

<u>RC Mandurah City Bulletin F.9.</u> <u>NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 28th August 2013 :</u>

Programme: Guest Speaker: Mayor Paddi Creevey

This is a partners- family night so don't forget to let Attendance Officer Peter know the numbers coming.



REPORT OF LAST WEEKS MEETING 21st August 2013 WELCOME and TOASTS

With Sergeant Gareth AWOL Corporal Mike was promoted and ringing the bell at 7.00pm 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 all to the meeting – members and visitors. Visiting Rotarians Brendan Ross and Stephen Mewitt introduced themselves; our guest speakers were welcomed - Kathryn, and Leanne from the Dept. of Child Protection, and foster carers Mandy and Rotarian Bob De Bijl. A special welcome was extended to Kay and Paul Williams and Adam and Amanda and baby Ashlyn. Partners and children were also welcomed -Eileen, Rosemary, Tanya, Alex and Elysse.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Barbara said she had received information about a rotary programme on citizenship for year 11s and that she had now visited all our schools and had a contact person in each of them. On Sunday she had been with Stephanie to the Rotary Exchange students meeting.
- President Sue read some of the latest news that has been received from our travelling members Heather and John Jacoby
- Treasurer Mike announced that the fees for 2013/14 would remain as last year at \$ 270
- Programme director Andrew asked for any suggestions from the other directors for speakers they would like to invite.

PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARDS

Rotarian Brendan Ross on behalf of the Mandurah Rotary Club explained their Pride of Workmanship' award project and invited Mandurah City Rotarians to make nominations. He left details of the award and nomination forms for members.

ROTARY INFORMATION David's Dissertation

On an occasion such as tonight when we are to induct a new member into Rotary and when such a member like Kay has been a previous member of Rotary, I would like you to consider what I call the 8 benefits of Rotary Membership. Well, they are the 8 reasons why I am a member.

- 1. **FRIENDSHIP**. In an increasingly complex world Rotary provides one of our basic needs, the need for friendship and we know that this was one of the two basic reasons why Rotary was founded in 1905
- 2. **BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT**. The second reason why Paul Harris invited his friends to join him was that they might share their business interests. Everyone needs a network. Rotary consists of a cross section of the business community from all walks of life. We seek to help each other and collectively help others.
- 3. **THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE**. We are concerned to put Service above Self. This is the best reason for becoming a Rotarian the chance to do something for somebody else and experience the self-fulfillment that comes in the process.
- 4. **<u>THE DEVELOPMENT OF ETHICS</u>**. We have our Four Way Test to govern our ethical standards for both business and personal relationships
- 5. **PERSONAL GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT**. Membership of Rotary provides opportunities for growth and education in human relationships and personal development.
- 6. **FELLOWSHIP**. I want to suggest that this is different from friendship. It's about a sense of belonging to a group. It's about commitment to a group. Rotary's fellowship activities certainly provide friendship and enjoyment and interests beyond business and in serving the community , but it's essentially about working **together** and sharing **together** and a feeling that we are part of something that is much larger than the personal friendships we enjoy with each other.
- 7. **CONTINUING EDUCATION**. Our weekly programme is designed to keep us informed about community, national and world events with our guest speakers and timely topics.
- 8. **AND LASTLY THE PEOPLE**. Rotary is fun. It's the people that make it an enjoyable experience, and many lifelong friendships have grown from belonging to a Rotary Club.

INDUCTION OF OUR NEW MEMBER : Kay Williams

Andrew, as Inducting Officer invited Kay to come forward with Paul and read the Induction charge to a new member, noting that Kay had previously been a member of our Club. President Sue presented Kay with her Rotary pin and dinner badge and certificate of membership. Kay has been assigned to



the Community Service committee. In her response Kay shared the thoughts she had previously presented to our Club on why she had joined Rotary. She expressed her appreciation of the past support she had received from members and thanked the Club for accepting her back. She especially thanked Sue for the invitation to re-join Rotary and Eileen for past support. She welcomed the opportunity to get to know the newer members and in working together to engage others and change lives.

OUR GUEST SPEAKERS

Bill introduced our guest speakers to speak to us about foster care in the Peel Region. The first speaker was Kathryn Allen, team leader for the Department of Child Protection and Family Welfare in the Peel region. She explained her work as matching children to a loving foster caring family. Her area of responsibility not only covers Mandurah but east to Pinjarra and Dwellingup. Currently there are 229 children in care and 152 carers. They range from long term permanent care to brief overnight emergency caring and sometimes a placement that will enable a carer to have some respite. Of the carers in the region 42 give general foster care. The motivation for caring varies-. There is only a minimal tax free subsidy for caring. Most see caring as giving something back to the community and the pleasure of seeing a child develop and grow.

Mandy our next speaker has been a carer for DCP for 8 years and it was something she was very passionate about. She explained the information sessions the Department provided and the rigorous process over 18 months that carers commit to. She told us a little of how she came to care for 3 siblings – one being a baby from one family. She expressed appreciation of the support the Department gave.

Our third speaker Bob was also a carer and he expressed appreciation of the DCP staff and their sense that their work was a calling. He told us something of his experience, of its demands but also its great rewards. He urges us not to believe everything that we see written in the press about the Department and its services.

Leanne was our last speaker and she explained her work for the Department as creating community awareness of fostering and of building relationships with carers and children. She expressed appreciation of community support with donations, clothes, quilts, the Fairbridge fun day and the Annual Christmas Party.

There were a number of questions from members about security and safety, training and dealing with more difficult teen age children

Darren expressed our club thanks to our speakers and presented each with one of our Rotary mugs.

COME IN SPINNER;

Darren, our spinner tossed the coins tonight and the jackpot having reached \$100 was to go off tonight –as indeed it did - first time -when our visitor Leanne won.

CLOSURE

President Sue brought the meeting to a close at 8.35pm with the singing of the National Anthem having thanking our visitors and reminding members of next week's meeting when we welcome Mayor Paddi Creevey will be a partners-family night and possibly there may be members from the other Mandurah Rotary Clubs.

PROGRAMME FOR FORTHCOMING WEEKS

1. WEDNESDAY 28th AUGUST: Mayor Paddi Creevey





2. The D.G.'s official visit to our Club will be WEDNESDAY 18th SEPTEMBER

3. <u>MAKE SURE YOU HAVE NOTED THE NEW DATE</u> 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 28th August	WEDNESDAY 4 th September	WEDNESDAY 11th September		
Host.	Kay Williams	Bill Knight	Carol Sawyer		
Intro	Carol Sawyer	Chris Forward	Darren Carter		
Thanks	David Oxley	Frank Wheel	Gareth Talbot		
Attendance	Peter Hutchings	Peter Hutchings	Peter Hutchings		
Bulletin Editor	David Oxley	David Oxley	David Oxley		
Corporal	Pat Schraven	Rob West	Mike Job		
Raffle- Heads and Tails	Darren Carter	Darren Carter	Darren Carter		
GUEST SPEAKER	Mayor Paddi Creevey	T.B.A.	Cycling in Vietnam/Cambodia		
Rotary Theme for the Month	August: Membership and Extension Month	September: Youth Services Month	September: Youth Services Month		

FACTS AND FIGURES

Meeting Statistics (61.90%)			Upcoming Celebrations	
Total Members	23	21 for %age calculation		9 th John Jacoby 9 th Barbara Rowe
Present Rotarians	13		Birthdays AUGUST	15 th Colin Gilbert 15 th Sue Kirke 23 rd Di Gilbert
Make-ups				
Total Attendance	13		Partner's Birthdays AUGUST	10 th Sarah Carter 13 th Jo Talbot
Apologies and Excused Attendance	8	LOA: John, Jill Rule 85: Colin, Di		15 th Sue Kirke 15 th Colin Gilbert 23 rd Di Gilbert
			Wedding	23 rd Diane and Colin
Visiting Rotarians	2		Anniversaries AUGUST	Gilbert
Exch. Student	1	Stephanie		
Guests	11+ 3 Children	4 Partners 4 Guest Speakers Paul, Adam, Amanda and baby Ashlyn with Kay Alex and Elysse with Tanya and Andrew		

2013/14 CLUB DETAILS

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

MAKE-UP VENUES

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