

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

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

5
December
2019

Tamar Views

Weekly Bulletin



Rotary

Club of South Launceston



**This week—5th December
Fellowship Night.**

**Next week—12th December
Guest Speaker— Rod Bramich
Traders in Purple.
Evandale Development.**

PRESIDENT HARRY'S NOTES.



Hello Rotarians.

As always I hope that you had a good week.

Last week we visited the Iron Horse Bar and Grill. This was also a partners event and hence the very large turn-out. From the level of the noise it appeared that fellowship and friendship were alive and strong. We heard briefly from Stephanie Groves on her internship at a clinic fitting artificial limbs to those many thousands in need in Cambodia – one has to pinch themselves to remember this is a 19 year old, one year out of secondary college. I think a worthy candidate for Rotary's help.

This week will we be back at the Grand Chancellor and have a member only friendship night with a difference – Les Baxter (Member Services Director) has something in store. It would be great (as always) to see as many as possible attending.

This week will also be a sad week – it will be Rotarians Karen and Josh De Groot's last dinner meeting at our club. Join with me to wish them the best for their future – their next journey will be in Inverloch Victoria.

We had a board meeting on 14th November – I will present the highlights and major news during the president's report this week.

President Harry

COMING EVENTS

Wine Tour
Saturday
14th December.
Advise Glenda Iles if
planning to attend.

**Christmas Family
Night**
Thursday
19th December.

**First meeting for
2020.**
Progressive Dinner.
9th January.

**Rotary International
Conference.**
6th-8th June 2020.
Honolulu, Hawaii.

CLUB DUTIES

| DATE | 5TH DECEMBER | 12TH DECEMBER | 19TH DECEMBER |
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| ATTENDANCE | GRAHAM GOUGH | LES GRANT | WAYNE HIGGS |
| WELCOME | GRAEME LE FEVRE | DALE LUCK | MELISSA MCGRATH |
| CHAIRPERSON | KRISTA PREECE | CATHERINE QUARRELL | IAN SMITH |
| REGALIA | MAX WATKINS GAYLENE BAKER | ANDREW WHITEHEAD LES BAXTER | MARTIN YATES BRIAN BEARDWOOD |
| THANKS | NIC BUTLER | TERRY CRAWFORD | BERNADETTE ETCHETAMA |

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



7th December—
Patricia Stearnes.

NOTE!

FAMILY NIGHT—19TH DECEMBER.

APPEARANCE OF RED-SUITED GENT.

Parents & grandparents please bring small gifts for said gent to distribute to your kids.

ROMAC NEWS



VINCENT

Vincent arrived in Canberra from his home in the Solomon Islands on 2nd July as a 2-month old requiring surgery to repair a blockage between his oesophagus and his stomach (Tracheo-oesophageal Fistula) which necessitated him being fed through a catheter in his stomach. He was undernourished and it was several weeks before he was strong enough to undergo surgery. Vincent was operated on at the Centennial Hospital for Women and Children. Now he is a happy five and a half months old, and although making some progress in his recovery is still not well enough to return home. He is being treated on a weekly basis at the hospital, and it is likely to be several more months before he will be able to return to the Solomons. Vincent's mother, Cosinta (pictured with Vincent) has been with him throughout his stay in Australia. They are currently being hosted by District 9710's ROMAC Chair, Sandra Goldstraw and her husband, Brian, with assistance from her team members Yvonne Robson and Robyn Pearson, and members of the sponsoring club, Gulgahlin.

Since his initial treatment Viliame has spent the day at Auckland's Starship Hospital, mum Talei and David Skinner in support. The morning consisted of several examinations, X-Ray, Echo Cardiogram, Blood Tests, ECG plus general monitoring. The Cardiologist, on reviewing the Echo, decided that a further catheterization was required to stop the leakage of the coronary artery. In the afternoon Viliame had another two devices inserted that hopefully will overcome this problem.

Since the procedure Viliame is fine and has returned to Ronald McDonald house.

This week he will have another Echo and hopefully all will be repaired O.K. for them to return home.



VILLAME

APOLOGIES BY 10.30am TUESDAY TO TERRY CRAWFORD 6344 7033 or 0417 366 531

LAST WEEK'S MEETING—PRESENTER.

At last week's meeting Stephanie Groves made a presentation. Stephanie is from Bridport and completed her secondary education at Launceston College last year. She is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Applied Science and a Masters degree in Prosthetics and Orthotics at Latrobe University, Melbourne. Stephanie became interested in these fields as a result of an injury she suffered.

Cambodia has gained her attention, where there are over 40,000 amputees as a result of land mines laid during the war there. Consequently there is a huge demand for prosthetics and orthotics. Most of the land mines have now been cleared but some active ones remain.

In January, Stephanie will undertake a four-week assignment in Cambodia, working at a clinic outside Phnom Penh where services to amputees are being extended to people outside the large cities. She believes she will gain practical experience much sooner than opportunities would be available to her in Australia.

Our club's board is considering providing support to Stephanie. She is happy to come back and report to the club on her trip.



GUESS WHO?



It has come to our notice that one of our members has apparently begun a second career in the advertising industry.

He was observed outside the Iron Horse Bar and Grill during our meeting there last week, engaged in a long conversation on his mobile phone.

It would seem that he was soaking up some of the free credit he has received in return for his mobile phone spruiking activity!



LAST WEEK'S MEETING PHOTOS.

AND FINALLY.....

'Twas the night before Christmas, In Australia you know,
Way down on the beach, without any snow.

Asleep in their beach hut, were Freddie and Sue,
A dreaming of Christmas, like me and like you.

Not stockings, but jet skis, at the foot of their beds,
For this was Australia, what more need be said?

When all of a sudden from out the still night,
There came such a ruckus, it gave me a fright!

And I saw 'cross the sand dunes, like the shot from a gun,
A loaded up ute, coming on at a run.

The driver was shouting as he came from the road
And the heelers were sitting on top of the load.

"Come on there Blue, Butch, and Rex, hold on tight
There'll be plenty of travelin' for you-all tonight..

The driver in his bathers, and a towel that was red,
Had a bright red sun hat on the top of his head.

As he stepped from the ute, he was really a sight,
with his beard all so shiny, curly and white.

As he burst in the beach hut, the children awoke,
And both so astonished, that neither one spoke.

And he filled up their jet skis with presents galore,
That neither could think of a single thing more.

When Freddie recovered the use of his jaws,
He asked in a whisper "Are you really Santa Claus?"

"Am I the real Santa? Well, what do you think?
And he smiled as he gave his mysterious wink.

Then he left in his ute, and called back in some slang
G'day children of Aussie—MERRY CHRISTMAS cooe!

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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