

**29 November 2005 Blackwood Rotary Club Bulletin Volume 35 Issue 8
ROTARY MEETING No 1809**

Invocation and Toast:

Chairman Elizabeth Caldicott gave the invocation and toast.

Information and notices;

1. Letter from Carol Knight thanking BRC for sponsoring her son Ian to the Seimens Science School.
2. Reminder about the Christmas Dinner on Dec. 20th Partners Night and 6.30 for 7.00 start
3. Reminder about RTF money boxes
4. Reminder about bags for/from India
5. Mitcham Council seeking items for the Mitcham News.

Announcements For The Good Of Rotary;

1. Bob Arnold seeking extra Marshals for the Christmas Parade. In competition with Ken Roscrow who was collecting icecream salespeople.
2. Russell Ecclestone, circulating a list for the Christmas dinner numbers;
3. Arthur Finch, appreciation of the donation by president Elizabeth to assist a young persons trip to India;
4. Graham Lough seeking to finalise the wine sales.
5. Michael McLaren re GSE visit in April (14th to 19th) 2006. Seeking home hosts;
6. Bob Lehmann.
 - a. Helen home from hospital- prognosis good
 - b. Faye Collyer in a car accident, but OK
 - c. Nur has met David David and she is Ok to have an operation in Feb. or March. The Lehmans will host her and a sister. The operation and hospitalization will cost about \$25,000 and the family has no income. The sponsoring Rotary club in Indonesia has raised about \$10,000 and hopes to get more. Can Blackwood help? Nur is topping her class and has recommenced English classes after having stopped because she had given up hope.
7. Ray Smith, advertising Christmas cakes and puddings.
8. Eric Cotton, seeking feedback and comment on the Fair



Raffle: Neville Newton

Attendance;

66%

Sergeant's Session;

Sue Sedivy carried the box

1. Barry Matthews-Lost ticket
2. Ken Roscrow- restructuring the Belair BP Station
3. Graham Lough- RSL Wine club
- New Strike Squad
4. All members scheduled to go into hospital next week
5. Bob Richter – refusing to “dob in” anyone
6. Gnomes- Exclusive Christmas party
7. Kaye Oliver- putting out the Coro valley furniture
8. Eric Cotton- walking to Rotary
9. Neville Newton- valuing a brothel in Carrington St. Not sure what Graham Lough's involvement was.
10. Gerald Taylor- 4 stages of man
11. John Walton – kissing President Elizabeth (how many times???)
12. Graham Roberts- welcome back
13. Barry Hughes- Pam's birthday
14. Neville Newton- Chris' birthday



General Meeting

Declared open by President Elizabeth and all offices declared vacant.

1. **Elected** for 2006 / 2007 were;
 - President Bob Arnold
 - Vice president / director club Service Bob Lehmann
 - Secretary John Jackson
 - Treasurer Ray Smith
 - Director- Finance Robyn Venus
 - Director-Community Service Bob Richter
 - Director-International Ken Roscrow
 - Director-Future Directions Bernie Morgan
 - Director-New generations John Lewis
 - President 2007 / 2008 Michael McLaren
2. **Financial Report** was presented by Robyn Venus and moved by Robyn / seconded Bernie Morgan and passed. The General Meeting was then closed and we moved into the **Club Assembly:**
Ray Smith and Robyn Venus presented the Financial position
 - Assets purchased this year include
 - i. Camera
 - ii. Projector
 - iii. Sound systemwe still have a small surplus for this line
 - The cost of meals will be going up next year
 - Finances (not including the Fair which is about \$12500) is showing a loss of approx \$400. Income includes ;
 - i. Quiz Night \$2461
 - ii. BREK which still is owed lots of money and has had a great year



iii. Art Show \$7789

- After listing quite a few items of expenditure Robyn explained that the books are not yet finalized and people should see her if they have questions.

Russel Ecclestone presented the Club Service report;

- Bulletin problems seem to have been overcome
- PA system seems to be working well
- The programme is going well thanks to Reg Hanson
- The Almoner (Bob Lehmann) is doing a good job
- The Attendance officer “Is going.....”
- BREK has had heavy bookings in the last few weeks with over \$6000 from hiring fees (Mitcham is no longer competing with us)
- Storage area for equipment has been a problem, but a solution may be to hand.

John Lewis presented the New Generations report in the absence of Jeff Hunter

- \$1000 given to Blackwood Primary School as an experiment in helping disadvantaged students
- \$750 given to Youth Opportunities
- Pride of Workmanship
- Sponsored Beth Lawrence to the National Youth Science Forum
- Indigenous Scholarship
- Interact with 16 members and over \$2000 in the bank is going well
- Kate DeGaris won the Blackwood High best all rounder prize
- 11 year 9 students have won awards in the Seimen’s Science Awards



Michael McLaren tabled a written report for the International Committee. It listed 23 projects in four categories

1. Completed or under control
2. Continuing programmes
3. Probably won’t proceed (\$500 for Land Mines, Nick Capon requested that this be reconsidered)
4. Won’t proceed

The biggest of the projects relates to Nur and her operation. The suggestion is that we hold a “No Ball” as a major fundraiser for this project with the aim of raising \$5000.

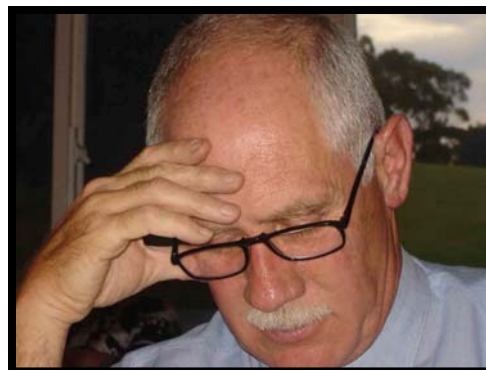
Graham Lough presented the report from the Future Directions committee;

- Newsletter for “Friends of Rotary” has been well received
- Membership – none lost this year. We are looking at how other clubs go about recruiting and what seems to work.
- We have met with Daryl Warren a PR expert who will address the club in February. On his advice we conducted a survey at the Fair Day and got some interesting results

- We have not spent any money at this stage and will wait to see what Daryl advises

Laz Mazaros Presented a detailed report on the Club's constitution. This has to be voted on next meeting. All members have received a copy.

Meeting closed Late (The bulletin Editor left at 8.35 and it was still going)



Meeting No.	1810	1811	1812	1813
Date	6 Dec 2005	13 Dec 2005	20 Dec 2005	3 Jan 2006
Fellowship	R Venus	R Wheaton	N Capon	T Davenport
Reg. Assistant	J Walton	M Burns	M Congram	A Eldridge
Furniture	N White I Wicks	R Abbott D Collier	B Arnold E Cotton	R Dix R Eccleston
Chairman	B Arnold	B Arnold	E Caldicott	E Caldicott
Speaker	Dr Colin Storey	A panel of People	Various - club	TBA
Topic	Cord Blood, Today's Therapy	Role of the Blackwood Reconciliation Group	Christmas Meeting (social – partners)	Combined meeting with Mitcham
Bulletin editor	Terry Tierney	John Lewis	John Lewis	Sue Sedivy

Coming events	Birthdays	Anniversaries
Dec 2 nd – Blackwood Xmas Pageant	Dec 4 John Caldicott	Dec 4 Bob and Diane Richter
Feb 25 th 2006 – Guess Who's Coming to Dinner	Dec 7 Marcia Finch Terry Tierney	Dec 11 Vern and Jean Surmann
May 6 th 2006 - Music Fest	Dec 9 John Lewis	Dec 30 Richard and Diane Dix
	Dec 12 Bill Perry	Dec 31 Bill and Lyn Perry
	Dec 14 Neville Newton	Jan 8 John and Jenny Lewis

