



## Bulletin 11 of 8th of August Club Meeting

### Our meeting tonight was a Club Assembly

The chair person was Geoff Diemar.

Membership is a key issue for the continuation of the club. Whilst we hope to encourage new member interest, we also hope for an increase in attendance.

On this point, from the start of this Rotary year we increased the dinner fee to \$30. This was done to ensure the club could continue to cover the costs it requires without using any reserve funds. On analysis of the costs so far this year it was resolved to return dinner fees to \$25, as this will not make an impact to our club resources. This will commence from our next meeting.

Other aspects of meetings were discussed and no doubt will be further reviewed by the board, and in future meetings by the membership.

The need to provide tea & coffee was discussed, as was the need to provide any cash prize from raffle or heads and tails.

BBQs last weekend. The weather was not good on either day but the takings on both days were very successful. On the Saturday we did the BBQ for our club. On Sunday the proceeds were going to the Tomaree Museum and several of our members were involved.

The positions of president and secretary are still vacant at this stage.

Director Lesley is looking for members to represent the club at school presentation days. We are presenting a "Service Above Self Award" at the high school and primary schools. A number of the schools have been filled but a few more volunteers are needed. Please advise Lesley if you wish to be involved.

Members from the Club are helping the Pt Stephens Suicide Prevention Network via a BBQ this Saturday, with the use of our clubs mobile BBQ (Clive's cooker). We are catering at their fund raising event. More on this next week.

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### In September

#### Birthdays

#### Members

Geoff Diemar 12th

Peter Page 26th

#### Anniversaries

Ian & Phyllis McIver on 21st

#### Anniversary Rotary Service

46 years for John Stuhmcke on the 15th

#### Heads and Tails

Geoff Diemar

#### Raffle Winner:

John Cropley hence 3 minute talk to follow this week.

#### Next meeting

**Speaker Scott Elsegood on Pharmacy**

**Door: Ella Clarke**

**Grace: Doug Craike**

**Welcome :Lesley Freeman**

**Introduce Speaker:Warwick Mathieson**

**Thank Speaker:Peter Page**

**Bulletin: Phil Smith?**

**Photos: Phill Smith**

**Dinner fee to be \$25 or \$25.50 if you prefer to pay via Square.**

**Please advise your attendance to Rotary phone prior to Wednesday pm if you wish to change from your current attendance preferences or have guests. 0401450239.  
The meals ordered must be paid for by the club.**

Upcoming Speakers.

September 15th: The speaker next week will be Pharmacist Scott Elsegood from Nelson Bay Pharmacy. Scott has been in pharmacy for 20 years and has a lot of knowledge on topics in this area. He might discuss generally the changing role of the Pharmacist. The use of generic brands in pharmacy is also a hot topic. During COVID lockdown whilst most businesses closed, pharmacists remained open and were busier than ever. Scott might share a few thoughts about business during this period. It should be an interesting talk so try to be there.



September 22nd: The speaker will be Helen Cowling from France Family Funerals.

KIVA Loans

I just thought I might update the club on the latest from our portfolio of micro loans through Kiva.

It is great to be able to make an impact in such a positive way with small amounts of money. So far loans have been made in 19 different countries. Our outlay is \$US 245 but we have actually made \$US 800 worth of loans. As the money comes back I have been re lending it on the clubs behalf, as was Chelsea, when she was the clubs international director.

The Program is well organised and documented. This is our report for the month.

August 2022	
Total repayments .....	10
Repayment amount .....	\$18.61
Currency exchange loss .....	-\$0.21
<b>Total repaid .....</b>	<b>\$18.61</b>



**32**  
**Loans made**

86th%