



Jerraganda

The Newsletter of Jerrabomberra Rotary
RI District 9710

27 July 2017

Last week's Meeting

Our meeting last week was an excellent opportunity to hear a little bit more about A growing and highly successful Canberra business: Jasper and Myrtle Bean to Bar Chocolates, but more on that shortly!

The meeting kicked off promptly at 7pm after a delicious and plentiful meal of Turkish.

Charge to Australia -delivered by Peter

Apologies -John A, Veena, Wendy, John T, Mez, Paul Roger.

Guests - Peter Channells (Jasper and Myrtle) Noa and Emele

Attendance - 78.5% (special thanks to Liz who managed attendance and meals on behalf of Mez who was looking after it on behalf of John Askew etc etc etc.....

SGM - two issues discussed and voted on. Member agreed on minor changes to the constitution and secondly supported the merger of the two Rotary Districts.

Reports - (Please note reports are by exception only - Directors should notify Cathy prior to meetings if they have a report)

Treasurer's Report (David S)

Importantly David informed members that the joker kitty was up to \$514.50. He also told us the transition to the new accounting system was progressing well.

International Service (from Chilly)

Yesterday (Wednesday 26/7), Noa's catheter was taken out, and he is like a jack in a box bouncing all over the place. I think also that he finally understands exactly what he now has, and is now the same as all the other boys in his village, he can't stop smiling.

Sandra Malberg who has been awesome, went up to Duffy primary school and has him starting Monday at 10:30 for 2 months.

Hopefully the recovery will go smoothly, with him booked in on the 27 September for the all clear and then a couple of days later I assume they will head back to Fiji.

The exciting news is that the third and final operation looks like it can happen in Fiji, more of that to come.



Dear Everyone,

PLEASE Don't forget! I Would love **market reports** to be sent to me by Sunday afternoon so I can complete the Jerraganda by Monday each week.

Also any photos or interesting content you would like to share with the club will help me create an interesting weekly read and would be greatly appreciated- just email to me on:

david.parkinson@cordelta.com

Enjoy,
David Parkinson
Club Service Director

RAWCS Fiji - Levuka Island

Paul Roger and I met Wednesday lunch to discuss visiting the island with them upon their return to scope a RAWCS trip in 2018 to renovate Noa's cyclone damaged school. Now we have some dates to work with Paul and I can start planning. As they say in the classic "stay tuned folks" or is that just Bugs of merry melodies? - Chilly

Youth Service - Ian W.

Ian met with Martin Fisk from Men's Link and also Constable Memik from NSWPS re suicide prevention strategies and engaging with local youth. Ian has been invited to join the Suicide Prevention Planning Committee and will be presenting to that group in the next few weeks.

Ian also informed members about Bakers Delight coming on board a pilot program to help disadvantaged teens with meaningful work experience which highlights their skills and abilities and helps build self-esteem.

General Business

Tranny Bingo - Liz asked for a member to step up and replace her as the contact for Tranny Bingo..... After a little coaxing of members Ian W put up his hand and volunteered to be the club contact. Ian was last seen playing with his bingo balls in preparation!



Multi Charity Rock n Roll Party - Ian floated the idea of us being involved in a joint party with up to three other organisations with us managing the funds through our club prior to them being divided. Members supported the idea in principle and it will be further discussed at the next committee meeting.

Xmas in July - Peter J reminded member of the Xmas in July, including shift details. The list of volunteers looked full and all systems appeared ready to go. Judging by the photo's it went appeared to go to plan? We look forward to Peter providing feedback to this coming week's meeting. I don't know if Pete was tired and having a rest or assuming the throne as self-appointed grand poohbah of parking, but he looks pretty happy!



Anytime Fitness / Jerra Rotary Suicide Prevention Treadmill Run - Bruce reminded members of the treadmill run. Members were encouraged to drop by and show their support. Judging by the below pics, members turned up in force and either participated or cheered from the sidelines. (Thanks Bruce for the pics)



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JASPER + MYRTLE

BEAN TO BAR HANDMADE CHOCOLATE

Guest speaker - Peter Channells from Jasper and Myrtle Bean to Bar Chocolate gave an interesting talk - supported by chocolate tasting. We heard the story of Pete and his partner LiPeng leaving the public service and becoming chocolate makers and within one year becoming world champions across a variety of their products. Pete also told us about their partnering with bean growers in the South Pacific, and how the partnership, which was



being facilitated by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, was helping to grow their industry and create livelihoods for otherwise very poor farmers. Pete's story and more importantly delicious chocolate was devoured by members!



Joker - Joker was won by Sue Collis on the night however she failed to draw the Joker from the pack and once again the kitty grows!

Sergeant Session - a short quiz challenged members and about \$40 was raised!

Joke - A cracker of a joke about how age and experience trumps youth and enthusiasm.

Member's travels

This week's member's travels highlight the recent trip the Rogers took to Alaska! Wow the scenery was breath taking and the guys had a fantastic time whilst over there. Now back in Australia to 'normal life'.

The weather in Alaska was particularly warm so much so a little sunbaking was squeezed into the agenda! (that's just nasty - sorry)



However, the Rogers did lift the bar a little getting glammed up for a more formal evening back on board the ship! My first thoughts went to James Bond and Miss Money Penny! Or perhaps given the cool climate Paul thought dressing as a penguin was the go!



I must admit to being a little confused as to

the signs differentiating the male and female facilities however the Rogers seemed to work it all out after consulting the locals.....



Market Report



Patronage at the markets was slow to build up, probably due to the low temperature, 1C, and the thick fog. However, by the time the sun broke through and our fingers had thawed out trade gradually picked up. Perhaps because others cold fingers several wallets were dropped and handed in but all were quickly returned to their owners.

For reasons which are beyond me , this morning's team seemed to spend a lot of time with Jasper & Myrtle

Chocolates! Each of came home with a bag which I'm sure was intended for sharing with others! In your dreams.

Unfortunately, the idea of attracting produce donations from traders to assist with looking after Noa and Emilie did not work out but we did attract money donations totaling \$36.10. Better than nothing but the concept obviously needs some more work.

The morning's income:

Green sold x 30,	\$60
Red bags x 4,	\$20
Water x 1	\$2
Tables x 10	\$50
Total	\$132

Bags and water stocks are OK but we couldn't find the tally sheets. - David Stevens

Market Roster

5 Aug Cathy, Colin and Chris

12 Aug Dave P, Chilly one more needed (please contact Sue Hollis)

Fitness Trail

A big thank you to Vera Alexander for donating this lovely hand trolley to Jerrarotary. Without it Liz Miller, a friend of Jerrarotary, would have to carry the bench on her back. Also, a thank you to Bruce Miller for donating his lovely wife to do all the hard work.

Next Week's Meeting

The meeting next week (27/7/2017) will feature a 'me talk' from one of our new members. To be advised.....I haven't told him yet sorry Peter Collis!



Remember meal is served at 6:30pm sharp

Thought for the week from President Anton

Rotarians frequently ask me, "When you founded Rotary, did you think it would come to anything like this?"

No, I did not in 1905 foresee a worldwide movement of 6,000 clubs and 300,000 men. When a man plants an unpromising sapling in the early Springtime, can he be sure that someday here will grow a mighty tree? Does he not have to reckon on rain and sun - and the smile of Providence? Once he sees the first bud - ah, then he can begin to dream of shade.

Paul Harris - The Rotarian February 1974.

Now from that one tree a forest has grown to include over 1.2 million men, women and children that support their communities.

Breaking News

Sometimes the best intentions can end in tears.....We had all been very excited about Noa starting school at Duffy today - especially Noa!

Sandra M, Pam & Emele with Noa went up to Duffy Primary (he was up before me this morning), only to find out that certain paperwork was not in place, meaning he could not start school! Noa apparently broke down in tears.

If anyone can come over this afternoon and tomorrow it would be wonderfully appreciated to distract Noa and assist Emele. It may take a few days to get the paperwork in order.....Thanks Chilly

Final Funny

A wife comes home late one night and quietly opens the door to her bedroom. From under the blanket, she sees four legs instead of just her husband's two. She reaches for a baseball bat and starts hitting the blanket as hard as she can. Once she's done, she goes to the kitchen to have a drink. As she enters, she sees her husband there, reading a magazine. He says, "Hi darling, your parents have come to visit us, so I let them stay in our bedroom. Did you say hello?"