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THE FOUR WAY TEST

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?

INVOCATION & TOAST

Sgt Helen Henbest opened the meeting and introduced **Chairman Stuart Brew** who toasted Australia and her people.

Sgt Helen then introduced **Acting President PDG Bob Arnold**

ACTING PRESIDENT'S SPOT

- Welcome to our guest speaker John Hughes and his wife Penny
- Welcome to DG Jerry Casburn.
- Welcome to our potential RYLA/Rotaract candidate, Ryan Van Schielenburg.
- Next week will be an Open meeting; Dr Chris Magarey will be speaking on the victorious Melbourne to Hobart yacht race of last year, in which he competed. Partners are encouraged to come. The Chairman will be our own skipper, Captain Richard Dix.
- Calperum will be again visited by Mitcham tomorrow. Blackwood is set to have 14 people on May 2. The recent floods have dramatically impacted Calperum: "dead" redgums are shooting; the weir is under water; at the homestead water is lapping the top of the levee.
- The Saturday Book Sale was rained upon, but still managed some sales.

If you are unable to attend a meeting or wish to bring a guest, please phone LJ Hookers Blackwood office on 8278 9111 by Tuesday 12:00 noon.



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ATTENDANCE

Reg 77% attendance.

RAFFLE

Won by Robyn.

HEADS and TAILS – hosted by first-timer Barry (earned \$58.35)

Won by Ken were six bottles of wine worth \$459.53. The average price is \$76.58 per bottle, although since one of them was our own 2009 Serafino Shiraz, the remaining five bottles must have only averaged \$20 per bottle!

MAKE-UPS

Peter Geer attended a RAWCS conference at Tullamarine in Victoria. It is hoped that RAWCS funding will soon expand.

FOR THE GOOD OF ROTARY

- Cherilyn said that despite the rain Trevor Abbott was able to raise \$450 at the Book Sale.
- Helen offered to have the Book Sale on the rain-proof verandah of the Memorial Hall – (she has a certain influence at Lions and by sleeping on it can ensure we obtain its use).
- Peter Geer has an ANZO Rotary meeting times book which shows meeting times for Australia, NZ and *the Islands*. The price is \$2.50
- Terry announced a CHIPPER opportunity to return to nature at Parawa this Friday. The forecast is fine and not hot. He will issue an email.
- Barbara still has some stocks of Sports Reward Cards which are available for sale and could possibly be a prize in a Heads and Tails contest.
- Ken is seeking pies and pasties for the workers at the Arts Show set up as well as nibbles for opening night.
- Tom is having a Committee meeting tonight regarding the Clock Tower Project.

Fine Session: Stuart carried the box

- Bob A for playing up to the DG and placing name tags on the (Acting) President's table
- Reg for being wet behind the ears at the Book Sale
- Laz for going away again
- Barbara for trying to pay 5 cents to the Registration Assistant
- Alan for not being on furniture tonight
- David for telling lies??



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- John Walters for attending for three straight weeks
- Tom for vacationing in Victoria
- Margaret for taking a tea set from the Shed
- Cherilyn for being a cheapskate
- all those with no name badges
- Ken for having incorrect dates for the art Show.
- Sue for finding Ken's errors
- All those who attended the Book Sale
- All those who DIDN'T attend the Book Sale
- Richard: welcome back from NZ
- Barry for being a virgin Two-Up Thrower
- DG Jerry for being here tonight
- Ken for assuming a letter from Peter was a bill...and promptly tore it up

Cross Fines:

John Penta: because he was given a video from Helen's "private collection"

These fines yielded \$55.05 and Copper Box = \$22.50

GUEST SPEAKER

Chairman Stuart Brew introduced guest speaker John Hughes, a geophysicist who is speaking on Offshore Petroleum & Marine Life.



Seismic surveys that are used to map the earth are similar to an ultra sound being used on a human. However, a seismic survey of the ocean floor is done by a ship pulling a hydrophone cable which is 6 to 7 km long, and the water may be up to 10 km deep.



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Unfortunately, Seismic surveys used for mapping the sea floor receives much bad press, with allegations that whales are adversely affected by it. These are unfounded. Whales are subjected to many noises in their normal lives, such as icebergs breaking, whales breaching, lightning, thunder etc without apparent problems. Such surveys have been done for forty years with no adverse events, but it cannot yet be proven that whales are unaffected. Whales have their own calls which are as intense as seismic sounds, and breaching has a similar signature to a seismic airgun.

Behavioural response studies are being done to monitor in a controlled manner the response of whales to seismic events.

Chairman Stuart thanked his boss of 16 years for a very interesting talk.

Acting President, Vice President, Past District Governor, Past President Bob Arnold (esq) thanked John and Penny Hughes for coming tonight and giving us some insight into the seismic industry.

AP, VP, PDG, PP Bob thanked RYLA candidate **Ryan Van Schielenburg** for visiting tonight, and asked that he return again in future.

Bob thanked **DG Jerry Casburn** for visiting our Club tonight.

Bob reminded us of the **Open Meeting** next week, with partners and partners partners' all invited.

- A reminder that **Road Watch** is set for this Saturday **with Barry Sheridan, Garry Dolman and Richard Dix** doing the honours. Barry is to bring the key. Ensure that all are contacted before the day.



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MEETING ROSTER AND SPEAKERS 2011				
Meeting No.	2077		2078	2079
Date	19 April 2011 <i>Open Meeting</i>	26 April 2011	3 May 2011	10 May 2011
Fellowship	Geoff Baldwin		Stuart Brew	Russell Ecclestone
Reg. Assistant	Sue Wymond		Mark Burns	Tom Davenport
Furniture	Bob Arnold Trevor Abbott		Barbara Chappell Margaret Congram	Nazmul Dastoor Garry Dolman
Chairman	Richard Dix	Easter	Jeff Hunter	Jeff Hunter
Speaker	Dr Chris Magarey	no meeting tonight	Don O'Donnell	
Topic	Winning the Melb-Hobart Race		This is Your Life	Club Assembly
Sergeant	Helen Henbest		Helen Henbest	Helen Henbest
Bulletin Editor	Ray Smith		Ray Smith	Ray Smith

Events and Celebrations 2010	
Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 16 April - Road Watch • 17 April - DIK • 2 May – Calperum trip
Birthdays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17 April – Hilary Flynn • 18 April – Iain Evans • 20 April – Peter Geer • 21 April – Tom Davenport • 29 April – Di Dix • 9 May – John Walters • 13 May – Richard Dix
Anniversary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 24 April – John and Michelle Penta • 9 May – John and Diane Walters