



ROTARY MEETING No. 1888



First day in the chair:

The Club breathed a collective sigh of relief. Yes! It can be done and he is the man to do it. Those few Rotarians who arrived before President Michael checked their watches and wondered if it had anything to do with daylight saving. The sergeants won't be getting any cheap fines from here on!



Invocation & Toast:

The meeting started right on time and Mark Burns was the Sergeant. The meeting opened with the Invocation and the Toast to Australia.

Special Guests & Visitors:

None.

Attendance:

A modest 73%.



President's Spot:

President Michael welcomed all to meeting number 1888 of the Club. He commented on the success of the changeover dinner and thanked everyone for their efforts in making it a great night.

He also reported that he and PP Bob Arnold have been active on the Changeover circuit to support other Clubs including: Flagstaff Hill, Coromandel Valley, & The DG. President Michael then presented the certificate to our latest 'Centurion', David Rusk.



News:

1. The Rotary Club of Marion is holding a Quiz night on 11th August. Flyers were available for members.
2. The Rotary Club of Flagstaff Hill is holding a forum on 15th August. The guest speaker is Monsignor David Cappo. Flyers were available for members.
3. The District Conference is to be held on 12th to 14th October. President Michael urged all members to attend given that it is in Adelaide at the Westminster School, costs will be lower and it is a great event Registration forms were available for members.
4. The Art Show is our next big event and members were urged to check their job rosters. This is a major exercise, but the effort is worth it. Raffle books have been circulated to all members.
5. All committees will be meeting tonight. There is a tight timetable over the next month. It is a Club Assembly next week and the DG's official visit is on 31st July. These early committee meetings will allow the Club to get underway with the Year's work early.

6. President Michael announced that tonight was Anita's last night with the Country Club. It is 12 years since she started providing service to the Coromandel Valley Club at its meetings and later our Club. The Club will, with the assistance of PP Bob Arnold, recognise Anita in the next week or so.

Notices for the Good of Rotary:

1. President Michael reported that we now have a **convenor for the Christmas Fair and Ray Smith** was thanked for volunteering. Then Rotarians Sam, Robyn, Bob Arnold, Reg T, the 2 Sue's and Trevor A put their hands up to work with Ray and make this event happen.
2. **Hilary Flynn** was thanked in advance for the magnificent effort she has put in so far on the Art Show. Rotarians were again reminded to check their rosters for the set up day on Saturday 7th July, receiving day on Sunday 8th July and Opening night on 12th July. There is a job for everyone.
3. Rtn Arthur Finch reminded members to get their information update forms to him as soon as possible. Those reminded were: PP Bob, VP Barry, Rtns John Lewis, Carl, Peter Pargeter & Robyn Venus.



Fines Session:

Mark Burns, relishing his promotion, got the year off to a start with various fines:

- President Michael for arriving not just on time but very early as evidenced by the number of his raffle ticket.
 - Sam P for generously offering Adelaide Bank customers free pens; provided by CGU Insurance!!
 - There was some form of sly joke about the Crows gene pool; and this from a Victorian, the state that gave us Sam Newman!!
 - Ken Roscrow who has just added car number 7 to the fleet; a little Italian Job if the editor's spies are to be believed.
- (President Michael relieved Sergeant Mark of his joke book and suggested he knows some of good "netnanny" software.)



Closure:

President Michael closed the meeting at 7.30pm to allow time for the very important first committee meetings.

Thoughts for the Week:

Two for the price of one this week:

- I have great faith in fools - self-confidence my friends call it.
- If I acknowledge that I am a cynic, does that make me a realist.

Committee Meetings:

All committees met to formulate their plans and the first cut of their budgets for the 2007/08 year.



Meeting No.	1889	1890	1891	1892
Date	10 July 2007	17 July 2007	24 July 2007	31 July 2007
Fellowship	R Tannebring	R Wheaton	J Brown	E Caldicott
Reg. Assistant	R Smith	B Arnold	R Venus	M Congram
Furniture	K Roscrow D Rusk	J Walters N White	T Abbot I Wicks	M Burns B Chappell
Chairman	Michael McClaren	TBA	B Arnold	Michael McClaren
Speaker	Various	Barbara Chappell	Megan Hughes	DG Peter Ochota
Topic	Club Assembly	Community Engagements	Women's Shelters	DG's Topic
Bulletin editor	Sue Sedivy	Sue Sedivy	Sue Sedivy	Sue Sedivy

Coming events	Birthdays	Anniversaries
July 12 th Art Show		
Oct 16 th Pride of Workmanship		
November 17 th Christmas Fair		

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