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

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



# Weekly Bulletin





This Week 15th August
Guest Speakers: Michael Kelly & Vanessa Leonard
EPIC Employment Service

Next Week—22nd August Guest Speaker: Kevin Preen Catholic Care

## **PRESIDENT HARRY'S NOTES**



#### Hello Rotarians,

Those at last week's dinner meeting would no doubt agree that there was frivolity. Our club is having a busy month — a BBQ supporting the opening of a new St Vinnies store in Boland Street; volunteering to support the All About Babies Fair, a sheep poo collection day, a members' fellowship night this coming Saturday and a social club members' bonfire night at the end of August.

Every member is encouraged to support the above events and particularly the Social Club Bonfire fellowship night.

Last Thursday we had a Rotary International trivia question (answer in last week's newsletter) and congratulations to those who read the newsletter in detail and remembered the answer. There was a small prize for the first to know. Please keep up to date with our newsletter and maybe there will be more trivia questions in future weeks.

One last request. Could all members please log into the South Launceston Rotary web-site and check your details—particularly correctness of phone numbers and email addresses?

See you on Thursday.

**President Harry** 

### **DON'T FORGET!**

DINNER AT TRAM BAR, BEST WESTERN HOTEL, EARL STREET THIS SATURDAY, 17TH AUGUST. 6.30 FOR 7.00 PM.

### **COMING EVENTS**

Visit of Assistant Governor Brett Williams Thursday 22nd August

Rotarians Against Malaria Annual Conference Melbourne 24th-25th August

# Family & Friends Bonfire

Michell Residence Saturday August 31st.

# Proposed Weekend Away—Bicheno

2nd—4th November 2019. Bicheno White Sands Estate.

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

# Rotary International Conference.

6th—10th June 2020. Honolulu, Hawaii.

#### **CLUB DUTIES**

| DATE        | 15TH AUGUST                          | 22ND AUGUST                | 29TH AUGUST                  |
|-------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| ATTENDANCE  | MERRILYN BRIGGS                      | BRUCE BURKE                | DI BUTLER                    |
| WELCOME     | BERNADETTE ECHETAMA                  | PAUL FITZPATRICK           | STEPHEN GORDON               |
| CHAIRPERSON | GRAEME LEFEVRE                       | DALE LUCK                  | KATHY MACQUEEN               |
| REGALIA     | SONIA MORGANTI<br>CATHERINE QUARRELL | PHIL NEIJALKE<br>IAN SMITH | LANCE PFEFFER PETER STEARNES |
| THANKS      | DENNIS TULK                          | ANDREW WHITEHEAD           | MARTIN YATES                 |

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

# FILLED IN THE CLUB QUESTIONNAIRE? IF NOT, DO IT NOW!

FROM GRAEME LEFEVRE:
BLOOD DONORS URGENTLY NEEDED. CAN YOU HELP?

# LAST WEEK'S MEETING.

#### **President Harry:**

Welcomed guests PDG John Dare and his wife, Lesley, and Sue Faulkner.

Informed the club that there are currently 1.2 million Rotarians across the world. Asked how many districts there are across the world (Figure given in last week's president's notes.) Martin Yates was the first to answer and won the prize.

### **Secretary Andrea Batholemew:**

A thank you card was received from Vanessa Cahoon from the Launceston City Mission, thanking the club for a donation of street swags.

A note has been received from AG Marion Cooper seeking volunteers for this year's RYDA program 15th—25th October.

#### **Treasurer Steve Gordon:**

Subscription invoices have now been set out. 11 have been paid so far. Members who have not yet paid are asked to give early attention to their fees.

## Graeme LeFevre:

"All About Babies" event is to be held in the Albert Hall next Sunday—11th August. Volunteers needed.

#### Les Baxter:

There has been little response to the questionnaire that was sent out at the end of July. Please have your say on the future direction of our club. Replies required by 29th August.

#### **Glenda Iles:**

Saturday night, 17th August—Dinner & drinks at Best Western Hotel Tram Bar, Earl Street, 6.30 for 7.00 pm. Announced Launceston Players production of "Picnic at Hanging Rock" Earl Arts Centre, Friday—Saturday 13th—14th September. Are members interested in a group booking? Maybe dinner beforehand?

#### **Kevin Preece:**

Advance notice of bonfire at Mitchell residence, Saturday 31st August. BBQ, salads & cheesecakes included in cover charge.

lan Smith: Insomniac volunteer opportunity at Salvos Street Team, Saturdays—11.00pm to 3.00 am.

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 Past District Governor John Dare from the Deloraine Club.

NNECTS John came to inform the club about projects for which he is responsible or involved in at local and district level.

First up, he announced that benefactor Dick Smith had just given Rotary in Australia another million dollars. It is to be used to benefit people doing it tough. Dollar for dollar grants will be available to clubs for projects fitting the criteria.

John then spoke about his own club and the history of the Deloraine Craft Fair, which is now in its 39th year.

John said that 39 years ago, Deloraine was basically a farming community. Then groups of alternative-lifestylers began to move into the area. This had the potential for tension and conflict. The members of the Deloraine Rotary Club decided to explore ways in which the two groups could come together. They discovered that many of the alternative-lifestylers were quite artistic and so the idea of a craft fair was born. It started with 17 stalls in one venue. Today, it has around 260 stalls in about a dozen venues. It now has an annual turnover of \$400,000 and is supported by an \$80,000 local sponsorship. The fair returns a profit of over \$80,000 to the community each year, as well as generating income to local businesses. Deloraine previously had no art galleries—it now has six. The craft fair has now generated national and overseas interest and has become Australia's major craft fair. The council now supports the event by providing the venues free of charge. John said that the demand is such that the two ATMs in town usually empty by the second day.

John said he is also involved in the Australia Rotary Health program, which provides \$100,000 each year for scholarships and research. John said he was instrumental in raising \$200,000 in Tasmania for the fund by raffling two Harley Davidson motorcycles, the cost of which was underwritten before the raffle was launched. Also the Mole Creek Hotel underwrote the promotion costs in return for the raffle being drawn at Mole Creek's 'Day at the Creek.' John said that most of the raffle tickets were sold at the Mole Creek Hotel.

John said that this year's District Governor, Michael Cooke, has asked him to head up a new organisation—Rotary Tasmania Community Care. It has been set up to benefit needy people right across our state. It will supported by the Rotary Australia Benevolent Society—allowing clubs to sponsor \$20,000 projects from a \$5,000 local input. One venture is pig racing which it hoped will raise \$12,000.

Another event planned is a music festival on the Tamar in March next year, which it is hoped will raise \$40,000. John is also involved in projects supporting the Royal Flying Doctor Service in Tasmania. He has obtained two former Metro buses which will be fitted out as mental health clinics to benefit young people in rural areas.

The buses will have a lounge area, which will be a welcoming space for young people and their parents, and a consulting room. They will have a link to mainland consulting services via a satellite dish.

The buses will also be able to be used as mobile command centres in emergencies.

John said he also involved in establishing a peace monument, which will take the form of a fountain and be located in Hobart.

## **ROTARY FRIENDSHIP TOURS.**

Lesley Dare spoke to the club briefly about a Rotary Friendship Tour planned to South America in September 2020. Previously Rotary friendship tours involved Rotarians travelling to another country and being hosted by local Rotarians with a reciprocal visit as part of the plan. More recently, Rotarians travel together, but follow a professionally organised tour and are accommodated in hotels.

Lesley said that the tour planned for next year is an all-inclusive tour of 24 nights for group of 22-28 people. So far, 20 people have expressed interest. All meals are included and the tour will allow generous free-time. Lesley suggested that any Rotarians interested might contact her.

## AND FINALLY......

Two farmers meeting in town after a cyclone had swept through their region, compared the damage their farms had sustained

"Did you lose much in the storm?" asked the first farmer.

"Not really," his friend answered. 'I did lose the henhouse, but that's O.K., because I ended up with a couple of new cows and a ute."

# 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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& Correspondence)
Terry Crawford.
(Attendance & Recording)

#### **Treasurers:**

Stephen Gordon. (Accounting) Terry Crawford. (Banking)

### **DIRECTORS & PORTFOLIOS**

**Club Services** 

**Director: Les Baxter** 

# **Community & Service Projects**

(Delivery):

**Director: Nic Butler.** 

## **Community & Service Projects**

(Funding):

**Director: Graeme LeFevre.** 

#### **Public Image:**

**Director: Glenda Iles.** 

## **Rotary Foundation:**

**Director: Josh De Groot.** 

# **Vocational Projects:**

**Director: Wayne Higgs.** 

### **Youth Projects:**

**Director: Lance Pfeffer.** 

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**Programme:** Les Baxter.

Social: Toni Binns.

**History:** Bruce Burke,

Henry Harris.

**Sheep Manure Project:** 

Josh de Groot.