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## **ROTARY CLUB OF CESSNOCK DISTRICT 9670 SPOKE**

### **PRESIDENTS REPORT**



**President David wearing his Birthday Hat  
with the beautiful Judy**



**President David with our guest speaker Mark Anderson**

My first introduction to Rotary was through the valiant efforts of PP George Koncz and John Jowett. I did not really understand what Rotary was all about until at a change over night there was a presentation of the work Rotary was doing throughout the world. I now understand that this presentation was of the outcomes from the Rotary Foundation. I wanted to be part of that organisation and subsequently joined Rotary through the Rotary Club of Cessnock.

Last Rotary night we were magnificently reminded once again of the great work the 'Foundation' is doing and how the world is a better place for this work. Mark Anderson's passion for the Foundation showed and his presentation again reminded me of what Rotary is about. Of course our club has been able to assist our own community with the support of a Foundation Grant and IPP Gail is seeing her vision become a reality because of the Foundation. Thank you Mark for taking the time to update us on the remarkable Foundation story.

Next week we have Peter Rosemond updating us on the new PCYC and I'm sure the older members of our club will be reminded of the significant input The Rotary Club of Cessnock had to the original PCYC or Police Boy's Club as it was then known. Please come along and hear Peter's update. President David





District 9670 and District 9650 are just about half way through the Capricorn Ramble. Our Matt looks as though he is loving the tour and hopefully taking great photos and he is also doing a video which we will all eventually see. The photo on the top left has the four Austrian students being re united on the safari. The Great Barrier Reef must have been a highlight to every student on the trip and meeting Mr Turtle or finding Nimo would have been an experience and a half.

Thanks to Hayley Doherty for posting some photos of the trip so that we can all share in the experience of a lifetime, even if only in a very small way.



#### ROSTER 8th May2014

INTERNATIONAL TOAST  
TELLER:  
WELCOME TO GUESTS:  
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:  
GUEST SPEAKER  
VOTE OF THANKS:  
FINE SESSION:  
STEWARDS:

David Clatk  
A Crane/S Jackson  
Gail Thomas  
Steve Jackson  
Peter Rosemond  
Louise Selmes  
Graham Lidbury  
All members

#### 15th May May

George Koncz  
A Crane/Thomas  
Peter Carver  
N/A  
Board Meeting  
N/A  
Steve Jackson  
All members

#### FUTURE EVENTS

8th May- Peter Rosemond PCYC  
15th May - Board Meeting

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.**



## CAPRICORN RAMBLE 2014 CONTINUES







A few photos for the benefit of those members who don't use Facebook. I took Margaret down to Wollongong and we had lunch in that restaurant above overlooking a fantastic harbour view. The day was just brilliant and IP President Gail rang me in between shots to let me know how the East Cessnock School fence was going. Therefore these photos are related to Rotary in some way. Margaret Maley is off to Europe so lets hope that Margaret is infused enough to take a few shots from her trip, just like Louise who showed us her great photobook from Northolk Islands.





Plus we had Mr Pelican pose for the photo, so I couldn't resist showing him off as well.

**A SENIOR ROAD TRIP:** While on a road trip, an elderly couple stopped at a roadside restaurant for lunch. After finishing their meal, they left the restaurant and resumed their trip.

When leaving, the elderly woman unknowingly left her glasses on the table, and she didn't miss them until they had been driving for about forty minutes. By then, to add to the aggravation, they had to travel quite a distance before they could find a place to turn around in order to return to the restaurant to retrieve her glasses.

All the way back, the elderly husband became the classic grouchy old man. He fussed and complained, and scolded his wife relentlessly during the entire return drive. The more he chided her, the more agitated he became. He just wouldn't let up for a single minute.

To her relief, they finally arrived at the restaurant. As the woman got out of the car, and hurried inside to retrieve her glasses, the old geezer yelled to her,

"While you're in there, you might as well get my hat and the credit card."

**"I am only one, but I am one. I cannot do everything, but I can do something. And I will not let what I cannot do interfere with what I can do." - Edward Everett Hale**

### ***Some Modern Proverbs:***

*a.. Age is a very high price to pay for maturity.*

*b.. Going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than going to a garage makes you a mechanic.*

*c.. Artificial intelligence is no match for natural stupidity.*

*d.. A clear conscience is usually the sign of a bad memory.*