

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

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

26  
November  
2020

*Tamar Views*



Weekly Bulletin



**Rotary**  
Club of South Launceston



**This week: Social Evening at Steve's Grill, Cnr Bathurst & Balfour Streets.**

### **PRESIDENT HARRY'S NOTES**



Hello Rotarians.

Last Monday the board held a meeting where, unfortunately, I was a late apology. Thank you to Rotarian Andrea and Rotarian Dale for chairing and minute taking respectively.

The club will have a short recess for Christmas/New Year with the last dinner meeting on Thursday 17 December and resuming with a BBQ social function on Thursday 7 January.

Please note that the following week will be the club's AGM - so please look out for a special email from Secretary Andrea seeking nominations for the board for the 2021/22 year. The President-Elect for 2021/22 will be Rotarian Lara Alexander.

This week is the 4th Thursday of the month and hence an offsite social function at Steve's Bar and Grill - if you haven't booked then please contact Rotarian Les Baxter ASAP.

And on Saturday is Grouse Vegas. Rotarian Wayne Higgs is the contact for late attendees or extra numbers.

Even in this the COVID year, the festive season remains a busy time of year. And so it should as we all endeavour to catch up with friends and family to share the stories of 2020.

One Last matter. In this newsletter contains a message from PDG Michael Cooke regarding The Rotary Foundation. We will have the pleasure of hosting DG Michael Plunkett at our meeting in the next few weeks. I expect that the DG will want to talk about The Rotary Foundation during his presentation.

Bye for now. President Harry

### **COMING EVENTS**

**Sheep Poo Collection**  
Next date to be  
advised.

**Visit of  
District Governor,  
Michael Plunkett.**  
Date to be confirmed.

**First Meeting for 2021.**  
Thursday 7th January.

**AGM.**  
Thursday 14th January.

## CLUB DUTIES

DATE	19TH NOVEMBER	26TH NOVEMBER	3RD DECEMBER
ATTENDANCE	TERRY CRAWFORD	SOCIAL EVENING	BERNADETTE ETCHETAMA
WELCOME	JUDITH KING	NO DUTIES.	GRAEME LE FEVRE
CHAIRPERSON	KEVIN PREECE		KRISTA PREECE
THANKS	PETER STEARNES		PAUL SWIATKOWSKI

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

### LAST WEEK'S MEETING.

**President Harry:**

Board meeting to be held on Monday night – any member who has anything to put on the agenda is invited to email Secretary Andrea by Saturday 21<sup>st</sup>

**Community Service – Dale Luck:**

Dale and Wayne had a meeting with the Migrant Resource Centre today – they have ordered their shed and work on site will need to start by the end of January or early February. Wayne will manage on behalf of the club. Manpower will be needed over about four weekends. More information to follow.

GroWaverly are set to have a meeting to progress the community area on the block they have permission to develop. We will attend, along with the Rotary Club of Launceston.

A meeting of the Friendship Ball Committee is scheduled for tomorrow.

Our club has been offered the opportunity to organize the Glover Art Prize Cocktail Party in March – the Community Services Committee is supportive of the idea, and it will be discussed at Monday night's board meeting.

**Social – Les Baxter:**

Advised that the meeting next Thursday will probably be at Steve's Bar and Grill – to be confirmed. Les took numbers.

**Wayne Higgs:**

The Casino night is still able to take more numbers – we are currently below the 40 allowed. Please contact Wayne if you still would like to come.

**Sheep Manure – Graeme Le Fevre:**

This week's trip to Benham is cancelled due to lack of numbers – next one might be on 5<sup>th</sup> December.

### NOVEMBER IS ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH.

We need to get better at telling our Rotary story and why The Rotary Foundation should be the number one charity of choice for all Rotarians.

The mission of The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty. Rotary members and Friends of Rotary have a long track record of addressing challenges in their communities and around the world.

Paul Harris said "Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves."

The Rotary Foundation started at the 1917 Rotary Convention, when outgoing Rotary president Arch Klump proposed setting up an endowment "for the purpose of doing good in the world". Rotary is dedicated to seven areas of focus—to do good in the world, promote world peace, protect the environment, promote education and end polio. For as little as 60 cents, a child can be protected from polio. \$50 can provide clean water to help fight waterborne illness. \$500 can launch an anti-bullying campaign and create a safe environment for children.

**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 Andrew Fearman from Van Diemen Luxury Yachts.

Andrew informed the club that he was a marine engineer, having studied at the Australian Maritime College.

Andrew said he worked for a time on the Spirits of Tasmania. He showed photos of the stabilisers, which contribute very much to a smooth ride on voyages. He also showed photos of the propellers, which are highly adjustable.

Andrew also worked for a time on boats servicing offshore oil rigs.

He then became a crew member on a 100 metre luxury yacht based in the Caribbean. It was owned by a multi-millionaire and carried a crew of 14.

Andrew then worked for a time for Tasports on their fleet of tugs.

He was also involved in the design and build of the Gordon River Cruises' catamaran, 'The Spirit of the Wild'. The boat has diesel and electrical propulsion. It uses the electric motor when cruising up the Gordon River. It can use both types of propulsion together if needed.

Andrew now heads up a Launceston firm called Van Diemen Luxury Yachts.

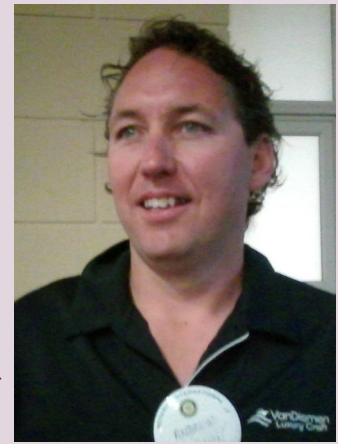
The firm has built a 7.5 metre luxury yacht with a patented roof and cabin structure which can be raised and lowered as required.

The cabin lift design attracted quite a deal of attention when it was exhibited at the Singapore Boat Show.

The firm then received an order for an 11 metre Sports Limousine vessel for the Sydney Casino. Andrew said that a vessel this size was somewhat above the capacity of his firm to build, so they teamed up with a Sydney boatbuilder who built the hull and the Van Diemen firm built the superstructure, incorporating their patented cabin lift technology.

Andrew said that it was gratifying to see the two halves of the vessel, built by different firms in different places, come together and fit perfectly. The internal fit-out was done to a luxury standard, incorporating Tasmanian timbers and other materials.

The Covid 19 crisis curtailed some of the projects the firm had in prospect, but some orders are now in the pipeline, with requests to use their specialist cabin-lift technology.



## AND FINALLY.....

Remember, if you lose a sock in the dryer, it comes back as a Tupperware lid that doesn't fit any of your containers.

If you're sitting in public and a stranger takes the seat next to you, just stare straight ahead and say, "Did you bring the money?"

When you ask me what I am doing today, and I say "nothing," it does not mean I am free. It means I am doing nothing.

I finally got eight hours of sleep. It took me three days, but whatever.

I run like the winded.

I hate when a couple argues in public, and I missed the beginning and don't know whose side I'm on.

When someone asks what I did over the weekend, I squint and ask, "Why, what did you hear?"

When you do squats, are your knees supposed to sound like a goat chewing on an aluminum can stuffed with celery?

I don't mean to interrupt people. I just randomly remember things and get really excited.

When I ask for directions, please don't use words like "east."

Don't bother walking a mile in my shoes. That would be boring. Spend 30 seconds in my head. That'll freak you right out.

Sometimes, someone unexpected comes into your life out of nowhere, makes your heart race, and changes you forever. We call those people cops.

My luck is like a bald guy who just won a comb.

## ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH LAUNCESTON

### Officers and Duties 2020-2021

#### ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH LAUNCESTON

##### 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

Assist-Secretary Terry Crawford  
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President 2020-2021

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##### Immediate Past President:

Krista Preece.

##### Vice-President:

Lara Alexander.

##### Secretaries:

Andrea Bartholemew.  
(Organisation  
& Correspondence)  
Terry Crawford.  
(Attendance & Recording)

##### Treasurers:

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

#### DIRECTORS & PORTFOLIOS

##### Member Services & Foundation:

###### **Director: Les Baxter**

Members: Terry Crawford,  
Judith King, Kevin Preece,  
Glenda Iles, Peter Stearnes.

##### Community Services:

###### **Director: Dale Luck.**

Members: Lara Alexander,  
Les Baxter, Marilyn Briggs,  
Nic Butler, Paul Fitzpatrick,  
Steve Gordon, Graeme LeFevre,  
Anna McGrane, Craig Mitchell,  
Phil Niejalke, Troy Reid,  
Ian Smith,

##### Public Image:

###### **Director: Glenda Iles.**

Members: , Les Grant,  
Wayne Higgs, Judith King,  
Graeme LeFevre, Kathy MacQueen,  
Catherine Quarrell,

##### Vocational Services:

###### **Director: Wayne Higgs**

Members: Les Baxter, ,  
John Frearson, Glenda Iles,

##### Youth Services:

###### **Director: Melissa McGrath.**

Members: Marilyn Briggs, Di Butler,  
Bernadette Echeta, Sue Faulkner,  
Glenda Iles.

##### Office Bearers:

**Sergeant:** Phil Niejalke.

**Bulletin:** Ian Smith.

##### Information Technology:

Kathy MacQueen,  
Anna McGrane.

**Pastoral Care:** Ian Smith.

**Photography:** Brian Beardwood.

**Programme:** Les Baxter.

**Social:** Les Baxter.

**History:** Vacant.

##### Sheep Manure Project:

Graeme LeFevre.