



The Racing Wheel

The Rotary Club of Bathurst East Inc NSW Australia.
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Last week @ Rotary 10th June

Visitors

Tonight we welcomed Chris Marshall, our guest speaker, to the meeting, as well as a "fleeting" hello from past guest speaker, Rick Foster.

International Toast

Due to the absence of our Sergeant-At-Arms Bill Dickie, there was no international toast this week.

Stop Press

Our meeting next Wednesday (June 17th) will again be held at the BATHURST CITY COMMUNITY CLUB, Corner of William and Durham Streets, at 6:00 for 6:30pm as usual.

Please advise Alan Petersen if you can't be in attendance as we have to notify numbers in advance for catering purposes.

Alan can be contacted on 6331 2850

BOARD MEETING – a meeting of the Club's Board will precede the meeting and all Board members are asked to be at the Community Club by 5:00pm. It is important for all board members to be in attendance if they possibly can.

BULLETIN EDITOR REQUIRED. Due to difficulties facing Maree using work computers, Maree has been forced to step down as the Bulletin Editor for next year. It's an enjoyable, fun job and a volunteer to take over the role is needed. Please let either President Peter or P.E. Tony you would like to take this job on.

General Business

1. Chris Marshall called in to say a quick hello and to give an update on his fund raising bike ride which as you will recall, was attempted by him some months' ago. Chris was riding from Adelaide to Bathurst but after 1700 kilometres and just over 5 days, had an accident putting into hospital. Chris suffered a broken elbow and had 9 stitches in his chin, ending his adventure. Nevertheless, he raised \$ 44,500.00, and after expenses was able to donate \$ 34,000.00 to the Children's Hospital, a very commendable effort.
2. PP Geoff Fry advised the "shed" at the Visitor's Centre is now just a memory and the area looks great following its removal. Geoff added: "The Rotary walk is even better but there is still plenty of recognition for Rotary and without having to have individual names recorded". No meeting times are displayed however.
3. Chris Olson gave an update on the proposed "Observation Car Tour Around Bathurst", not being a "Car Rally". This is the idea originally put forward by PP Stephanie Brown. Suggested date: Sunday 23 August 2015 commencing 10:00am, leaving from the Craigo Mill, stopping for a Pizza lunch at noon and then returning home. Distance involved, around 110 klms – Model "T" Fords not encouraged. Participation numbers limited to 35, so first in best dressed – 25 members indicated they would like to participate. For more details, contact Chris, Steph, Doug Coates or Bob Newton.
4. President Peter advised the van sales last Sunday at the auction totalled \$ 275.00. This prompted comments from various members as to rostering for the auctions, whether the low sales amounts makes it worthwhile and whether other activities could replace (e.g., the BBQ at Bunnings).
5. In view of (4.) further discussion to take place at next week's meeting. The meeting agreed that **next week will be a Club Assembly**, and all members are urged to coming along and voice their opinion on many matters to be placed on the Agenda for the night.
6. President Peter advised Jan Madden still not well, asking that we keep both Jan and Greg in our thoughts and hope Jan will be on the "mend" again very soon.



Guest Speaker



Our guest speaker this evening was Chris Marshall, who, while now retired, was previously employed as the District Manager for the Soil Conservation Service, worked on the Evans Plains Soil Conservation and many other similar projects.

Chris was introduced to the meeting by PP Bob Newton.

Chris gave a truly interesting talk on the geological history of the Bathurst river systems, starting off with what the Macquarie River was like 100 million years ago, onto the change caused when the Great Divide formed 80 million years ago, to fairly recent times when Mt Panorama was the river bed only 19 million years ago.

Chris (after Bob managed to get the lap top computer to talk to the projector) also showed many fascinating photographs of the river with one aerial shot allowing you to see where an ancient Macquarie River once flowed.

To try and put in a few words the exact information conveyed by Chris does not do him justice especially when the amount of information he gave and the time spans involved are considered, but needless to say all present thoroughly enjoyed his demonstration.

Thought of the Week

The "thought" this week was presented by PP Robin Price, with Robin giving a quote from the Buddha:

"The secret of health for both mind and body is not to mourn for the past, worry about the future, anticipate troubles, but to live in the present moment wisely and earnestly"

Thank you Robin.

Visit back to Bathurst by PP David Russell

David has advised he and Joan will be back in Bathurst on Friday, June 26.

Joan will be visiting with friends leaving David free to catch up with his Bathurst East associates on that day.

David has suggested that the catch up be held over lunch at the RSL Club commencing at say, 12:30pm or around that time.

If you would like to see David and have something to eat at the same time, make a note in your diary.

Next week @ Rotary 17th June

Registrar: **Merran Sweeney** Guest Speaker: **CLUB ASSEMBLY**
Greeter/3 Minuter: **Brian Welch** Thought for the Week: **Lee Rayner**

And the week after that: 24th June @ Rotary

Registrar: **Bill Dickie** Guest Speaker: **Chris Olson**
Greeter/3 Minuter: **Stephanie Brown**
Thought for the Week: **Celia van der Zwaag**



Guest Speaker: Chris' guest on June 24th will be the Mayor of Bathurst, Cr. Gary Rush.

Given the importance of having the Mayor at our meeting, all members are urged to be in attendance for what should prove to be a remarkable talk.

CHANGEOVER DINNER

President Peter invites all members, their spouse or any guest of their choosing to come along to the 2015 Changeover Dinner.

The dinner will be held at the Rydges Hotel, Mt Panorama, on Wednesday, 1 July at 6:00pm for 6:30pm.

DG David Kennedy will be our special guest on the night.

Cost is \$ 45.00 per head. Please advise our erstwhile Treasurer, Brian, of your attendance.

Question. Did you attend another Rotary meeting or participate in a Rotary project or activity? Please advise **all Rotary make-ups** to **Alan Petersen**.

Fellows please find a replacement if you are unable to fulfil your rostered duty.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

June 4 Jan Madden – Birthday
June 7 Terry Mahony – Birthday
June 9 Jennifer Pollard – Birthday
June 19 Doug Barnes – Birthday
June 21 Luis Hernandez – Birthday



Other events and more!

Wed 01 July *Changeover Dinner – Rydges Mt Panorama*
Sun 23 Aug Observation Car Tour Around Bathurst
Wed 09 Sept District Governor's Official Visit & Ladies Night



June is Rotary Fellowships

Rotary's focus this month is Fellowships and whilst Fellowship is an important element of Rotary a Rotary International Fellowship is a separate entity (or club), apart from Rotary International but approved by the Board of Directors of RI, of Rotarians in at least three countries united by a common hobby or passion or profession, such as: Doctors and Bird Watchers and Social Network users and Golfers and Snowskiers and Musicians and Stamp Collectors.



Some Fellowships ask their members to pay dues, others do not. Some have been around for many years, some have huge memberships, some only a few committed people. Why not explore your passion and seek to connect with a Rotary Fellowship and enjoy the best of both worlds?

There were 64 Fellowships officially registered with Rotary in June 2015.

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Interesting 'photos  *department*





TIME TO LAUGH, CRY, OR BE DISGUSTED

Ahhhh, Terry Mahony is still on the job.....

Think we have all met this lady at one time or another.



SNOTTY RECEPTIONIST

An older gentleman had an appointment to see the urologist who shared offices with several other doctors. The waiting room was filled with patients. As he approached the receptionist's desk, he noticed that the receptionist was a large unfriendly woman who looked like a Sumo wrestler. He gave her his name.

In a very loud voice, the receptionist said, **"YES, I HAVE YOUR NAME HERE; YOU WANT TO SEE THE DOCTOR ABOUT IMPOTENCE, RIGHT?"**

All the patients in the waiting room snapped their heads around to look at the very embarrassed man. He recovered quickly, and in an equally loud voice replied, **'NO, I'VE COME TO INQUIRE ABOUT A SEX CHANGE OPERATION, BUT I DON'T WANT THE SAME DOCTOR THAT DID YOURS.'**

Thanks Terry

From a mystery contributor:

Someone out there
Must be "deadly" at *Scrabble*.

PRESBYTERIAN :
When you rearrange the letters:
BEST IN PRAYER

ASTRONOMER :
When you rearrange the letters:
MOON STARER

DESPERATION :
When you rearrange the letters:
A ROPE ENDS IT

THE EYES :
When you rearrange the letters:
THEY SEE

GEORGE BUSH:
When you rearrange the letters:
HE BUGS GORE

THE MORSE CODE :
When you rearrange the letters:
HERE COME DOTS

DORMITORY :
When you rearrange the letters:
DIRTY ROOM

SLOT MACHINES:
When you rearrange the letters:
CASH LOST IN ME

ELECTION RESULTS :
When you rearrange the letters:
LIES - LET'S RECOUNT

SNOOZE ALARMS :
When you rearrange the letters:
ALAS! NO MORE Z 'S

A DECIMAL POINT :
When you rearrange the letters:
I'M A DOT IN PLACE

THE EARTHQUAKES :
When you rearrange the letters:
THAT QUEER SHAKE

ELEVEN PLUS TWO :
When you rearrange the letters:
TWELVE PLUS ONE

AND FINALLY

BULLETIN EDITOR:
Roulette: Bid NIL

For all you Maths teachers out there:

1. *Teaching Maths In 1950s*

A logger sells a truckload of lumber for \$100. His cost of production

is $\frac{4}{5}$ of the price. What is his profit?

2. Teaching Maths In 1970s

A logger sells a truckload of lumber for \$100. His cost of production is $\frac{4}{5}$ of the price, or \$80. What is his profit?

3. Teaching Maths In 1980s

A logger sells a truckload of lumber for \$100. His cost of production is \$80. Did he make a profit ?
Yes or No

4. Teaching Maths In 1990s

A logger sells a truckload of lumber for \$100. His cost of production is \$80 and his profit is \$20. Your assignment: Underline the number 20.

5. Teaching Maths In 2000s

A logger cuts down a beautiful forest because he is selfish and inconsiderate and cares nothing for the habitat of animals or the preservation of our woodlands.

He does this so he can make a profit of \$20. What do you think of this way of making a living? Topic for class participation after

answering the question: How did the birds and squirrels feel as the logger cut down their homes? (There are no

wrong answers, feel free to express your feelings e.g, anger, anxiety, inadequacy, helplessness etc.)

Should you require debriefing at conclusion of exam there are counsellors available to assist you adjust back into the real world.



Cartoon Corner

This week, a tribute to one of my favourite cartoonists





"The last dog moved out of town. It's now my responsibility to make your life miserable."



"Why can't my walks be that fun?"



"I taught him to retrieve my cigars. Apparently, he took it upon himself to start smoking them."



"I see the Big Shooter in sand, trees and water. Either you're going on a beautiful vacation, or you're a lousy golfer."



"This new hand held digital assistant is amazing. It does Shock and Awe as well as 14 other preprogrammed routines to wake up the students and keep them learning."



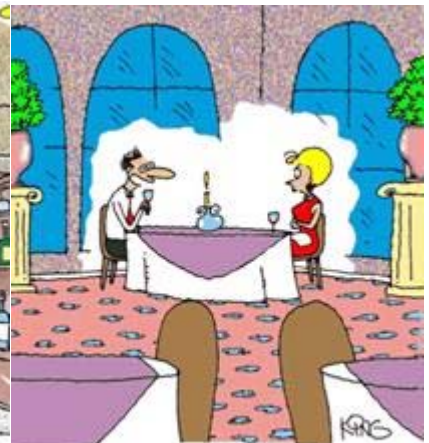
"I'm glad you're on a winning streak. Now, can you stop playing blackjack long enough so we can enjoy what's left of our honeymoon?"



"I see you winning a lot of money at a casino playing blackjack. For half your winnings, I'll tell you which casino it is."



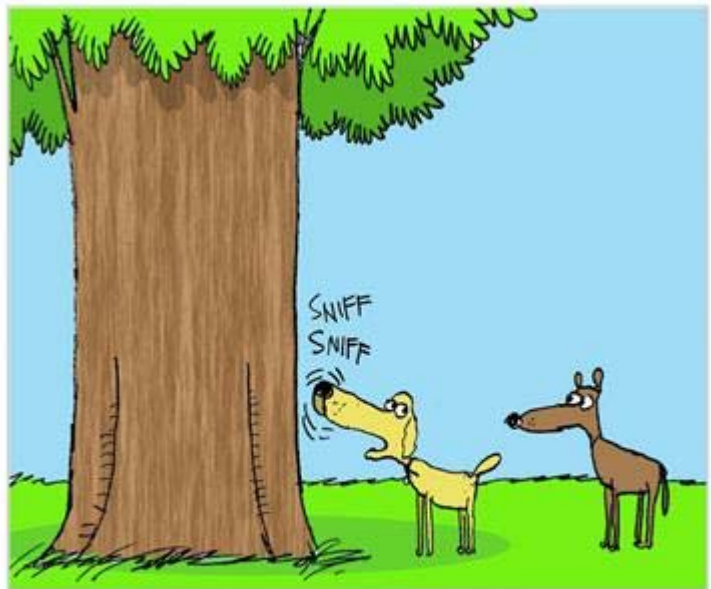
"I'm sorry, but I can no longer go on with this charade. Not only am I not your best friend, I'm not even sure I like you at all."



"I'm tired of talking about me. Why don't you talk about me for awhile."



"No, playing golf isn't a sin. However, lying about your score, swearing, playing for money, wishing the other players will play bad, and not returning that 7-iron you found is."



"I'll be with you in a minute. I have to check my messages."



"Sorry I'm late, but I thought I'd take the truck out for a little off-road fun. Do I need a tie and jacket?"



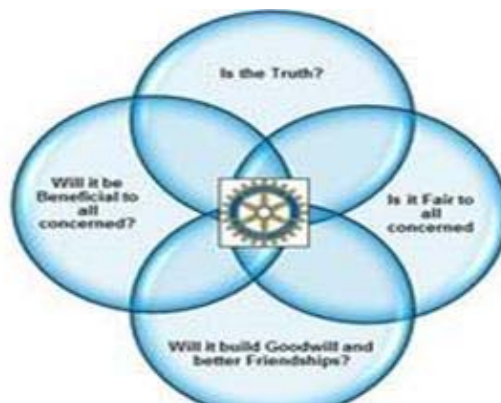
"Since this is our first deep dive, maybe we should save the Marianas Trench until we have more experience."



"Arlen keeps bragging about running 26 miles. What he fails to tell people is that it took him eight months to do it."



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THAT'S IT FOR NOW, SEE YOU ALL NEXT WEDNESDAY



Tony Pollard – Editor

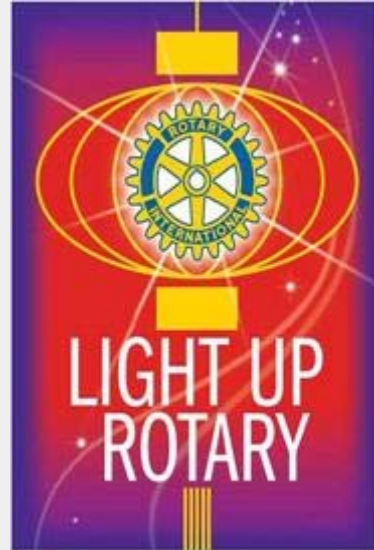
What is Rotary?

Rotary is ordinary people around the world sharing their professional skills and working together in a social environmental to build better communities.

We operate as a Club with weekly meetings developed around a guest speaker or special event where business, community and service issues are discussed in an interactive and relaxed atmosphere.

Come and join us:

Wednesday evenings 6.00 for 6.30pm at Bathurst RSL Club
Rankin Street, Bathurst, NSW 2795 Australia



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