Rotary Club of Mandurah City Western Australia



RC Mandurah City Bulletin F.11.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 18th September:

Programme: District Governor's Visit PARTNERS/ FAMILY NIGHT

Frank Wheel will meet the DG at 5.00pm and the rest of the Board at 5.30pm

REPORT OF LAST TWO WEEKS

1. Pot Luck Dinner: Wednesday 4th September





On Wednesday 4th September

Pat graciously hosted a fellowship gathering of our members. Ten members were present plus Stephanie and Eileen. It was an excellent evening of getting to know each other better and Pat had organised, with member's culinary contributions, a great Pot Luck meal. She also devised an intriguing way to encourage some personal reminiscences from each member. Thanks Pat for a great night.

2. Kay Williams – White Ribbon Ambassador: Wednesday 11th September WELCOME and TOASTS

Sergeant Gareth rang the bell and introduced President Sue who offered the Toasts to Australia and Peru. After Rotary Invocation President Sue welcomed our guest speaker tonight- our own member Kay and her husband Paul; visiting Rotarian Rowan Atkinson and her husband Ross from the RC of Frankton in New Zealand (District 9930) ; and I introduced Eileen. Rowan explained a little about her club and exchanged banners with President Sue.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Sue had a number of matters

- She reminded members of the details of the DG's visit next week.
- The Duck Race Committee's first meeting will be tomorrow and we will be represented by Mike, Jean, and Kay also offered to go.
- It is with regret that it was announced that Peter has resigned for ill health and a new attendance officer is needed
- Climb for a Smile information has now been received from PP Phil Brown

- Greetings and best wishes to the Club have been received from Colin. He finished treatment
 last week and is slowly recovering. He walks the dog when not too tired and can drive the car
 but he will be in Perth for another few weeks.
- On behalf of Barbara, Sue announced we now have 2 nominations for RYPEN
- Gareth reminded members of our "Night of Intrigue" and announced that to date 5 books (tables) have been sold (10 more to go and 6 weeks to the night)
- Treasurer Mike reminded members that this year's fees of \$270 are due as from tonight.
- Mike is also organising a possible team for the "Rotary Ramble" around Perth for Sunday 20th October.
- Frank mentioned that now he is back he will be looking at other fund raising opportunities and for the Foundation he distributed car stickers – "End Polio Now"
- Secretary Jean also distributed around the tables business cards that promote Rotary.
- Finally President Sue thanked Pat for hosting the Fellowship Pot Luck Dinner last week.

ROTARY INFORMATION David's Dissertation

The most recent international news seems to be focusing upon America making a decision about a military intervention into the civil war going on in Syria. I have found a short piece that our Founder Paul Harris wrote in 1946 about World Peace. I would like to read it for you.

When a certain distinguished scientist (Charles Steinmetz- the inventor of alternating electricity) was asked what coming invention would mean most to mankind, he answered "I don't think that any invention would mean much to mankind as the discovery of a better way to get along together"

He was gravely disturbed by a world gone war-mad. He had asked himself – as we all should – this question: What profiteth it that industry produces great wealth if all must be dissipated in a few hysterical months?

How can we find a better way to get along together?

There's the Golden Rule, but every nation believes its way is the Golden Rule way. Sir Norman Angel has wisely observed that no nation, however aggressive and inhuman its course may be, is conscious of

guilt; its people are taught that they are superior to all others and that destiny calls them to lead. Most nations are over educated in their virtues and undereducated in their vices.

Travel is a good corrective for this type of mental near-sightedness – if the traveler will cast aside his prejudices. People will see what they look for, the ugly or the beautiful. If they seek things to condemn, they will find them in plenty and return home more prejudiced and arrogant than ever.







Open mindedness and tolerance are earmarks of the Rotary approach to the problem. Clubs exist in some 60 nations and opportunities for discord abound. But though membership includes representatives of all religious and political parties, discord is rare in Rotary.

The Rotary way works! But Rotary has no patent on it, for it is but the Golden Rule in action. Any person, any nation can apply it by displacing hatred and fear with goodwill based on understanding.

Peace among nations is not impossible of attainment: they can find peace if they will.

OUR GUEST SPEAKER

Darren introduced Kay and her topic – 'The Good Guys Fun Run" on Sunday 13th October at Madora Bay being organised by the Mandurah Domestic Violence Action Group – the Committee for White Ribbon Day. Proceeds will support the White Ribbon Foundation. Kay shared around the tables, posters and flyers. She reminded members that statistics show that 1 in 3 women will be assaulted or abused in their lifetime and that there are 100 cases of domestic violent in Mandurah per week Through her policy responsibilities at Peel Health Campus and as a past sufferer of domestic violence Kay became involved with Domestic Violence Action Group, Pat Thomas House the Mandurah Women's refuge, and the White Ribbon movement advocating for the rights of women. White Ribbon Day is 25th November. It is not only a day to purchase and wear a White Ribbon badge but it is also all about campaigning to stop men's violence against women by swearing-"I swear never to commit, excuse or remain silent about violence against women- this is my oath". Kay answered members questions about the definition of violence as being physical/emotional/verbal and mental; how referrals are made through the Emergency Department at PHC and how and why she is so passionate about being a White Ribbon Ambassador. Gareth expressed the thanks of members to Kay and presented the "legendary" Rotary Mug to her.

CORPORAL'\$ \$E\$\$ION

Mike F tried his hand at collecting tonight and had all Dockers fans pay (this one I did so gladly); Darren (playing golf in the rain); Treasurer Mike (raising revenue); Mike F himself (sacking the mowing contractor); and there were happy/sad dollars from Frank(happy to be back – he couldn't speak French); our NZ friends (happy to be here); Kay (proud of her son); Vernon too (son working); and Sue with mixed emotions having visited her 91 year old mother in hospital.

COME IN SPINNER;

Darren, our spinner can toss the coins high but forgot the cards. Jean won the first throw but did not find the marked (visiting) card; but Pat, winning the second throw, took a red wine (there was only red wine to choose from anyway!!)

CLOSURE

President Sue closed the meeting at 8.20pm thanking Kay for her talk and our visitors for joining us. Having being reminded of the DG's visit and of the fund raising Night of Intrigue, we concluded with a lusty singing of the National Anthem.

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 25th September and could pick them up that night and would then arrange for them to be taken to the school

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 ~					
	WEDNESDAY 18th September	WEDNESDAY 25th September	WEDNESDAY 2 nd October		
Host.	?????	Darren Carter	?????		
Intro	David Oxley	Frank Wheel	Gareth Talbot		
Thanks	Mike Kirke	Pat Schraven	Rob West		
Attendance	David Oxley (acting)	David Oxley (acting)	David Oxley (acting)		
Bulletin Editor	David Oxley	David Oxley	David Oxley		
Corporal	Jean Campbell	Barbara Rowe	Marj Manfield		
Raffle- Heads and Tails	Darren Carter	Darren Carter	Darren Carter		
GUEST SPEAKER	PDG Erwin Biemel's Official Visit.	ТВА	David Templeman MLA		
Rotary Theme for the Month	September: Youth Services Month	September: Youth Services Month	October: Vocational Service Month		

FACTS AND FIGURES

Meeting Statistics (65.00%)		Upcoming Celebrations		
Total Members	22	21 for %age calculation	Birthdays	Nil
Present Rotarians	13		SEPTEMBER	NII
Make-ups				
Total Attendance	13		Dortmor's Birthdoys	5 th Heather Jacoby 27 th Sue Knight
Apologies and Excused Attendance	7	LOA: John, Rule 85: Colin, Di	— Partner's Birthdays SEPTEMBER	
Visiting Rotarians	1	Rot. Rowan Anderson	Wedding Anniversaries SEPTEMBER	27 th Eileen and David Oxley
Exch. Student				
Guests	3	Ross Anderson Partners Eileen and Paul		

2013/14 CLUB DETAILS

	~ Man	durah City Rotary Club ~	
Meeting Place	RAAFA Club Meadow Spr	ings Apologies to	ATTENDANCE OFFICER
Time	Wednesdays 6.30 for 700	pm	David Oxley (Acting) 9582 5202
Postal Address	P.O.Box 1135, Mandurah 6	5210	davelox@msvillage.com.au
	:	Positions for 2013/14	
President	Sue Kirke	Secretary	Jean Campbell
Vice President	Colin Gilbert	Treasurer	Mike Kirke
President Elect Club/Membership/Public	Pat Schraven	Sergeant	Gareth Talbot
Community/Vocational	Carol Sawye	r Corporal	As Rostered
International -Foundation	Gareth Talbo	t Rotary Information Bulletin Editor	and David Oxley
New Generations	Barbara Row	e Fundraising	Frank Wheel
Web Master	Colin Gilbert	Raffle Master	Darren Carter
Attendance Officer		Programs	Andrew Ralph

MAKE-UP VENUES

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