



CAMBRIDGE COURIER

Information about our next Rotary Meeting (usually held at Cambridge Bowling Club, 7.10 for 7.30 am):

Wednesday 16th August 2023

Speaker: Sharon Alexander

Topic: O2B Organised THIS IS THE WINTER WARMER LUNCH, STARTING AT 12 NOON

Set up/Pack up: Social Committee

On Duty: Speaker Host, Introduction & thanks: Eileen Nathan

Coming up soon

Wednesday 23rd August 2023

Speakers: Karen O'Connor & Marjolijn Goodrich

Topic: Cycling Without Age

Speaker Host, Intro & thanks: Peter McSkimming

Set up/pack up: Rory Beattie

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

We welcomed senior students from 3 Primary Schools this week – Floreat Park, West Leederville and Woodlands – together with a handful of Teachers and Parents.

Pres. Frank advised that the hampers which Libby Larsen produced with donations from many Members realised a profit of \$350! Many

thanks to all involved.

NEWS FROM LAST WEEK

John Adeney is a frequent visitor to our Club, but this time he was our Guest Speaker! John retired from the CSIRO about three years ago, and he decided to take up beekeeping using his daughter and son-inlaw's property at Burekup – about 100 kms south of Perth. John has established three beehives and he uses time honoured collection methods – taking the honeycombs out of the hive and scraping the honey into a bucket. Modern style beehives were first used in the 19th Century and the early 1900s, and these evolved into the current structure, namely a vertical modular beehive containing hung frames. The lower area is the Brood Chamber where the bees come and go and the Queen resides, and the upper area is the Honey Chamber where the honey is stored. Australian native bees don't sting but they also don't produce much honey, so the focus is on the introduced European Honey Bee which can be a prolific producer but also has a significant sting! There are three roles in the hierarchy, namely the Queen, Drones (who mate with the Queen and are cared for by the Workers), and Workers (which are sterile females which collect the pollen). The Workers collect the pollen, carry it on their legs, and then deposit it in the honeycombs. They eat the pollen and regurgitate it several times, and as the water evaporates, the honey becomes stronger. In WA the bees like Jarrah and Marri pollen as well as Grevillea and Cape Weed. Equipment must be kept clean, otherwise diseases can be introduced. Another danger is high wind. John fielded many questions to end this interesting expose!



Car Dealership sign: The best way to get back on your feet is to miss a payment!

Birthdays: Jean McSkimming (12 Aug); Mike Graham (17 Aug)

Wedding anniversaries: David & Judy James (21 Aug)

Rotary anniversaries: none this time

IF A MEMBER CAN'T ATTEND, OR WANTS TO BRING A VISITOR, PLEASE ADVISE LIBBY LARSEN BY EARLY MONDAY MORNING Either by telephone (0438 462 917) or email (libbylarsen@westnet.com.au). **Bulletin Editor: Roger Veary**