

Club Meetings:
Thursday for fellowship at
6pm followed by Dinner at
6:30pm

Location:
Hotel Grand Chancellor,
29 Cameron Street,
Launceston, Tasmania

1 August
2019

Tamar Views

Weekly Bulletin



Rotary

Club of South Launceston



This Week—1st August
Catherine Quarrell & Hayley Bartels
The Rotarians Behind the Badges.

Next Week 8th August
Membership Night

PRESIDENT HARRY'S NOTES



Hello Rotarians,
I hope the week has treated you well.

A thank you again to our speaker last week, Lora Niejalke, for an insight into indigenous health in central Australia. A rare insight made possible with the help of Rotarian (father) Phil.

On behalf of the club I have extended a letter of appreciation to past Rotarian Cheryl Guy who has resigned from the club after 14 years of service. Cheryl wants to remain involved by volunteering to help in any of our fundraising or community service event.

Last week the board approved the membership fees for this year. There has been an increase of \$5 from \$205 to \$210 in line with inflation. The profits from club events, to be run by the social club, will offset the running expenses of the club in order to keep the cost of membership fees as low as possible. Please note that any funds raised from public donations or income remaining will be applied to community service projects and grants.

So we are looking to have as many members as possible to support the social club events which will help to balance the administration budget.

I will be an apology for this week's Thursday dinner meeting.

Hope to see all of you the week after.

President Harry.

COMING EVENTS

Rotary Youth Forum

Saturday, August 3rd

Venue -

Longford RSL,
78 Wellington Street,
Longford

Time - 10-2 with
coffee at 9.30 am

RSVP Tuesday 30 July
to

liz.bulman@gmail.com

Proposed Weekend Away—Bicheno

2nd—4th

November 2019.

Bicheno White Sands
Estate.

For more information,
please contact Glenda,
Les, Kevin or Toni.

Rotary International Conference.

6th—10th June 2020.

Honolulu, Hawaii.

CLUB DUTIES

DATE	1ST AUGUST	8TH AUGUST	15TH AUGUST
ATTENDANCE	BRIAN BEARDWOOD	TONI BINNS	MERRILYN BRIGGS
WELCOME	NIC BUTLER	TERRY CRAWFORD	BERNADETTE ECHETAMA
CHAIRPERSON	STEPHEN GORDON	GLENDA ILES	GRAEME LEFEVRE
REGALIA	KATHY MACQUEEN KEVIN PREECE	CRAIG MITCHELL KRISTA PREECE	SONIA MORGANTI CATHERINE QUARRELL
THANKS	PETER STEARNES	PAUL SWIATKOWSKI	DENNIS TULK

If you are unable to fulfill your rostered duty, please arrange for a replacement.



28th July—David Preece
29th July—Patti Mitchell

The richest man in the world is not the one who still has the first dollar he ever earned. It's the man who still has his first friend. Martha Mason.

LAST WEEK'S MEETING.

President Harry:

Welcomed members and guests.

Advised that the club has received a thank you letter from Rosemary Dixon, thanking the club for our condolences on the passing of David.

Noted the changes to the board structure as shown in the bulletin, There is now a Club Service Director, Les Baxter, and Community Service has been split into Fundraising - Graeme Le Fevre, and Delivery - Nic Butler.

PP Krista Preece:

Presented Paul Harris Fellowships to Andrew Whitehead and Graeme Gough

Service - Fundraising - Graeme Le Fevre:

We are assisting St Vincent De Paul on Saturday 27th at the opening of their new store in Boland St - some volunteers still needed.

Sheep Manure collection in 4 weeks or so - TBA.

Sunday 11 August - 'All About Babies' Expo - volunteers needed - more in next weeks.



NEW PAUL HARRIS FELLOWS

At last week's meeting, Past President Krista Preece presented Rotarians Andrew Whitehead and Graham Gough with Paul Harris Fellowship awards, recognising their valuable service, first to the North Launceston Rotary Club and then to our club, and to Rotary in general and to our community.

**APOLOGIES BY 10.30am TUESDAY TO TERRY CRAWFORD 63447033 or 0417 366 531
(If not received by then, an invoice will be issued)**



LAST WEEK'S GUEST SPEAKER.

Last week's guest speaker was Lora Niejalke, daughter of Rotarian Phil Niejalke. Lora spoke about her experiences as a nurse in a remote area of the Northern Territory. She said that what started out as a six-month holiday assignment has now become her permanent job.

Lora is based at a clinic at Utopia—an aboriginal homeland of the Alyawarre people. Utopia has a population of around 800 people in the main settlement and there are a number of outstations as well. Utopia is situated 300km north east of Alice Springs.

Control of the land was granted to the aboriginal community some years ago. The elders have decreed that no alcohol is allowed in their area. The aboriginal people speak a number of languages and are somewhat nomadic.

Lora said that the hospital is normally staffed by four to five nurses and a doctor, but is not always fully staffed—the nurses sometimes have to function without a doctor.

The clinic is open from Monday to Friday, but also provides 24 hour emergency care. The staff also serve the outstations, requiring considerable time on the road—the furthest outstation being 150 km away.

Treating patients has its hazards—many people have dogs which are sometimes fiercely protective of their owners.

The clinic provides pre and post-natal care and the nurses are able to prescribe medication. Pregnant women must travel to Alice Springs a month before their babies are due. This often places quite a strain on the family, particularly if they have other children.

The clinic treats a number of other medical incidents such as snake bites, infections, burns, road accident injuries and missed dialysis appointments. The language barrier often proves to be a problem in making an informed diagnosis. There was an outbreak of meningococcal W disease in 2017. Serious cases are sent to Alice Springs or Adelaide via the Royal Flying Doctor Service. An airstrip is 30 km away. The arrival of a plane is preceded by clearing the landing strip of animals and bushes. Flying is also very much at the mercy of the weather. Lora said that the health of the people is very much affected by their living conditions. Housing is basic and often overcrowded. Houses lack a fridge, toilet, shower and running water. Some people live in humpies. The result of poor sanitation is the prevalence of heart and kidney disease, rheumatic fever, anaemia, ear infections, trachoma, worms and gastro problems. Diseases are quickly spread in the community. Aborigines are four times more likely to contract diabetes than white people. The youngest Lora encountered was 9 years old and the youngest requiring dialysis was 21 years old.

Obtaining healthy food is a problem. It is hard to provide a healthy and balanced diet. The dietitian has established a vegetable garden in an attempt to address this. Often families are caring for children other than their own.

Lora said that the people are very spiritual with rituals governing life and death. They have bush doctors—traditional healers. The people are generally very resilient—they rarely complain and laugh a lot. They are very artistic and some of them have won awards internationally. Their 25-30 year old men have the highest suicide rate globally. The Royal Flying Doctor Service is introducing mental health programs.

AND FINALLY.....

Money! Money! Money!

Firstly an oft misquoted text from the bible:

For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil. The apostle Paul.

Money is a universal provider for everything but happiness, and is a passport to everywhere but heaven.

Money isn't everything, but it's way ahead of whatever is in second place.

Money isn't everything, usually it isn't even enough.

Money talks and very few of us find it boring. W.G.P.

Money talks, so they say, but mine only says goodbye. W.G.P.

An economist is a person who knows more about money than those who have it.

A budget is what you stay within if you go without.

A budget is a system in which you worry before you spend your money instead of afterwards.

Money is like manure. If you spread it around, it does a lot of good. But if you pile it up in one place, it stinks like hell. Clint Murchison. Jr.

Money saved for a rainy day, now buys a smaller umbrella. W.G.P.

By the time you have money to burn, the fire has gone cold. W.G.P.

In investing money, the amount of interest you want should depend on whether you want to eat well or sleep well. J. Kenfield Morley.

If your income is less than your outgo, your upkeep could be your downfall.

And incidentally..... Our club subscriptions are now due!

ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH LAUNCESTON
Officers and Duties 2019-2020

**ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH
LAUNCESTON**

Club Chartered

March 17 1962
with 23 members
56th Year of Rotary Service

Thursday Meeting

Hotel Grand Chancellor
29 Cameron St, Launceston
6.15 pm for 6.30 pm

Make-ups & Apologies

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Community & Service Projects

(Funding):

Director: Graeme LeFevre.

Public Image:

Director: Glenda Iles.

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