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CLUB ASSEMBLY & BOARD MEETING REPORT.

Our outgoing board met with the incoming board last night for the final board meeting of this Rotary year. This meeting will allow a smooth transition in management of our club programs and operation to ensure continuity and efficiency as we enter our 67th year of Rotary service.

The Tomaree Community Hospital Garden project is entering an exciting stage having progressed to the position where we are starting to form the gardens and commence landscaping. All land forming, concreting, brick laying, garden bed construction and the garden shelter are complete. Soil is to be transported into the beds with a small bobcat machine which we are waiting to hire. As the machine operates, we will require member volunteers to bucket or wheelbarrow the garden soil into the beds. Once the beds are filled the final touches to the timberwork and planting can take place. This too, will require members to volunteer their time. Simultaneously, the recognition wall plaque will be manufactured and erected and the water feature and irrigation system installed. All will be ready for the official opening planned for September. We continue to gain community donations.

Board members have been busy preparing the annual report, finalising finances, and preparing the changeover dinner. Ella and Lesley have organised the venue at the landmark Resort and the Nelson Way restaurant has offered a comprehensive menu from which guests may choose. The program has been set and invitations sent out. Please make your payment of \$45 per head to the club account as soon as possible.

The combined boards have set the club dues at \$100 for the coming Rotary year. This was set following a thorough study of our club finances by Treasurer Geoff. The Board recognised that the increasing annual subscription was a factor in our difficulty to attract new members. Geoff has redirected contributions made by members throughout each year into fee supplementation. A request was made for members to pay the \$100 into the club account subscription before 30 June 2023.

The Board endorsed donations of \$1,000 to Australian Rotary Health, \$500 to Interplast, \$500 to ROMAC, \$500 to the Rotary Foundation and \$250 to DG Neville Parsons Partner's Project. This brings our annual giving to over \$16,000. Full details will be available at the Club Changeover and in the annual report.

President Elect Ella invited members to participate in the planning process for next year. She welcomes suggestions from members in relation to projects which the club may consider. Club committees are to become more active, and Ella has flagged the possibility of reducing the frequency of club dinner meetings. Ella plans to address the need for inducting new members and already the endorsement of the new fee structure marks an immediate start of this process.

NEXT MEETING: 22 June – Heather Noonan – Forgotten Fingal

COMING EVENTS.

22 June – Heather Noonan – Forgotten Fingal. *(The meeting will be followed by a short meeting of board members).*

29 June: Club Changeover

1 July – Bunnings barbeque

1 July – District Changeover.

18 Aug - RoadWhyz

31 Aug - Science Discovery Day - Tomaree HS.

WINNERS

H/T: Peter (Jim's guest)

Raffle: Lesley Freeman Again!! (3-minute talk)

JUNE BIRTHDAYS:

1 June: Richard Turner

10 June: Henk Tobbe

No Anniversaries

MEMBER DUTIES – (22 June).

Door: Geoff Diemar

Grace – Jim Booth

Toast – Peter Page

Introduce Speaker: Ella Clarke

Thank Speaker: Geoff Robinson

Bulletin: John Cropley

Photos: John Cropley

Binoculars: Geoff Diemar

COMING EVENT:
Changeover Thursday
29 June at the Nelson
Way, Landmark
Resort. Cost \$45. Please
make payment to club
account and make
menu choice (see
previous bulletin)
known to Lesley.

CLUB NEWS.

BUNNINGS BARBEQUE ROSTER SATURDAY 1 JULY.

DATE	COORDINATOR Transport up & Back	Cook	Serve	Sauce	Money	COORDINATOR Transport back
Sat 1 Jul am	C Bartlett	W Mathieson	R Turner	E Clarke	D Whatham	
Sat 1 Jul pm		P Page	J Stuhmcke	J Booth	G Diemar	C Bartlett

BUNNINGS PLANNING JULY TO DECEMBER.

Our first Bunnings barbeque for the new Rotary year will be held Saturday week. The roster for the day is above. Our club has been allocated a barbeque on the first Saturday in each month July to December. Dates: 1 July, 5 Aug, 2 Sept, 7 Oct, 4 Nov, 2 Dec. The roster for the six months has been completed and was forwarded to members. Please check the roster to ensure you can complete your rostered duty. If you are unable to do so, please arrange a swap and notify the co-ordinator and Don. Each member has been allocated three duties during the six months.

COMMUNITY PROJECT – ASSISTANCE TO CWA FETE.

PP John organised the purchase of goods and transported Clive's Cooker to the CWA Hall last Saturday to assist the Nelson Bay CWA with their Annual Fete. John with the assistance of Geoff Diemar, Chris Bartlett and Jim Booth cooked bacon and egg sandwiches and sausage sandwiches which proved very popular with the patrons of the fete. Though not planned as a fundraiser we made a small profit after the payment of costs. John reported that this was a very enjoyable experience which was appreciated very much by the CWA members.

COMMUNITY HOSPITAL PALLIATIVE GARDEN PHOTOS.

