections for committee members for the period of 2014-2015, and the need for some thinking about future directions, Ben launched a club survey/ questionnaire to allow members to give some direction.

This was followed by some exciting discourse as members declared their positions. Here are some of **the ideas** being suggested.....





- \*Promote and commit to more community projects rather than monetary income.
- \*The new directions in RI suggest we should plan for projects that give back to the club with more long term projects.
- \* Develop stronger relationship with other clubs to support sustainable membership.
- \* Need to identify local issues within the wider community, ie conducting mock interviews for students entering the work force- no cost to the club but community promotion
- \* IR projects were endorsed but acknowledgement that time/ work commitments were problematic for early career members.
- \* The future direction of the club lies in the hands of younger members but they should be encouraged to use the collective wisdom of the older members for professional development and to empower the younger members.
- \*Our meeting is seen as the 'Shop Front' and as such is in need of a facelift. We need to find something in it that will attract younger members.
- \* Strategic planning is needed identify our vision, articulate our goals and work to achieve these. ( similar to a business plan).
- \* Executive to consider tenure for 2 yrs so that they are not just 'finding their feet and then moving on'.
- \* The 1 yr tenure was endorsed as the executive 'putting the icing of the cake' in terms of closing projects developed in the previous year.
- \* Need to look at bigger local projects that involve large groups of people, which are not funded by the government ie SW Sports facilities are not adequate for the number of users.
- \*Sticking with long term projects that become hallmarks of the club might also attract younger members. Being careful not to dilute what we do by duplicating community services that already catered for these.
- \* Men's Shed reported an unexpected but innovative development in their project was men being referred to the 'shed' as a form of therapy.

As you can see (read), this was a healthy discussion, which demonstrated that the club is in a good position when members freely share their ideas and aspirations for the Club. Ben

concluded his admiration and pride for being a member of our club and that he also wanted to become a future grey member of the club. He shared a vision of himself in 40 years time, having similar discussions with the younger generation about maybe moving on from virtual meetings to who knows what in the future- maybe 'beam me up Benny'.

(Footnote from the ED - for those not in the know- the quote' beam me up ' comes from the Star Trek series and is a way of transporting humans by dematerializing them from place to place – you can never assume everyone knows what you know!)

### WEEKLY COMPETITION

This week we raised \$85. RayJ was first up, Peter Hill came second, David Miles got third. Jackpot continues next week.

#### **FINES**

Kevin carried the box for doing "nutbush city limits" impersonations at the Black Tie Ball- not a good look Kev! Other fines from the Black Tie Ball, include Docker fans - who couldn't raise \$60 for the auction of a Dockers shirt; not being able to remember what time you went to bed; trying to pay fines before this meeting (is that silence money!). Yes I (ED) got fined for the Bully being in cyberspace this week- actually truth be told- I think I pressed the wrong button. Anyway- Ray J got his Bulletin because it came in the snail mail! Stewart was fined for giving money away! Cootes was fined for following the Olympics hockey girls around.

#### **REMINDERS:**

22 Aug	Meeting at the SW Health Campus
31 Aug	Sundowner at John Carey's house
21 Nov	DG Bob Cooper visits



Responsibilities			
Duties:	22/8	29/8 TBA	
Host & Grace	Terry Coote	Terry Coote	
Properties	Brian Castieau	Brian Castieau	
Properties	Eric Hodgson	Eric Hodgson	
Reception	Don Spriggins	Don Spriggins	
Reception	John Carey	John Carey	
Introduction	John Grey	John Grey	
Thanks	Roger Veen	Roger Veen	
Ticket Sales	Jim Stephen	Jim Stephen	
Fines	Turk Ellis	Turk Ellis	
Raffle Spinner	Murray Connop	Murray Connop	

