



ROTARY CLUB OF ESPERANCE

Bulletin



Meeting: Esperance Golf Club, April 10, 2017

Bulletin Report by Russell Bridge

Acting President John Grigson welcomed all Members, Honorary Member Len Marsh, guests John Hocking and Georgina Jenkyn, guest speaker Kerr Fulton-Peebles and our new exchange student from Japan, Keiichiro

Invocation: Don Paterson

Raffle winner: John Gray

President's Report – John Grigson:

- President Wes is away as he injured himself during the week

Secretary's Report – Paul Mather:

- No report

Treasurer's Report – Peter Tredinnick:

- Peter talked about an upcoming audit report and also announced the winner of the 'Guess the kettle dollar amount'. The kettle contained \$215.20 and the closest guess was Athol Staaden (surprise surprise, Athol wins again)

Club Administration - Director Ken Jenkyn:

- Progressive dinner May 13. John Honey. Numbers to Pancho to assist with catering. No bus. Thank-you to the Rollonds, the Boords and the Elliotts for agreeing to host
- Changeover dinner Saturday June 24 at Bonapartes
- Club Assembly at Shed on May 27/28. Members of incoming board please keep free
- No meeting Easter Monday (next week)
- Next week assisting with Adventure Camp – Wednesday dinner

Community Report – John Gray:

- Fish van has a busy period coming up
- Anzac Day the big day

Youth Report – Director Scott Mackie:

- Picked up our new exchange student on the weekend and spoke about the trip down from Perth
- Recommended only one student to be sponsored in the future as hosting more than one in return is a big ask on members

Vocational Report – Director Matthew Scott:

- No Report

International Report – Director Rob Leiper:

- Rob called on Don to speak as he attended the Rotary Conference where the guest speaker spoke about the Tanzania project, the lack of education in that country, and the project to build schools with the first opening in 2002 being a proud Rotary project. It has grown now to have some 1,900 students with 1,400 being boarders. The school employs 250 locals

Membership Report – Director Graham MacKenzie:

- No report

From the Floor:

- Don Paterson spoke about the Anzac Day Golf Day (Kevin Sharpe Memorial Day) and the use of the fish van and urged members to put a team in on the day as proceeds go to Rotary
- Ken Jenkyn spoke about the shed meeting on the 24th
- John Honey advised that past exchange student Phillip Dahlmann's grandparents visited Esperance over the past weekend and enjoyed themselves. They thanked him for Phillip's experience here in Australia
- Doug Slater advised that he sent a past member's wife flowers on her 100th birthday. Joan Anderson did a lot of work on a past history book of Rotary amongst many other things

Sergeant's Session

Sergeant –

Sergeant's Assistant –

- Buy the box only: Alan Timmins, arrival tax; Patto on Bob about the Eagles' loss; John Gray, new camper trailer.
- Comedian Barry Rollond provided this week's joke

Guest Speaker – Kerr Fulton-Peebles

Kerr is a member of the other Rotary Club in Esperance but his topic was education and his role at EACS.

He spoke passionately about the pressure on students and teachers today in the current education system and the purpose of education in today's world, eg, is it to prepare students for the modern world or just teach 'facts'? He articulated this frustration and expressed the need to rekindle the joy of learning for students.

To this end they have introduced a new program at EACS called 'The Big Picture' that seeks to develop the students' interests and passions. He gave some examples of working with their students with, in some cases, outstanding results in student 'buy in'.

Kerr finished by saying that young peoples' progress and success depends on family and the community around them.

Guest speaker introduced by Jamie Hart and thanked by Scott Mackie

Attendance Report – John Harding:

- Members – 41
- Present – 22
- Honorary Members – 1
- Leave of Absence - 3
- Apologies – 16
- Silent –
- Members' guests 2
- Percentage – 61%

Next week's program:

No meeting Easter Monday April 17

Next meeting Rotary Shed, Monday April 24, 2017

Guest Speaker: Kylie Ryan

- Invocation: Hugh MacKenzie
- Sergeant Assist: John Honey

- Welcome Host: Matthew Scott
- Guest Speaker Intro:
- Guest Speaker Thanks:
- Standby: Robin Gurney

Calendar reminders

Acting President John thanked members, honorary members the guest speaker and guests, closing the meeting with the National Anthem

The Club has a dedicated phone for apologies either by verbal message or SMS text. Please notify by 10am on the day of the meeting. The phone number is 0419 924 686.

*Club Website details: www.esperancerotary.org.au
Log-in and password: as per Rotary email 17/4/14*

Ken Jenkyn is available to assist any members who are having difficulty in accessing the Rotary website. He can also assist with recovering forgotten passwords and log-in details. Contact him at ken@perdita.com.au or 0411 119 003.



... just for a laugh

PRIZE-WINNING ROOSTER

Sarah was in the fertilized egg business. She had several hundred young pullets and ten roosters to fertilize the eggs.

She kept records and any rooster not performing went into the soup pot and was replaced. This took a lot of time, so she bought some tiny bells and attached them to her roosters. Each bell had a different tone, so she could tell from a distance which rooster was performing. Now, she could sit on the porch and fill out an efficiency report by just listening to the bells.

Sarah's favorite rooster, old Butch, was a very fine specimen but, this morning she noticed old Butch's bell hadn't rung at all! When she went to investigate, she saw the other roosters were busy chasing pullets, bells-a-ringing, but the pullets hearing the roosters coming, would run for cover.

To Sarah's amazement, old Butch had his bell in his beak, so it couldn't ring. He'd sneak up on a pullet, do his job, and walk on to the next one.

Sarah was so proud of old Butch, she entered him in a Show and he became an overnight sensation among the judges.

The result was the judges not only awarded old Butch the "No Bell Peace Prize" they also awarded him the "Pulletsurprise" as well.

Clearly old Butch was a politician in the making.

Who else but a politician could figure out how to win two of the most coveted awards on our planet by being the best at sneaking up on the unsuspecting populace and screwing them when they weren't paying attention?

Vote carefully in the next election. You can't always hear the bells.

TIMING ...















