



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?

Derek's Dissertation

Fran and I spent a relaxing weekend in Canberra with friends as I reported in last week's bulletin. Enjoyed the Wharf Revue, the players are very clever in the way they portray politicians and other notables in a humorous light.

Last week several members attended the MJC's Melbourne Cup Party, and John Spencer reported that the afternoon was a pleasant and resounding success. John requested the club sends a letter of thanks for their invite and congratulations on the day.

This week we have our November Board meeting with much to discuss, amongst which will be the BBQ afternoon we are catering for the Shire Council employers. Steve has passed on a quote to the Shire, and Phil will be asking for members to assist on the day. The date is Friday 8th of December from 3pm for the Shire staff. More details will come to hand closer to the day.

Also this week we welcome Ryle Schuchmann, one of our Tertiary Scholarship recipients earlier this year. Our other recipient is not available for this week, but Rhonnie has organised that Ava Weymans is able to attend our end of year celebration on the 12th December to make her presentation.

After I sent a copy of RDU to Mandy Hillson after her interesting talk, we had a chat about her Rotary experience and whether she would consider joining us. At the moment she has just taken over as President of the local Arts Council which will occupy a lot of her time, so I extended an invitation to join us whenever she is free to do so, so we might see Mandy occasionally at our meetings.

Our AGM is fast approaching, and nomination forms will be available for positions on the 2024/25 board. The most important position for which we don't seem to have anyone to fill is the of our next President. This is an important position, held for only one year, and is a most rewarding experience. Sometimes unexpected events get thrown up at you, but with a really good Board such as we have this Rotary year, everything works out well in the end for the majority of times. So please consider for the benefit of Moruya Rotary.

As always, enjoy your Rotary

Derek



Walter Bock—background notes.

We expect members from Batemans Bay and Narooma to attend our meeting on 21 November to meet Walter Bock, described by Past President Shirl as a distinguished Rotarian.

Our connection with him begins with RAWCS acceptance of Shirl's SHEP program (Sexual Health Education by Pictures) as a program available to many overseas Rotary ventures. Shirl at that stage had taught SHEP in Timor Leste and Papua New Guinea.

Walter Bock was quick to take up SHEP as an adjunct to the MinPRA project (Mindanao Poverty Relief Action) which his Rotary Club of Burwood had financed for some years, using money raised through that Club's Community Chest fund raiser. So Shirl and John spent three hectic weeks teaching SHEP to 13 Philippine High Schools—over 3,000 students.

From that activity came the suggestion that Shirl and John should have a booth in the House of Friendship at the Hamburg' Convention of 2019, introducing SHEP to the wider Rotary world, the dropbox link being sent to 183 Rotarians and SHEP being taught in many countries including Uganda and Nigeria .

The photograph above shows Walter Bock and partner Lynne with Shirl and John at the Hamburg booth.

President Derek's Board. *Vice President* Allan Veness; *Immediate Past President* Shirl Cornish; *Secretary* Vere Gray; *Treasurer* Jeff Proud; *Director Club Service* Steve Young; *Meal Numbers* Steve Young; *Program* John Gillett; *Bulletin* John Sewell; *Membership* Peter Smith; *Director International* Shirl Cornish; *Director Vocational* Peter Smith; *Director Community Service* Chris Manahan & Steve Picton; *Director Youth Service* Rhonnie South; *Rotary Foundation* Phil Armstrong; *Catering Projects* The Armstrongs, *Protection* Col Jay.



John Spencer reports: The Melbourne Cup Party at the racecourse was an outstanding success. Congratulations to all involved in organising the event,

Three Warm Invitations

18 November, Saturday, afternoon at 4pm—tea at the Museum for Rotary members and friends to thank them for their generosity. “On behalf of all members and volunteers of the Moruya & District Historical Society, the Committee wish to give our sincere thanks to Rotary for funding this project and to the Museum’s ‘shed team’ for a dedicated and highly professional job.”

So we and partners are invited to enjoy a glass of wine at the official opening of the new veranda. We should let Secretary Fran Hassell how many of us will be going so that she can fix the catering—phone 0427 738 300.

16 December, Saturday, Batemans Bay Christmas Party Dinner followed by some unforgettable entertainment to get you in the Christmas Spirit at the Soldiers Club, 6.30 for 7.00pm . \$35 pp. RSVP Pam 0422 610753 or Chris 0409 036185. *Editor’s note—The Santa Claus in attendance will truly astonish you.*

30 November, Thursday at the Narooma Kinema just before 6.30 pm. Laurelle Pacey writes “We would love to have some Moruya Rotarians join us to hear personally from Ken Hutt who will be our special guest on the night” Laurelle’s number is 0409 761 582.

The film is the true story of Ken Hutt’s attempt to become the first person to legally fly a paraglider from Mt Everest, and help the global campaign to **End Polio Now**. The film also incorporates Ken’s return to Everest this year to fly the Khumbu.

**Ken Ludwig's
Lend Me a Soprano**

a Romantic Comedy
presented by
Moruya Red Door Theatre
8, 9, 10 & 15, 16 December 2023
Tickets: ticketor.com/mrdtc
or phone 0490 805 389

Red Door December Play

Tickets on sale next week. This Romantic Comedy will run for 5 shows. All 4 night shows will be 7pm with table seating and our 2pm matinee will be usual theatre seating.

Duty	This Week 14 November	Next Week 21 November
Badges	John Nader	Alan Shephard
Invocation/Toast	Michel Nader	Phil Smith
Meet and Greet	Steve Picton	Rhonnie South
Cashiers	Fred Power Jeff Proud	Wendy Smith John Spencer
4 Way Test	Sue Proud	Allan Veness
Introduce	Rhonnie South	Shirl Cornish
Thank	The Company	Steve Young

Birthdays: Kim Armstrong, Denise Collis

14 November	Board Meeting Ryle Schuchmann	Student
18 November	Museum 4pm	Verandah
21 November	Walter Bock	Narooma, Batemans Bay Invited
28 November	Ken McLeod	Sceptics
5 December	Board Meeting AGM Huon Hassell and Sue Murphy	Historical Museum projects
8 December	Catering?	Shire Staff
12 December	Christmas Party Ava Weymans	Student
Dec 17 Sunday	Narooma Cup	Steve & Jan Young
Jan 8 Monday	Moruya Cup	Ward Hack
Feb 18 Sunday	Races	TBA

Meal Numbers Steve Young will assume you will be attending Tuesday meetings unless he hears otherwise. We have to notify the Golf Club how many meals are required by 10 am on Tuesday. That is the number of meals ordered and they have to be paid for. If you will **not** be attending, please contact Steve by phone or message at **0438 739 246** before 10am Tuesday.

To assist the kitchen staff and avoid late service it is equally important that you contact Steve if you intend to bring any guests, plus any dietary requirements they have.