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OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK

President Adrian's GRAND DES9GN Revealed

We are meeting at 6pm at the site - 21 O'Neill Street, LILYFIELD, for an inspection plus slide presentation. This will be followed by dinner at the BREW HA HA Café on the corner of Catherine and Piper Streets, LILYFIELD at 7pm. This is a Vocational Visit and our partners are welcome to come along. **Phil Stanton** is the Reporter

CHRISTMAS TRAILER RAFFLE PROGRESS

Day Four was at Coonara Shops. We sell there each year as it is close to our area and has a friendly village atmosphere. This year we had the morning shift comprising Adrian Bell and Ian Chappel - a third member was not available. They were followed by Jim Fraser and Alan & Lee Lowe. The trailer was delivered by Terry Pankhurst and returned by David Firth. As you can see from the photos at right, there was not much shade. Still we sold 264 tickets and took \$480 - almost exactly the same result as last year. To date we've sold

almost \$2,500 worth of tickets. So next week we are at the new Beecroft Shopping Centre, the first time there for us. Our 1st team is John Ellis, Claude Rigney and Phil Stanton. They will be followed by Jim Fraser, Theo Glockemann and Ian Huckel.



The Trailer in position at Coonara and the second shift finishing up.

NEXT WEEK - November 12th

'SO THEY CAN' - Empowering communities through Education Speaker: Keri Chittenden Chairman: Phil Stanton Reporter: John Ellis

NOTE: Back at the Hotel Pennant Hills at 6.30 for 7.00pm start

MEETING REPORT - 29th October

Advertised in SPOKES as another Mystery Program, the mystery soon evaporated with the return to the club of Phil Stanton. He had returned from his African Safari in which he was supposed to have played golf with lions, cheetahs (no not Cheaters!), and giraffes. When welcomed by the president, he promised to tell all later in the evening. Also back after a brief sojourn in Queensland was treasurer Terry.

The president commenced by outlining the arrangements for the next meeting - the vocational visit to the Grand Design Lilyfield and the dinner to follow at Brew Ha Ha Café. A map was provided for all those unable to use GPS trackers. This promises to be a highlight event.

Theo G followed with some details of his planned Murder Mystery Weekend at the George Boutique Hotel, Blackheath. The date booked is Saturday 6th April and a minimum of 8 people is required. Theo also issued an open invitation to members and their families and friends to attend a Timor Leste presentation at Lutanda Manor Community Centre on Sunday 18th November at 2pm. The team that went to Timor this year will be there to tell their story and show some pictures.

John Ellis reported that 2 candidates had been selected for RYPEN in 2019. They are both students at Pennant Hills High School. He is also involved in selecting the Young Endeavour awardee at present.

Pat Parker reminded all of our upcoming return visit to Ronald McDonald House for 'Meals From The Heart'. It's on Wednesday November 14th at 4pm and partners are particularly welcome.

Other matters raised included the Trailer Raffle and its roster; the need to plan our Australia Day meeting and awardee selection; a proposed Twilight Barefoot? Bowls evening at Lutanda with Theo G; and a reminder of our AGM and Elections on December 3rd.

Phil Stanton then got a go. He spoke about his trip in a group of 12 golfers essentially to South Africa. However, he and Lyn went early and visited the Victorian Falls, on the border between Zimbabwe and Zambia. He was amazed at the size and the volume of water passing over the falls even during the dry season. (When the wet season is on, the volume of water is so great that the spray envelopes the whole area so it is difficult to see anything)



He and Lyn met their group in Johannesburg. The days were marked by early starts and late to bed. They visited Kruger National Park seeing much of the wildlife. The threat posed by poachers is still great. Indeed, in the park is a K9 Centre where dogs are trained to hunt down poachers. They stayed at Sun City Resort, an amazing place and



experience. One of the golf courses they played was Gary Player's Blair Athol course which was also very impressive.

In preparation for their trip, the group had gathered an array of gifts and essentials to give to an underprivileged pre school identified by their leader, Ray Dearlove. They spent considerable time with this school talking with the staff and the children.

In one of the wildlife parks they witnessed and took part with rangers tranquillising a rhino so that the animal could be identified by DNA. This is a further deterrent for poachers should they be caught with horns with matching DNA.

Their last stop was in Cape Town, a beautiful harbour city not unlike our own Sydney. They went up Table Mountain, having been blessed with brilliant weather. They also hired a car and visited a special reserve for orphaned big cats. These have become domesticated and are quite tame. They will never be returned to the wild as they would be unable to support themselves. All in all a great experience with some golf to top it off.



A white rhino that has been tranquillised in the Pilanesberg National Park so that DNA samples can be taken, a microchip implanted and ear patterns cut all to make it possible to track and identify the animal and foil poachers.

After a few questions, Adrian closed the meeting and some of us went home just a little envious.

Reporter: the Editor

Saving babies lives in Ethiopia

Karin Davis spent two years in Ethiopia as a child in the 1950s, when her father helped establish a University in Jimma. In 2012, shortly after her parents died, the retired pediatrician got inspired to do something to help. As a member of the Rotary Club of Del Mar, California, USA, she worked with local Rotarians in Gondar to create a curriculum at the University Hospital, teaching midwives, nurses, and students life-saving care for newborns. The global grant project funded a vocational training



team of medical professionals that made four visits to Ethiopia. In all, 73 instructors were trained. They subsequently held 30 classes resulting in over 800 nurses and midwives being trained in the lifesaving techniques. The project had raised \$62,000 from 4 clubs & 2 districts. The Foundation grants totalled \$84,250.

THE FORWARD PROGRAM				
DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	CHAIRMAN	REPORTER
Nov 10th	TRAILER RAFFLE AT BEECROFT SHOPPING CENTRE @ 8.00am			
Nov 12th	'SO THEY CAN'	Keri Chittenden	Phil Stanton	John Ellis
Wed Nov 14th	Ronald McDonald House	"Meals from the Heart"	Pat Parker	Phil Stanton
Dec 3rd	AGM & Elections	Pres Adrian	Pres Adrian	Pat Parker

IMPORTANT DATES

Here are some important dates to add to your Club Calendar.

Please don't schedule Club Projects or Events on any of these dates, as they are all important District Events (Conference & Changeover) or Training for 2019/20 Club Leaders.

IMPORTANT 2018-19 DATES TO ADD TO YOUR CALENDARS

16 March 2019 - President-Elect Training Seminar (PETS) - COMPULSORY Training for 2019/20 Presidents

29-31 March 2019 - District Conference, Newcastle. Register at <u>conference.rotarydistrict9685.org.au</u>

14 April 2019 - District Assembly - Training for all 2019/20 Club Board members and executives

29 June 2019 - District Changeover

ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

Member Attendance: 75.0%

Apologies: Ahmadul Ameen, Ian Chappel, Pam

Hudson

Rotarian Guest: Nil

Guests: Nil

Leave of Absence: Nil

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Heather Hopping - Oct 31st

Lyn Stanton - Nov 4th

Sandra Parker - Nov 7th

ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"When angry, count to ten before you speak. If very angry, count to one hundred."

- Thomas Jefferson (1743 - 1826)