



THE ROTARWAVE



THE ROTARY CLUB OF SURFERS PARADISE

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Meetings – Monday 6.30pm – Fables Restaurant – Mantra Legends Hotel – Surfers Paradise



RIP Mark Maloney



President Adrian



DG. Harry Bolton

Date	02.03.20	16.03.20	06.04.20
Chair	Alan Midwood	Trevor Taylor	Phil Dunsford
Door	John Lenehan	Bert Shenko	Stuart Fairley
Fellowship	Sue Montgomery	Jeff Bignell	Alan Guignon
Toast	Treasurer Sheila	Secretary Donna	Sgt Peter
Thanks		Bill Crouch	

Forthcoming program

Date	Speaker	Topic
2 Mar	Social Evening	
16 Mar	Tom Lesobre	“During the Holidays”
6 April	Social Evening	

Announcements:

Bill Crouch:

The third Monday in March, 30th March.
Dinner at The House of Siam. Cost \$35 per head.

\$10 per diner towards the Takasaki Visit.
Takasaki will be arriving in February 2021.

Invite your friends

Discussion on Meeting Costs and Venues.

Background

The board considered that we need to make changes to entice new membership and retain current members.

Meeting frequency was identified as a deterrent considering the cost. The board decided to switch meetings to the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the Month as a trial starting 1 March.

Unfortunately, the hotel decided to increase the meal cost to \$39 beginning 1 April.

The benefits of remaining at Legends is the “Seafood Buffet”, free parking and the support that the hotel has given us, (setting up and clearing away) over the last 14 years.

Mathematically, paying \$39 a fortnight is cheaper than \$35 a week. (\$70 a fortnight)

Discussion:

The members were to consider remaining at Legends or finding a different venue.

A decision was not required to be made immediately.

Alan Guignon had contacted two alternative venues:

The Surfers Paradise Surf Club

The Surfers Paradise RSL Club

Both venues indicated they were happy to have us.

During the meeting a possible meeting format was discussed.

- a. We meet at the restaurant and order our individual meal.
- b. At 7pm, we adjourn to the meeting room for the meeting. (Suggested meeting cost \$5)
- c. At 8pm, the President closes the meeting.

This format with variations is used by a number of clubs.

Considerations:

Parking:

On street parking until 7pm.- \$4 per hour.
Bruce Bishop Car Park - \$2.70 per hour
The RSL offers free parking in the Bruce Bishop Car Park
Paradise Centre Car Park - \$12 for 1 hour; \$16 for 2 hours; \$19 for 3 hours; \$21 daily maximum
1 hour free with \$15 sales ticket from Woolworths

Meeting Space

We require a space where a speaker can give a talk without disruption from outsiders.

Eating:

We might prefer to eat in the restaurant and retire to the meeting space to have the meeting
We might find that this is not always attainable as the regular customers could take up all the tables.
It might be necessary for us to take the food to our meeting space.

Both the Surf Club and the RSL would cater for increased numbers during holiday periods. Surf Club members have been known to have their drinks on the balcony during good weather.

Positives:

We can invite anyone to join us at the meeting for \$0.00. (No Cost)

We can invite prospective members where the club could cover the cost of the bistro meal.

Upfront costs are:

Annual Dues plus \$5 per meeting. (\$5x24)
\$120

Plus parking; Plus Meal cost.

Surf Club: (most meals under \$20)

RSL member \$3 for 3 years. (main meals \$21 - \$28)

These are a few of my thoughts looking at what we might decide to do.

I'm sure you will be able to think of many others both for and against. Ed.

Announcements:

Bill Crouch announced another RF Cylinder from President Adrian.

Sheila Ponting

Sheila remind us that the Race Day will be on the 10 October and we have 300 seats to sell.

Sue will also come on the committee.

Sheila is looking for someone who is comfortable asking for Raffle Prizes.

She has another meeting with the university next week.

Alan Guignon

Alan advised that we have a refurbished unit in Stage 2 that is suitable for a couple.

A Heated Oxford Education

Protesting students get a personal lesson about fossil fuels.

Feb. 2, 2020 4:49 pm ET

St John's College, Oxford PHOTO: GETTY IMAGES

When most people think of Oxford, what comes to mind are images of bright minds debating quantum physics or the existence of God. But even the brainiest sometimes need a lesson in common sense.

That's exactly what the bursar at St. John's College—the most richly endowed college at Oxford—delivered when he responded to students occupying his 15th-century quadrangle and refusing to leave until the college divested its oil-company shares. The students want the college to sell the more than \$10 million of its endowment now invested in [Shell](#) and [BP](#), and they want it *now*.

The Times of London reports that bursar Andrew Parker made them a counteroffer. "I am not able to arrange any divestment at short notice," he wrote. "But I can arrange for the gas central heating in college to be switched off with immediate effect. Please let me know if you support this proposal."

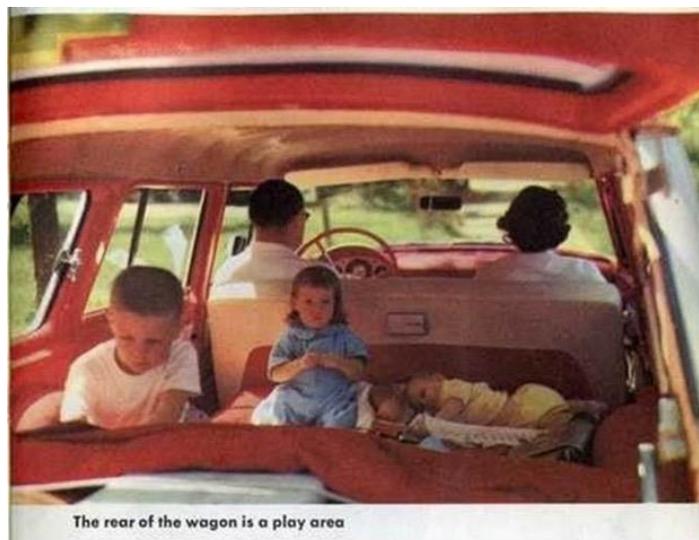
The idea that the students themselves make a fossil-fuel sacrifice did not go over well. One protest organizer complained that Mr. Parker was being flippant, noting that "it's January and it would be borderline dangerous to shut off the central heating." Another suggested Mr. Parker was being provocative.

Again the bursar responded with wisdom: "You are right that I am being provocative but I am provoking some clear thinking, I hope. It is all too easy to request others to do things that carry no personal cost to yourself. The question is whether you and others are prepared to make personal

sacrifices to achieve the goals of environmental improvement (which I support as a goal)."

Surely a worthy lesson applicable far beyond the colleges of Oxford.

Who remembers?



How did we survive?



Ice was really hard

MY PARENTS SPANKED ME AS A CHILD

AS A RESULT, I NOW SUFFER FROM A PSYCHOLOGICAL CONDITION KNOWN AS "RESPECT FOR OTHERS"

When I was a kid my social network was called "outside"



AGE TEST

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Is anybody old enough to remember what this was used for?



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I asked my 26 brothers and sister and they didn't know either.

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