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**ROTARY CLUB OF CESSNOCK**  
**DISTRICT 9670**  
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## **PRESIDENTS REPORT**



Following a great afternoon's entertainment viewing the magnificent concert by Andre Rieu and his Johann Strauss Orchestra filmed live from Maastricht Gail decided to present an International Toast to the Rotary Club of Maastricht, well done Gail on your detailed information on the club, its activities and insight on the community support given by the Rotarians of Maastricht, even though you had to translate much of it from a foreign language. Gail was also able to bring us up to date on the health of some of our members, Jack has had a couple of days in hospital but is now home recuperating and hopes to be back with us soon and Brian is responding to treatment at Toronto Private Hospital before he has further surgery. All the best and keep on the mend.

Being the last week of July and a month many Australians celebrate Christmas in July I thought we should have an impromptu night's activity involving some trivia and Christmas quiz followed by some cake, pudding and brandy sauce for desert. Thanks Janette for supplying the cake.

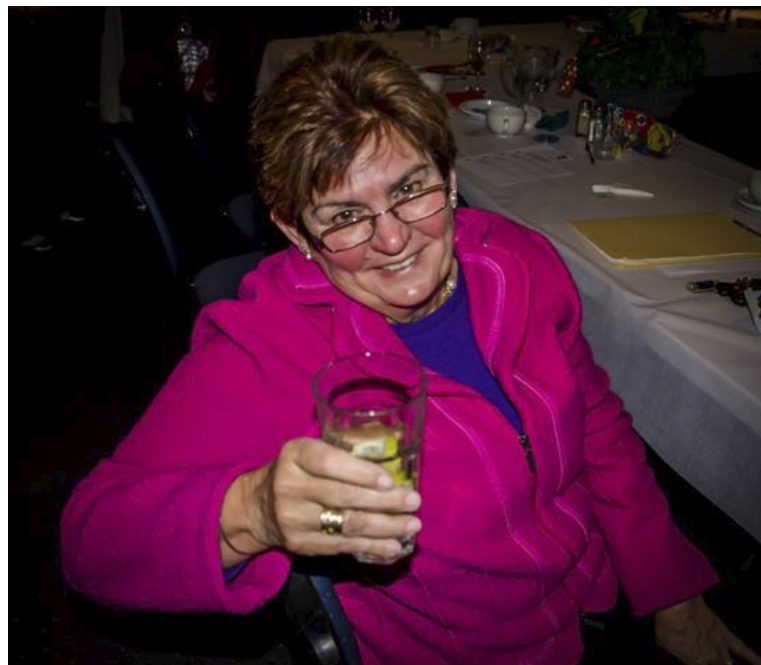
Our exchange student, Iver, told us about his first week at school and Rotary meetings he attended. He is also happy to announce that he has been accepted as a member of the Cessnock Hornets Soccer team and has booked into training most afternoons. Well done Iver, hope we can get to some of your games.

There was quite a bit of banter back and forth during the fine session this week thanks Peter for leading us in this light hearted fun part of our evening.

Ross Lidbury thought we should have a Trivia Night on Norway so have given Ross the job entertaining us next week, maybe we had best jump on the good old internet to brush up on a bit of history to be prepared.

See you all Thursday.





Last week was a bit of fun, there wasn't a guest speaker but everyone seemed to be in a jovial mood. Our new exchange student Iver has been nicknamed as Viking One by the Lidbury brothers. Iver wasn't too surprised but he asked why one? The simple answer was that he is the only Viking we know.

Gail did the Rotary International Toast to the Rotary Club of Maastricht in remembrance of the fantastic night some of us enjoyed by Andre Rieu who did the live telecast from Maastricht Holland. Gail did extremely well in translating the Rotary club's information from their website which was all in double Dutch.

The photo below is a winter scene of Maastricht which looks like a great place to visit next year for Andre's 11th Anniversary Concert.



#### ROSTER 7th August 2014

INTERNATIONAL TOAST TELLER: Janette Jackson  
WELCOME TO GUESTS: Maley/ S Jackson  
INTRODUCE SPEAKER: George Koncz  
GUEST SPEAKER: N/A  
VOTE OF THANKS: Nil  
FINE SESSION: N/A  
STEWARDS: Peter Carver  
All members

#### 14th Aug 2014

Alison Crane  
Maley/Thomas  
Peter Carver  
David Clark  
John Barnes  
Louise Selmes  
Peter Carver  
All members

#### FUTURE EVENTS

14th Aug - John Barnes  
(Cessnock Art Gallery)

Meeting time is 6 for 6.33pm

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

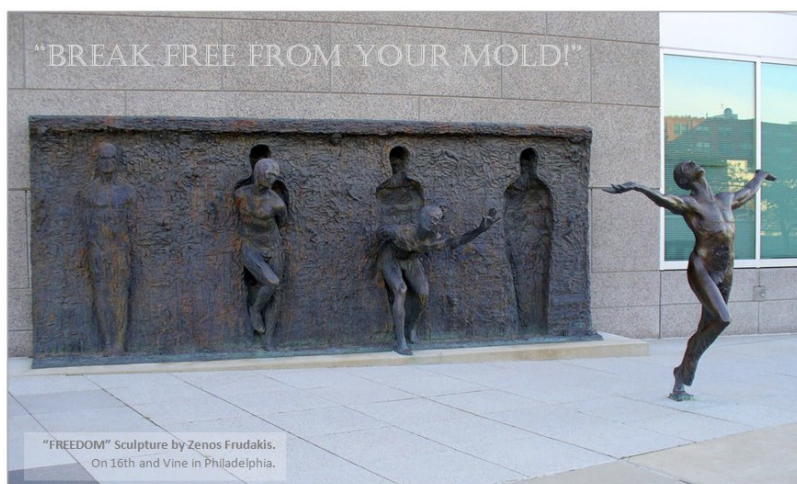
or Email: lids@westnet.com.au

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



## WHOEVER PUT THESE TOGETHER LOVES LANGUAGE:

- To write with a broken pencil is pointless.
- When fish are in schools they sometimes take debate.
- A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- When the smog lifts in Los Angeles , U.C.L.A.
- The professor discovered that her theory of earthquakes was on shaky ground.
- The batteries were given out free of charge.
- A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- A will is a dead giveaway.
- If you don't pay your exorcist you can get repossessed.
- With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- Show me a piano falling down a mineshaft and I'll show you A-flat miner.
- You are stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.
- Local Area Network in Australia : The LAN down under.
- A boiled egg is hard to beat.
- When you've seen one shopping centre you've seen a mall.
- Police were called to a day care where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.
- Did you hear about the fellow whose whole left side was cut off? He's all right now.
- If you take a laptop computer for a run you could jog your memory.
- A bicycle can't stand alone; it is two tired.
- In a democracy it's your vote that counts; in feudalism, it's your Count that votes.
- When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.
- The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine was fully recovered.
- He had a photographic memory which was never developed.
- Those who get too big for their britches will be exposed in the end.
- When she saw her first strands of grey hair, she thought she'd dye.
- Acupuncture: a jab well done.



I WOULD LIKE TO  
APOLOGIZE TO ANY ONE  
I HAVE **NOT** OFFENEDED.  
PLEASE BE PATIENT.  
I WILL GET TO YOU  
SHORTLY.

The true  
mark of maturity  
is when  
somebody hurts  
you and you try  
to understand  
their situation  
instead of trying  
to hurt them  
back.







Taylah Jane Taylor, one of our Rotaractors was at the Commonwealth Games and very proud of her Dad's achievement in coming fifth in the shooting competition. This is just some of the things she posted "Opening ceremony was phenomenal! A great demonstration of the local culture & our beautiful Commonwealth. Got to see & say hello to Dad at the end & get a family photo . And at one stage we were about 20m from The Queen. An experience I will never forget! Very proud of Dad "

Dad pulls over and is like, Taylah get one of them photos you do with Loch Ness in the background. Mums like a Selfie?

We all get out, take a selfie then 1 hour later we are drinking beer, dancing the waltz and celebrating a great Comm Games with Gaye & her beautiful family & friends. How did I get such a good life? Feeling very blessed and ready for the Isle of Skye tomorrow!

