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The Rotary Club of Narooma Inc. Bulletin

Ted's Tips

Hi all,

Bowes can is one of Rotary's more successful projects and one we have been a part of for some years. The kits are available from both Narooma Pharmacies, as well as Bermagui and Cobargo. Cost of the kits are \$10 and are only available for a limited time, be sure to get yours in time.

Last weeks quiz gave us the opportunity to find out how little we really knew! Thanks to Chris and Bob Antill and Laurelle for their attempt at getting the brain to work.

I hope Moruya Club's attendance at Bodalla will inspire us as we really need to hold on the Cinders trophy (by force if necessary)! Please remember that we are meeting on Wednesday 8th for that week.

There still seems to be some dissatisfaction as to our meals. After some discussion at the Board meeting last Wednesday, it was decided to try a different style of meal, as was last meeting. The topic of the meals has to be resolved and finished with so next week there will be a Q & A sheet for you to fill in then hopefully we all will be happy.

Make Dreams Real

Cheers

Ted

Tonight

**Gordon Beattie - living book from Bega
talking about surviving a stroke**

Duties

TASK	26 March	2 April	9 April
Welcome/Wheel	Angie Ulrichsen	Kris Elphick	No Meeting
Cashier	Kris Elphick	Lin Morey	Meet at Bodalla
Toast / thanks	Lin Morey	Bob Aston	Bowling Club
3-minute talk	Bob Aston	John Messner	On 8 April
FINES	John Messner	Laurelle Pacey	To retake the
Introduction	Laurelle Pacey	Jack Wightman	Cinders Trophy

Coming Events

26 March	Gordon Beattie - living book from Bega talking about surviving a stroke
2 April	Youth Speaker
8 April (Wednesday)	Cinders at Bodalla Bowling Club
16 April	TBC
23 April	Partners night - Frank Chatteway about ANZAC

Last week

Last week Laurelle, Chris and Bob Antill helped us improve our trivia skills with three exciting rounds – whilst there was no winner on the night we are now better versed in local politics, the Olympics and general history thanks to the three quiz masters. We celebrated President Ted's 46th birthday with come cake and ice cream.

Jeremy won the eggs, George the port (again!) and Kris the wine.

It was good to see Brian Hastie with us again; he came as Chris' guest.

Look after your bowels!

All members are reminded Rotary's Annual Bowelscan program is now on until Saturday 4th April. Do yourself a favour and pick up a kit from one of the two Narooma pharmacies or from Cobargo or Bermagui by the 4th.

Completed test kits must be returned to one of those pharmacies no later than Saturday 18th April.

From our President Elect – Jack Wightman

How to gain prominence in the District

One way is to advertise your business. DGE Michael Pedler is looking to provide Rotarians with an opportunity to place an advertisement in the District handbook and the District Conference Program. He envisages three sizes - business card @ \$60, half page (A5 and Handbook) @ \$110, and full page (A5 and Handbook) @ \$160 - prices indicative, and when finally determined will be advised to interested members before they are asked to commit and provide artwork.

If interested, contact DGE Michael via michael.pedler@pedler.id.au soonest.

Another way is to take on a role at District level. If you want to make a contribution as a member of a District committee, for example, let DGE Michael know that you would like to help and specify your field of interest - Club Administration, Community Service, International Service, Vocational Service, Youth Service, Service Projects, Public Relations, Membership, Rotary Foundation, or Bulletin.

Appointments

PE Jack is not keen on launching the club into 2009-10 without a club Secretary. The duties are indispensable to the smooth running of the club but they are not onerous, and any member who cares to volunteer to take on the role for the first time can be assured of receiving a comprehensive job description and instruction from one who has been there and done that to the satisfaction of the club.

The importance of being a club Secretary is that he/she is the focus of communication from all parts of Rotary - from within the club, from District, and from Rotary International - and consequently is in a position to use information received for the good of the club.

Like the keyway in the Rotary emblem, without which the gear wheel would not work, so the Secretary is the key appointment in the club, without which it cannot work properly.

PE Jack would rather not revert to the Army practice - "Any volunteers? - You, you and you!" So if you don't have anything to do other than join rosters for working bees, market days or on the food van, consider volunteering to be club Secretary.

Or you might prefer to be Program Chairman? Or Bulletin Editor? The PE would like to hear from you.

From our Rotary Scholar – Liam Phelps

Dear Laurelle and Rotary members

The weeks are racing past as I get ready for week three of the semester. I have had an amazing time at UNSW so far and am enjoying every aspect of uni life. I moved into my on-campus accommodation in late February and have so far loved living on campus. Coming to Sydney I knew only a handful of people. Since being here I have been able to make lots of friends, which has really helped my transition.

I have got back into study routine after having over 12 months off since high school and I am enjoying my courses. The first year of any engineering course largely consists of mathematics and physics. I have felt comfortable in these subjects so far as a lot of the content I have covered during high school.

The only challenge so far as been adapting to the different methods of teaching at uni compared to high school. The facilities and resources available here are fantastic. I have already become very active in uni sport and I am playing a range of sports throughout the week and on the weekends.

I am currently very busy with my studies and both social and sporting activities. But I am fully enjoying the vast amount of opportunities available to me here in Sydney.

I plan to return to Narooma over the Easter holidays which coincides with the mid-semester break and I look forward to catching up with you all then.

Again I thank you for your support and will see you all soon.

Warm regards
Liam Phelps

The Funny Side

I have seen others like these, but here are some great TV contestant howlers.

Warning to all those know-alls who shout at the television screen when contestants offer dumb answers to blindingly obvious questions -- one day that could be you.

From regional radio shows to "Who Wants To be a Millionaire?" and "University Challenge," people make fools of themselves -- as one person found in collating some of the worst howlers.

Here are leading contenders for the "Dumb Down" gold medal:

Presenter: What was Gandhi's first name?
Contestant's answer: Goosey Goosey.

Presenter: What happened in Dallas on November 22, 1963?
Contestant: I don't know, I wasn't watching it then

Presenter: Which American actor is married to Nicole Kidman?
Contestant: Forrest Gump

Presenter: In which country is Mount Everest?
Contestant: Er, it's not in Scotland is it?

Presenter: Name a film starring Bob Hoskins that is also the name of a famous painting by Leonardo da Vinci
Contestant: Who Framed Roger Rabbit?

Presenter: In which European city was the first opera house opened in 1637?
Contestant: Sydney

Presenter: How long did the Six-Day War between Egypt and Israel last?
Contestant: (after long pause) Fourteen days

Presenter: Where did the D-Day landings take place?

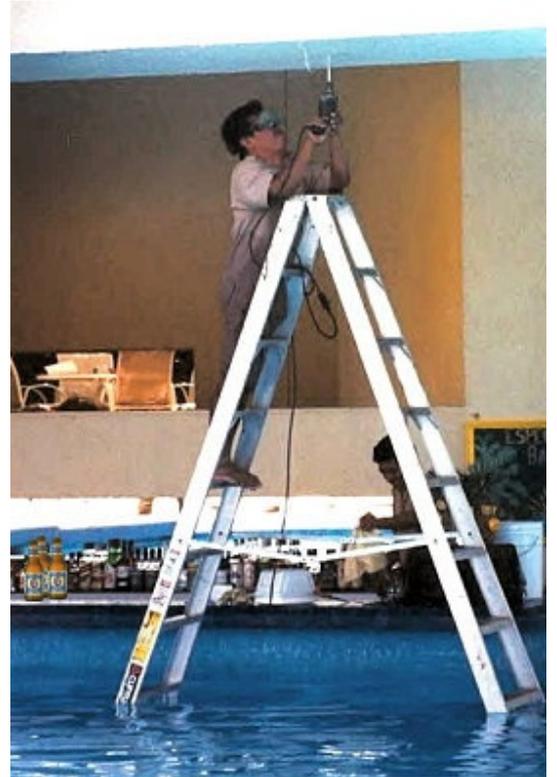
Contestant: (after pause) Pearl Harbour?

Presenter: What is the currency in India

Contestant: Ramadan

Presenter: Johnny Weissmuller died on this day. Which jungle-swinging character clad only in a loin cloth did he play?

Contestant: Jesus



International Toast

Tonight we toast the Rotary club of Budapest, Hungary. The oldest Rotary Club in the country it was chartered in 1989. The club has 46 members who meet on Tuesday evenings at 7.00 pm.

Birthdays and Anniversaries for March

25th Steve Deck & Laurelle Pacey Anniversary

Rotary clubs always pumped for World Water Day

By Arnold R. Grah

Rotary International News -- 18 March 2009

John Hopf is letting his feet do the talking to drum up support for safe drinking water.

On 22 March, World Water Day, Hopf plans to take his first steps down the Appalachian Trail as part of [Hike4Water](#), a fundraiser to support clean water solutions in Guatemala and Tanzania.

Hopf, an honorary member of the Rotary Club of Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, USA, hopes to complete the entire 2,200-mile trail from Georgia to Maine in about five months, stopping along the way to raise awareness among Rotary clubs and talk to the media. Part of the proceeds will help support the Oconomowoc club's efforts to set up a center in Guatemala to build and distribute bio-sand water filters.

The 26-year-old quit his job as a fitness manager to devote time to the hike and to volunteer on projects. He got the idea for hiking the Appalachian Trail from a friend who had completed the trek.

"She said it was the most difficult but most rewarding thing she had ever done, and that really clicked with me," he says. "I knew I wanted to do something bigger than myself that would push me mentally and physically."

Though the United Nations designates 22 March as World Water Day, Rotarians worldwide are focused on the issue throughout the year, volunteering their time and resources to provide safe water and sanitation facilities to communities in need.

Charles Clemmons, general coordinator of the Water Resource Group, estimates that clubs are involved in 6,000 to 7,000 projects internationally, all aimed at addressing the lack of access to clean water and sanitation that claims more than two million lives each year, a majority of them children.

"Rotarians bring a unique set of qualifications to such projects," says F. Ron Denham, who heads the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group. "Being members of the community, they understand how to get local ownership. They understand local culture, which often determines success or failure. They know the local nongovernmental organizations and which ones are good partners for their project. And they connect with a worldwide network of people with similar values and commitment."

The action group will hold its [second World Water Summit](#) 19 June in Birmingham, England, immediately before the 2009 [RI Convention](#).

Here's a sampling of water projects worldwide:

- In the Dominican Republic, Rotarians have facilitated the installation of more than 18,000 bio-sand filters through the District 4060 Children's Safe Water Alliance. The simple and inexpensive filters cost as little as US\$60 and can reduce the incidence of diarrhea by up to 40 percent -- a dramatic decline in a leading cause of child mortality in the developing world. Collaborators include 120 Rotary clubs in 17 districts in Canada, the United States, and several Caribbean countries, as well as organizations such as International Aid, the Peace Corps, and the U.S. Navy.

- The Rotary clubs of Bamenda, Cameroun, and Charlottesville, Virginia, USA, have teamed up with students from the University of Virginia engineering school on a water project funded partly by a \$13,500 Matching Grant. The effort will help establish three water storage tanks and a connective piping system to deliver clean water to 50,000 people in the village of Wum. The clubs have contributed \$18,500 toward the three-phase project, which will be completed in 2010. In November, six students joined Rotarians on a visit to Cameroun, where 3,800 villagers dug about 1.5 miles of trench for the pipes.
- The Rotary Club of Paramaribo, Suriname, worked with clubs in Germany, the Netherlands, and the United States on a Matching Grant project to set up a new water system, including holding tanks, filters, pumps, and other equipment, powered by solar panels. The clubs received support from the Alcoa Foundation, Canada Fund for Local Initiatives, and Georg Fischer Clean Water Foundation on the \$73,000 project.
- Using a \$330,000 Health, Hunger and Humanity Grant, the Rotary clubs of Denver Southeast, Colorado, USA, and Nairobi-Langata, Kenya, are partnering to build shower and bathroom facilities for 150,000 residents living in the Kibera slum of Nairobi.

The Market Report

Kris reports the following taking from Sunday's Markets

Gate	\$920.50
Van	\$538.00
Wishing well	\$55.05
White Elephant	\$15.25
Total	\$1528.80