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before Noon on

Monday



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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Riding The Ghan from Darwin to Adelaide

Speaker: Theo Glockemann

Chairman: President Jim

Reporter: John Ellis




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Sunday 27 Oct 2019

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NEXT WEEK

WEDNESDAY, 9th OCTOBER, 2019

10th Anniversary RYLA in TIMOR LESTE

Speaker: Theo Glockemann

Chairman: President Jim Fraser

Reporter: Ian Chappel

Meeting Report - 25th September

Program Chairman Phil Stanton had arranged a Vocational Visit to Beecroft Fire Station following our regular Wednesday evening meal at the golf club. We were a bit short on numbers - all members please note that it is essential to notify via our club message line - 9294 2107 - by midday on Monday if you are not coming to the meeting on the Wednesday, or if you are bringing a visitor to the meeting. Nevertheless, President Jim got the meeting underway right on 6.30, ready for the arrival of our meal.

Announcements were called and John Ellis gave an update on Youth programs with our 2 Pennant Hills High School nominees for National Youth Science Forum being successful. They have been advised that they will attend the January 2020 session in Brisbane and will attend an orientation session later this year. Theo Glockemann, back from his sojourn in Timor Leste, gave a brief sample of next week's talk before asking if our club could sponsor Gomez from Timor to RYLA in January. As the treasurer was not present, it was decided to seek his advice on the status of our finances before making a commitment on this. David Firth raised the matter of the upcoming Christmas Trailer Raffle. He circulated a draft roster for the 10 selling Saturdays commencing on October 12th, asking members to commit to at least 4 shifts each. It was agreed that we start each morning at 8.30am instead of the previous 8.00am start. The finishing time for the second shift will now be 2.30pm with changeover between shifts at 11.30am. David was asked to investigate the Square Tap and Go credit card payment unit available at Officeworks for \$59. Pam Hudson suggested that it would be a very handy device to have at the Annual Charity Golf Day.

Following the meal, President Jim provided a trivia session with members contributing \$2 each and earning points for correct (or almost correct) answers. Naturally there were disputes as to who answered first; whether the answers from Jim's authoritative source were correct (he claimed the Magna Carta was dated 1066!); etc. The result of all that was that Pam Hudson managed to come from behind to beat John Ellis. The prize of \$3 was then graciously donated back to club funds.

Phil Stanton, who was unable to attend due to a Golf Club Board meeting, had organised our visit to Beecroft Fire Station. So soon after 7.30pm we drove along to the station. There we were greeted by the team of four who were about halfway through their 24 hour shift. Obviously they have sleeping quarters there and do their own catering. They are on call for the whole time. The Beecroft Station has 4 x 4 man teams with the shift patterns as follows—24 hours on, 24 hours off, 24 on, 24 off, then 4 days off.

They explained that calls come through 000 and are relayed to the nearest station with the next nearest station also sent as a back up. This is for house fires, however they are also involved in rescue work, car accidents, bush fires and other emergencies as well as commercial and industrial fires. Additional fire units are sent depending on the scope of the problem. Interestingly, when they are called out, the whole team goes leaving the station unattended.

They were very keen to advise on preventative measures with household fires and household safety. They talked about smoke detectors - not just ensuring the batteries are renewed annually, but also replacing any detector more than 10 years old. Of particular interest to members was their offer of individual house inspections to advise on safety and fire prevention. This is a free service and they will service smoke detectors during their visit. They encouraged all members to take advantage of this free service.

They then showed a few short videos about fire prevention and in one they showed how quickly a fire in a modern home involves the whole room - 4 minutes from the appearance of the first flames! They did say that this was significantly quicker than in old homes where the building and the furnishings are more likely made of natural materials and fibres rather than synthetics, plastics, etc.

We spent a very enjoyable hour or so with them and Jim expressed our appreciation for their time and hospitality.

Reporter: David Firth

Some photos from our visit to Beecroft Fire Station



ROTARY CLUB OF PENNANT HILLS ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF DAY

Where: Pennant Hills Golf Club

Date: Tuesday 29th October 2019



Cost: \$125 per player
Includes: Golf, Breakfast
& Lunch

Registration 7.30am,
Shot-gun start 8.30am
Breakfast 7.00am-8.15am

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OUR FORWARD PROGRAM

Date	Program	Speaker	Chairman	Reporter
Wednesday 9th October	10th Anniversary RYLA In Timor Leste	Theo Glockemann	President Jim Fraser	John Ellis
Saturday 12th October	TRAILER RAFFLE STARTS	At Pennant Hills Market Place	Morning Shift 8.30 to 11.30am	Second Shift 11.30am to 2.30pm
Monday OCTOBER 28th	Joint District Governor's Official Visit with Beecroft at Pennant Hills Bowling Club	DG Kalma McLellan	Presidents Johanna & Jim	Kaye Carter
OCTOBER 29th	ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF DAY	AT PENNANT HILLS GOLF CLUB	Contact PHIL STANTON	PLAYERS & SPONSORS WANTED

ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

Member Attendance : 62.5%

Apologies: Kaye Carter, Ian Chappel, Terry Pankhurst, Pat Parker, Phil Stanton, David Walsh

Guest Speaker: Nil

Guests: Nil

FELLOWS, IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT YOU PHONE THE ATTENDANCE NUMBER BY LUNCHTIME MONDAY IF YOU ARE NOT ATTENDING THE MEETING THAT WEEK, SO JACK CAN ADVISE THE GOLF CLUB FOR CATERING! WE WERE BOOKED FOR 11 & HAD 9 ONLY THIS WEEK

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Terry Pankhurst - October 3rd

Phil Stanton - October 3rd

Maureen Pankhurst - October 25th

Heather Hopping - October 31st

ANNIVERSARIES

Jack & Ruth Reid - October 1st

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Adrian Bell - October 9th

Kaye Carter - October 15th

TRAILER RAFFLE ROSTER

At last week's meeting the Trailer Raffle Roster sheet was circulated. Seven members selected dates and shifts which they volunteered for. If you haven't had an opportunity to nominate when you can assist, please make sure you see Pat Parker or David Firth who can tell you what dates and times are available. We would like to have 3 sellers on each shift. If you know anyone who would like to give us 3 hours on one or more days, please ask them to nominate which day they are available.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"In matters of style, swim with the current; in matters of principle, stand like a rock."

- Thomas Jefferson