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ROTARY CLUB OF CESSNOCK DISTRICT 9670 SPOKE

LAST MEETING 20TH MARCH 2014



Last weeks meeting was attended by Christine Walmsley, Assistant Governor from the Rotary Club of Maitland Siunrise. Christine attended the board meeting as well as our dinner meeting, and she gave us a brief run down about the PETS Training sessions which sound as though they have improved over the years. Christine made it sound so good that we might have a big turn up for the next one. Thanks Christine for a realistic summary of what can be learned about the leadership roles that we take on.



Margaret Maley did the International toast to the Rotary Club of Colon, Entre Rios in the cross border District of Argentina and Uruguay, which celebrated its 50th anniversary recently. The club has committed itself to the fight against colon cancer, first by making people aware of how important it is to have regular health checks and second by getting an endoscopic tower to be used publicly by the whole of the Colon department at San Benjamin Hospital. Colon cancer is one of the leading causes of deaths there and around 36 % of the population have no access to private health services.

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ROSTER 27th March

INTERNATIONAL TOAST TELLER: Robyn Drayton
WELCOME TO GUESTS: Maley/A. Crane
INTRODUCE SPEAKER: Louise Selmes
GUEST SPEAKER: George Koncz
VOTE OF THANKS: Kristiana McDonald Spicer
FINE SESSION: Gail Thomas
STEWARDS: Peter Carver
All members

3rd April 2014

Alison Crane
Maley/Carver
Steve Crane
TBA
TBA
Peter Carver
All members

FUTURE EVENTS

27th March - Kristiana McDonald Spicer

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.



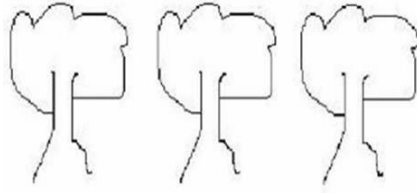
The Rotary Foundation's first gift was US\$500 to the National Society for Crippled Children (Easter Seals) in 1929. Easter Seals was founded in 1921 by Rotarian Edgar F. Allen, of the Rotary Club of Elyria, Ohio, USA. Allen, Paul Harris (front, center) and other men who helped start the organization posed for this photograph in 1922.



Our revamped Matt after his adjustment at the hairdresser. Matt has had a lot of interesting events recently including a trip to Dubbo with the Jacksons. Matt's year is getting close to going on the Capricorn Ramble, then a bit more of us all before its time for his farewell speech. Lets hope that your few months left in Australia proves to be a wonderful finale to your exchange.

Irish Maths Test

An Irishman wants a job, but the foreman won't hire him until he passes a little math test. Here is your first question, the foreman said. "Without using numbers, represent the number 9." "Without numbers?" The Irishman says? "Dat is easy." And proceeds to draw three trees.



"What's this?" the boss asks.

"Have you ain't got no brain? Tree and tree plus tree makes 9" says the Irishman.

"Fair enough," says the boss. "Here's your second question. Use the same rules, but this time the number is 99."

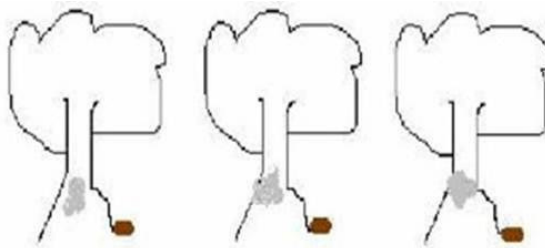
The Irishman stares into space for a while, then picks up the picture that he has just drawn and makes a smudge on each tree... "Ere you go."



The boss scratches his head and says, "How on earth do you get that to represent 99?"

"Each of da trees is dirty now. So, it's dirty tree, and dirty tree, plus dirty tree. Dat makes 99." The boss is getting worried that he's going to actually have to hire this Irishman, so he says, "All right, last question. Same rules again, but represent the number 100."

The Irishman stares into space some more, then he picks up the picture again and makes a little mark at the base of each tree and says, "Ere you go. One hundred."



The boss looks at the attempt. "You must be nuts if you think that represents a hundred!"

The Irishman leans forward and points to the marks at the base of each tree and whispers, "A little dog come along and poop by each tree.

So now you got dirty tree and a turd, dirty tree and a turd, and dirty tree and a turd, which makes **ONE HUNDRED!**"

The Irishman is now head of Qantas



Three Irishmen, Paddy, Sean and Seamus, were stumbling home from the pub late one night and found themselves on the road which led past the old graveyard.

"Come have a look over here," says Paddy, "It's Michael O'Grady's grave, God bless his soul. He lived to the ripe old age of 87."

"That's nothing," says Sean. "Here's one named Patrick O'Toole, it says here that he was 95 when he died."

Then Seamus yells out, "Good God, here's a fella that got to be 145!"

"What was his name?" asks Paddy.

Seamus stumbles around a bit, awkwardly lights a match to see what else is written on the stone marker, and exclaims, "Miles, from Dublin."

This dyslexic man walks into a bra .

I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.

When you get a bladder infection, urine trouble.

What does a clock do when it's hungry? It goes back four seconds..

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

Broken pencils are pointless.

What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.

England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool .

I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.

I dropped out of communism class because of lousy Marx.

All the toilets in London police stations have been stolen.

Police say they have nothing to go on.

ROTARY YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM (YEP)



2013 Inbound Students and Committee



The two groups of students who will be going on the Capricorn Ramble 2014. The top photo is from District 9650 or directly above our district. Plus our own Inbounds in District 9670. Both groups have a few changes as some of the students have returned home, but it sure looks like a wonderful group of students that will see and appreciate what a wonderful country Australia really is. Matt has volunteered to be the photographer for the trip as it would be a shame if the experience wasn't fully recorded, so that the students can look back over the great three weeks they shared together.