

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 Dissertations

Trained as a mechanical engineer, our guest speaker last week Andries Dijkstra, originally from Holland, spoke about how he was instrumental in designing and making artificial hips for young men who were affected by cancer which destroyed the pelvic bone at the hip. Eventually he has settled in Moruya where he is building a new home adjacent to John & Brenda Gillett. I never cease to be amazed at the talents and skills of people within our Shire.

This week will be a busy week for us. Tuesday night is the April board meeting, and as usual I will discuss the pertinent details during the meeting. Wednesday and Thursday we will be attending the R.Y.D.A. event at the Moruya Jockey Club. I believe that we have a full roster for catering, with 140 meals for Wednesday and 180 for Thursday, so a big thank you for those that have agreed to help in the kiosk. This program has been running for some years now in Eurobodalla. Roger Pearson from Batemans Bay Rotary initiated this important program for our area after he, Ken McCleod, myself, and others from our 3 clubs attended a R.Y.D.A. event at Quaama run by Bega Rotary. Roger ran the program here for some years till ill health prevented him from continuing, and so I took over for about 4 or 5 years. Since then, R.Y.D.A. has been run by Neil Simpson from Batemans Bay Rotary. Neil has been involved from the very beginning, and he is now looking for others to take up this task. If you would like to have a go at running R.Y.D.A., Neil & I would be only too happy to assist you along the way.

Derek

Last Week: Andries Dijkstra— Prosthesis

Our Program Manager John Gillett was intrigued as he watched over his back fence the man who had purchased a newly sub divided block. He was apparently intent on building his new house single handed. On closer acquaintance Andries Dijkstra proved to be a man of many talents, including at one time prosthesis manufacturer.



In Dutch Secondary Schools there are three main streams – professional, vocational or research. Andries, a son of a well known family, was allocated to a vocational stream which focused on practical skills and knowledge. From there to a total of seven years in mechanical engineering. At the end he managed a well stocked tool shop, with goods for sale or hire.

“Hire a Student” was a Government scheme which brought to his shop an orthopedics surgeon, keen to discuss the mechanical problems of recovery from breakages or amputations of the human frame. As part of that dialogue the workshop was delivered a complete human skeleton which proved invaluable in planning the business of making replacements of missing body parts. Prosthetics can replace hips and lower limbs— thighs, knees, legs, ankles and feet.

Andries developed expertise and reputation, yet in the move to Australia in 1997 none of this counted and he had to make a new start, including work in hardware stores and five or six years fencing .

World wide, thanks to wars, cluster bombs and land mines, the demand for artificial limbs far exceeds supply, so Andries's talents could be back in use by NSW manufacturers. However he is concentrating on his house build.

Andries has a great sense of humour to lighten a serious subject. A man with whom we should we keep in touch.

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.

Next Races

Friday 26th April Anzac Races

(Once again, no mention of Rotary or the kiosk in the publicity for the dayEditor)

John Spencer's first scan suggests that we are well short of people, so If you are available, please contact him—0438 282 663.

Easter Races catch up

First a fine photograph by Steve Picton, which came too late for last week's Bulletin.



Then from Batemans Bay Facebook: "Batemans Bay Rotarians were on hand to collect donations."



"They also conducted the popular 'Fashions on the Field' event."



Duty	This Week 9 April	Next Week 16 April
Badges	Rohan Gleeson	Chris Manahan
Invocation/toast	Ward Hack	John Nader
Meet & Greet	Col Jay	Steve Picton
Cashiers	Cletus Heffernan Fred Power	Michel Nader Fred Power
4 Way Test	Merv Jamieson	Jeff Proud
Introduce	President Derek
Thank	The Company

Birthdays: None

Anniversary: None

April 9 Tues	Board Meeting	
April 10 Wed April 11 Thurs	RYDA	With Batemans Bay
April 16 Tues	PP Shirl	Philippines Report

Rotary Youth Drivers Awareness

10.30 to 2.30 each day

Positions	Wednesday 10 April	Thursday 11 April
Feed Numbers	140	180
Kitchen	Jan Young	Jan Young
Kitchen	Pauline Gleeson	Pauline Gleeson
Kitchen	Kim Dent	Robyn Legge
Chip fryer	Mike Dent	Steve Young
B-B-Q cook	Jeff Proud	Al Veness
BBQ assistant	Sue Proud	John Nader

We provide 320 hamburger buns and 320 bottles of water

On Tuesday President Derek and Steve Picton are helping with the classroom organisation

On Wednesday Narooma Club are helping in the Classroom and are also paying for the bus from Narooma.