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Moruya 13 September 2022

Invocation. *For good food, for good friendship and the privilege to serve we give thanks.*

Four Way Test of the things we think, say or do. Is it the **TRUTH**? Is it **FAIR** to all concerned? Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**? Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

SHIRL'S Alaskan SHENANIKINS

Paul Harris History. This morning we had breakfast with a Rotarian and his wife who had recently turned 80. Her grandfather had an aluminium factory. In the depression it became bankrupt and was sold to Paul Harris. A factory that stayed idle was put back in production during WWII.

Kiosk. I would have liked to help with the sparkling new kiosk and very much look forward to seeing the consequences.

A travel story. On our bus ride around Alaska there was 36 Americans and us. Now on the Holland America cruise ship with 2000 passengers we have not come across any non-Americans. They are curious about us and like to hear us talk.

Fairbanks north in Alaska. Military planes flashed across the sky. At the nearby small town of North Pole we were up close to some reindeer - their horns are huge - and got talking to four young airman. I said, 'Which one of you is Top Gun?' They smiled modestly. But seriously the rumour mill says that there is military build up at the air and army base.

American Leadership Americans are worried/humiliated/ashamed about their leadership. The gun laws is also a touchy subject. One couple live half their life in a large compound in Mexico. They said it was safer. Another quoted a Japanese military man who said that in the last war they did not invade the US because every citizen was armed.

So now it is 2.30am and I can go back to bed. Shir!

Cakes for the Meals on Wheels volunteers. There were also delicious individual trifles made by Jan—see Page 2.



Last week— Andrew Elek

We had no guest speaker and our Acting President Sue (who showed remarkable skill in that position) called on Andrew to give a summary of the Elek's recent travels to Norway, Scotland, Devon and Spain.

Andrew had planned the journey in detail and made all relevant bookings. However the parlous state of the airline industry, not just Qantas as highlighted in last week's *Four Corners*, quickly wrecked his schedule, leading to delays, cancellations and the substitution of long bus journeys. Not least among these problems was that a case of Jane's was lost among the shambles of baggage handling and took six days to reappear. The only airline which emerged with credit is Rex between Sydney and Moruya.

They started off in Oslo, Norway, then a cruise northwards to Tromsø past magnificent fiords and glaciated mountains.

Andrew is much impressed by Norway's handling of its riches coming from North Sea oil and gas. Not only does this fund social services and health, but substantial amounts are invested in the Government's Sovereign Wealth Fund for the benefit of future generations.

From Norway to Scotland, where a highlight was Jane's discovery of a tombstone in a graveyard in Renfrew, Glasgow highlighting the life of one of Jane's ancestors, a geologist and medical pioneer.

To England to catch up with a daughter and two grandsons, now aged nine and fourteen, the latter showing evidence of a keen analytical mind.*

The Elek's took the family on a holiday in Spain, where it was searingly hot.. Andrew made special mention of the extraordinary *Basilica of the Holy Family* in Barcelona, the construction of which began in 1882 and which is still unfinished.



They arrived back in Sydney very tired, resolving to keep trips simpler in future – and to use a travel agent.

**Perhaps inherited from his grandparents? Editor*

President Shir's Board. Vice President Andrew Elek; Immediate Past President Chris Manahan; Secretary Andrew Elek Treasurer **Jeff Proud**/Fred Power; Director Club Service Keith Armstrong; Meal Numbers John Hayes; Program John Gillett; Bulletin John Sewell; Membership Peter Smith; Director International Shir Hayes; Director Vocational Pauline Gleeson; Director Community Service Col Jay; Director Youth Service Gerry Bussa; Rotary Foundation Keith Armstrong; Catering Projects Ward Hack, Jan Young and Allan Veness; Protection Col Jay; ShelterBox Alan Shephard.

Races Roster Monday 12 September

Monday 12 September	Shift 1 –Noon to 2pm)	Afternoon 2pm to finish
Setting Up Drinks	Alan Shephard * John Spencer	
Cashier	Phil Armstrong	Keith Armstrong
Order writer	Lee Gleeson	
Order filler 1	Derek Anderson	Phil Armstrong
Order filler 2	Allan Shephard	
Cook	Steve Young*	Vacant
Cooks Assist	John Sewell	
Prep	*Jan Young	Pauline Gleeson
Chip Fryer	Vacant*	Allan Veness
Bain Marie 1	Andrew Elek	Vacant
Bain Marie 2	Vacant	Vacant
Washing up	Vacant	Vacant
Clean up		Vacant

*Denotes an early start. First Race is at 1.25.. **Early chip fryer is an urgent need**

Last week: Travellers Return.

At our meeting of 28 June, we hosted Sharyn Bias and Mervyn Jamieson, Rotarians from Adelaide who were moving to the Anchorage. They are now back from a visit to the USA and it was good to see them again last week.



High Tea for Meals on Wheels Volunteers

This was held last Wednesday at the Moruya Jockey Club members enclosure. The Meals on Wheels volunteers certainly didn't go hungry with a huge array of delicious delights to choose from.

A big shout out to everyone who made the afternoon a huge success. *Pauline*

Duty	This Week September 13	Next Week September 20
Badges	Steve Young	David Collis
Invocation/toast	Derek Anderson	Andrew Elek
Meet & Greet	Tony Armstrong	John Gillett
Cashiers	Keith Armstrong Phil Armstrong	Pauline Gleeson Rohan Gleeson
4 Way Test	Gerry Bussa	Christine Greig
Introduce	_____	Keith Armstrong
Thank	_____	Fred Power

Birthdays: Fran Anderson, Brenda Gillett.

Anniversaries: None

MEAL NUMBERS Keith is taking the place of John Hayes who is on holiday. He will assume that you ARE attending unless you let him know by Sunday noon that you are not. The details are .

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September 12	Races	Help needed
September 13	Board Meeting	
September 20	David McInnes	Geophysics
September 27	TBA	
September 30	Friday Races AND Car-ers Accommodation Meeting ???	Batemans Bay Cup
October 4	TBA	

Last week's visitors from Tuggeranong

Paul Le Mesurier (yes, he is related to the *Dad's Army* actor) and his wife from the Rotary Club of Tuggeranong were caravanning at Tuross and arrived to do an old fashioned make up.

Tuggeranong is the club of Adam De Tott, our assistant Governor. Paul was President last year, as the club recovered from Covid. Like us, they lost members. They now operate each weekly meeting as a Zoom meeting—a large screen on which members who are not physically present can attend and take part through Zoom. Paul is also keen to align the club with other organisations in joint enterprises. A pity that makeups are out of fashion—there is always something to learn