



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

Having finished our course of antivirals and testing negative for Covid last weekend, Fran & I decided it would be prudent not to attend the "Cinders Battle" last week. From all reports, a good night was had by all with Moruya winning by the narrowest of margins. We are sorry to have missed this annual event and look forward to being able to join in next year when Narooma will host. Thanks to VP Allan for filling in for me yet again!

This week the Executive decided that we would not hold a meeting as most members would be attending the funeral of the late Heather Chesher, a stalwart supporter of Rotary. We read of Heather's achievements in a recent Club Bulletin. I remember many morning teas after working at the water gardens when Heather would produce "Black Jack", the big kettle for our cups of tea. We will find out whether we will be required to form a "Guard of Honour" on the day, but we should all wear our Rotary T-Shirts.

On Thursday Secretary Vere & I met to discuss the changes that are being piloted in our zone which R.I. believes will enhance the way support is provided to Rotary Clubs. This is the Regionalisation Project, and Steve Picton will run through the workings of this in the weeks to come. There have been Webinars which Vere, Steve & I viewed, and after the board considers how this will work, we need to report to the club who will then have to vote on the recommendations of the Board. It will then be my responsibility to report to the team who are running this pilot.

A big thank you to all who volunteered at the kiosk Friday. Was quite busy at times, though when I'm writing this, I don't know how well we did on the money stakes.

The next race meeting will be on the 19th October, so when John asks for volunteers for the roster, please consider putting your hand to spread the load around. In the meantime, enjoy your Rotary,

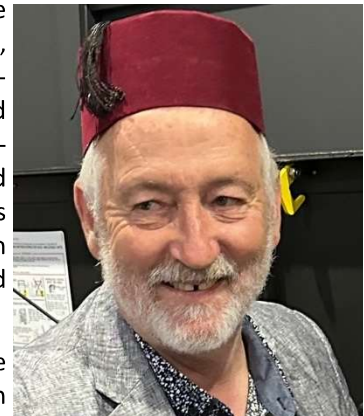
Derek

Last Week's Cinders—a one point victory

It is 30 years since Paul Rayner a very English supporter of the England team in the then Ashes series, suggested a yearly contest between our two clubs and what better name for that contest than "Cinders", each battle ending with the burning of the quiz papers in a small wooden bowl. That bowl disappeared in the fire which burned much of Narooma's stuff, and it was they who produced the present large shield. PP Shirl looked after it following our last year's win and brought the brass records on it up to date.

So last Tuesday, we were fairly evenly matched, with 22 visitors from Narooma. Our tarbouched quizmaster Phil, ably assisted by Judy, produced a fine mix of questions and something new in the "sevens" background paper.

When the scores were added up, Moruya won by ONE point. The picture below says it all, a fitting end to a thoroughly enjoyable evening.



David McInnes

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* John Spencer; *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.

Races on Friday

Fred, counting the money, commented "Busy in the members bar, but seemed quiet outside. Lots of competition. Not bad though. \$3468.70."

Pauline who with Rohan was a Day Manager comments "Firstly, thanks to all those who helped on the day and also the behind the scenes crew. As first time kiosk managers it was great that the day ran so smoothly. A \$3500 day is satisfying for a September Friday."

Regionalisation

There at present 527 Districts in RI. The plan is that they could be replaced by, say, 20 to 40 regions. We are in one of the zones selected to pilot the change. As President Derek explains, he, Secretary Vere and Steve Picton have begun the study of the plan and Steve is to outline what is involved in his talk at our meeting on 17 October.

There are a small number of Rotarians working hard in establishing the new format. There is a website which should keep us up to date: creatingtomorrowrotary.org

There are to be nine Members of a Regional Council and we will have one vote, which President Derek will exercise on our behalf.

Inherent in the plan is the ability of Clubs to get together with other clubs to form Community Groups. There are Primary Community Groups and Secondary Community Groups. Once we see the advantages, presumably we would (with their agreement), join with Batemans Bay and Narooma to form a Primary Group. The end of October is suggested as the time for the groups to be formed.

Heather's Funeral

Heather's funeral will be held at 2.00pm on Tuesday 3rd October 2023 at the Anglican Church, in Page Street..

There will be no internment ceremony, but most of us would hope to attend the wake at Moruya Golf Club. President Derek speculates whether the Club will be asked to form a Guard of Honour, and expects to find out closer to the day.

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.

Duty	This Week 3 October	Next Week 10 October
Badges	No Meeting. Heather's funeral, 2pm Anglican Church. Wake to follow at the Golf Club	Wendy Smith
Invocation/Toast		Rhonnie South
Meet and Greet		Steve Picton
Cashiers		Phil Smith John Spencer
4 Way Test		Steve Young
Introduce		Allan Veness
Thank		The Company

Birthdays: Judith Manahan, Rohan.

Anniversary: Peter and Sharon Smith.

3 October	No Meeting	Heather's funeral
10 October	Board Meeting Josh Prowse	Golf Club planning
17 October	Steve Picton	Pilot Organisation
20-22 October	District 9705 Conference	Bicentennial Hall Queanbeyan
Oct 19 Thursday	Races Pubs Day	Derek Anderson
24 October	MUNA Students	Presentation
28 October (Sat)	Hosting Medical	Andrew Elek
30 October	Lunch at TAFE	From 12 noon
31 October	Mandy Hillson	Arts Central
7 November	Social Evening	
14 November	Board Meeting	
21 November	Walter Bock	Narooma, Batemans Bay Invited
28 November	Ken McLeod	Sceptics
5 December	AGM	
12 December	Christmas Party	
Dec 17 Sunday	Narooma Cup	TBA

District Conference

Queanbeyan 20- 22 October

Closing date for Registrations is

Wednesday. 11th October