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PASSIONATE ABOUT ALESCO SCHOOL

We had two very special guest speakers at our meeting this week, Principal John Hodgkins and Sharon Tolcher, Student and Community Liaison Officer for Alesco Nelson Bay showed their passion for their work.

Alesco Senior College is a secondary school, set within an adult learning environment, which encourages young people to participate in education and training that leads to a sustainable future.

Alesco Senior College specifically targets those young people who are unlikely to find success in a traditional school environment. Alesco is not a behavioural school and it is not a timeout program. This is a small school where the individual needs of the young can be accommodated. The school has 30 students, the majority being young ladies, many of them who have self harmed or have experienced bullying at other schools. Alesco Nelson Bay operates out of rented premise at the PCYC.

The Students are now engaging with the community, both as contributors and users of resources. A part of the Alesco Program is helping young people understand ways in which they can become a positive part of the social fabric of their area. An article in this week's Examiner highlights the advances some of the students are making.

John and Sharon outlined their "wish list" for the School as their funding does not cover some additional activities and equipment required. Our Club is currently investigating the possibility of sending a couple of students to this year's RYPEN program.

The feedback from the meeting was positive and the Club Board will further investigate a positive working relationship with Alesco and report back to members in the near future. It was terrific to see two people so passionate about making a difference.

WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK

Next week's meeting will be our Easter Special. Some very special awards will be made following the recent and very successful District Conference.

We will also have is what is to be an entertaining Behind the Badge, with Chelsea Ellul. Partners are welcome and please advise John Crump of any guests.



District Governor Helen and Co Conference Chair Warwick celebrate a highly successful Conference. More photos and comments on pages 2 to 5

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International night, club news, events, 2019 Conference Booking form and lots of photos from weekend

Birthdays coming up

March 21 Maggie Jenkins

March 23 Tricia Parnell

March 31 Jim Booth

Anniversaries No recorded.

Heads and Tails Doug "Lucky" Craike

Member Duties March 29th 2018

Door Jim Booth/David Clark

Meet/Greet: Ella Clarke

Loyal Toast Doug Craike

Grace: John Cropley

Intro Guest speaker:

N/A

Thank Guest

Speaker: N/A

Bulletin Editor: Phil Smith

Photographer Phil Smith

Guest Speaker Club Night, Behind the Badge Chelsea Ellul, Conference Awards, Easter Surprises



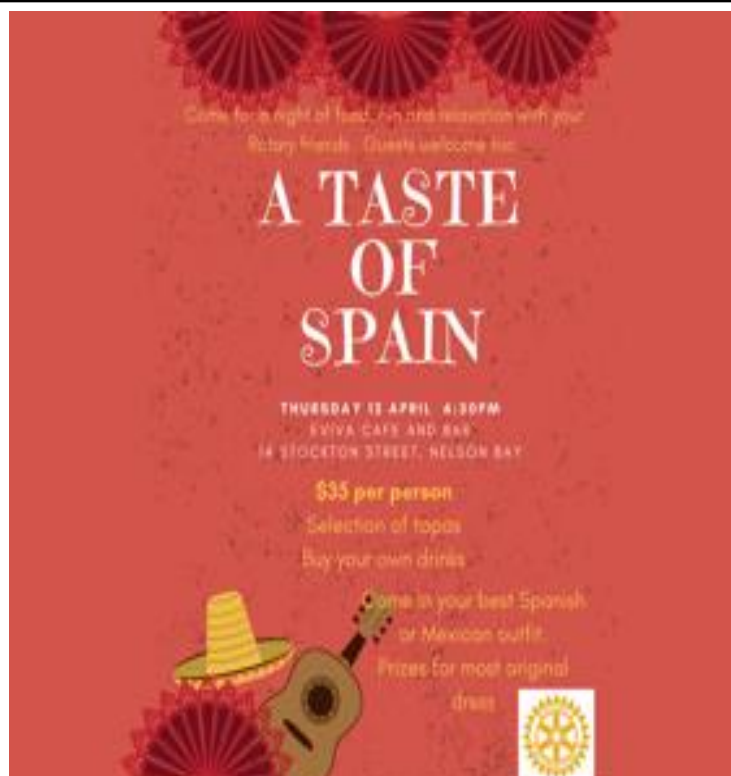
Chris Bartlett, Secretary Don and President Kathy share a relaxed moment at the Resolutions session held on Saturday afternoon. During this meeting it was announced that Chris had been elected as the Eastern Zone Representative on the District 9670 Committee commencing on July 1 2018. Sharon Chambers from Raymond Terrace Club was elected the Central Zone Rep and Geoff Smith from Narromine the Western Rep on the Committee. Each represent 16 clubs in their Zone. Chris is currently Assistant Governor for Zone 7, ARH representative and an RLI facilitator, plus our Club's Community Service Director.

THANK YOU FROM DG HELEN

District Governor Helen was full of praise for Nelson Bay Rotary Club members following the completion of the highly successful District Conference held at West Diggers over the weekend. The Conference Committee, under Chairs Warwick Mathieson and Ian Bridgen, and with some members of Salamander Bay Rotary worked for 22 months to ensure everything went smoothly. Helen recognised firstly the Committee and then all those members who participated and assisted in many ways. Some of many positive comments received were passed on during last night's meeting. It truly was a great team effort which DG Helen and our Club can be justifiably proud of. Well done all.

BUNNINGS FAMILY NIGHT BBQ A SUCCESS

Bunnings held a very successful family night at their Taylor's Beach outlet on Thursday night. Our Club has been asked to provide a team to cook and serve sausage sandwiches and drinks supplied by Bunnings to the public. Three Club members Tony Todd, Judi Priestley and Milton Williams worked very hard to keep the supply up to the large number of families who attended. The Club receives gold coin donations and vouchers from Bunnings for providing this service. A total of four special Thursday night events will be held during the year. Tony, Judi and Milton's effort are greatly appreciated with over \$350 in donations and Bunnings Gift Cards being received last night. Members will be asked by our Club's Bunning coordinator Tony Todd to participate in this activity. Tony has update the Club Runner Calendar site with normal Bunnings dates from July to December.



Nelson Bay Rotary Club were announced as a recipient of a Rotary Foundation Certificate, recognising our Club's continued support of the Rotary Foundation, at the District Conference. This award was made for contributions during PP Judy Mitchell's term, last Rotary year. Judy is pictured with Rotary Foundation Director John Cropley. Our Club are great supporters of Rotary's Charity arm.



Pictured at Saturday's night dinner are from left are PDG Kathy Roth, the RI President's representative at our conference, Christine Roach, PDG Adrian Roach, our Conference MC Leigh Ryan, Mike Ryan, PDG and 2018 Conference secretary Don Whatham and Fiona and John Roth. Compliments have been many over the past few days and one of the highlights was the quality and quantity of the food provided by Wests Diggers.

APOLOGIES & EXTRAS TO JOHN CRUMP BY NOON WEDNESDAY'S
PLEASE –PHONE OR SMS 0401 450 239- THANK YOU



15-17 MARCH 2019 - CLUB FORSTER, FORSTER SUPER EARLYBIRD SPECIAL MANUAL BOOKING FORM PRICES VALID FOR 10 DAYS ONLY

THIS FORM MUST BE RETURNED BY HAND AT THE 2018 DISTRICT CONFERENCE OR EMAILED TO treasurer@rotary9670.org.au BY 5:00PM AEST ON 23 MARCH 2018
ANY FORM RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE WILL NOT BE PROCESSED

Conference Packages

Our packages are the most cost-effective way to attend all the events on the program.

Platinum

All-inclusive package: Friday Welcome Dinner, Saturday Breakfast, Saturday Conference, Saturday Dinner, Sunday Breakfast & Sunday Conference \$150.00 x Qty: _____ = Total: \$ _____

Gold

All events except breakfast: Friday Welcome Dinner, Saturday Conference, Saturday Dinner & Sunday Conference \$115.00 x Qty: _____ = Total: \$ _____

Silver

Conference and Saturday Dinner: Saturday Conference, Saturday Dinner & Sunday Conference \$90.00 x Qty: _____ = Total: \$ _____

Bronze

Conference only: Saturday Conference & Sunday Conference \$40.00 x Qty: _____ = Total: \$ _____

Individual sessions (For extra guests)

Individual session tickets are for those who have not purchased a package.

Welcome Dinner \$35.00 x Qty: _____ = Total: \$ _____

Saturday Conference \$25.00 x Qty: _____ = Total: \$ _____

Conference dinner \$65.00 x Qty: _____ = Total: \$ _____

Sunday conference \$15.00 x Qty: _____ = Total: \$ _____

Sub Total

Payment via VISA, MasterCard or American Express only.

Add: Booking fee \$0.30

We DO NOT accept Cash, Cheque or EFT.

Grand TOTAL*

PLEASE TURN OVER

*Payment via American Express will attract a surcharge of 1.1%.

Ticket Holder Details

Attendee 1		Attendee 2	
Rotary Title	_____	Rotary Title	_____
First Name	_____	First Name	_____
Last Name	_____	Last Name	_____
Club	_____	Club	_____
Dietary Requirements	_____	Dietary Requirements	_____

Card Holder Details

Cardholder First Name: _____
 Cardholder Last Name: _____
 Address: _____
 Suburb: _____
 State: _____ NEW SOUTH WALES
 Post code: _____
 Country: _____ AUSTRALIA
 Phone Number: _____
 Email address: _____

Card Details



Card number: _____
 Expiry: _____ / _____ CW: _____

Tickets are non-transferable.

Refunds will be granted up to midnight on 31 December 2018 if your circumstances change, subject to the 4-way test. Refunds from 1 January 2019 up until midnight 31 January 2019 will incur a \$50 processing charge to cover costs incurred.

No refunds will be granted on or after 1 February 2019 in any circumstance.

Full ticket terms and conditions are available at the registration desk or by request to treasurer@rotary9670.org.au

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Bulletin readers will see this week's Edition contains many photos of the Conference and we acknowledge Henk Tobbe for making these available through his Flickr site. Also Phil Smith spent hours photographing speakers on stage. The photos shown hopefully show a good cross section of the Conference activities over the weekend. More Photos on Henk Tobbe's Flickr site.

A new innovation at this year's Conference was a stand where bookings for the 2019 Conference in Forster could be made. It was highly successful with 81 bookings made. Pictured are 2019 Conference chair Christine Walmsley and Alyn Miranda manning the stand.



Greg Flux assisting Agnes Tobbe find Conference photographer Henk Tobbe, with Jonathon Cincotta and Tricia Parnell enjoying the moment.

There was not a shortage of food at the Conference as the spread for Saturday lunch shows. Note Bob Mitchell (left in bright shirt) moving in for quality control



A rare photo of the photographer Henk Tobbe captured hard at work with DG Helen while MC Leigh Ryan looks on



On Conference reception duties are Agnes Tobbe, Yvonne Stuhmcke and Fiona Whatham

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 29 Club Night, Behind the Badge
April 5 Guest Speaker TBA
April 12 International Night Evviva Café
April 18 Board Meeting
April 19 Guest Speaker TBA
April 21 & 22 PETS and District Assembly



Pictures **Left column from the top** are PDG Tony MacKenzie, Newcastle Rotary Club, receiving the ARH Trophy from DG Helen, Nelson Bay local Kelvin Kong delivered a powerful message regarding hearing for indigneous kids, Judi Priestley and Geoff Diemar working together at Friday afternoon's oyster and welcome drink function, and PDG Don Stephens from Dubbo with the Dream Cricket stand in the House of Friendship.

Right hand column from top The Main foyer at Wests, Brigitta Falconer and Kristie Murphy manning our Gold sponsors stand in the House of Friendship over the weekend. Head Chef at West Diggers Nelson Bay Hudson Daley, son of the former Nelson Bay Rotary President Paul Daley provided exceptional food and service over the weekend. Phill and Chris Smith step the light fantastic on Saturday night. Ed Parker did a great job in delivering the In Memoriam session, honouring past Rotarians who have passed on since the last Conference. The team effort by all club members was outstanding, with the Conference one of the best in years.

District 9670 CONFERENCE 2018 PICTORIAL- continued

Fiona Whatham, Lorraine Bevan, Judi Priestley and Christine Smith enjoy a quiet drink on Saturday night.



Doug Melhuish from Holiday World discussing travel arrangements in the House of Friendship



Friday night's Start a Conversation Host local ABC presenter Jenny Marchant with Jennifer Gray from Salamander Bay Rotary. Jennifer organised this event to start the formal part of the 2018 Conference. Great night.



What a great bunch of Youth Exchange students who excelled over 3 days

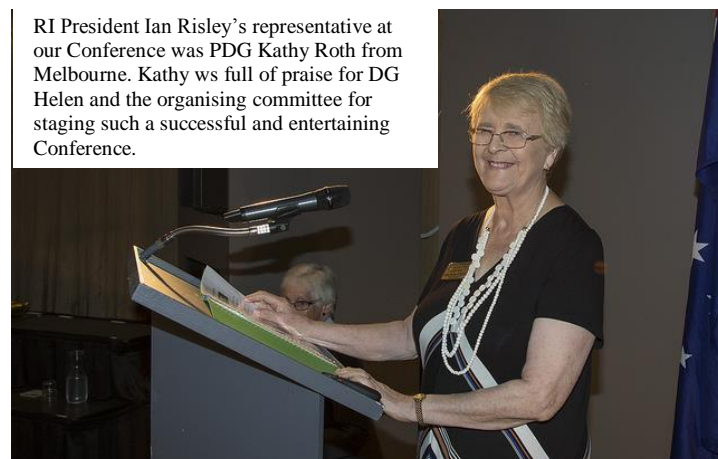


District Treasurer & Floor Manager for the Conference Patrick Healey, DG Helen and son Leigh Ryan, the Conference MC, enjoying a quiet moment. Both Patrick and Lee were presented with Paul Harris Fellow Awards on ~

The House of Friendship attracted plenty of interest and pictured assisting on Saturday morning were Taylor and Zac Rimmer with mum President Kathy, Salamander Bay Rotarian Harry Parker, who assisted Chris B over the weekend and Helen and Chris McGrath from Shelterbox.



The Conference registration team, led by Tricia Parnell did a great job, starting on Thursday and still assisting right up to the closing of the Conference. A special mention to Arja Ikonen for her behind the scenes input and Co Chair Ian Bridgen for his assistance. Pictured are some of the team listening to to a key note speaker during the Conference



MEMBERS ARE AGAIN REMINDED TO GET THEIR APOLOGIES INTO JOHN CRUMP BY 12 NOON ON WEDNESDAY'S BY PHONE OR SMS ON 0401 450 239. WE ARE CHARGED FOR ALL MEALS BASED ON THE NUMBERS SUBMITTED & THESE COSTS WILL BE PASSED ON