



RC Mandurah City Bulletin F.10.

**NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September:**

**Programme: POT LUCK DINNER: at Pat's home - 14 Boileau Place, San Remo**

**REPORT OF LAST WEEKS MEETING 28th August 2013**

### **WELCOME and TOASTS**

With Sergeant Gareth still AWOL Mike claimed the role and rang the bell at 7.00pm and introduced President Sue who proposed the toast to Australia and invited Stephanie to propose the toast to Peru. After the Rotary Invocation President Sue welcomed our special guest – Mayor Paddi Creevey, and our exchange student Stephanie. PP Phil Brown introduced himself and his wife Merice from Mandurah Districts RC and Bill introduced Sue and I introduced Eileen.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Barbara has contacted our two High Schools about the Rotary Adventure in Citizenship programme.
- Carol announced our first Vocational Visit for the year will be to the Peel Hospital on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November
- PP Phil announced two District programmes – “Climb for a Smile” up the Bank West Tower and invited Stephanie to come along. The other was the “Rotary Ramble” a social day spent around Perth. It can be either a team event or just a good day out.

### **ROTARY INFORMATION David's Dissertation**

It is a couple of years since I last spoke to you about how Rotary came to Australia and to Mandurah so I thought I would revisit it.

Paul Harris, the founder of Rotary, and his friends all from different professions first met in 1905 but it was not until 8 years had passed before he thought of establishing Rotary beyond the US and it all came about through an Australian called Walter Drummond who lived in Melbourne but who was visiting Chicago and met Paul Harris at the home of a mutual friend called Chesney Perry. That was in 1913 but WWI broke out the following year and it was not until the war was well over that the first Club in Australia- the Melbourne Rotary Club was admitted to Rotary International on the 1<sup>st</sup> of April 1921.

Walter Drummond was, in fact, not a charter member of the Melbourne Rotary Club as there was some problem with his classification. However they made him the Honorary Secretary until he was selected as a member later in September 1921 and he served as Secretary of the Melbourne Club for a number of years.

This all happened before the District System of RI was established.



The Sydney Club was founded on the 1<sup>st</sup> May 1921 – just one month after Melbourne.

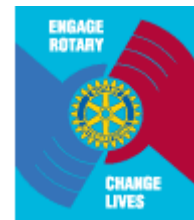
The Perth Club was chartered on the 15<sup>th</sup> April 1927

On the 15<sup>th</sup> September 1927 District 65 was formed to cover the whole of Australia with 18 Clubs – but Perth was still the only WA Club.

By 1930 there had been sufficient growth to form 17 Clubs into a separate District 76 covering Queensland, parts of NW and the Federal Territory. That left 17 still in District 65 but now there was also the Fremantle Club in WA chartered in 1928.

Of course, since those days there have been several realignments of Districts and an expansion of Clubs. Our District now is numbered 9465 and we have 50 Clubs and a membership of 1370 Rotarians, at least according to the District Directory.

Sponsored by the Fremantle Club, the first Mandurah Club was chartered 27<sup>th</sup> June 1961 and Mandurah sponsored in turn: Pinjarra in 1967, Mandurah Districts in 1985 and finally our Mandurah City Rotary Club which received its charter on the 19<sup>th</sup> April 1993.



## OUR GUEST SPEAKER

President Sue introduced our Guest Speaker Paddi Creevey who for the last eight years has served as Mayor of the City of Mandurah and who will retire at the forthcoming Local Council Elections. With the aid of a series of slides Paddi told the story of Mandurah growing from a sleepy fishing town into a sophisticated modern city of a population of 76,670 permanent residents although the city swells to 100,000 during the holiday season. She pointed out the age demographics of the city which pointed up the need to accommodate young families as well as an aging community. Additionally Mandurah is high in unemployment figures being well over the WA and Australian figures. Youth unemployment in 2006 being 9.9% and in 2011 16.5% and the challenge this was to Mandurah's education and training sector and to the development of new industries. She explained the various community consultations and strategic development plans the Council has adopted including a 2013 - 2033 Strategic Community Plan; a 4 year Business Plan and a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2011- 2015. She listed some of the Council's past achievements and programmes and plans for 2013/14. She concluded by reflecting on what motivates people to come forward and serve the community and to accept leadership roles. She felt it was the opportunity to do something if not everything and to keep on being a force for good. In question time she replied to questions about the Old Mandurah Bridge, population expansion, Point Grey and the proposal for local council amalgamations.

I had the privilege of expressing the appreciation of the Club to Paddi and presenting her with one of our Rotary mugs.



**CORPORAL'S \$E\$\$ION** Pat as Corporal tonight invited members to share their happy dollar stories and Stephanie gladly collected from Kay, Phil, Carol, Sue and Rob

**COME IN SPINNER;**

Darren, our spinner tossed the coins tonight, the jackpot having restarted at \$40. Kay won the first round but could not find the joker. The second round was won by our guest – Paddi Creevey who chose a bottle of white wine.

**CLOSURE**

President Sue brought the meeting to a close at 8.35pm with the singing of the National Anthem having thanking our visitors Paddi Creevey, Stephanie, PP Phil and Merice, Sue and Eileen for coming and joining us. Sue announced that although it has been cancelled it was again on and next week we will have our Pot Luck Dinner social evening and Pat will be our host at 14 Boileau Place, San Remo. 6.30pm to 8.30pm

**A SPECIAL REQUEST –formal ball gowns for Coodanup High School**

Community Service Director Carol asks if members can check with family and friends is see if anyone has a formal gown (we are looking for more than one) that they could donate to us for the Coodanup High School Ball. Carol will be away for the next few weeks but will be back for Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September and could pick them up that night and would then arrange for them to be taken to the school

**PROGRAMME FOR FORTHCOMING WEEKS**

**1. Next Wednesday -4<sup>th</sup> September: POT LUCK DINNER**

Please RSVP to Pat - [pat.schraven@gmail.com](mailto:pat.schraven@gmail.com) by 5.00pm Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept.  
Bring a plate of food (savoury or sweet) to share.- perhaps your signature dish or try out a new recipe, defrost some party pies or pick up pizza on the way.

**A night of fellowship and fun.**



**2. The D.G.'s official visit to our Club  
will be WEDNESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER**

**3. MAKE SURE YOU HAVE NOTED THE NEW DATE**

**FRIDAY 18th OCTOBER 7.00pm for 7.30pm**

**A NIGHT OF INTRIQUE**

at the Mandurah Rugby Club,  
Oakmont Ave

Tickets are \$50.

We are looking for every member  
to try to organise a table of eight.



**DUTIES FOR THE NEXT THREE WEEKS**

Coming Weeks ~			
	<b>WEDNESDAY 4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 11<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY 18th September</b>
Host.	-	<b>Carol Sawyer</b>	<b>Chris Forward</b>
Intro	-	<b>Darren Carter</b>	<b>David Oxley</b>
Thanks	-	<b>Gareth Talbot</b>	<b>Mike Kirke</b>
Attendance	<b>Peter Hutchings</b>	<b>Peter Hutchings</b>	<b>Peter Hutchings</b>
Bulletin Editor	<b>David Oxley</b>	<b>David Oxley</b>	<b>David Oxley</b>
Corporal	-	<b>Mike Job</b>	<b>Jean Campbell</b>
Raffle- Heads and Tails	<b>Darren Carter</b>	<b>Darren Carter</b>	<b>Darren Carter</b>
GUEST SPEAKER	<b>POT LUCK DINNER at PAT'S</b>	<b>Cycling in Vietnam/Cambodia</b>	<b>DG Erwin Biemel's Official Visit</b>
Rotary Theme for the Month	<b>September: Youth Services Month</b>	<b>September: Youth Services Month</b>	<b>September: Youth Services Month</b>

## FACTS AND FIGURES

Meeting Statistics ( 61.90%)			Upcoming Celebrations	
<b>Total Members</b>	22	21 for %age calculation	<b>Birthdays</b> SEPTEMBER	Nil
Present Rotarians	13			
Make-ups				
<b>Total Attendance</b>	13		<b>Partner's Birthdays</b> SEPTEMBER	5 <sup>th</sup> Heather Jacoby 27 <sup>th</sup> Sue Knight
Apologies and Excused Attendance	8	LOA: John, Rule 85: Colin, Di		
Visiting Rotarians	1	PP Philip Brown	<b>Wedding Anniversaries</b> SEPTEMBER	27 <sup>th</sup> Eileen and David Oxley
Exch. Student	1	Stephanie		
Guests	4	Mayor Paddi Creevey Partners Eileen and Sue and Merice Brown		

## 2013/14 CLUB DETAILS

~ Mandurah City Rotary Club ~			
<b>Meeting Place</b>	RAAFA Club Meadow Springs	<b>Apologies to</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE OFFICER</b> <b>Peter Hutchings</b>
<b>Time</b>	Wednesdays 6.30 for 700pm		
<b>Postal Address</b>	P.O.Box 1135, Mandurah 6210		
Positions for 2013/14			
<i>President</i>	Sue Kirke	<i>Secretary</i>	Jean Campbell
<i>Vice President</i>	Colin Gilbert	<i>Treasurer</i>	Mike Kirke
<i>President Elect</i> <i>Club/Membership/Publicity</i>	Pat Schraven	<i>Sergeant</i>	Gareth Talbot
<i>Community/Vocational</i>	Carol Sawyer	<i>Corporal</i>	As Rostered
<i>International</i> <i>-Foundation</i>	Gareth Talbot	<i>Rotary Information and</i> <i>Bulletin Editor</i>	David Oxley
<i>New Generations</i>	Barbara Rowe	<i>Fundraising</i>	Frank Wheel
<i>Web Master</i>	Colin Gilbert	<i>Raffle Master</i>	Darren Carter
<i>Attendance Officer</i>	Peter Hutchings	<i>Programs</i>	Andrew Ralph

## MAKE-UP VENUES

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<b>Mandurah</b> Mandurah O F and S Club 6.15 for 6.45 pm <b>Rockingham</b> Ocean Clipper Inn 20-30 Patterson Road 6.00 for 6.30 pm	<b>Mandurah Districts</b> Mandurah Country Club Marsh Place Halls Head .00 for 6.30 pm	<b>Palm Beach</b> Ocean Clipper Inn 20-30 Patterson Road 6.00 for 6.30 pm	<b>Pinjarra</b> Pinjarra Golf Club Pinjarra Road 6.15 for 6.45 pm

