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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

FROM PRESIDENT GEOFF

The meeting on August 20 had good attendance. Our guest speaker for the evening was PP Nev who provided an excellent presentation of pics & information about the Russian River Cruise that he & his wife Susie attended in May 2018.

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Following Rotary Grace, the International Toast was to The Rotary Club of Curitiba International, Brazil. This was because at least 23 people, among them two children, have been killed and another five injured in a head-on collision between a minibus and a lorry in southern Brazil, highway police say.

The crash happened early on Wednesday 19 August, local time, on the BR-373 highway in the southern state of Paraná.

Local media reported that the minibus belonged to the health authorities of the nearby city of Imituva and was transporting patients and their relatives to health appointments in the State Capital, Curitiba, some 60km (36 miles) away.

Authorities have opened an investigation to determine what may have caused the two vehicles to crash into each other, head on. Among those killed is the driver of the lorry, police said.

The highway was closed for almost seven hours while forensic experts and members of Brazil's federal highway police examined the site of the crash, which is located at kilometre marker 209.

Deadly road traffic accidents are not uncommon in Brazil.

According to a study published by the World Bank, more than 37,000 people died in such accidents in 2024, most of them were motorcyclists.

FUN TIMES

Heads & Tails was won by PP David Boardman. The Card Draw was won by PP Dennis Allen who drew the Two of Spades.

SERGEANTS SESSION

PHF Graham provided an excellent Sergeants Session which had a terrific mix of subjects. The Members appeared to have Graham's measure as a large number of the questions were answered quickly from the floor. Nonetheless, the

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enthusiasm for the listed questions was most obvious, & Sergeant Graham appeared in his element as he controlled proceedings! Not wishing to re-kindle the fire, but the writer has a lingering feeling that there is something mysterious afoot here, as it is most unusual for the Sergeants to let the group off as easily as it appeared in this session! Perhaps in the coming weeks, we shall all be left flummoxed by a range of "impossible" questions delivered by who knows who!

A couple of Cross Fines were provided by Don Wiseman!

GUEST SPEAKER

The Guest Speaker for this week was PP Nev Barrett, who gave a power point discussion of his Lake/River Cruise with wife Susie, from St Petersburg to Moscow. Members were most involved in this as no-one had been to Russia & all were very surprised by the natural beauty & the wonderful architecture shown. PP Nev stated that the cultural buildings are amazing & that the beauty of Moscow's Red Square is totally overwhelming!

A Vote of Thanks was provided by PHF Peter Moore.



UPCOMING EVENTS

27 AUGUST 2026

Edgar Adams - Progress Central Coast

3 SEPTEMBER 2026

Julie Harris - Wesley Foster Care

10 SEPTEMBER 2026

District Governor Visit

NEXT BOARDS

7 September 2026

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1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
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 May Rotary friends and Rotary ways,
 Help us to serve thee all our days.