

RC Mandurah City Bulletin F. 25.

ENGAGE ROTARY, CHANGE LIVES. "When Rotarians get involved, when they get engaged, then lives change and the life they change most will be their own" RI President Ron Burton

NEXT MEETINGS: Wednesdays 5th (Bowling) and 12th February (Phil Gray – Mandurah Muscateers)

REPORT OF LAST WEEK: Committee Meetings

WELCOME and TOASTS

We all realised Sergeant Gareth was present tonight by his well-timed 7 min and then 2 minute bells prior to the meeting commencing. Exactly on time at 7.00pm he rang the bell for the last time and introduced President Sue who welcomed Chris Forward back from his stint with the Navy and then holiday and also welcomed our former member and good friend Peter Hutchings. President Sue then offered the Toast to Australia and after Rotary Invocation Gareth called for directors' announcements.

ANOUNCEMENTS

- Barbara for Youth Service mentioned that she had received information about the Rotary Adventure in Citizenship to be held in Canberra and would be contacting schools to see if we can find a nomination. \$1000 has been budgeted for this project. She had also received a thank you letter from John Tonkin College for our donation.
- Andrew announced that our new Exchange student who is being hosted by our three Mandurah Clubs comes from Russia and is staying with Jack and Pat Ricks as his first host family.
- Andrew also reported on the RYLA Camp Dinner that he had attended last week at Serpentine and how well the Rylarian (former RYLA awardees) facilitators had run the camp.
- Secretary Jean announced that next Wednesday we are going bowling at the Halls Head Bowling Club with the Blind Bowlers. Cost will be \$6 plus \$6 for the sausage sizzle. Time: 6.00pm for 6.30pm. Bare feet or socks (no heels). Jean will email all members.
- Mike announced that ticket selling is beginning for the Duck Race and passed a roster list around the tables. We are selling at Bunnings and on Sun 9th at Mandjar Markets. Members will each get 4 books to sell
- President Sue expressed the clubs thanks to Andrew for his mighty effort with the Open Air Cinema project. There is a Presidents meeting later this week and we will learn what is required of the Mandurah Clubs for the District Conference. We are running the RDU stall. Registrations for attendance are needed ASAP. A list of Peel Region community leaders needs to be put together for special invitations to the Conference. Any suggested names please pass on to Sue.

 Gareth announced that the club had received a certificate of appreciation from Beyond Blue and for Sail into Life (starts 8.00 to 8.15 am) he listed the volunteers who had offered to help on our days: Sundays 2nd February; 16th February and 2nd March.

ROTARY INFORMATION: David's Dissertation.

January has been ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH, but that does not simply mean that I can tell you stories about the past history of our organization.

There is an aspect of Rotary Awareness that should be firmly focused on the future. It's the questions: - where do we want to go? what do we want to do? and how do we want to do it? that should be exercising us.

President Sue opened up this line of forward thinking for our club with her planning sessions right at the beginning of her year as President

However there is also the question of how you link the past with the future.

If we are serious in our desire to attract new members, those of us already in Rotary (and maybe been there for a good long time) we have to be prepared to share our knowledge and experience. Prospective members want to know all about the opportunities for service and the resources available to them if they commit to join a Rotary Club and when we welcome those new members there are traditions to pass on and a rich heritage to share.

We are the link between the past and future

Past RI President Richard Evans (1966/1967) once said "A man may have a great truth; he may produce a good product; he may make a great discovery, but if he dies and no one benefits it's because he did not share"

Rotary has a history that is marked by achievement and growth. Rotary Information sessions try to share something of it but it's a history so deep and so varied that in fact there are few who know the complete story of Rotary.

The greater the understanding of Rotary's history and tradition of service, the better we are prepared to welcome new members and engage them with us in making our communities and indeed the whole world a better place for the future.

COMMITTEES



Tonight Members met in their Service Committee groups for 20 minutes and then reported back to the full meeting of the Club members.

1. <u>MEMBERSHIP:</u> (Andrew). Focus is on retaining members and helping them develop a sense of belonging to the Club. We will be having regular social evenings in members' homes at least once a month; don't forget our Club shirts available from Secretary Jean; the information for new members will be reexamined and maybe

available from a USB, also the committee is looking at replacing the Club coffee cups as a thank you gift; and the suggestion of a 'Friends of Rotary" group will be further considered.

2. **YOUTH SERVICE**: (Barbara). We will be looking for an Exchange student to go out in 2015 and we will arrange for returning students to visit schools to talk about their experiences



3. **FUNDRAISING:** (Frank).

We have had a good year of fundraising and the other ideas we have will be kept over for next year. We will be doing the Open Air Films again. There has been great community comment. Andrew indicated that there is to be a meeting to look at the future of the Cinema Project. We should be aware that Mirvac puts in \$30,000 which they may not wish to continue beyond next year and we should then be looking for sponsorship.

4. <u>INTERNATIONAL</u>: (Gareth). Planning is underway with the RC of Machu Picchu in Peru for a joint project with them; House of Hope (Rotarian Wendy Pollack) we have agreed to sponsor two children to go on from primary school to secondary education and there is a programme in Tanzania that the committee is exploring further

5. <u>COMMUNITY and VOCATIONAL</u>: (Kaye). Don't forget loose cash in the helicopter money box for the egg project; a speaker should be arranged for Australia Rotary Health; the 4 Way Test Speaking Competitions will be Tuesday 25th February and an Vocational visit is being arranged to the SES.

For Pat Thomas House-the Women's Refuge- the committee would like to spend \$500 on crockery and cutlery for women leaving the Refuge and reestablishing themselves back in the community;

\$\$ THE CORPORALS COLLECTION \$\$

Andrew was corporal tonight and suggested Chris should collect in order to meet everybody again after being way for so long. Fines were paid by- Barbara (cutting toe nails); Darren (sleepy); Gareth (at the Christening); Kaye(late for BBQ); David (maths challenge); Carole, Di and Colin (late); Mike (bachelor againi n Sydney); Peter and Chris (whose shirt?). There was a sad dollar from Barbara but Happy Dollars from Chris, Kaye, Bill and Di.

COME IN SPINNER;

Daren spun the coins again tonight with the jackpot at \$40 and "Welcome Back" Chris picked the joker. The red wine went to Darren himself.

CLOSURE

President Sue thanked Peter for joining us, reminded members of the Board Meeting and brought the meeting to a close at 8.33pm with the singing of the National Anthem

DUTIES FOR THE NEXT THREE WEEKS

Coming Weeks ~						
	WEDNESDAY 5 th February 2014	WEDNESDAY 12 th February 2014	WEDNESDAY 19 th February 2014			
Host.		Frank Wheel	Gareth Talbot			
Intro	BOWLING NIGHT	Mike Kirke	Pat Schraven			
Thanks	WITH THE	Mike Job	Jean Campbell			
Attendance	MANDURAH	David Oxley	David Oxley			
Bulletin Editor	BLIND	David Oxley	David Oxley			
Corporal (Fines Master)	BOWLING	Vern Stanford	Andrew Ralph			
Raffle- Heads and Tails	CLUB	Darren Carter	Darren Carter			
GUEST SPEAKER	6.00 for 6.300pm	Phil Gray Mandurah Muscateers	Mara O'Grady Returned Youth Exchange student			
Rotary Theme for the Month	World Understanding Month	World Understanding Month	World Understanding Month			

FACTS AND FIGURES

Meeting Statistics 22nd January 75.00% Attendance Percentage for December 65.00%		Upcoming Celebrations			
Total Members	21	20 for %age calculation	Birthdays	NIL	
Present Rotarians	14		FEBRUARY	INIL	
Make-ups	1	Andrew			
Total Attendance	15		Partner's Birthdays FEBRUARY	NIL	
Apologies and Excused Attendance	7	LOA: John J Chris F; Mike J; Bill; Gareth; Rob; Andrew			
Guest Speaker	1	Dion	Wedding Anniversaries FEBRUARY	3 rd Barbara and Ron Rowe 24th Lee and Rob West 28th Sue and Mike Kirke	
Visiting Rotarians					
Exch. Student	1	Stephanie			
Visitors and Guests					

2013/14 CLUB DETAILS

~ Mandurah City Rotary Club ~						
Meeting Place	RAAFA Club Meadow Springs	Apologies to	ATTENDANCE OFFICER			
Time	Wednesdays 6.30 for 700pm		David Oxley 9582 5202			
Postal Address	P.O.Box 1135, Mandurah 6210		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/Publici	Pat Schraven	Sergeant	Gareth Talbot			
Community/Vocational	Carol Sawyer	Corporal	As Rostered			
International -Foundation	Gareth Talbot	Rotary Information and Bulletin Editor	David Oxley			
Youth	Barbara Rowe	Fundraising	Frank Wheel			
Web Master	Colin Gilbert	Raffle Master	Darren Carter			
Attendance Officer	David Oxley	Programs	Andrew Ralph			

MAKE-UP VENUES

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