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Meeting Thursdays 12.30 for 12.50pm at North Leagues Club, Abbot St Cammeray.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

A sincere thanks to PP John Taylor who chaired last week's meeting whilst Andrea and I were on a magnificent Barrier Reef Cruise to Airlie Beach, Cairns and Port Douglas.

By all accounts last week's meeting went well with excellent fellowship enjoyed by all present.

Our bespoke speaker Jeff McDougall gave an enjoyable talk on his experience as a Jackeroo in North Eastern New South Wales prior to becoming a valuable Rotarian.



Celebrity Solstice off Cairns

"Not a bad weekend run-about!"

ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD CAMP, ELANORA HEIGHTS, JANUARY 7 – 13 JANUARY, 2017

We have received information from our RYLA awardee Alison Feng that she had an amazing experience at RYLA. She will be addressing our club in the near future on her experience and we are looking forward to it.

A great thank you to Peter Lulic for organizing everything for RYLA and also to providing transport to and from the venue for Alison.

Well done!



Official group photo of all RYLA 2018 awardees from our district.

OUR SPEAKER LAST WEEK, JEFF MCDUGALL. – I BECAME A JACKEROO TO FULFIL A DREAM!

Early in 1966, Jeff McDougall went up to Walgett to begin life as a Jackeroo, following a lifelong dream to live on the land and eventually own his own farm. There followed twelve action packed years, filled with highs and lows and plenty of hard work. **After four years the first goal of being a manager was reached, but the elusive farm ownership was always to remain just a dream.** Along the way many life skills were learned, including dealing with difficult people and also wonderful people, practical skills such as mechanics, building, plumbing, electrical and farming. **It was a fascinating time and he wouldn't have missed it for quid's.**

The first 4 years were spent on Ulah merino Stud near Walgett in North West NSW where much of the early experience was gained in irrigation, stock work, especially sheep farming, horse riding and dry land farming. The irrigation was from a large lagoon which was kept topped up by a large pump on the Barwon River.

Jeff's first experience with horse riding was to muster a back paddock on the property over several days when that part of the property was sold off.

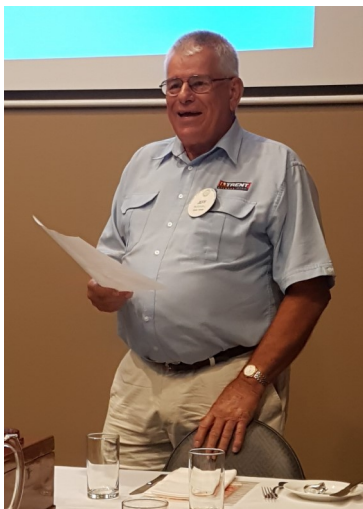
The hard part was when he had to ride the horse back home and got totally lost, - if he had let the horse have its head it would have found the way home, but nobody told him the horse would be able to do that!

There was an interesting social life with a number of Bachelor and Spinster Balls locally and in surrounding towns where bands from Sydney would come up and play all night. These weekends were full on with the ball on Friday night, the recovery party on Saturday night and the football party on Sunday night.

Country people sure knew how to enjoy themselves!

Jeff was married in 1969 to Trish who joined him on the farm in a little old house called "Wee Wally", that had been brought back in from the back of the farm by a low loader, where they spent the first year before moving on to other properties as on-site manager for a Pastoral Management Company.

Jeff has promised to give us a follow-up presentation on his experience, so stay tuned!



Rotarian Jeff McDougall in full flight



Young Jeff and his bride Trish in 1969

THIS WEEK'S SPEAKER: CONSTABLE JENNI BROWN FROM NORTH SYDNEY POLICE.

SUBJECT: MAIL THEFT AND IDENTITY FRAUD.

We look forward to Jenni Brown's talk on a subject that is very topical at this point in time. Many of us have had experiences where we have been exposed to such matters as credit card abuse or attempted identity theft or worse mail theft. Jenni's presentation will give us awareness to monitor our financial affairs very carefully on an ongoing basis to avoid falling prey to the many fraudsters on the internet or the telephone.

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Club Meetings & Events

Date	Speaker	Subject
18-Jan-18	Snr Sgt Jenni Brown	Mail theft & Identity Fraud
20-Jan-18	Crows Nest Markets	
25-Jan-18	No Meeting	(Last Thurs of Month)
1-Feb-18	Speaker TBA	
8-Feb-18	Geoff Pritchard	The mystery of Black Charlie's Hill
15-Feb-18	CLUB ACTIVITIES UPDATE	
22-Feb-18	No Meeting	(Last Thurs of Month)



Date	Birthdays	Date	Anniversaries
1st February	David Field		

Date	Front Desk & Room Set Up	Attendance Required from 12:00pm
18th January	Philip Brook and John Taylor	
25th January	No Meeting	
1st February	Jeff McDougall & Tony d'Arbon	
8th February	Peter Lulic & Geoff Pritchard	

Visitors & Apologies for 11th January 2018

Visitors

Nil

Leave of Absence:

Robert Lau

Kevin Thomas

Apologies

Denis Booth

Wilfred Chee

David Field

Silvio Gmur

Ken Pratt

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Humour by Geoff Prichard

A Mexican was on television with British TV host Anne Diamond when he used the word “mañana” (pronounced manyana”).

Diamond asked him to explain what it meant.

He said that the term means: “Maybe the job will be done tomorrow, maybe the next day, maybe the day after that. Or perhaps next week, next month, next year. Who really cares?”

The host happened to turn to a bush bred aussie cook who was also on the show and asked him if there was an equivalent term in his home language.

He replied: “In the Australian outback we do not have a word to describe that same degree of urgency.”
