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ROTARY CLUB VISION



Our Guest Speaker this week was Christine Richardson, Bart's daughter in law, a member of the Essendon North Rotary Club who updated us on Club Vision planning activities in District 9800. Christine & Bart enjoying the Roast dinner on Thursday night

As our Club has had previous experience in Rotary Club Vision Planning, Christine's update on this process in her District in Victoria was interesting.

Over 80 per cent of Clubs in District 9800 have undergone the process with excellent results. Chris is passionate about Club Visioning and highlighted some of the key attributes of the program which include: The Opportunity, The Framework, The Process, The Challenge, The Outcomes, The Club Commitment, and The Response.

Some of the key factors are: How your Club is perceived in the local Community and have a good working relationship with your Strategic Partners. Our Club has worked hard on both these aspects over the past few years with the intent of maintaining these relationships. Chris was thanked by DGN Helen Ryan.

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Lady Luck

Heads & Tails won by Ed Parker and the raffle was won by Doug Bairstow with Ticket No 1

Congratulations

Birthday

18 July Hugh Randall

20 July Bob Mitchell

Next Week Speaker District Governor

Adrian Roach

Door Bart Richardson & Doug Craike

Meet & Greet G Basser & John Stumcke

Toast Michael Jenkins

Grace Peter McBean

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Past District Governors Geoff Olsen and our very own Bart Richardson enjoyed each other's company at District Changeover on Saturday night. DISTRICT CHANGEOVER DINNER AT THE MAITLAND CLUB ON SATURDAY NIGHT JULY 4TH was a most enjoyable night with a number of members of the Club in attendance. Club Photographer Henk Tobbe captured the District Leadership Team of DGN Helen Ryan and Mike, DGE Steve Jackson and Janette, DG Adrian Roach and Christine and PDG Gerard McMillan and Yvonne Palmer enjoving the night at Club Maitland

KEN ARNETT – HEADING NORTH

One of Charity Golf Day committee members and former Club Secretary Ken Arnett is heading north following next week's District Governor's visit. Ken has secured the ideal job working 2 days a week in Brisbane and is moving back to his home town of Lismore where he plans to rejoin his old Rotary Club. You will missed by us all Ken and thank your valued contribution to our Club.



Ken (right) explaining the ins and outs of Rotary to Vocational Director Bob Mitchell after dinner on Thursday night. Bob is taking it all on board.

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DISTRICT GOVERNOR VISIT

Our new District Governor Adrian Roach and wife Christine, along with our Assistant District Governor Earl Heckman and wife Barbara will be visiting our Club this Thursday night, July 16th. The Board will meet with Adrian before the meeting to discuss our plans for the year. Adrian will be the guest speaker for the night. While early in the year we are prepared for this visit.

Partners and guests are most welcome to attend. Please advise Ros Cribb before noon on Wednesday if you are bringing a guest.

ON HOLIDAYS

We have a number of members who have migrated to warmer climates. Included are

Greg & Paula Flux

Ian & Joy Faulkner

Don & Fiona Whatham

Dieter & Helga Greiter

And going soon

John & Lyn deRidder

Hopefully some good makeups will be reported

Speakers confirmed for July and August.
16 th July District Governor's Visit
23 rd July Dennis Corr. Port Stevens Historical Society
30th July Annalise Bissett. Rotary Scholar
6 th August Helen Ryan / Judy Mitchell. Modern Medicine- Modern Research
13 th August Club Meeting
20 th August Robert Mitchell. Visit to Gallipoli
27 th August Chris Barnes. OA. Wine etc.
PRESIDENT ANN extends an invitation to all partners and guests to attend meetings when we have a Guest Speaker. Please advise Attendance Secretary Ros Cribb on 0401 450 239.
Well done to Directors John deRidder and Bob Mitchell for their great work in organising our speakers so far this year. Bob is also reviewing some Vocational visit options as well.

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THANKS FROM WADEYE COMMUNITY N.T.

Immediate Past President Chris Bartlett received the following letter (via email) of thanks from the Palngun Wurnangut Association Inc, Wadeye Northern Territory following our recent donation of \$2000 to assist this indigenous community. As members will see our donated funds will be well spent assisting the selected projec

Chris Bartlett,

President Nelson Bay Rotary Club

Port Stephens.

Dear Chris,

I am writing to thank you for your recent generous donation of \$2,000 which will fund a comprehensive energy audit for our organisation.

The Northern Territory has the highest electricity charges in the country and Wadeye's electricity station is diesel powered. Not only very expensive, it is also an inefficient way to produce electricity and environmentally unsustainable.

PWA's enterprises include a small art centre specialising in printed fabrics and a Kakadu plum processing plant that uses considerable power. Mi Marrarl, as the fruit is known locally, is a super food with a very high concentration of vitamin C and other beneficial properties. We have recently purchased a blast freezer and two freezer containers for the enterprise and our energy consumption has understandably spiked.

Scott and Lynn Jarman are our Mi Patha Takeaway and Bakery managers. They are doing an amazing job as this enterprise is our main source of income, funding many of our economic and community development initiatives. They constantly seek ways to reduce overheads while maintaining a quality service. They've expanded the business by extending the opening hours and improving the quality and range of products and have reopened the butcher shop that had been closed for some time. Soon we will have fresh seafood flown in from Darwin once a week – a real treat for the community.

The energy audit will show where our consumption is and, importantly, provide possible strategies to reduce our costs and environmental footprint. Any cost reductions will allow PWA to invest in more community infrastructure and initiatives.

Thank you again for your support and we'll let you know the outcome when the audit is completed.

Kind regards,

Margo Northey General Manager