



District Governor
Brian Atkins

PRESIDENT: DAVID CLARK
SECRETARY: JANETTE JACKSON
BULLETIN EDITOR: GEORGE KONCZ

P O Box 101 CESSNOCK NSW 2325 AUSTRALIA

www.cessnockrotary.org.au

NEWSLETTER: 19th September 2013



ROTARY CLUB OF CESSNOCK DISTRICT 9670 SPOKE

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Ralph Waldo Emerson stated “Nothing great was ever achieved without enthusiasm” and Bo Bennett defined enthusiasm in these words, “Enthusiasm is excitement with inspiration, motivation, and a pinch of creativity. The truths in these statements certainly were apparent on Thursday night with the Effie O’Neil debate between Cessnock and Mount View High Schools where enthusiasm was on show to all. Whilst Cessnock High won the debate, the inspiration, motivation and creativity demonstrated by the debating teams is a testament to their enthusiasm, learning and values. What a wonderful future we have with such dynamic, enthusiastic and talented young people in our community. We must also pay tribute to the school teachers and their principals for developing these young men and women into the individuals and team players they are. Congratulations to all involved and to President elect Vicki who put it all together well done. Effie O’Neil would have been justifiably proud.

Next week is board meeting week and I am hoping to discuss some of the results of the club survey with members.



**PRINCIPAL IAN SCANLON, THE TEAM FROM CESSNOCK HIGH SCHOOL
& MOUNT VIEW HIGH SCHOOL WITH PRINCIPAL MICHELLE PFIIFER.**



The Effie O'Neil Debate was won by Cessnock High this year. It was a close competition as usual and the shield will be hung in the foyer of Cessnock High once again. Effie O'Neil the wife of Rotarian Peter O'Neil made a long term commitment to the Cessnock Rotary Club by typing the Bulletin each week. Effie although not a Rotarian demonstrated the values and beliefs of Rotary's motto "Service above Self" and this debate is held annually between Cessnock High and Mount View High Schools in her memory. The Debating Shield dates back to the first debate in 1990 and it has been contested each year since then with almost equal wins by the two High Schools.

Robyn Drayton introduced her two guests Steve and Alison Crane who came along to see what Rotary is all about. Look forward to seeing you both again.

SEPTEMBER ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES

JOINED ROTARY: Bill Flett 29/9/1988

BIRTHDAYS: Lois Howe 2nd Sep, Lorraine Bevan 5th Sep,
Bill Flett 16th Sep.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: 20th Sep Vicki & Wesley Steep,
15th Sep George & Margaret Koncz,
16th Sep Greg & Lorraine Bevan



ROSTER 19th September

INTERNATIONAL TOAST TELLER: George Koncz
WELCOME TO GUESTS: Maley/Selmes
INTRODUCE SPEAKER: Graham Lidbury
GUEST SPEAKER: N/A
VOTE OF THANKS: DG Brian Arkins
FINE SESSION: Peter Carver
STEWARDS: All members

26th Sep

David Lennon
Maley/Drayton
Trish Davies
Janette Jackson
Des Lawson
Robyn Drayton
Peter Carver
All members

FUTURE EVENTS

19th Sep - Board Meeting & DG VISIT
26th Sep - Des Lawson Membership
10th Oct - Rennee Hudson

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.

TAFE COMMUNITY CONNECT BARBQ CESSNOCK

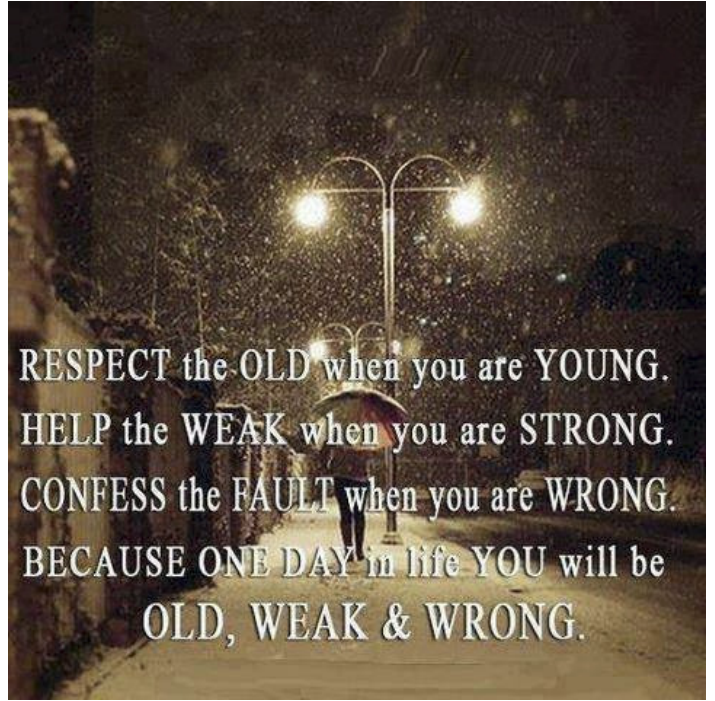


The Community Connect Bar BQ was held at the Cessnock TAFE grounds. There were quite a number of people to look at the TAFE showcase with various presentations on show what is available to students. There was an indigenous dance performance by both male and female dancers. Trish Davies was selling her raffle tickets in aid of her next PNG “Teachers Assist Kokoda” Project, with many great prizes to be won. Matt was helping with selling the free sausage sandwiches, made by some of our Cessnock Rotary volunteers. We had our blue Rotary shirts on and Louise even had her hair blue for the occasion. There was a Dr Ross Lidbury looking a bit suspicious, not sure if he was trying to take our Rotary Banner. Questions will be asked when he next visits our club. Steve and I made the best sausages ever on our new BarBQ plate which was pretty slow in trying to keep up with the queue for the free sausage sandwiches.

THE FOUR WAY TEST
IS IT THE TRUTH ?
IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED ?
WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS ?
WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED ?



**Be Kind
to Unkind
People.
They need it
the most.**



RESPECT the OLD when you are YOUNG.
HELP the WEAK when you are STRONG.
CONFESS the FAULT when you are WRONG.
BECAUSE ONE DAY in life YOU will be
OLD, WEAK & WRONG.

A certain man was infatuated with a young woman, but was so timid he never had the courage to speak to her. In fact, he even told his therapist that every time he got near her he felt like he was unimportant. He said that he felt as insignificant as a tiny pebble. "Well," his therapist responded, "If you want to get the girl you'll just have to be a little boulder!"

A man said to his wife one day, 'I don't know how you can be so stupid and so beautiful all at the same time..' The wife responded, 'Allow me to explain.

God made me beautiful so you would be attracted to me;

God made me stupid so I would be attracted to you!"

ATTORNEY: What was the first thing your husband said to you that morning?

WITNESS: He said, 'Where am I, Cathy?'

ATTORNEY: And why did that upset you? **WITNESS:** My name is Susan!

ATTORNEY: What gear were you in at the moment of the impact?

WITNESS: Gucci sweats and Reeboks.

ATTORNEY: Are you sexually active? **WITNESS:** No, I just lie there.

ATTORNEY: What is your date of birth?

WITNESS: July 18th.

ATTORNEY: What year?

WITNESS: Every year.