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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

Rotarian Bill Flynn opened meeting 2023 of the Blackwood Rotary Club with the Invocation and Toast.

PRESIDENTS SPOT

President Cherilyn welcomed Christine and Harold Walton and their daughter Hilary Flynn and guest speaker Abubakarr to the meeting.

MAKE-UPS

Bob Arnold at Calperum.

ATTENDANCE

Reg Hanson announced attendance was 79%.

RAFFLE

The raffle was won by **Hilary Flynn**.

HEADS & TAILS

The winner was **Sue Wymond**. \$430.00 has been raised so far through the Heads and Tails sessions.

FINES

The amount raised was \$57.35.

Bill Flynn (right) is pictured with guest speaker Abubakarr





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FOR THE GOOD OF ROTARY

Trevor Abbott reminded everyone about the Book Sale on Saturday 27 March and asked for volunteers to help on the day. Most books will be 50 cents. Large paperbacks and hardcover books will cost \$2.00.

Robyn Venus read out information about a play for old codgers at the Adelaide Festival Centre. Contact Robyn for details.

Bob Richter spoke about the Art Show meeting on Wednesday 24 March.

Ken Roscrow read out a letter from Walter Grey who has been a long time entrant in the Art Show. Walter is unable to enter this year and he wrote to wish the club well with this year's show.

Barbara Chappell prepared the "Best of Broadway" tickets ready for distribution to members to sell. Tickets are available from Helen Henbest, Bob Arnold and Bob Lehmann.

Bob Arnold reminded everyone the promotional flyer that was emailed to everyone by Ken needs to be distributed throughout everyone's networks.

Bob Arnold told us that the old homestead at Calperum is being restored for use by the Rotary Clubs when they are at the station. This is a significant recognition of the work that Rotary is doing at Calperum.

Ray Smith announced the Firewood Sale on Saturday 27 at the Aberfoyle Park Hub (old Council Depot) from 9:00 to 2:00 pm

Peter Geer let everyone know the Gnomes would be at the shed on Thursday.

President Cherilyn read a letter of thanks from the SA Women's Memorial Playing Fields for help with parking recently; and a letter from the Bellview Heights School thanking the club and in particular John Lewis for the \$3000.00 grant.

GUEST SPEAKER

Bill Flynn introduced guest speaker Abubakarr (Barrie) from Sierra Leon to speak to the club about the "Sierra Leon War". Barrie is studying for his BA Nursing in Adelaide.

He emigrated to Australia in 2004 with his young brother following a time of hardship in his country.

Barrie praised Rotary for the good work they do to help people. He knows first-hand how important the work is that Rotary does.

Barrie told us that he lived in a place call Freetown. The town got its name because of a ship load of slave who were dropped in the area and set free.

In 1993 his life changed forever when his family who where diamond traders were killed in Diamond Wars. He managed to escape with his young brother to a refugee camp where he spent a long time trying to survive as best he could. His life changed again when he was offered a UN Scholarship in Engineering. Just before he finished his degree he was offered the chance to emigrate to Australia with his young brother. He was very happy to come to Australia.

Barrie showed slides of young boys from Sierra Leon who are given weapons and drugs to fight for diamonds. The diamonds are called "blood diamonds" because of the destruction and hardship they bring to the people in Sierra Leon. People can have their limbs amputated based on their political allegiances. Rotary provides support with artificial limbs.

Barrie is now married with a small child and he has brought more members of his family to Australia to live. He feels privileged to live in Australia and judging by the response to his talk it would seem the club members felt it was a privilege to have him as a guest at our club.

Events and Celebrations 2010	
Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Best of Broadway Show on 22 May 2010 Art Show on 7 to 18 July 2010
Birthdays	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 2 – Sue Wymond April 3 – Helen Henbest April 5 – Graham Lough
Anniversary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> April 5 – Bill and Hilary Flynn April 6 – Mark and Joanne Burns



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MEETING ROSTER AND SPEAKERS 2010				
Meeting No.	2024	2025	2026	2027
Date	30 March	6 April	13 April	20 April
Fellowship	President Cherilyn Fleming	Tony Hughes	John Lewis	Ken Prime
Reg. Assistant	Helen Henbest	Geoff Baldwin	Michael McLaren	Geoff Baldwin
Furniture	Bill Flynn Peter Geer	Jeff Hunter John Jackson	Bernie Morgan Graham Lough	John Penta Bob Richter
Chairman	Tony Hughes	President Cherilyn Fleming	TBA	Tony Hughes
Speaker	Kiah Crowder-Wyett	n/a	David Matthews	Tony Phillips
Topic	National Youth Science Forum	Buddies & Committees	Borneo & POW's	Secret Life of An Ophthalmologist
Sergeant	Neil White	Neil White	Neil White	Neil White
Meeting Note Taker	Bernie Morgan	Barbara Chappell	Barbara Chappell	Barbara Chappell



Saturday 22 May

Tickets available from Bob Arnold, Bob Lehmann or Helen Henbest

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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