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## ROTARY CLUB OF CESSNOCK DISTRICT 9670 SPOKE

### PRESIDENTS REPORT

Our President David was away helping with family problems last week. He is always there to help others but this time it was to take his brother in law to the John Hunter Hospital. We all hope that everything is OK and look forward to President David being back this week.

Our guest speaker was Renee Hudson who works at the Cessnock branch of the Greater Building Society. Renee has had a lot of working industry practice in the banking field, having been working at the Westpac Bank since she started after leaving school. After she had children, she was made redundant at the bank and started out with the Greater Building Society. Renee told us about the main differences about banks and the Building Societies, the different fee structures and the more personal approach which Renee believes is the biggest difference. Renee has held many positions in the climb up the ladder and is now the Branch Manager at the Cessnock Greater Building Society which is located in the Cessnock Plaza. We are all invited to have a look at the newly refurbished premises and Renee will no doubt be there to help you make the swap from the banks, if you so wish.



We had David Lennon to introduce Renee to the club as it was David who arranged for Renee to be our target speaker for the night. Immediate Past President Gail took over the role of being the chairman for the night and thanked Renee for a good coverage about her career and her involvement at our Cessnock branch.

We also had a number of guests including Ross Lidbury who is no stranger to our club. We must be Ross's second club as we see him quite often. You are always welcome Mate!

We also had Steve and Alison Crane along again, who have been visitors to our club three times now. Steve and Alison are visitors of Robyn Drayton and we were all glad to see you both again.



# EAST CESSNOCK PRIMARY SCHOOL HEALTHY LIFESTYLE PROJECT



Past President Gail has been working on the submission for a grant from the District Foundation regarding our project . Gail donated \$10,000.00 towards the gardens and orchards at our Change-over last Rotary year and she has been working on getting it started. There is a soil test and excavations to improve the soil is underway and the fruit trees and berries will be planted soon. The committee has listed another few items which will be vital to make the overall project viable and sustainable. We have a grant application in for more planter beds, water tank, irrigation and drip feed system which would all help to make this project be one that will be fully usable by the students and staff from the Primary School.

Our application to the District has been lodged and it would be a fantastic result if it was granted. The Healthy Lifestyle Project involves school staff in trying to make the children aware of eating healthy produce. By having the children involved in planting and nurturing the berries, vegetables and fruit trees, it will definitely help in the understanding of what it takes to grow these produce. Then the eating of healthy produce will be much more appreciated, when the children actually try the produce which they helped in planting and developing to maturity.

## **This week is a Board Meeting followed by presentation from our exchange student Next weeks Guest Speaker - Des Lawson: Past District Governor**

Des is a member of the Rotary Leadership Institute, he is a resident of Brisbane.

Des' presentation will explain ways to increase Membership, which have proven to be very successful. We are privileged to have Des attend our meeting for this presentation as he usually runs workshops for larger groups; at a request from Janette and Stephen he agreed to take some time out of his extremely busy schedule to visit our Club. It may benefit our Club tremendously to hear what Des has to say, so let's all make a great effort to attend this meeting.

### **ROSTER 17th October**

INTERNATIONAL TOAST	Louise Selmes
TELLER:	Maley/S Jackson
WELCOME TO GUESTS:	Robyn Drayton
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:	Greg Bevan
GUEST SPEAKER	Matt Humer
VOTE OF THANKS:	Janette Jackson
FINE SESSION:	Peter Carver
STEWARDS:	All members

### **24th Oct**

Margaret Maley
Maley/Selmes
John Jowett
Janette Jackson
Des Dawson
Steve Jackson
Peter Carver
All members

### **FUTURE EVENTS**

17th Oct - Board Meeting plus MATT  
 24th Oct - Des Lawson Rotary Membership  
 31st Oct - Kurri Kurri Inter Club Visit at  
 Robyn Draytons RSVP latest 30th Oct.  
 7th Nov - Sally Coddington  
 Hunter Life Education

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 Rotary Club of Morisset

Invites You To A

## ROMAC Dinner and Fundraiser

(Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children)

**GUEST SPEAKER: LYN THORPE**

**Venue** – Dining Hall, Myuna Bay Sport & Recreation Centre, Wangi Road, DORA CREEK

**Date & Time** – Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2013 7:00 pm start

Cost - \$30 per person (2 course meal)

*Dinner Price Includes Donation to ROMAC*

**BYO (Alcohol or Soft Drinks)**

**This is a great opportunity to hear the important work that Lyn and ROMAC have been involved with.**

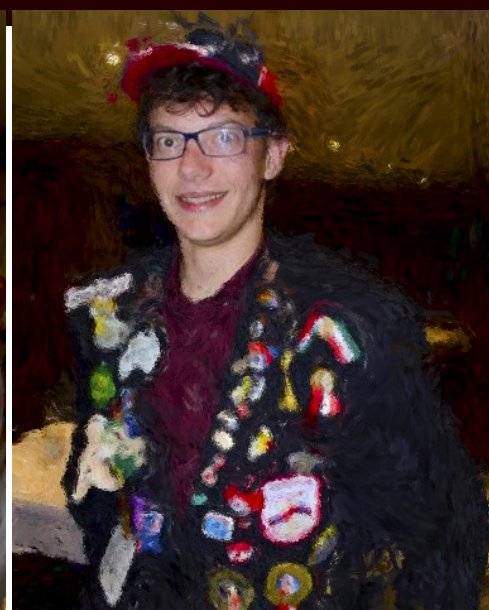
**Payment** via cheque P.O Box 100, Morisset 2264,

direct deposit (preferred) BSB 650 300, Acc No **987491601** reference with your name.

**RSVP:** 15<sup>th</sup> November 2013 –Georgina Anderson ph 04066 96106

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### **A FEW ARTISTIC PORTRAITS OF SOME OF OUR MEMBERS**





## INSTEAD OF JOKES THIS WEEK SOME INTERESTING STUFF



On one of Port stops in Morocco. No, these were not created by a bored geek in Photoshop. Amazingly, these uncanny animals are actually real: they climb the Argan trees of Morocco in search of food, which is otherwise sparse in the region. Over time they have become not only able to climb trees but downright adept at the art – the trapeze across trees with a sure-footedness that is hard to imagine from a hoofed animal.

An anthropologist proposed a game to the kids in an African tribe. He put a basket full of fruit near a tree and told the kids that who ever got there first won the sweet fruits. When he told them to run they all took each others hands and ran together, then sat together enjoying their treats. When he asked them why they had run like that as one could have had all the fruits for himself they said: "UBUNTU, how can one of us be happy if all the other ones are sad?"

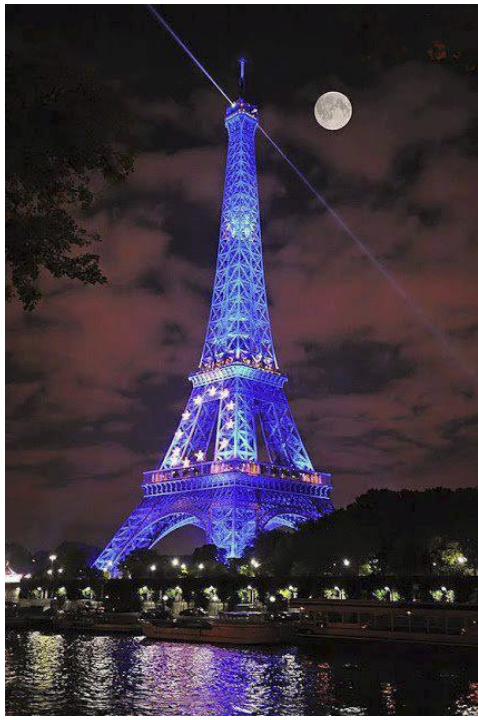
'UBUNTU' in the Xhosa culture means: "I am because we are"



### Kliuchevskoi

The tallest mountain (also transliterated from Cyrillic as Klyuchevskoy, 4835M) in Russia's far eastern Kamchatka peninsula is also its most active stratovolcano, with a fairly continuous record of eruption during the last 6,000 years. Its eruption products are basaltic, accounting for about half of Kamchatka's total yearly output, and the mountain is surrounded by flank vents and scoria cones.





The moon can be viewed every night of the week, so we take it a bit for granted.. It shines every night all across our planet with some fine examples shown above, in Paris, over Niagara Falls and of course Budapest in Hungary.

Plus there are so many interesting ideas you can come up with. Your imagination is the limit.







Our Cessnock Rotaractors are at it again. They are out there helping out with the Relay for Life program in Cessnock.

Community involvement is all part of what the members of the Rotaract team believe in. President Haley must be proud of their success so far this year, especially after the fantastic Masquerade Ball which they have recently held.



During the last school holidays, Trish joined 34 other vehicles and travelled to the outback regions with the Lightning Ridge Police Bush Safari. The tag-along tour aims to raise funds for Lightning Ridge children's charities and the local SES. Included is a mechanic, ambulance and SES vehicle. All of these personnel were needed during the journey, with mechanical difficulties like broken mufflers, 7 destroyed tyres in one day, lost UHF aerials, and wrecked fuel filters topping the mechanical problems. Medically there was a heart problem person who ended up in Adelaide hospital. And another lady developed a bad allergy to the heat and her legs blistered up so badly she could not walk. The SES officers provided food at a price and operated the Road Kill Cafe for lunch on many occasions. We had a great time from Broken Hill to Wilpena Pound. Then worked our way up the Oodnadatta Track (boy was that bumpy) and up to Uluru and the Olgas. Then back down through to Coober Pedy and Woomera. Wonderful scenery and history. Trish Davies.