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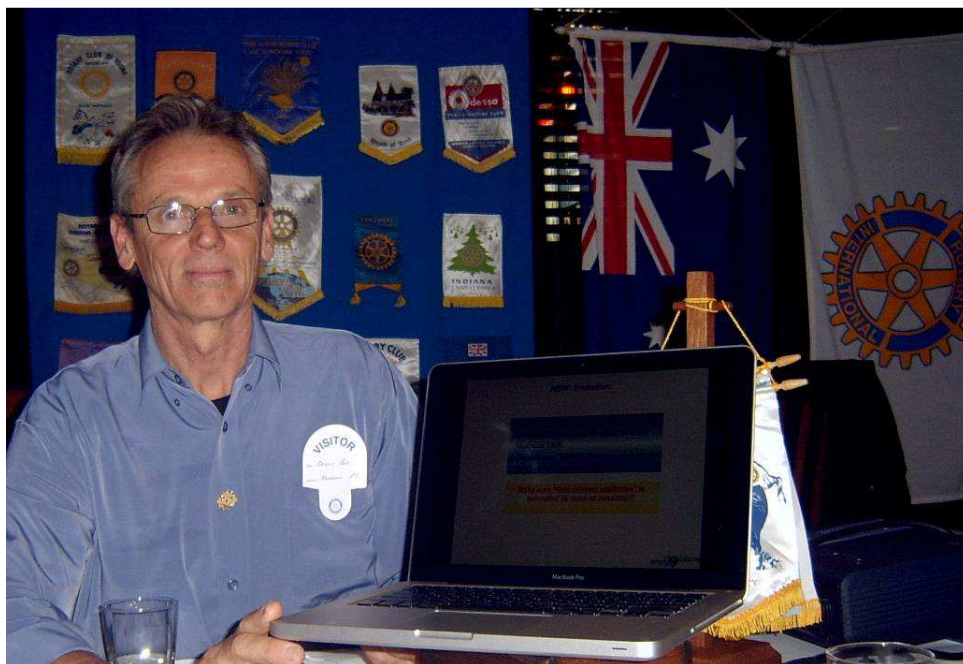
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Let the Sun Shine In or On! And Start Making Money ..

.. from your roof. Last week Dennis Pont (pictured below) and Robert Kogler from Solar Energy Options enlightened us on the world of Solar. Working from Byron Bay to Eden, they specialise in domestic and commercial installations of various Solar Systems.

Dennis explained that Solar Hot Water will reduce your power consumption; roof panels will produce electricity and give you a better return on your investment. Our current electricity grid system was designed in the 50's and didn't account for the new expansion of home air-conditioning systems and is now struggling to meet demand.

Home systems connected to the grid can help offset this drain in power and also ..



.. help the environment. With Government schemes to help home owners and the rising price of electricity, it is an opportune time to start selling power made on your roof back to the power companies.

Dennis and Robert were able to answer questions from club members and everyone got a laugh when they talked about how to keep birds off the panels... **rubber snakes!**

Kris Elphick thanked them for devoting their evening to us. (photo on pg4)

TONIGHT: Board Meeting & Market Plans

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:

Congratulations to Kris & Steve Elphick celebrate their Wedding Anniversary next Wednesday the 27th of October.

COMING EVENTS

23-24 th October	District Conference at Nowra
24 th October	MARKETS
28 th October	Dr Alan Fridley - Partner's Night
4 th November	Club Assembly – Christmas, van, duck race, meetings etc
11 th November	Betty Craze
18 th November	TBA
25 th November	Board Meeting
28 th November	MARKETS
2 nd December	TBA -

TASK	21 st October	28 th October	4 th November
Cashier	John Messner	Max Reid	Angie Ulrichsen
3-minute talk	Jeremy Ferguson		
Wheel	Bob Aston		

INTERNATIONAL TOAST:
RC Bogota Occidente in Colombia, D4290.
Chartered in 1963 they have
36 members and meet at
12 noon on Thursday at the Club del Comercio

*“Some people are always grumbling because roses have thorns.
I am thankful thorns have roses.”*

Alphonse Karr

Short words from bob ant

Despite winters' blast, we thoroughly enjoyed the Moruya Jazz Festival. The great thing is that the town owns it and everyone participates, what a wonderful excuse for a pub crawl!

This Sunday is the Markets and also the District Conference. I'm looking forward to the Conference, but wish it was on a different weekend. Sarah and Josh are pitching in to help while Merinda and I are heading north, and I thank them in advance for that.

Time seems to be racing toward Christmas and I have it on good authority that Ian and his team are travelling forward in preparations for the Mountain Bike Event. Hopefully Ian will be able to update us more tonight.

I mention these things because it is good to see everyone pulling together for what we believe in as Rotarians.

We are committed to giving back to the community both local and international. And it is fantastic to see that others feel the need to help us achieve these goals.

We are a professional organisation and we are making a difference. Well done all and let's keep that golden wheel turning.

Y I R bob Ant... ☺

STOP PRESS....

A stark naked, drunken woman, jumped into a vacant taxi at a London Cab Rank.

The Indian driver was immediately beside himself and just kept on staring at the woman.

He made no attempt to start the Cab.

"What's wrong with you Luv, haven't you ever seen a naked woman before?"

"I'll not be staring at you lady,

I am telling you - that would not be proper, where I am coming from".

"Well if you're not bloody staring at me Luvie, what are you doing then?"

"Well, I am telling you - I am thinking to myself,

where is this lady keeping the money to be paying me with?"



Kris Elphick (the Rose in the middle) with Robert Kogler and Dennis Pont from Solar Energy Options.

Tonight:

Following suggestions and discussion from the members the board will lock in a date for the Christmas Markets.

Ian will update on the Mountain Bike Race which has been postponed until April.

Cinders trophy – I have some dates from Moruya and it needs to be locked in.

bob ant



At the end of our lives, we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, or how much money we have made. We will be judged by:

I was HUNGRY and you gave me bread,
I was NAKED and you clothed me,
I was HOMELESS and you took me in.

Mother Teresa

From the District Chronicle

Cowboy Logic!

- don't let so much reality into your life that there's no room left for dreamin'
- the quickest way to double your money is to fold it over and put it back in your pocket.

from *Don't Squat with your Spurs On*
Texas Bix Bender

People Over 45 Should Be Dead.

According to today's bureaucrats, those of us who were kids in the 30's, 40's, 50's and 60's shouldn't have survived!

Our bassinettes were covered with brightly coloured lead-based paint; we had no childproof lids on medicine bottles, doors or cupboards ... and when we rode our bikes, we had no helmets. (not to mention the risks we took hitchhiking!!) As children, we would ride in cars with no seatbelts or airbags; Riding in the back of a ute on a warm summers' night was always a special treat. We drank water from the garden hose and not from a bottle; we ate lamingtons, white bread and butter, drank soft drink with sugar in it, but we were never overweight because we were always playing – usually outside. We shared one drink with four friends, from the one bottle and no one actually died from this.

We would spend hours building billy-carts out of scraps and then rode down the hill, only to find out we forgot the brakes. After running into the bushes a few times, we learned to solve the problem.

We would leave home in the morning and play all day, as long as we were home when the street lights came on. No-one was able to reach us all day – no mobile phones!

We had one T.V in the house – no *Playstations*, *X-Boxes*, 99 *Austar* channels, no DVD's, surround sound or personal computers.

We had no *Facebook*, *My Space* or *MSN* – we had mates and we'd ride bikes or walk to their place, knock on the door and talk to them.

We played brandings and sometimes the ball would really hurt. We fell out of trees, got cut, broke bones and teeth, and there were no lawsuits from these accidents. They were accidents. No one was to blame but us. We had fights, got black and blue and learned to get over it.

We made up games with sticks and tennis balls and ate worms, and although we were told it would happen, we didn't put out very many eyes, and the worms didn't live inside us forever. If you didn't make the footy team or the school musical, we learned to live with disappointment. Students who weren't as smart as others repeated a grade at school. Tests were not adjusted for any reason.

Our actions were our own, consequences were expected and our parents always sided with the law. Our generation has produced some of the best risk-takers, problem solvers and inventors ever. The last 60 years has seen an explosion of innovation and new ideas. We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility and learned how to deal with them all. And you are one of them! Congratulations!