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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

FROM PRESIDENT NEV

The meeting on June 18 had good attendance. Following Rotary Grace, the International Toast was to The Rotary Club of Salem, Oregon, USA. This is because an "ultra rare" Star Wars Lego collection with an estimated value of over \$300,000 has gone missing. The set contains many irreplaceable & collectable pieces including the rarest "Cloud City Full Set" of 2000 characters, estimated to be worth over \$100,000. The collection was placed into a "Bricks & Mini figs" Franchise by its 85 y/o owner for sale on consignment. The franchise owner has been "de-franchised" for a host of breaches & cannot be located. The new owner has provided photographic evidence of the stock that was in store at the time of taking over, & the priceless Lego was not among the inventories. Police & FBI continue to work to locate the LEGO & the former franchisee.

FUN TIMES

Heads & Tails was won by Peter Moore. The Card Draw was won by Geoff Vincent who drew the Ace of Clubs. The Jackpot stands at \$170.

SERGEANTS SESSION

Jack Hayhurst delivered another fantastic Session featuring an Aussie background theme. For the most part, there were some very good answers from the floor, but as is his way, Jack had the skilful trickery to bamboozle us all with some very well asked general knowledge questions, which had us only guessing at what the answer may be! From my perspective, one can only feel that there is possibly a conspiracy between our team of alternating Sergeants, to have us almost seeming like geniuses one week, then have us all floundering like "deck besotten" bait fish, in the following! Avast, me hearties, we're not totally bereft of some skulduggery in response! I'm bringing along my Funk & Wagnalls.

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BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND INDUCTIONS CELEBRATED IN JUNE 2026

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|  | <p><u>MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS</u></p> <p>1 JUNE Russell Stuart</p> | <p><u>PARTNERS BIRTHDAYS</u></p> | <p><u>WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES</u></p> <p>3 JUNE David & Lorraine Boardman</p> | <p><u>ROTARY INDUCTIONS</u></p> <p>1 JUNE LESTER MARQUET 45 years</p> |
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CLUB ASSEMBLY

PP Lester Marquet provided a brilliant idea for this week. PP Lester stated that we each recall a couple (if possible) of times when we have been in a life & death situation, for any reason, in our pasts. It was therefore asked of all members that during dinner, they contemplated what situations they confronted which clearly represented such an occasion. After dinner, each member was given as much time as they needed in an "open mic" theme.

It is true that we were all gobsmacked by the situations our friends had gotten themselves into over the years, not just occurring in Australia, but a few happening overseas as well. Granted, most circumstances involved motor vehicles. Some alcohol, some terrible taxi drivers, some to do with train travel, some involving camping & outback travel, some with simply being in the wrong place at the wrong time. Nonetheless, it can only be confirmed that the vast percentage of Members, certainly at some stage of their lives, could only be referred to as "buggers of kids". This turned out to be a

wonderfully revealing evening. I for one would like to see this general theme take place again, soon!

UPCOMING EVENTS

25 JUNE 2026

Changeover Dinner (Ladies Night)

2 JULY 2026

District Governor's Visit

**Michele Ellery
(Ladies Night)**

9 JULY 2026

Club Assembly

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The Four-Way Test

(Of the things we think, say or do)

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?"



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Oh, Lord and Giver of all good,
We thank thee for our daily food.
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways,
Help us to serve thee all our days.