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PRESIDENTS REPORT

It's hard to believe we are already in the third month with Easter just around the corner. We have a busy social calendar over the next couple of weeks, commencing with the GSE visit from 12th to 16th March, Nelson Bay visit 15th March and Graham organising a dinner at Kurri Kurri TAFE. It was good to see Bill back this week and Irene is continuing to get stronger each day. Peter Carver is home and progressing well.

Next Thursday the GSE Team will be joining us for our meeting and a brief introduction by each member to inform us of their vocation and life in their country. This should be a very informative night, I hope everyone can attend, it will also be a partners night.

Steve Crane has been working hard to bring together an itinerary for the GSE Team involving vocational activities and leisure time covering different aspects and venues of our lovely Hunter Valley area. Steve will have a time table next meeting for those wishing to partake in the activities on Saturday including wine tasting, winery tours, picnic at Hunter Valley Gardens and BBQ afternoon dinner at David Lennon's in Quorrobolong.

The annual visit to Nelson Bay is Sunday 15th March. Details have been finalised with the cost of cruise, seafood, wine and BBQ lunch being \$40. The "sail" time is 11am, so we should plan to meet at the Soldiers Point pier at 10.30am. Keep your fingers crossed for a sunny day.

Congratulations to Beatrice, John Jowett's granddaughter who attended the opening of the War Memorial in Canberra as a special guest to sing for the occasion. By all accounts from John it was a memorable day.

Graham has confirmed he has been able to book us in for a night out at Kurri Kurri TAFE to partake in a 3 course meal prepared by the students. These are usually a gastronomic highlight so I am looking forward to the night.

The 2015 Newcastle Science and Engineering Challenge program is scheduled for July 2015 followed by the NSW S & E Super Challenge in August. With its long association with this event the National Science and Engineering Challenge Final has been awarded to Newcastle to host in October 2015. The committee is seeking Activity Assistants for the Challenge in July. If you can help please contact Paul Griffiths on 0408 431 323 or email pawmg@bigpond.com for registration or further information.

MUNA2015 to be held at Muswellbrook on 22nd and 23rd May 2015 is seeking registration by year 10 and 11 students. This is a weekend of fabulous researching and debating practice for participants where teams prepare, think and debate as representatives of a country assigned to them. Our local high schools are encouraged to participate in this event.

Thanks to members who helped out at the Bunnings BBQ last week end at such short notice, it was extremely hot again, so much so that a "fan" had to be brought out to help cool the area. Hopefully the next BBQ on 11th April will be more appealing temperature.

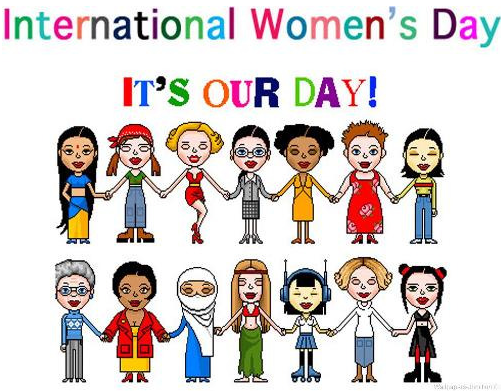


OUR TWO GUEST SPEAKERS - JOHN & IVER

Iver has had a busy couple of weeks with a visit to Sydney, football and school. The raffle this week was won by Margaret Maley, who only moments before the draw had declared that it was time she took home the wine, think there might be something about the power of thought. Iver won the second bottle, this seems to be an ongoing challenge. (But he was wise enough this week to give the bottle to his fantastic Councillor, George Koncz) An enthusiastic fine session by Graham with usual members being targeted concluded the evenings activities. I must say we miss Peter Carver to lead us with the Anthem, I think we will have to resort to a media edition if Peter doesn't come back soon. See you next week, President Vicki



Sunday 8th March is International World Women's Day. Today is not only dedicated to influential women in society but to all women. Women world wide make a contribution to society whether it be with small steps or great strides.



ROSTER 12th March 2015		19th March
INTERNATIONAL TOAST	Alison Crane	Robyn Drayton
TELLER:	Margaret Maley	Margaret Maley
WELCOME TO GUESTS:	Louse Selmes	Steve Crane
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	TBA	
GUEST SPEAKER	TBA	
VOTE OF THANKS:	TBA	
FINE SESSION:	Louse Selmes	Graham Lidbury
STEWARDS:	All members	All members

FUTURE EVENTS
10th March - GSE Dinner at Toronto.
12-16 March - German GSE Visit
20-22nd March- District Conference Foster
11th April - Bunnings BarBQ

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.



John and Meg Jowett are pictured with John's daughter, granddaughter, family and friends at the celebrations in Canberra last week. The event was to celebrate the official opening of the First World War Galleries, which was attended by past Prime Ministers, high officials in our armed forces and many guests. John's granddaughter Beatrice was one of the performers at the Ceremonies, which John proudly told us about last week. Beatrice did a song with Lee Kernaghan. (It would be a plus if we could get a copy that number, I'm sure) Overall it was an absolute proud moment for the Jowett family and their friends.

By the end of the night John spoke to one of our past Prime Ministers, the honourable Bob Hawke. Not many members in our club are on first name terms with past Prime Ministers and John even gave Bob Hawke some sound advice - not to smoke too many cigars but it wasn't acted on.

BOP the Blues away

Rock'n'Roll Fundraiser

HELP make a difference in our local community supporting

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH

Majority of monies raised will be distributed to
'THE SHACK' and 'YOUTH INSEARCH'

ROSELEA COMMUNITY CENTRE

645-671 Pennant Hills Road, Carlingford

28th March 2015
7:00pm



LIVE



BAND



GUEST SPEAKERS, FASHION SHOW, PRIZES and much more...

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
by 20th March

Come for a great night...
Bring your friends for TABLES of 8

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
by 20th March

Adults \$45 Students \$30

Complimentary bottle of red and white wine on each table

BYO FOOD & REFRESHMENTS



WIN

PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED GUY & GAL

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| 1st PRIZE | 2 days/nights for 4 people at Iona Cottage at Lake Macquarie |
| 2nd PRIZE | 2 Dozen Bottles of Wine |
| 3rd PRIZE | Epping Club dinner for 2 people |

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BRITISH HUMOUR

A pharmacist walked into his shop to find a man leaning against the wall.

"What's wrong with him?" he asked his assistant.

"He came in for cough syrup, but I couldn't find any , so I gave him an entire box of laxatives."

"You idiot!" said the chemist. "You can't treat a cough with laxatives."

"Of course you can," the assistant replied. "Look at him ... he daren't cough now!"

CREATIVE PUNS

The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi.

I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.

She was only a whiskey maker, but he loved her still.

A rubber band pistol was confiscated from algebra class because it was a weapon of math disruption.

The butcher backed into the meat grinder and got a little behind in his work.

No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.

A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.

Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.

Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.

A hole has been found in the nudist camp wall. The police are looking into it.

Atheism is a non-prophet organization.

Two hats were hanging on a hatrack in the hallway. One hat said to the other, "You stay here. I'll go on a head."

I wondered why the baseball kept getting bigger. Then it hit me.

A sign on the lawn at a drug rehab centre said: "Keep off the Grass."

A small boy swallowed some coins and was taken to a hospital. When his grandmother phoned to ask how he was, a nurse said, "No change yet."

A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.

The short fortune-teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.

The man who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran

