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Saturday



OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK

ANOTHER MYSTERY PROGRAM

Chairman: President Adrian

Reporter: David Firth

Meet at the Hotel Pennant Hills at 6.30pm

CHRISTMAS TRAILER RAFFLE PROGRESS

Our third selling day was at Westleigh Village. This was the second time we have sold there in recent years and it has proved to be a very welcoming venue, both from the centre management and from the shoppers.

So our teams were Jim Fraser, Theo Glockemann, Jack Reid and Pam Hudson to lead off - Jack & Theo at the upper level - and they were followed by Pat Parker, John Ellis (upper level) and David Firth.

The result was sales of 566 tickets and takings of \$956.15, just a little down on last year at this venue.

Next week we are selling at Coonara Shopping Centre. We have the first shift comprising Adrian Bell, Ian Chappel and Theo Glockemann. They will be followed by Jim Fraser and Alan & Lee Lowe! We do appreciate Alan & Lee's offer to assist us.



A photo on the Westleigh Village Facebook page from Saturday afternoon

NEXT WEEK - November 5th

Adrian's Latest Renovation & Build

Organiser & Speaker: Adrian Bell

Reporter: Phil Stanton

NOTE: We are meeting at the renovation, 21 O'Neill Street Lilyfield at 6pm, going on to dinner at a nearby café. **We need numbers for the dinner tonight!**

Rotary Report 22nd October

The normal routine at Penno Pub had one major change last week. Your reporter arrived before 6.30pm to see none other than Claude already seated with the oversized pizza he had ordered for dinner – either the traffic was light or he got our starting time wrong.

After the eating dinner part of the evening, Pres AB reminded everyone that numbers must be advised latest next week for the “Tour Extraordinaire” of the latest Bell Mansion in two weeks time, followed by dinner at the establishment of the “world’s best” barista!

John Ellis recounted his trials and tribulations funding our NYSF student. Something about him only checking his Facebook rather than his emails! Oh! The complicated world we live in!

Yours truly flagged a possible Murder Mystery weekend in the mountains next year. The required minimum number required seemed attainable so will make further enquiries.

The Trailer Raffle raised its head – it seems someone named Glockemann was absent from duties last Saturday morning. Amazing! Is it not known that the SMH needs careful perusal on Saturdays? So much so that some super stressful activities such as writing out raffle tickets are at times a casualty of an overburdened memory!

Sergeant Ellis issued fines commensurate with his love of history. Something about the 10,000th Anniversary of the Battle of (was it) Trafalgar. Nobody knew and nobody cared! A merit cross-fine of interest was levied on our newest member Kaye Carter, praising her for feeding local possums and predatory birds who without this largesse would otherwise eat smaller birds. This week the collection included half of Claude’s pizza, four meatballs from your reporter, salad from our esteemed President and a variety of other bits and pieces. From this lot a really balanced meal should result!

It was then time for our President Adrian to do a “This is your life” about his history in real estate wheeling and dealing, supported by pictures. It all started at 122 Castle Hill Rd where he lived for 10 years renovating and adding bedrooms. He sold at a profit and decided to continue his entrepreneurial instincts in development. Second on the list was his current home in the first gated development in Australia. Obviously he enjoys living here.

Profits rolled in from townhouses at St Marys, and Scotland Island where he had his first love affair with council development offices who took six months to reverse the demolition order that had been placed on the building, and who appeared not to know which way up the plans should be read. This almost earned the wrath of AB who accused the council gentleman of being a dick (or something like that!) In spite of that the bucks earned were worthwhile if not as quick as would have been expected.

This had become fun so he splashed out big again at St Marys. (Perhaps he was advised that Sainted Marys had a paternal interest in the Bell Superannuation kitty). \$5 million developed eighteen apartments in place of three houses with 34 carpark spaces underneath. And my god how the money rolled in, rolled in, my god how the money rolled in!!

Around this time your correspondent had a complete fit of naked jealousy!

Then, realising that he was indeed able to walk on water and with “ego running amok”, he embarked on an \$8million project at Soldiers Point. Two things then happened – a certain Global Financial Crisis hit, and he finally determined that Saint Mary did not in fact love him as much as he thought! A substantial loss confirmed it! My jealousy abated!

But undaunted, and with the super fund looking a little less bright than it had, a hundred year old terrace in Wagga beckoned. Four years later another good profit. Then the New Line Road duplex. Sold one to a

“deserving” lady for less than it was worth. She sold it less than a year later for a tidy profit. But not to worry, the other one made up for any shortfall!

Annandale was next, a little vintage shack with outdoor dunny. Supposedly such a stupid buy that Channel Nine visited, presumably to see what sort of an idiot would buy it at that price. By the time our guru had finished, not only were there two dunnies inside but also an extra bedroom. Elswick Street Leichhardt was next on the list – known to some members who visited it during renovations. After a 15 month delay awaiting a DA, work began, during which time AB further developed his fondness for the lovely folk at Council. Somewhere along the way the “lovely person” became a rick! (AB has a limited vocabulary when describing council officers competence!) None the less a handsome profit was the end result.

And so we come to the current obsession – 21 O’Neill Street Lilyfield – which we will be visiting in a fortnight. Seems like a nice neighbourhood with the exception of the drug dealing vendors and the next door neighbour in jail for credit card fraud. But there are other “attractions”, one of which is the display the other neighbour puts on roaming nude in the backyard! (The colostomy bag is however a bit of a turnoff).

And so, dear friends we come up to date with the Bell Investment and Development Empire. Your reporter’s head is spinning with the financial data he received interrogating AB. I was hoping to conclude with an AB Super Financial Report. The whole thing became just too bloody difficult.

A few questions, we finished our drinks, and went home.

Goodnight!

Reporter: Theo Glockemann

Subject: Murder Mystery @ The George Boutique Hotel, Blackheath

Hi David

As flagged on Monday night, I have booked in for Saturday 6th April next year and also reserved 4 double rooms. I am told that rooms book out quick, so if more are needed I need to know within the next couple of weeks. Perhaps you could include something in Spokes. I think it should be a heap of fun!

Theo

From: Vicki Geraghty

Sent: Wednesday, July 4, 2018 8:24 PM

To: theogeo@bigpond.net.au

Subject: Fwd: Murder Mystery @ The George

Dear Theo,

Our Murder Mystery Events are lots of fun for all ages and all occasions.

Our minimum number for Murders are 8 people and no maximum number.

This is because we will customize the Murder to your groups’ specific requirements.

When you have a date in mind our Murder Host, the very entertaining actor, Bryan Cutts, will contact you to discuss your particular Mystery. We then send you individual character details and clues for you to distribute to your guests. It can also be a lot of fun as you decide which of your friends, family or work mates get to play the different characters of our drama.

On the day or evening, you choose the time, you gather your group in The Library at The George Boutique Hotel for a glass of bubbly and the first clues led by your Murder Host.

Later in our Red Room, so named to disguise any blood on the walls, you will over a delicious 3 course meal follow the clues and reveal the villain!

Your event will take approximately 3 hours and the cost of all of the above including the services of your Murder Host before and during the Mystery is \$110 per person.

Extra beverages during the meal may be paid for individually or you can set up a bar tab.

We are happy to cater for any dietary requirements, just let us know. Our meals are seasonal and feature local produce wherever possible. We do alternate meals and can discuss these with you prior to your event.

The George also offers boutique accommodation in 9 ensuite rooms. The average cost is \$190 per room per night and this includes breakfast. Contact us to discuss availability.

Our Murder Mystery Events are unique because they are personally tailored to your group and take place in the beautiful old atmosphere of the Heritage listed 1890 George Boutique Hotel.

THE FORWARD PROGRAM

DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	CHAIRMAN	REPORTER
Nov 3rd	TRAILER RAFFLE AT COONARA SHOPPING CENTRE @ 8.00am			
Nov 5th	Vocational visit to Pres Adrian's Lilyfield renovation - a Partner's night with dinner after at a brand new evening café nearby! Don't miss this special night.			
Nov 12th	TBA	TBA	Pres Adrian	John Ellis
Wed Nov 14th	Ronald McDonald House	"Meals from the Heart"	Pat Parker	Phil Stanton

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ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

Member Attendance: 62.5%

Apologies: Ahmadul Ameen, Ian Chappel, Phil Stanton, Terry Pankhurst, Pat Parker

Rotarian Guest: Nil

Guests: Nil

Leave of Absence: Nil

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Maureen Pankhurst - Oct 25th

Heather Hopping - Oct 31st

ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*'Justice has nothing to do with what goes on in a courtroom;
Justice is what comes out of a courtroom.'*

- Clarence Darrow