

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

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

22
October
2020

Tamar Views

Weekly Bulletin



Rotary
Club of South Launceston



This week: Social Evening at Legana Tavern. 6.00 for 6.30 pm.

PRESIDENT HARRY'S NOTES



Hello Rotarians.

This will be a short bulletin given I have been out of the region the past week. As mentioned last week, both Sharon and I visited Flinders Island. It has a whole lot of elements from mainland Tasmania on a reduced land mass - east coast, west coast, midlands and mountainous southwest. A place where everybody waves to each other, says hello and pretty much knows all 800 permanent residents.

A good job that the sheep poo collection proposed for last Saturday was called off. With the rain all day it would not make for pleasant work rolling in wet and mud.

The board held a meeting this past Monday and considered the suggestions made by members at September's forum. I and the other directors will present the outcomes of the board meeting next Thursday at the normal dinner meeting. However the board's actions resulting from the members forum are produced in this news letter.

I hope to see as many of you (and partners) at the Legana Tavern social function this Thursday.

President Harry

COMING EVENTS

RYDA
Symons Plains.
13th-23rd October.

Visit of
District Governor,
Michael Plunkett.
Coming in November.
Date to be confirmed.

Sheep Poo Collection
Dates.
Delayed due to
weather.
Next one T.B.A.
21st November.

Rotary Tasmania
Family Event.
Tasman Peninsula
20th—22nd November
2020.

OCTOBER 24TH—WORLD POLIO DAY.

Rotary, along with our partners, has reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent worldwide since our first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979. We are close to eradicating polio, but we need your help. **Give** - Rotarians have helped immunize more than 2.5 billion children against polio in 122 countries. For as little as \$0.60, a child can be protected against this crippling disease for life.

Build Awareness - Help get the word out about our efforts to fight polio.

Become an Advocate - Make sure policymakers know how important it is to eliminate polio.



CLUB DUTIES

DATE	22ND OCTOBER	29TH OCTOBER	5TH NOVEMBER
ATTENDANCE	SOCIAL EVENING	MERRILYN BRIGGS	DI BUTLER
WELCOME	NO DUTIES	LES GRANT	WAYNE HIGGS
CHAIRPERSON		KATHY MACQUEEN	CRAIG MITCHELL
THANKS		CATHERINE QUARRELL	IAN SMITH

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

LAST WEEK'S MEETING.

Vice-President Lara Alexander:

Introduced Melissa from Vinnies, speaking about the initiative 'Shoes for the Homeless'. If members wanted to have their photo taken, please be at Boland St tomorrow (Friday) at 11am.

Melissa gave a quick snapshot of people who are homeless. She thanked our club for giving dignity and self-worth to our homeless friends in our community.

Club Services – Les Baxter:

Social night next Thursday at Legana Tavern, 6.00 for 6.30pm.

Youth Services – Melissa McGrath:

Rotary Youth Driver Awareness program has been cancelled for tomorrow (Friday), due to sensitivity of the Riverside student being killed in a car accident a couple of weeks ago.

Resumes next week.

Sheep Manure Collection – Graeme LeFevre:

Roster for this Saturday is not on, due to forecast of rain, and sheds are wet. Due to the next couple of Saturdays being tied up with grand-final day and long weekend, Graeme is looking at a possible mid-week collection for those who are able.

Agfest for next year Wed 5th May– Saturday 8th May, 4 days, expected to be 15,000 people per day. The question is whether our club can commit to 4 days – 10 to 15 members needed per day.

RYDA – Ian Smith:

Our club is rostered next Tuesday between 9am and 2pm, 4 guides are needed.

Vinnies' Cinderella story, with some help from Rotary Australia (Tas).

Tasmania's Rotary Clubs have worked together to raise funds to purchase shoes for disadvantaged families across the State. Several charities benefitted from Rotary's generosity, one of them being the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

"Rotary has always been a great supporter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, for which we are very grateful. Rotary assists us to deliver services on our Vinnies Vans on a weekly basis, and now they have donated \$2,000 so Vinnies can supply new shoes to vulnerable individuals," CEO Lara Alexander said.

Rotary's generous donation will assist many families in need, and the St. Vincent de Paul Society is extremely grateful for their support.



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

RESULTS OF CLUB FORUM SURVEY.

Suggestions and comments from members.

Fund-Raising:

Car boot sale when weather is better. Could raise thousands if we clear out our houses.

Board Action/Comment - Refer idea to Community Service fund-raising committee to consider.

Membership Drive:

Newspaper articles regularly in community section of the Examiner. Ensure there are details of contacts if folks are interested in joining Rotary

Needs a concentrated effort to build our membership.

Board Action/Comment - Refer to Public Image Committee to consider.

Advertising:

Question How do we get publicity for our efforts?

Board Action/Comment - noted.

Comment:

Loving the regular social nights at alternative locations.

Enjoying the way our meetings are running.

Board Action/Comment - noted. No further action.

Christmas Function:

Partners/children to be invited.

Lunch at Aricus (Stonethrow).

Board Action/Comment - Member Services Director indicates that these are already in planning.

Late apologies:

Accepted without payment if a medical certificate is provided.

Board Action/Comment - Refer to Member Services Director for comment. The issue is that Grand Chancellor entitled to charge for numbers committed by Tuesday lunchtime. However, the Board is sympathetic to the issue and intend to discuss in more detail next meeting.

Meal Format:

Might we revisit the idea of a small buffet instead of desert, maybe cheese and crackers plate to share per table before or after the main course.

Board Action/Comment - this was to be the arrangement pre COVID. Now shared food is against State Government guidelines.

Recycling Initiative/Rotary International Project:

Make disposable plastics redundant (in support of Rotaract) and also decide that no disposable plastic is to be used by our community service.

Board Action/Comment - to be considered following presentation by Rotaract President at Group Forum substitute or as invited speaker to future meeting.

Honour Board:

Add past and present presidents to back of newsletter and electronically to Kathy McQueen for website.

Board Action/Comment - suggested sound. May need to limit to a practical time if list on newsletter too long. Refer to Member Services to arrange.

Decorum Issue:

I believe the Chairperson of the night needs to be proactive regarding members' rudeness when they talk over any person who may have the floor at the time. This problem seems to be getting worse.

Board Action/Comment - Practice has been noticed and comment made to respect speakers. This is a role for the chairperson in running a smooth meeting. It is intended to have a club training session on role of chair in near future (of which this role will be discussed).

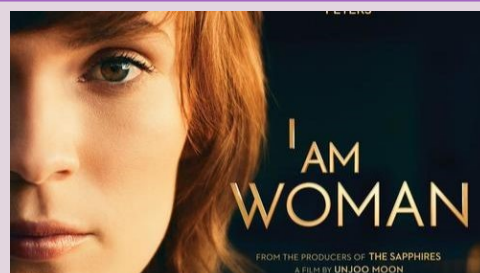
EXCLUSIVE LAUNCESTON EVENT

I am Woman will be screened at the Star Theatre on November 12 at 6.30pm.

Tickets will be \$20 with half going to End Polio Now.

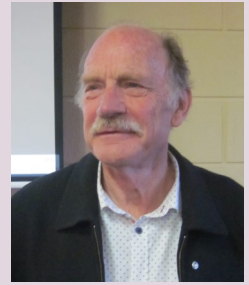
Tickets available via Star Theatre.

I Am Woman is a 2019 Australian biographical film about singer Helen Reddy.



LAST WEEK'S GUEST SPEAKER.

Last week's guest speaker was Past-President Dale Luck. Dale's subject was 'Geomorphology'. To the uninitiated, geomorphology is an observation of landform history and a study of how landscapes have evolved over millions of years to reach their current form. As a civil engineer, Dale's interest has been in the Tamar Valley and Central North area of Tasmania. Dale said his interest was originally sparked by the fact that Mt Arthur, Mt Barrow and Ben Lomond were in a straight line. A similar scenario can be observed with the Western Tiers.



Dale said that the earth's age has been estimated at 4.6 billion years. The Mid-Present Period geologically has been determined to be from 600 to 200 million years ago. The Present Period is regarded as from 200 million years ago to the present day. The earth's diameter is 12,700 kilometres and the earth's crust is 32 kilometres thick. Below the crust is the mantle, then the outer core and the inner core. The outer core is liquid which sometimes comes to the surface in volcanic eruptions.

Dale said that the rock in the Tamar Valley is mainly dolerite or bluestone. About 65 million years ago, faults occurred and the layer suffered a number of breaks. The softer stone on the surface then eroded. The movement in the dolerite formed a freshwater lake in a valley with Mt Arthur, Mt Barrow and Ben Lomond on one side and the Western Tiers on the other. The lake eventually gave way to the Tamar River.

Dale said that in some places, such as the site for the proposed Gorge Hotel, solid rock is 200 metres below the surface, while in other places it is only 30 metres below.

The area of Inveresk is comprised of recent sediment, which includes clay washed down from the mountains, whereas in Trevallyn the clay has formed in situ. Much of the land in the Tamar Valley is unstable, which proves to be a challenge for engineers and builders.

Dale showed by means of a photo and a map that the South Esk River used to flow into the North Esk River south of Evandale. A feature called Cocked Hat Hill near Evandale is an old volcano. Its eruption many years ago dammed the South Esk River and caused it to change course to where it flows today.

AND FINALLY.....

Puns for Educated Minds

1. The fattest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi.
2. I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.
3. She was only a whiskey maker, but he loved her still.
4. A rubber band pistol was confiscated from algebra class, because it was a weapon of math disruption.
5. No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.
6. A dog gave birth to puppies near the road and was cited for littering.
7. A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blownapart.
8. Two silk worms had a race. They ended up in a tie.
9. A hole has been found in the nudist camp wall. The police are looking into it.
10. Time flies like an arrow. Fruit flies like a banana.
11. Atheism is a non-prophet organization.
12. Two hats were hanging on a hat rack in the hallway. One hat said to the other: "You stay here. I'll go on a head."
13. I wondered why the baseball kept getting bigger. Then it hit me.
14. A sign on the lawn at a drug rehab centre said: "Keep off the Grass".
15. The midget fortune-teller who escaped from prison was a small medium at large.
16. The soldier who survived mustard gas and pepper spray is now a seasoned veteran.
17. A backward poet writes inverse.
18. In a democracy, it's your vote that counts. In feudalism, it's your count that votes.
19. When cannibals ate a missionary, they got a taste of religion.
20. If you jumped off the bridge in Paris, you'd be in Seine.
21. A vulture boards an aeroplane, carrying two dead raccoons. The stewardess looks at him and says, "I'm sorry, sir! Only one carrion allowed per passenger."
22. Two fish swim into a concrete wall. One turns to the other and says "Dam!"
23. Two Eskimos sitting in a kayak were chilly, so they lit a fire in the craft. Unsurprisingly it sank, proving once again that you can't have your kayak and heat it too.
24. Two hydrogen atoms meet. One says, "I've lost my electron". The other says "Are you sure?" The first replies, "Yes, I'm positive."
25. Did you hear about the Buddhist who refused Novocain during a root canal? His goal: transcendental medication.
26. There was the person who sent ten puns to friends, with the hope that at least one of the puns would make them laugh. No pun in ten did.

ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH LAUNCESTON

Officers and Duties 2020-2021

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Club Chartered

March 17 1962

with 23 members

58th Year of Rotary Service

Thursday Meeting

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

Make-ups & Apologies

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