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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 Neil White opened meeting 2017 of the Blackwood Rotary Club and asked acting **President Bernie Morgan** to give the Invocation, Toast.

PRESIDENT'S SPOT

Acting President **Bernie Morgan** welcomed guests **Pat Edmonds** and **Tony Davenport**.

President Elect **Jeff Hunter** welcomed guests **Sue & Richard Newcombe** and **John Brito** Medical Student from **Rotaract Salvadore Brazil**

Helen Henbest welcomed our guest speaker **Beryl Rowe**.

FOR THE GOOD OF ROTARY

- **Terry Tierney** – the Firework Project on Friday will have a truck. They need helpers to load the firewood.
- **John Jackson** - Road Watch is on 13th February. **Graham Lough**, **Laz Meszaros**, **Bob Lehmann**, **John Lewis**, **David Neill** and **Michael McClaren** on duty.
- **Helen Henbest** – announced **Michael McClaren's** Mother had passed away.
- **Helen** gave a reminder about **Wittunga** under the Stars is on 19th February.

MAKE-UPS

There were none.

ATTENDANCE

Reg Hanson announced attendance was 58%.

RAFFLE

The raffle was won by **Terry Tierney**.

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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SERGEANTS SESSION

Fines went to:

- Bob, Graham, Terry and Jacko for their shorts
- John Lewis and Tony Hughes for wearing ties
- Ray Smith for Soda and Bitters
- Tony, Sue and Ken Prime for no apologies last week
- Tom Davenport for bringing his son
- Sir Russel for talking to Stan Evans regarding the Election
- Graham Lough for his wine
- Bernie, "I am She"
- Alan Eldridge, for his radio controlled yacht racing, came 55th out of 55 Entries
- John Penta's memory
- Helen's Hot Flushes
- "Bob and Helen"
- Helen and David for being late
- Jeff for not introducing Tom's son.

HEADS AND TAILS

Rotarian Graham Lough's dozen wines were won by Terry Tierney with "his own coins".

| Events and Celebrations 2010 | |
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| Events | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shelter Box meeting on 2nd March 2010 • District Governors visit on 23rd February 2010 • The Best of Broadway Show on 29 May 2010 |
| Birthdays | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 23 - John Jackson • February 8 – Bob Lehmann • February 13 – Bernie Morgan • February 15 – Marlene Davenport • February 15 – Reg Wymond • February 22 – Reg Hanson |
| Anniversary | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • February 4 – Neil & Kathleen White |

GUEST SPEAKER

Rotarian Helen Henbest introduced guest speaker Beryl Rowe from Centrelink. Beryl is a Financial Information Services Officer and works at the Marion Office. She has worked for Centrelink for 30 Years.

Beryl spoke about the aged pension and how the Government is raising the pension age. In order to qualify for the aged pension you must be an Australian Citizen or have been a resident of Australia for a minimum of ten years. Income tests do apply. Changes to conditions came into effect on the 20th September 2009. Beryl gave examples of incomes for pension qualifications and gave an explanation of "Deeming" and also explained "Asset Inclusions" and "Gifting" which is included as an Asset. As an example the Family Home or Pre Paid Funerals are not included as an Asset. Asset Test thresholds are generous.

She also spoke about the obligation to inform Centrelink of any changes in your financial circumstances and informed us about the Pension Concession Card and the Commonwealth Seniors Card. Beryl answered some questions from the floor.

Helen told us a little story about her experience with Centrelink and her speedboat.

Acting President Bernie thanked Beryl for her presentation and our guests and then closed the meeting.



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| MEETING ROSTER AND SPEAKERS 2010 | | | | |
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| Meeting No. | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 |
| Date | 16 th February 2010 | 23 rd February 2010 | 2 nd March 2010 | 9 th March |
| Fellowship | Bev McIntyre | John Lewis | Helen Henbest | Michael McClaren |
| Reg. Assistant | Sue Sedivy | Bob Richter | Tony Hughes | Ken Prime |
| Furniture | John Penta Graham Roberts | Jeff Hunter Laz Meszaros | Bob Lehmann Graham Lough | John Penta Bob Richter |
| Chairman | John Jackson | President Cherilyn Fleming | President Cherilyn Fleming | Ray Smith |
| Speaker | Corey Peterson | DG Dick Cuttle | Tom Henderson | Shannon Nicholson |
| Topic | Group Study Exchange | District Governor visit | Shelter Box | Blackwood REC Centre |
| Sergeant | Neil White | Neil White | Neil White | Neil White |
| Meeting Note Taker | Barbara Chappell | Barbara Chappell | TBA | Barbara Chappell |

