FOCUS 1

Tony Bowlen lost for words, who would have imagined and how wonderful to share with him. Bruce Nichols and Rodger Tice being recognised as strong, long term contributors to the success of Rotary Heidelberg, not surprising given their consistent approach to supporting our members and their individual service to our club and community at large and as with Tony so very low-key whilst going about the business of Rotary. Sincere congratulations Roger, Tony and Bruce.

Congratulations Rotary Heidelberg Members for what you have achieved this 2018-2019 year. Your Annual Report in my words (bit sus) with additional “personal observations” is available on our Website for your convenience and to remind ourselves of just what can be achieved by a club of our size.

It was gratifying to have with us, as a part of our celebration, AG Bruce Anderson and partner Marylin as well as incoming AG Emma Davis accompanied by loyal companion “Breezy” whose docile behaviour set a high standard! They like everyone present relaxed and got into the mood of the evening, led by that incomparable Master of Ceremonies Geoff “the voice” Brown, thank you ‘Brownie’.

It is always lovely to enjoy the company of our partners at these dinners and on this occasion also Francesca and the Lewis family learning more about RYE courtesy of Eleonore and our Youth and International Service committee members. I should also mention that we received a couple of emails from Richard and Lorna, from Arras France, wishing us all well on the evening.

Nice also to see Brother Harry back in better health along with Ray ‘Hotfoot’ Thomas who is still in recovery mode and “not quite 100% just yet”!!

Our new larger, stronger Committees are represented later in this edition, the Chairs of which will convene planning and budget meetings at our lunch Monday 8th July or beforehand at home should they or their team wish.

And so here’s to another productive and fun Rotary year!

Noel
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DATES TO REMEMBER
01 July - First Meeting 2019-2020
09 July - Board Meeting
23 July – BBQ at Latrobe UNI

ATTENDANCE 17 JUNE 2019
Members 14
Guests 1
Apologies 17

ATTENDANCE 24 JUNE 2019
Members 21
Guests 21

SERVICE COMMITTEE
- Cook
- Winter
- Mulholland
- Walton
- Dawson
- Seymour
- Taylor
- Wallace
- Brown
- Roberts-Brown
- Overton

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE
- Nichols
- Wright
- Carr
- Tice
- Balogh
- Aitken
- Baron
- Thomas
- Payne
- Openshaw

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
- Bowlen
- Dunstan
- Goodwin
- Norman
- Rose
- Turnour
- Luke
- Amoroso
- De Luca
- Gardiner

CLUB CALENDAR
01 July
Speaker: Sue Virginia O’Hanlon
Topic: The Australian Cervical Cancer Foundation

Also
Farewell presentation by Eleonore Weinstoerffer

08 July
Committee Meetings
Planning and Budgets

15 July
Speaker: TBA
Topic: Austin Health
Chair:

22 July
Event: Christmas in July
Evening Meeting
6.00pm for 6.30pm
Venue: Old England Hotel

Thought for the week
“I slept and dreamt that life was joy.
I awoke and saw that life was service.
I acted and behold, service was joy.”
Tagore

Leigh presenting cheque to Jessica from Safe Steps 17 June
A FEW PHOTOS OF HARRY’S HOUSES
WORK IN PROGRESS
Update on Heidelberg West Housing Project – 16 June 2019

Works on the four properties have been continuing steadily with paid and volunteer works. Pending Certificates of Compliance from the plumber and electrician, we hope to have our first family move into their home this week. A great achievement!

Neil Wilson and Project Manager, Bill Anderson (Transbuild) have done a huge amount of generous work. Two Kaboodle kitchens, donated by a contact of Noel Sturgeon, Heidelberg Rotary Club, have been fitted and only tiling, electrical, gas fitting and some painting is required to complete those two kitchens. A very competent migrant handyman from Heidelberg has laboured continuously and has completed many small tasks.

While working on one house, particularly with security, Home Maintenance worker, Tess Elliott has also helped teach skills to several women. Preparation has been made for floor coverings – Neil Wilson contact.

Students from Marcellin College, Bulleen assisted in a work afternoon, sorting green waste from rubbish. Several members of Heidelberg Rotary Club assisted in supplying a barbeque lunch for a group of volunteers who completed initial painting works on two properties. Lyn, an Exodus volunteer has assisted with purchase and installation of blinds.

The services of Miles Real Estate have been secured to assist with tenancy arrangements. Those moving into the properties will have the experience of leasing and will have a leasing record when the occupancy time is up. Rent will be similar to that in Government Housing: $25% of Centrelink payments. Tony Bowlen, Heidelberg Rotary Club, has been instrumental in securing some quality white goods and furniture from a deceased estate.

Other house appliances and furniture has been sourced ready for the needs of those who will move into the houses.

Video recording of works is being done courtesy of Melbourne Polytechnic where Greg Madigan is our contact.

Things still to be done include:

- Completion of plumbing. We have Grant for two hot water units.
- Air Conditioner works on two properties and check/repair system on another. Some electrical work will need to be done for these.
- Servicing of ducted heating systems in two houses seen to - awaiting gas connections.
- Compliance certificates for plumbing and electrical work.
- Maintenance of one driveway.
- Completion of works in several bathrooms.
- Some fencing.
- Final cleaning of houses for occupancy.
- Gardening by Powercor volunteers.

Our hope is that these houses will become homes by the end of this month – at an average cost of just over $10k each, thanks to many generous donations.

Brother Harry Prout – Exodus Community