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RYPEN PRESENTATION.



Tonight we were honoured to host three great young people, their teachers and a parent. Brielle Morley, Jameila O'Connor and Benjamin Freeman provided an excellent presentation on their recent attendance at the RYPEN Weekend Camp at Myuna Bay. They explained that the focus of the program is to introduce life skills and highlight the transition they will make as they move from being "kids" to adults. Activities included formation of personal values, moral standards, trust and confidence. The intensive program is facilitated by experienced Rotarians and past participants in a sharing and supportive environment.

The presentation in interview format was compered by John Hodgkins, Principal ALESCO Senior College and supported by Sharon Tolcher, ALESCO Student & Community Liaison Officer who accompanied students to and from the camp. Sharon commented on the positive change she noted as she drove the young people home from the weekend's activities. All had arrived not knowing anyone and as they left they bid farewell to many new friends. Benjamin's father Peter spoke very positively about the value of the weekend and the effect it had on his son, who attends St Phillips College. Benjamin was the second member of the Freeman family to attend RYPEN. Peter thanked our club for giving Benjamin the opportunity to attend. This was enthusiastically endorsed by the other RYPEN participants.

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CONGRATULATIONS

28 June to 5 July

Anniversaries :

30 June - Chris Bartlett & Judi Priestley

Heads and Tails:

Kerryn Dunlop visitor from Bungendore

Member Duties

5 Apr 2018

Door:

Milton Williams, Doug Bairstow

Meet & Greet:

Jim Booth

Loyal Toast:

John Stuhmcke

Grace:

Don Whatham

Intro Guest speaker:

Dieter Greiter

Thank Guest Speaker:

Chris Bartlett

Bulletin:

Dieter Greiter

Photos:

Phill Smith

Next meeting -

Apologies/Extras to John Crump by noon on Wednesday!

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ROTARY CLUB OF SALAMANDER BAY.

Upper Hunter Tour, 22 September

Depart PS Coaches depot at 8am and return 6.30pm.

Morning tea at Aberdeen, visit thoroughbred stud(s), Pukara Olive Grove before lunch at Gerard's Place in Denman. Then two Rivers Wines and the Godolphin Stud at Woodlands.

We need to fill 53 seats on the coach to keep the cost to \$75/head (includes morning tea and lunch). Let Peter North know if you can come. (0438 613 884)



Ed calls it a day.

One of our popular members Ed Parker attended his last “official” club meeting last night and is stepping back from Rotary. Ed joined us six years ago, after some years of Rotary service in the Rotary Club of East Maitland. Ed served 3 terms on the Club Board, providing sage advice and a steady hand. He is a friend to all, and often shared his experiences as Chaplin, both in Australia and in PNG.

He was a member of the Centenary Scholarship Selection Committee, again passing on knowledge and experience gathered as a University lecturer. More recently he conducted the memorial service at the District Conference, a task performed very well.

His humour and wit will be missed at our regular meetings, however Ed has promised to drop by for a meal and fellowship from time to time. We wish both Ed and Glenys all the best.

UPCOMING EVENTS / MEETINGS

Thursday 5 July – Ron Land – Koala Rescue & Hospital. Dinner Ladies 6 pm Bistro.

Saturday 7 July – District Changeover – Maitland City Bowling Club.

Wednesday 11 July – Board Meeting.

Saturday 21 July – Bunnings Barbeque.

Thursday 2 August – DG Brian Coffey and Carol official visit – Partner's night.

TREE PLANTING AT ANNA BAY SCHOOL VOTED A WINNER FOR ALL.



Rotarians and partners gathered at Anna Bay Public School on Monday afternoon to plant over 50 trees and bushes with the assistance of some very eager pupils. School principal Matt Freeman and President Kathy planted a tree at the school's Anzac memorial. Matt spoke of the importance of planting trees and the enhancement to the environment. He thanked our Club and Bunnings Taylor's Beach, represented by Lauren Denison for their continued support of the School. Bunnings supplied all the trees, bushes and plants. Rotarians assisted by year 1, 2 and 6 students, planted trees beside the netball courts. Past President Judy Mitchell informed senior students of Rotary's goal of planting a tree for every Rotary member (1.2 million) worldwide. The final part of the afternoon was the planting of the sensory garden trees and bushes. This turned into a very enjoyable experience for those present, especially with the younger students discovery of the large pile of damp earth. A number of parents also gathered to watch this memorable event.

Over 120 Colouring in forms were handed out to Years 1 and 2 students at Anna Bay School on



Wednesday morning following Monday's Tree Planting ceremony. Students have one week to colour in their form and the winning entries will be displayed on the Bunnings notice board over the school holidays. Thanks to Henk for redesigning of the form, and adding the environmental message. A thank you message to Bunnings for their support in this project was also added along with a message about Nelson Bay Rotary. The photo highlights the colouring in form, and students proud of their effort with teacher Claire Morrison supervising.

PLANS & GOALS

President Kathy asked members to consider our clubs direction and plans for the year. Table groups were asked to work with the Planning Guide for Effective Rotary Clubs to make suggestions. Matters raised included:

- Guest speaker each second week with members asked to provide Club Director Liz with suitable speakers.
- Regular special nights with highlight speakers and partners invited to attend. Such occasions to be more formal.
- Enhance the clubs visual presence with greater and more effective use of social media platforms such as Facebook.
- Install a second set of binoculars at Gan Gan Lookout at the Southern Lookout overlooking Birubi Beach.
- Vigorously endeavor to make progress with the Kelvin Kong Project. This to be an ongoing focus for the whole year and involve all members with an effort to involve RAWCS and other Rotary support.
- Completion of the Town Clock and Gan Gan Lookout upgrade.
- Encourage greater member participation in all projects such as the charity golf day. All members to volunteer where possible especially in seeking sponsorships.
- Support the Salamander Bay Club Polio Plus Movie fundraiser by attendance at the event.

ROTARY FOUNDATION

In addition to funds previously allocated to the Rotary Foundation throughout the year an additional amount of \$1657.50 has been donated by members as part of our club policy of including part of each week's dinner fee to our charity, the Rotary Foundation. This is a painless and effective method of providing ongoing support.

GAN GAN LOOKOUT.

A working bee has been planned by Director Liz Friend to take place at Gan Gan Lookout on Wednesday 11 July 2018 at 9am. Work will include the spreading of soil delivered by Port Stephens Council into garden areas, planting of trees and shrubs and follow up work to our previous working bee. All members are invited to participate, induction will be available for newcomers. Bring a wheelbarrow and shovel if possible.

WARWICK TAKES THE DRY JULY CHALLENGE.



Sergeant Warwick shocked us when he announced he would abstain from all alcohol for the month of July. We all know how much Warwick enjoys his bottle of red at our weekly meetings. He will still purchase the bottle from the bar, but will give it to the member providing greatest support to his appeal for funds. Warwick asked members to help him raise funds for Australian Rotary Health to assist research into brain cancer. Money pledged will count as an individual member's contribution to ARH. Following Warwick's announcement \$450 was immediately pledged by members.

WARWICK ENJOYS THE DRINK OF THE MONTH !!! WATER !!!

GUESTS.



Welcome guests from the Rotary Club of Bungendore near Canberra Kerryn and Robert Dunlop enjoyed the hospitality of club members at last night's meeting.

Kerryn and Robert are relatively new Rotarians and Bungendore Club has been recently chartered. Kerryn provided an impromptu but interesting description of the club's formation.

The presentation gave our members an insight about how to identify and introduce new members into Rotary.

NETWORKING



President Kathy catching up with Councillor Sarah Smith at the Tomaree Business Chamber breakfast on Thursday morning. Sarah is the proprietor of the Crest Restaurant at Birubi Point and is a good supporter of our Club. Our club worked closely with Sara during the major world surfing event held at Birubi Beach last November. President Kathy Does a wonderful job promoting our club within the local Business networks.

NEXT WEEK'S MEETING. Guest speaker next week will be Ron Land. Ron is a Secretary & Public Officer, Koala Hospital Project Manager and Public Fund Director. His past roles include Chairman/Director Auscoal, Joint Coal Board and Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service. He is a Certificate 4 Training Assessor and has level 4 Mine Safety Certification. Please invite your partners to what will be a very informative and enjoyable evening.