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

Location: Hotel Grand Chancellor, 29 Cameron Street, Launceston, Tasmania 11th November 2021



Weekly Bulletin





This Week's Guest Speaker: Lauren Harper about the Friendship Ball and Rural Alive and Well (RAW)

Next Week's Guest Speaker: TBA

TANZANIA WATER BORES PROJECT

As SLRC members are aware, this is a joint project between Central Launceston and South Launceston Rotary Clubs with Care for Africa as a major partner. We hope that our joint contribution of \$20,000 turns into a \$100,000 project with the addition of club donations, District matching contribution and Rotary International grant.

Further material has been produced to 'advertise' the project as widely as possible.

Care for Africa, a Tasmanian based charity that has installed 12 bores over the last 15 years in other parts of Tarime District. The Rotary Club of Igoma in Mwanza, the nearest Rotary Club to the project has agreed to be the host club and Tarime Water District Water Authority has agreed to be a supporting organisation along with Care for Africa.

There are many hamlets, communities and townships in Tanzania without easy access to potable water. Poverty in Tanzania and other locations is rooted in poor access to basic needs. Without access to water these communities will never break out of poverty. One bore at a cost of about AUD \$12,000 in these locations will bring water to hamlets with an average population of about 3,500.

Villagers walk on average 3.1 kms return to collect water on average two times a day. Children walk long distances to nearby towns to school if they have time after collecting water. Hamlets surveyed have no easy access to clean healthy drinking water. The community currently spend a lot of time walking to collect surface water of variable quality. Children of school age bear some of the burden of collecting water at the expense of attending school.

The water bores when completed will be managed in the long term by a local hamlet water committee in conjunction with the Tarime Water Board.

Better access to water will allow children more time to attend school (shown in other locations to improve school attendance from about 70% to about 90%) and will reduce water born disease.

Our project may be influenced by time hurdles trying to move up the priority with other District and International projects - but we will get there.

If there are any questions then please email or ring Harry Galea (0400 059 897) or ask any Rotary night.

COMING EVENTS

25TH NOVEMBER SOCIAL EVENING

Launceston Waste Centre Tour

6.00 pm tour of the facilities and behind the scene look led by the City of Launceston's Waste Centre co-ordinator

Dinner at 7.15 pm Venue: TBA

AND FUNNILY.....

"My wife said I should do lunges to stay in shape. *That would be* a big step forward."

"Singing in the shower is fun until you get soap in your mouth. Then it's a soap opera."

CLUB DUTIES

DATE	11TH NOVEMBER	18TH NOVEMBER	25TH NOVEMBER
ATTENDANCE	JUDITH KING	DALE LUCK	SOCIAL EVENING
WELCOME	PHIL OGDEN	KEVIN PREECE	LAUNCESTON WASTE CENTRE
CHAIRPERSON	ANDREW WHITEHEAD	LES BAXTER	6.00 PM
THANKS	PAUL FITZPATRICK	HARRY GALEA	DINNER 7.15 PM

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



9th November -Les Baxter 10th November – Brian Howard 11th November—Jason Alexander

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

Acting President Harry

Welcomed members and guest speaker Madeline Gordon. Thanked members for their support of the Mamma Mia and Paint and Sip functions last week.

John Frearson

John has returned from an 8 month tour of the mainland in his caravan, and is glad to be back in Tassie!

Treasurer Terry Crawford

Arrangements are progressing for the Fire Service function on this coming weekend. Graeme LeFevre is also heavily involved in the setting up. Most positions are now filled, except for a few needed tomorrow at 11.00 am to clean the van out.

Youth - Sue Faulkner

Thanks all those involved In RYDA – it was a great success, and it looks as though the club will get a return of almost \$4,000.

<u>Community Service – Dale Luck</u>

- Glover a meeting of the committee will be held at 5.00 pm on Thursday, 18th November, at the HGC. It will also be via zoom.
- Friendship Ball the next meeting will be on 15th November at 11.00 am at Terry Crawford's showroom
- Thanks to Terry and Graeme for organising the Fire Service weekend in Dale's absence
- Gro Waverly is to fold unless another organisation can take it over. It is considered to be beyond the scope of our club to take it over, unfortunately.
- Craig Mitchell will advise of dates for the next sheep manure collections

LAST WEEK'S GUEST SPEAKER

Last Week's guest speaker was Madeline Gordon – described as Steve Gordon's favourite (only?) daughter-in-law.

Madeline described how she and husband Will were faced with a crisis in April last year, which they thought was a severe asthma attack, involving their then three-year-old son Alfred. Madeline said they revived Alfred twice before medical help arrived. The result was that Alfred was flown to the Children's Hospital in Melbourne and diagnosed with T-cell Lymphoma. A mass was found in Alfred's chest which could collapse his lungs at any moment, stifling his breathing and preventing resuscitation.



Madeline said that Alfred had to be kept upright – lying down could cause the mass in his chest to collapse his lungs. Madeline and Will flew to Melbourne into Covid induced complications. They were not permitted to be with Alfred in hospital – adding to his and their stress. Madeline said the experience brought her into contact with other parents facing the same situation that she was in. She said three families are told every day in Australia, "Your child has cancer." Her experience prompted her to try and do something positive about childhood cancer – promoting research with the aim of achieving a 100% survival rate for childhood cancer sufferers and improving the standard of treatment of childhood cancers. Currently PhD research is happening in Melbourne and Tasmania along these lines.

To celebrate her 40th birthday, Madeline is holding an on-line auction from 8th to 15th December, with the aim of raising \$80,000 in one week for the charity 'The Kids Cancer Project'. Items to be auctioned have been sought and many Tasmanian businesses and individuals have donated a range of valuable 'prizes', including luxury accommodation, hampers and other attractive goods and services. Madeline said that further donations would be very welcome.

As a postscript, Madeline mentioned that Alfred is currently in remission and able to be monitored and treated in Tasmania until August 2022.



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

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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?"