Last week’s numbers were made up with the inclusion of some important guests including the District Governor Nominee, Brian Peters from the Rotary Club of Albury West and our Assistant District Governor, Bruce Anderson. We also had Bev Sheppard the President of the Rotary Club of Ivanhoe together with Judith Motttram pushing their Club’s community breakfast on 7 February. Details are inside. Voluntary Assisted Dying is certainly a subject with wide ramifications and well worth learning more from somebody specialising in that area.

Father Harry Prout approached me seeking assistance for the Exodus Community as the school year commences. I asked him to email details. These are inside. This is a very worthwhile project and your Board had no hesitation in providing support and payment has already been made.

Tom Brown is in Ward 12 at the Repat and could be there for a while. Ray Thomas is at the Royal Talbot and will be there for a couple more weeks. I’m sure that both would appreciate any visitors.

A reminder that we are back at Vasko’s this week.

President Tony

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Progress is man’s ability to complicate simplicity

Thor Heyerdahl
Hello Tony,

Good to catch up yesterday. It has been a busy January.

Thanks for the opportunity to put to the Board a suggestion re support of local kids/families as the new school year begins. Many of our families are on limited Centrelink incomes that do not consider holiday times, celebration times nor extra expenses incurred with returning to school. Or for some, starting for the first time at school. Expenses include daily transport, uniforms, shoes, sport clothing, stationery, books and IT equipment as well as fees.

We try to assist as funds are available. $200 is an amount per child we initially make available if we can, knowing that it is only a start. For those in secondary school that only covers a few books.

If the Club is able to offer support to five students at $200 each, that would make a big difference to the beneficiaries. More helps more students of course.

If the Club is able to assist I know folks will be most grateful - and Exodus volunteers always follow up to support families and make sure donations are used for the intended purpose as well as offering ongoing support in all kinds of ways.

A number of the students we would intend helping are also members of Exodus Youth Group who meet each second Friday evening in an attempt to support, mentor, encourage and offer opportunity for recreation and resilience building opportunities.

Thanks, Harry

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