

This Week Kate Ross

Presidents Report

Hello Rotarians, I hope you have all had a great week.

Last Thursday evening we had a great presentation from our guest speaker Rotarian Phil Niejalke. This was Phil's second talk on his outdoors adventures through outback Australia. I am really looking forward to part 3 in the near future. Thank you, Phil.,

This week's guest speaker is Kate Ross on the work of the Launceston Benevolent society. There will be a cheque presentation to Kate from our club. I will be away in WA this week so PP Harry Galea will be acting president. Thankyou Harry.

Last Saturday it was Chinese New Year, the year of the dragon. I know a lot of our community celebrate this event, also known as Luna New Year. In the past I have been to functions, always great fun.

The Glover committee met before our formal club meeting last week, re this year's cocktail party. There are only 4 weeks before the event, if you can help with cooking, be a waiter on the night please contact Harry, Les, or myself. Any help we can get would be appreciated.

Last week Secretary Sue sent out notes from our recent Board meeting, Thank you Sue. We encourage any feedback and please let me, or any Board member, know if there is something you would like discussed at our monthly meetings. Our next meeting is on Tuesday February 27, 2024. Last Thursday Terry commenced taking numbers for our event at Utzinger Winery, Sunday 25 February at 12 noon. The cost of this fantastic event hosted by Matthias and Lauren Utzinger is \$30 per head, this cost includes the tour of the winery, tasting of five wines and platters served in the new cellar door. You will be able to purchase glasses of wine. All other drinks BYO. If you wish to attend and were not at last week's meeting, please let Terry know. All family and friends are welcome.

I hope you all enjoy Kate Ross's presentation at this week's meeting. There will be no meeting or offsite event on Thursday 22 February. This is replaced by our visit to Utzinger Winery on Sunday 25 February. I am looking forward to seeing club members, friends, and families at the winery. I am sure it will be a wonderful day.

Andrea Bartholemew

COMING EVENTS

February 15th

Kate Ross on 'The work of the Launceston Benevolent Society helping the homeless'.

February 22nd

No Meeting

February 25th

Utzinger Winery

CLUB DUTIES

DATE	8th February	15th February	22nd February
ATTENDANCE	Krista Preece	Terry Crawford	No meeting
WELCOME	Glenda Iles	Peter Stearnes	No meeting
CHAIRPERSON	Craig Mitchell	Ian Smith	No meeting
THANKS	Dale Luck	Paul Swaitkowski	No meeting

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

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2024-2025

District Governor Elect Pam Scott asks that the following dates be placed in your club's calendar:

President Elect Training Seminar (PETS) - Incoming Club Presidents

Deloraine - Saturday 16th March 2024 Hobart - Saturday 23rd March 2024

District Training Assembly (DTA) - Incoming Board Members

Deloraine - Sunday 5th May 2024

Rotary Family Day 2024 - All Rotarians & their Families

Ulverstone - Friday > Sunday 8th - 10th November 2024

More information will be supplied closer to the above dates.

Rotary Youngtown are running this event again this year at the Cataract Gorge on the 25th Feb. We would like to have your Rotary Club putting a team together, making a cardboard boat, and racing it!!! It was won by the Rotary Club of Launceston last year. So how about living dangerously and trying to take the award away from them this year?
If any of your Rotary family would also like to compete in this year's event please encourage them to regis-

Register your team on our website www.soggybottomregatta.com.au .

All funds raised will be supporting Youth dealing with challenges.

Diabetes Camps for Kids and JCP Youths "Beast Program"

Details are on our website.



Cardboard Box Boat Regatta Family Fun Day



Sunday 25th Feb 2024 Cataract Gorge, First Basin Pool www.soggybottomregatta.com.au



Notes of Meeting 8th February 2024

President Andrea

The Soggy Bottom Regatta is being put on by the Youngtown Rotary Club on 25^{th} Feb at the Gorge We also have a function on that day – it is a visit to the Utzinger Winery from 12 or so till later in the afternoon. Terry will take numbers

Rotary District Conference – to be held on the weekend 1st till 3rd March – we will not be participating on the Expo this year, but members are encouraged to register for the Governor's reception on the Friday night, and the dinner on Saturday night. Details are in the DG's newsletter. There is also a breakfast to be hosted by the Lindisfarne Club. Comprehensive notes of the last Board meeting have been sent out by Sec. Sue F.

Treasurer Terry

Took numbers for the Utzinger visit.

Harry G – Community Service

<u>Glover Cocktail Party</u> – Initial meeting held earlier – all team leaders are on board. The event is on the 8th March – volunteers will be called for, and this is one of the Club's main fundraisers. More info will be provided regularly by Harry from now on. One task is the cleaning of the kitchen on the Friday morning. PP Dale is available, and needs one more helper.

Food Propagation Project - Work has started, and site one is almost complete. Prep work on the following ones has started.

<u>Water Bores for Tanzania</u> The new local Rotary Club is on board, and preparation is underway for the new Global Grant. This will be a slow process, but should be successful this time. We are optimistic.

<u>Bunnings</u> – We have put our name down as applicants for the new round of BBQ's

<u>Sheep Manure</u> – A recommendation will be put to the next Board meeting to sell the machine to another Rotary Club, who have expressed interest in it. If any member wants to make a submission on this, please feel free to contact Harry or Sue within the next week, and it will be put on the table during the discussion.

Club - Les B.

Instead of our restaurant outing on the 4th Thursday, we are going to Utzinger Winery, as previously detailed in the Bulletin

<u>Glover</u> – Les reminded members just for clarification that the dress code is White top, Black bottoms.

This is site 1 (of 3) completed - at Student Works. The work completed by John Faulkner and crew looks great. Moving to Northern Suburbs Community Centre next.





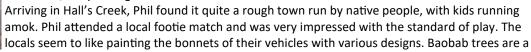


Our own Rotarian Phil Niejalke was last week's guest speaker, giving us part two of his recent Central Australian Safari. Phil covered 18,000 kilometers over eight to nine weeks, travelling to Alice Springs, through the Tanami Desert to Hall's Creek, on to Wyndham, Katherine, Darwin, Kakadu National Park and Mt Isa.

Phil said the 1,000 km journey from Alice Springs covered 300 km of sealed road and 700 km of corrugations! Phil camped on the Tanami Track in the middle of nowhere. It was so isolated, with nobody else around, animals included, Phil found it quite scary!

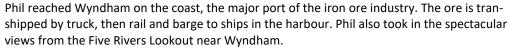


Enroute to Hall's Creek, Phil visited the Wolfe Creek National Park, which features a meteorite crater 880 meters across. The meteorite hit about 120,000 years ago.



feature of the area.

Phil also visited the Purnululu National Park in the Hall's Creek/Kununurra area and found the rock formations in the park quite spectacular. Phil then moved on to the Bungle Bungles, which are also awe-inspiring rock formations. Many tourists visit the Bungle Bungles. Phil also found cane toads in the area as well as a number of palm valleys.







Phil then moved on to Lake Argyle, a man-made lake, which Phil said is massive. Phil travelled from the top to the bottom of the dam wall, where there is a hydro power station. Water from the dam irrigates crops in the area, notably mangoes. Phil said that a major hazard in travelling on outback road is the road-trains. When one passes, the dust generated totally blocks vision, which is quite dangerous when both vehicles are travelling at speed.

Phil provided a fascinating account of travels in areas that very few of us are likely to encounter and gave a first-hand insight into the vastness and rugged nature of our country.



Sunday 25 February

On this day we have a Club (and friends/family) only event at the Utzinger Winery. Matthias and Lauren will give us a tour and explanation of the wine making process and include the tasting of 5 varieties in the barrel room. Afterwards we move to the newly completed Cellar door to share in lunch platters and wine (to purchase). If you prefer soft drink or beer then please bring that along and there is fridge space to keep it cold.

Date: Sunday 25 February

Time: 12 noon

Address: 5 Upper McEwans Road

Cost: \$30ph (bottled and glasses of wine available to purchase. BYO other drinks.)

Please reserve this date in your diaries. We will have the whole afternoon to nibble and chat as the facility will not be open to the public. PS Thursday night 22 February will NOT have any offsite Rotary event.

A Rotary Club of Launceston Centenary Event

An evening with

Leanne McLean



As the Commissioner for Children and Young People since 2018, Leanne McLean advocates for the rights, interests and wellbeing of Tasmania's children and young people. This work will continue as the reforms arising from the response to the Commission of Inquiry into the Tasmanian Government's Responses to Child Sexual Abuse in Institutional Settings are put in place.

Join us as Ms McLean answers the question:

'How can
community
organisations
such as Rotary
assist in
addressing the
challenges facing
young people?'



Q&A Session to follow address.

Wednesday 27th March 2024

5:45pm for 6:15pm Hotel Grand Chancellor Cameron Street Launceston Cost: \$25.00 per person Single course meal

RSVP: 22 March 2024

More information and DSVD

RCL-Events@outlook.com





NEW DATE

ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH LAUNCESTON Officers and Duties 2023-2024

ROTARY CLUB OF SOUTH LAUNCESTON

Club Chartered

March 17 1962 with 23 members 62nd Year of Rotary Service

Thursday Meeting

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

Make-ups & Apologies

Assist-Treasurer Terry Crawford Before 10.30 am Tuesday 6344 7033 (W) 0417 366 531

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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?"