Hola Rotarians! Greetings from Pres and First Lady. A quiet nibble in a Tapas Bar. Sure beats work. See you very soon!

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CLUB CALENDAR

June is Rotary Fellowships Month

18 June
Topic: My World of Music
Speaker: Dr Ros McMillan
Chair: Richard Luke

25 June
Changeover
6.30 for 7.00pm
Venue: The Train Yard
184 Burgundy Street, HEIDELBERG

Thought for the Week

You can always count on Americans to do the right thing – after they’ve tried everything else

Winston Churchill
Guest Speaker – Dr. Richard Hames

On Monday 4 June 2018, we were privileged to hear from Dr. Richard Hames who spoke to the topic of ‘The future of our world’.

Richard has been honoured for his work as a foresight practitioner and has been the recipient of many Awards. Richard has advised many key leaders and has been a personal mentor to Presidents, Heads of State, and some of the world's most innovative CEOs.

Richard spoke about some of the good and bad times in our human history. He referred to institutions such as the UN Security Council to UNICEF and how some of these were no longer serving humanity as well as they should be and challenged us all to think about how in these times, we need to think and structure things differently.

Richard provided information about humans being 0.01% of life on earth as having been responsible for killing off 80% of other species on the planet.

He gave examples of current systems such as health, environment, and water systems that need to be re-visited in light of the population explosion on planet earth from 1945 (at the end of the war) 2 billion people to today 7.66 billion people. He cited the projections for 2050 as 10.96 billion people on our planet.

He touched on our current systems of capitalism/democracy as not serving us well and stated that ‘10 white men in the world own as much as 3.5 billion people [have]’.

He also provided some interesting insight into technology and referred to his ‘Fembot’ named Athina, who conducts research for him when preparing for keynote address presentations, in a matter of hours versus 3-4 people over a number of weeks MiVote.org.au is now being used to capture people’s views that will inform the political process going forward.

The session was very interesting food for thought with lots of questions from the members and chats with Richard at the conclusion of the meeting.

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Ray Thomas after winning the raffle, with his guest David Dyson

Top Left : Max with his granddaughter and Elaine
Left: Gordon visiting Max at the ONJ Centre

**Handover Christmas**
**25th June**

Dress suitably for Santa
The Train Yard
6.30 for 7.00PM

184 Burgundy Street
HEIDELBERG
### WHERE HAVE THEY BEEN?

- Rodger: China
- Wayne: China
- Richard: Townsville
- Peter: Noosa
- Tony: Barcelona
- Geoff Cook: Amsterdam, Barcelona, Santorini

### WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

- Laurie: UK
- Leigh: France, USA
- Richard: Melbourne
- Peter: Melbourne
- Kent: Tocumwal

### WHERE ARE THEY GOING?

- Laurie: UK
- Richard: Canada
- Peter: UK
- Kent: Tweed Heads
- Gordon: USA ??
- Graham O: Brazil
- Wally: Who knows

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**Changeover is on Monday evening 25th June at the “Train Yard” 184 Burgundy Street Heidelberg.** If you are in Australia on that date there will be no excuse accepted for the non-attendance of you and your partner!

Casual dress is acceptable as PE Noel expects “Santa themed” attire.

Make sure that you let Marcia know by Monday 18th, if you are attending and how many will be in your group. Marcia has the clipboard sheet that has been handed around at meetings. Please advise her of the names of guests you will be bringing.

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*No prize for guessing which country*