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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Meeting on August 28 had reasonable attendance.

Following Rotary Grace, International Director David Griffiths, toasted The Rotary Club of Seattle.

We sent an email to Seattle & have received a lovely reply of thanks & wellwishes!
 Following camaraderie, we all enjoyed a very good roast beef meal.

FUN TIMES

- Heads & Tails was won by Don Wiseman.
- The Card Draw was won by Russell Stuart, who drew the Ace of Clubs. Surely the Card Draw must go off this week! The Jackpot stands at \$240.00!!!!
- Jack Hayhurst provided a very good Sergeants Session, which greatly tested all in attendance. Jack included lots of good 'Aussie' content in his questions, & we were all very impressed & re-assured with how little we knew about this wonderful country! Thank you once again Jack for ensuring that

we spent a little time on our Aussie Wikipedia to try to boost our obvious below par standards in this regard!


COMMUNITY WORK

- We advised members of our proposed change of date for the Apprenticeship Awards night to Thursday 11 September. We still don't have confirmation of availability from the TAFE awardees at this time, but once we can have this confirmed we can sure up numbers with the Golf Club. If worst comes to worst we will change the date of the event once again! These things are always challenging when trying to get a group of people to line up dates, as we are all aware!
- Jim Katrakilis spoke about the upcoming Foster Carers BBQ 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM on Saturday 13 September at the Life Learning Centre Palmdale. We have 8 people confirmed so please contact Jim to confirm your attendance on 0414 77 77 48. Jim has entry passes for you.

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BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES AND INDUCTIONS CELEBRATED in AUGUST 2025

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|  | <u>MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS</u> 20 September Jack Hayhurst Peter Moore 27 September Sean Devlin | <u>PARTNERS BIRTHDAYS</u> 5 September Jenny Allen 28 September Barbara Hayhurst 29 September Wendy Marquet | <u>WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES</u> | <u>ROTARY INDUCTIONS</u> 11 September Jack Hayhurst 17 years 19 September Max Prince 12 years 27 September Chris Foster 8 years 28 September Sean Devlin 8 years |
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GUEST SPEAKER

Our guest speaker was author Bev Cambell. Bev was accompanied by her husband Keith.

Bev immediately grabbed our attention by speaking the opening couple of paragraphs from her memoir 'Climbing Trees'. As I looked around the Members during this time, I could see that Bev had the total attention of everyone in the room. Such was the 'power' of her words. From growing up on a farm in the bushland of Rhodesia (Zimbabwe), & surrounded by political turmoil. Abandoned by her father, but yet her beloved grandfather was her strength. When her parents divorced & re-married, her world began to unravel.

Bev was forced to navigate a fractured childhood in a country on the brink of explosive turmoil.

Bev found herself needing to adapt to a growing awareness of a racially & morally divided society. Seeing the murder of her neighbours & the near death of her baby sister, were just a part of this powerful coming of age story about resilience, identity

& the courage that it takes to find one's place

In a world that feels increasingly uncertain!

PP Dennis Allen provided the Vote of Thanks.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 4th SEPTEMBER

Brenton Burke - Regional Aust Bank

Thursday 11th SEPTEMBER

AWARDS NIGHT TBC

Thursday 18th SEPTEMBER

CLUB ASSEMBLY

Thursday 25th SEPTEMBER

NIAGARA THERAPY

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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.