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

Location: Hotel Grand Chancellor, 29 Cameron Street, Launceston, Tasmania 26th August 2021



# Weekly Bulletin





**Next week: Community Services Workshop** 

#### LAST WEEK'S GUEST SPEAKER,

Last week's guest speaker was our District Governor Heather Chong. One achievement not mentioned was that of winning a gold medal in power lifting competition. Heather was not accompanied by her husband Chris, as he is currently stuck in Singapore, unable to return to Australia at present.

Heather began by outlining a goal of current Rotary International President, Shekha Mehta, which is to increase Rotary's international membership to \$1.3 million from its current level of 1.2 million. Heather said that in the past 20 years, 1.3 million people have joined Rotary Clubs, but at the same time, 1.3 million have left, leaving the total membership number stagnant. Helen said that statistics show that many people who join Rotary leave within two years of joining, so Rotary has a significant retention problem.

Heather went on to say that membership in Tasmania currently stands at 1,100. If it falls below this number, the Tasmanian District could lose its status and be forced to amalgamate with a mainland district. If Tasmania's membership rose to 1,200, this scenario could be avoided. Adding two new members to each Tasmanian club would achieve this goal. Heather wants to encourage clubs to look seriously at growing their membership during her year.

Heather then outlined some strategies and events she would like to see happen during her term as District Governor. The first is Service Days, where club will be encouraged to engage in specific service projects in their local communities. She also hopes to encourage the commencement of new clubs in Tasmania – in Legana, for example, new-style clubs for Evandale and St Helens to replace traditional clubs which have closed, and also establishing a breakfast club in Devonport. She emphasized that clubs need to be flexible in their programs such as times, formats and frequency of of meetings. Heather also flagged the possibility of forming special interest clubs, such as one in Queensland formed of midwives.

Heather promoted upcoming Rotary events such as the next District Conference to be held at the Grand Chancellor Hotel in Hobert on 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2022, a Grant Workshop to be held on 28<sup>th</sup> of this month, a

Rotary Leadership Institute, Group Forums, a Friendship Weekend to be held in St Helens from 19<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> November, as well as the annual RYPEN, RYLA and RYDA programmes. Rotary in Tasmania will celebrate its centenary in 2024 and plans are being prepared to suitably celebrate this event.

Heather concluded by saying she wants clubs to do something intentional about helping homeless people and addressing the problem of homelessness in Tasmania this Rotary year.

# **COMING EVENTS**

**SHEEP MANURE** 

**TBA** 

RYDA

12th - 22nd October Symmons Plains

28TH OCTOBER SOCIAL EVENING

Paint the Town Red "A sip and paint experience"

# **WWVP CARD**

A reminder to
Rotarians to please
update your WWVP
card details on the
website. Or if expired
then renew the
card. Any out of
pocket renewal fees
will be reimbursed by
the club upon presentation of a receipt.

Questions to Rotarian Harry (or Rotarian Kathy if you have forgotten how to change your details on the website).

# **CLUB DUTIES**

DATE	26TH AUGUST	2ND SEPTEMBER	9TH SEPTEMBER
ATTENDANCE	SOCIAL EVENING	NICK BUTLER	TERRY CRAWFORD
WELCOME	"DING SING"	LES GRANT	WAYNE HIGGS
CHAIRPERSON	YORK STREET	PHIL NIEJALKE	JOYCE OGDEN
THANKS	6.00 FOR 6.30 PM	KEVIN PREECE	PETER STEARNES

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

**Rotary Anniversary** 

Graeme LeFevre 39 years



#### LAST WEEK'S MEETING

## **President Lara**

Welcomed District Governor, Heather and guests.

# **Secretary Andrea**

All round old-style members badges are to be replaced with the rectangular ones. Could all members make sure details are current, please. Ditto for Partners badges.

# **Treasurer Steve**

A budget has been prepared for this year and will be presented to the Board meeting this Monday. Club finances are in good shape.

# Vocational - Wayne

The garage at the MRC has been completed – John Faulkner did a lot of the work on the slab floor pour, and the thanks of the club is extended to him. The project was a significant one, requiring a lot of fairly skilled labour input. We need to look at our capacity to do these projects within the club.

# <u>Community Services – Dale</u>

The first meeting of the Friendship Ball committee will be held next week. The club will be kept informed on progress

#### **Past President Harry**

Gave an update on the joint project with the Central Launceston club on the water bores for Tanzania – in conjunction with Care for Africa. It is hoped to get it to statewide status shortly. Harry also noted that the Food Propagation project is ready for the Steering Committee phase – participants are being organised for the first meeting.

# ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH LAUNCESTON Officers and Duties 2021-2022

# ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH LAUNCESTON

#### **Club Chartered**

March 17 1962 with 23 members 59th 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 Before 10.30 am Tuesday 6344 7033 (W) 0417 366 531

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# **Rotary International**

President 2021-2022

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Harry Galea

#### **Vice-President:**

Andrea Bartholemew

#### **Secretaries:**

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

#### **Treasurers:**

Stephen Gordon (Accounting) Terry Crawford (Banking)

### **DIRECTORS & PORTFOLIOS**

# Member Services & Founda-

#### tion:

**Director: Les Baxter** 

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

#### **Community Services:**

**Director: Dale Luck** 

Members: Lara Alexander, Les Baxter, Nic Butler, Paul Fitzpatrick, Steve Gordon, Graeme LeFevre, Craig Mitchell, Phil Niejalke, 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: Sue Faulkner** 

Members: Di Butler, Bernadette Echetama, Glenda Iles.

#### **Office Bearers:**

**Sergeant:** Phil Niejalke

**Bulletin:** Sue Faulkner

#### **Information Technology:**

Kathy MacQueen

Pastoral Care: Ian Smith

**Photography:** Brian Beardwood

**Programme:** Les Baxter

Social: Les Baxter

**History:** Vacant

#### **Sheep Manure Project:**

Graeme LeFevre

## THE FOUR-WAY TEST

"Of the things we think, say or do:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- **2.** Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- **3.** Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"