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BACK AT THE "BOWLO"



Our first face to face meeting in four months was held in the Crow's Nest Room at Nelson Bay Bowling Club on Thursday night. 16 members were present and one, Peter McBean, zoomed in on the big screen. The Bowling Club are working to strict Covid 19 requirements, practising social distancing with four tables set up to handle our requirements.

The meeting was chaired by Vice President Helen Ryan, who was filling in for President Liz. Liz was taking any frustrations she may have had out on a little ball with a mallet at the State Croquet Championships held in Sydney during the week. VP Helen welcomed those brave souls who attended the meeting despite very poor weather. She gave a report on her attendance via Zoom, at the launch of the Centenary of Rotary in Australia, where the Governor General David Hurley was the keynote speaker. The main theme for the centenary was give every child a chance. A short video followed.

Secretary Don gave a health update on two of our honorary members, Terry Fitzsimmons and Ian Rolfe. Terry is recovering slowly from surgery, and who Ian who is awaiting surgery to stabilise a problem after breaking his neck, following a fall ,some months ago. Members are encouraged to give them a call.

Director Kathy gave an update on another honorary member John Shaw who is doing well, walking lots and making good progress.

Our first heads and tails session in a long time was won by Zoom attendee Peter McBean, whose winnings magically appeared in the fine box only minutes later. Our first raffle winner was lucky Lesley Freeman. Director Phill filled in for Sgt Warwick extracting quite a few dollars from the cashed up members present. The highlight was a happy fine from Secretary Don, whose 16 year old grandson Jack, was called up to train with the Newcastle Jets A league squad, a top effort that. Our guest speaker next week, is Andrew Lane from British Aerospace. With new Covid 19 restrictions coming in next week, the Board will make a decision on next week, with members to be informed of the decision. This week's Issue Page 2 Museum, Director at work, Member survey Page 3 Back to Bunnings Page 4 Binoculars and some humour

Birthdays All honorary members/partners July 18 Ian Rolfe July 23 Hugh Randal Jessica Palmer Anniversaries None recorded

Heads &Tails The winner, the only zoom attendedee Peter McBean Raffle Lucky Lesley Freeman

Duties Door Kathy/ Narelle Grace Geoff Diemar Welcome Speaker Doug Melhuish **Thank Guest** Speaker Richard Turner **Bulletin Editor** Don Whatham **Photos** Phill Smith **Binos** Dieter and Helga this week Next week Jim Booth and Chelsea Ellul **Guest Speaker** Andrew Lane, British Aerospace

Next meeting – July23 at 6pm. Guest Speaker Andrew Lane Apologies/Extras to by noon on Wednesday! Ph 0401 450 239

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Our Youth Director, Lesley Freeman is pictured above sorting through the many boxes of school supplies, kindly given to our Club by Waratah Rotary Club. This donation was coordinated by friend of our Club and long serving Waratah member Chris McGrath. Some of the supplies have been given and well received by the Community College After hours day care centre, with the remainder to be distributed to Shoal Bay and Anna Bay Schools, This is good project to be conducting during current times.

"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

The Rotary Club of Nelson Bay

GALA BARBECUE

To be held at

Fred Toll's BARBECUE

SHOAL BAY

FRIDAY NIGHT NOV. 23 rd. Proceeds to go to ROTARY'S COMMUNITY SERVICE EFFORT NO ADMISSION CHARGE

Our Club Sergeant Warwick has been busy collecting memorabilla for the proposed Tomaree Museum. The above poster (thank you Phill) was produced in 1956, our Club's first year as a Rotary Club. 64 years on and we are still gaining revenue from the humble BBQ!! Please pass on any other articles that may be of interest to Warwick.

CLUB MEMBERS SURVEY

Club Membership Director Kathy Rimmer and the Board have been working behind the scenes to produce a Members Satisfaction Survey Form.

Kathy has handed out 4 hard copies of the survey with the majority of members opting to doing it electronically.

This week's Editor completed the survey however a technical glitch prevented it from being received. This has now been resolved and members are asked to participate in the survey, as the results will give us a clear picture of where we are now and opportunities to continue to move forward. The last survey was conducted in 2013.

Please find below the link for the anonymous Membership Satisfaction Survey.

https://forms.gle/XBDoQ7mkwgc5WvJb9

If members could complete the survey within 2 to 3 weeks so the results collated and be shared at a meeting in August, during Rotary Membership Month. A separate email with instructions will be sent out this week.

PRESS RELEASE WELL RECEIVED

A Press release prepared by our PR rep, Chris B was published in both local papers in full this week. The contribution of Past President Arja and President Liz ensured we gained good coverage for Nelson Bay Rotary. The article can be viewed either on hard copy or electronically.

ROTARY PASSPORT CLUBS

Members received an email from the District Secretary indicating a Rotary Passport Club is looking to form ed called Newcastle discovery. This was a new concept to this week's Editor and a quick Google search reveal the following :

PASSPORT Clubs are a new type of Rotary Club encouraged and established by Rotary International. For decades Rotary has maintained membership at 1.2 million members. Passport Clubs provide a unique 21st Century option for Rotary Membership.

The research on retention from RI found members often left due to a "T". Our target members are former Rotarians that may have left for one of the "T's" = Time, Treasury and/or Tradition. Also, we will seek out new Rotarians who love the concept of Rotary Service but have a challenge with use of time, treasure or club traditions.

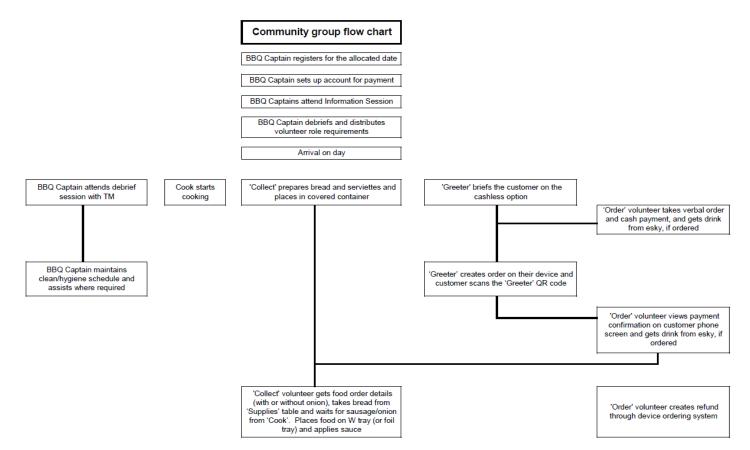
Passport Clubs will not solicit current Rotary members. If a Rotarian is interested, we ask they contact their club to discuss their reasons for a potential change. Rotary Passport Members are full-fledged Rotarians but with different obligations.

The Passport Club is a service based club that will serve its many communities and other Rotary Clubs by donating time and supporting Club Fundraisers. In short, Passport Clubs offer more volunteer opportunities and fewer meetings.

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BBQ's to restart on Saturday August 15th. Community Service Director Milton has advised the Club we will be conducting the first Bunnings BBQ in nearly 5 months. Bunnings have issued some very concise paperwork for Community groups to follow, with Covid 19 still very much in the news. An update from Milton is printed below.



Great News for our Fund Raising we have a Bunnings BBQ on 15th August.

Bunnings are restarting the BBQ's with some additional coronavirus requirements over the next four months.

One of requirements is for a team of five with *one* team member nominated as BBQ "Captain" who is responsible for ensuring the additional requirements are undertaken such as regular wiping down of the area, use of disposable aprons, also the use of square for payment or cash. The additional requirements are not onerous, but are for everyone's benefit, customers and team members.

The BBQ Captain will be familiar with the requirements before the BBQ, which is self explanatory on the Bunnings handout.

It would be appreciated if you could advise if you can attend, we need 10 members to cover the two shifts. We already some members who have volunteered for the BBQ Captain role, but we need another **eight** members to cover the day.

Please advise by email mswfirefly@gmail.com or call 0488974842.

regards,

Milton





The shed storage area has been cleaned and tidied up in readiness for our return to Bunnings and the upgrade of the Club's trailer.



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BINOCULAR ROSTER

July to Dec. 2020 on. July 20 Dieter & Helga Greiter 0488 552 486 or Dieter Greiter on : July 27 Jim Booth & Chelsea Ellul 0409 607 413 Aug. 03 Richard Turner & Michael Jenkins if there are issues or Aug. 10 Douglas & Narelle Melhuish unable to attend Aug. 17 David Clark & Milton Williams Aug. 24 Doug & Jenny Craike Aug. 31 Liz Friend & Katrina Ridley Sept. 07 Kathy Rimmer & Tammy Kelly Sept. 14 Geoff Diemar & Don Whatham (Maintenance) Sept. 21 Phill Smith & Judi Priestley Sept. 28 Lesley Freeman & Arja Levonpera Oct. 05 Helen & Mike Ryan Oct. 12 John Stuhmcke & Warwick Mathieson (Maintenance) **Oct. 19 David Clark & Helen Imienionek** Oct. 26 Ian McIver & Peter Page Nov. 02 Doug & Jenny Craike Nov. 09 Phill Smith & Liz Friend Nov. 16 John Stuhmcke & Dieter Greiter (Maintenance) Nov. 23 Richard Turner & Michael Jenkins Nov. 30 John Crump & Valerie Dec. 07 Chris Bartlett & Milton Williams Dec. 14 John Stuhmcke & Chris Bartlett (Maintenance) Dec. 21 Lesley Freeman & Doug Craike Dec. 28 Dieter & Helga Greiter Jan. 04 Peter & Marianne McBean Jan. 11 Warwick Mathieson & Geoff Diemar (Maintenance)

Please note, when money is removed please keep a \$2.00 coin out to test the binoculars. There is also a cleaning kit in the bag to clean the lens and the binoculars. Please report any technical difficulties. The money goes to Treasurer Narelle and the bag to the next Volunteers. Thank you for assisting in the task. Thanks to Dieter for preparing the Roster.









Now is not the right time to surround yourself with positive people.

There will be a minor baby boom in 9 months, and then one day in 2033, we shall witness the rise of the quarantcens.

The World Health Organization has announced that dogs cannot contract Covid-19. Dogs previously held in quarantine can now be released. To be clear, WHO let the dogs out.





