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ROTARY CLUB OF CESSNOCK DISTRICT 9670 SPOKE

PRESIDENTS REPORT

To have Astrid Lidbury recite her own poems and tell some of her amazing family life was a special way to end our Rotary year. Astrid is a gifted lady and the depth of meaning in her poetry was profound. Thanks you Astrid for your significant contribution.

It was also my last night as your President. In reviewing the year past it was instructive for me to read the first Message as President that George presented to us in the Spoke. I commented that *"we must now move onto this year and build on all the learning's of the past with a view of continuing to satisfy the needs of our significant and demanding community whilst also being mindful of each others needs which must similarly be satisfied"*.

As I outlined to you on Thursday night the commitment to the needs of our community have continued significantly even with a reduced income resulting from the loss of the Vintage Golf day. Immediate Past President Gail was kind enough to analyse the community contributions our club has made which totalled approximately \$24,000.

In addition to this was the money set aside from last year and the Foundation Grant for the East Cessnock Healthy lifestyle Garden project totalling approximately \$22,000. Our club also contributed to Trish Davies Teacher Assist Kakoda RAWCS PNG project.

This analysis however only highlights the monetary value of our contribution. The value to the community and recipients of these funds far exceeds the dollar value and is measured not in mathematical terms but rather in the value of lives changed as a consequence of our giving. Each member should be proud of their individual efforts during the year and the club for the synergistic output of its members. John F Kennedy once reflected *"We must find time to stop and thank the people who make a difference in our lives"*. When reflecting on the past year of our great Rotary Club of Cessnock's history, let us reflect on how many people we made a difference to in their lives. Thank you for allowing me to be your President. David





Photo of the outgoing board members who were in attendance last week. President David was so happy about his last meeting that he was prepared to take some of us in a scrum. Its always a happy meeting at our club and that's what makes it worth while coming along every week. Brian Howe and Ross Lidbury definitely agree.

ROSTER 10th July 2014

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

TELLER:

WELCOME TO GUESTS:

INTRODUCE SPEAKER:

GUEST SPEAKER

VOTE OF THANKS:

FINE SESSION:

STEWARDS:

CHANGEOVER

DINNER at POTTERS

All members

17th July 2014

TBA

All members

FUTURE EVENTS

10th July - Changeover Dinner.

Meeting time is 6 for 6.33pm

Apologies to Graham Lidbury by 11am on Thursday on phone **0419 682 573**

or Email: lids@westnet.com.au

REMEMBER: you will be charged for your meal if you are absent and do not apologize.



The Lidbury clan were in attendance to hear Astrid resite some of her poetry. Astrid did a great job of not only resiting the poems which are very dear to her heart but even sang one of them. The poems were quite exceptional and they all originated from Astrid's experiences and from stories worth re telling. Astrid also told us a brief history of her parents and about her Dad the puppeteer.



Nice to have Margaret Maley back with us after her European holiday. Graham the Lids is pictured showing off President David's last award, which was to thank the board members for a great year.





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INVITATION

President David Clark and Members extend a warm invitation to:

Members and Partners of the RC of Cessnock,

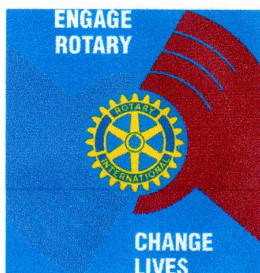
To join with us at the
77TH CHANGE-OVER DINNER
David Clark to Vicki Steep

Venue: Potters Hunter Valley Brewery
Wine Country Drive NULKABA NSW 2325

Date: 10th July 2014

Time: 6:30pm for 7.00pm

Cost: \$30per head (Excluding Drinks)



RSVP: 2nd July 2014
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NB: Please indicate dietary requirements

