

Guest Speakers – our very own Barry T and Barry Mc:

- Currently losing members at the rate of 3% pa
- Need to retain existing membership and build on this.
- Discussion then ensued with members voicing the problems as they see them.
 - Involvement
 - Need to understand programs
 - Have to use the committees

Some great theatre was witnessed with the two Barrys performing some role playing which was rather convincing.

The forum was quite open and members didn't feel restrained in making their suggestions of possible impediments to the growth of Rotary and clubs in particular.

Well done !! an interesting and informative session on what is a pretty dry topic.

RURAL AUSTRALIA THESAURUS OF COMPUTER TERMINOLOGY

- * Log On - Make the barbecue hotter
- * Log Off - The barbecue is too hot
- * Monitor - Keeping an eye on the barbecue
- * Download - Get the firewood off the ute
- * Hard drive - Trip back home without any cold tinnies
- * Floppy Disc - What you get lifting too much firewood at once
- * Keyboard - Where you hang the ute and bike keys
- * Window - What you shut when it's cold
- * Screen - What you shut in the mosquito season
- * Byte - What mosquitoes do
- * Bit - What mosquitoes did
- * Mega Byte - What Townsville mosquitoes do
- * Chip - A bar snack
- * Micro Chip - What's left in the bag after you have eaten the chips
- * Modem - What you did to the lawns
- * Dot Matrix - Old Dan Matrix's wife
- * Laptop - Where the cat sleeps
- * Software - Plastic knives and forks you get at Big Rooster
- * Hardware - Real stainless steel knives and forks from K Mart
- * Mouse - What eats the grain in the shed
- * Mainframe - What holds the shed up
- * Web - What spiders make
- * Web Site - The shed or under the verandah
- * Cursor - The old bloke who swears a lot
- * Search Engine - What you do when the ute won't go
- * Yahoo - What you say when the ute does go
- * Upgrade - A steep hill
- * Server - The person at the pub who brings out the counter lunch
- * Mail Server - The bloke at the pub that brings out the counter lunch
- * User - The neighbour who keeps borrowing things
- * Network - When you have to repair your fishing net
- * Internet - Complicated fish net repair method
- * Netscape - When fish manoeuvres out of reach of net
- * Online - When you get the laundry hung out
- * Off Line - When the pegs don't hold the washing up

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The Missing Photo. President Joan with Andrew Sozomenou from Gaining Ground

PROGRAMME

Tonight	GSE Outbound Farewell Hero's Hill \$25
April 13th	Myra Douglas Summer Science Forum
April 20th	Gillian Burrows M7 Orbital Motorway + board meeting
April 27th	Job talk Terry Martin
May 4th	Mothers Day dinner partners night
May 11th	Parliament House 7pm for 7.30 pm.
May 23rd	Red Shield Appeal
May 25th	Pride of workmanship awards and Club Birthday
May 29th	Charity Trotting meeting Bankstown Trotting Club

President Joan + Secretary's Report:

- ❖ Welcome Melinda, Warwick & Alex.
- ❖ Rotaract funds to go to the education of the children of Kalikasthan in Nepal.
- ❖ Need final numbers for next week by Monday am at the latest.
- ❖ Ranelagh House – need numbers. 16th, 17th & 18th July.
- ❖ Walk from The Spit to Manly went well last Sunday.
- ❖ \$100 for Youth Trust from the Feeding Frenzy.
- ❖ Letter from Bankstown Library.
- ❖ DG's Newsletter.
- ❖ YEP Chairman's reply to our letter of October 2003 re Elina not being allowed to travel on the Southern Safari whilst another student was approved to go to New Zealand.

Treasurer – Colin:

- We have “raised heaps” – will have figures shortly.

Club Service – Barry T:

- Copy of proposed District Budget for discussion prior to District Assembly next Saturday.
- Questions on insurance.
- Expenses for ADG questioned.
- Vote for acceptance.
- Meeting tonight to discuss District Assembly next Saturday.

Community – Sharon:

- Bowelscan kits now being picked up.
- Paceway function has been postponed until November.

International – Keith:

- Wednesday last week interviewed (with Joan & Warren) 2 prospective outbound exchange students, Gemma Ashton & Laura Heywood. Please to announce that both have been accepted to proceed to District interviews in May.
- Following up enquiry re Ambassadorial Scholarship.
- Thanks from Warren to those who attended DIK on Saturday and the walk on Sunday.

Youth – Glenda:

- ❖ National Youth Science Forum 15th May.
- ❖ RYPEN – Veronica has 4 prospective applicants plus we have Tony's daughter and her friend.

Vocational – John:

- Has anyone got any nominations for Pride of Workmanship.

General Business:

- Veronica:** Centenary Project is not proceeding well. Peter Townsend has also spoken to woman at NP&WS who apologised but still hasn't sent the forms. Georges River Educational Centre is a possibility.
- Warren:** Suggested “Gaining Ground” as the Centennial Project.
- Russell:** Suggested that possibly the problem is environmental in that we may endanger some worms or snails.
- Barry:** Suggested that this needs to be referred to either the Board or a committee to discuss and we will need approval to change the project.
- Trevor:** First official meeting of the new Probus Club is on this Friday. Going to the Philippines later this month to assess possible project in Tacloban.
- Sharon:** Maybe we should return to cleaning and painting a house as the project.
- Russell:** Still having a problem with a bounced cheque for Community Chest tickets as it bounced for the second time. Owes \$300 which is only 20% of the money collected.
- Gary:** Another Young Carers camp is scheduled for Sunday 18th April to Thursday 22nd April if anyone can help it would be appreciated. Sunday the 18th Gary will probably be picking up the stragglers. Como Club want to borrow BBQ trailer again in May.
- Keri:** IFF function 16th, 17th & 18th May. To provide lunch on the 18th.
- Barry Mc:** Letter of appreciation from Mrs Buckley for the grant from the Youth Trust. Her son will use it to purchase racing harness gloves and 4 new tyres. Is hoping to qualify for the Paralympics.
- Bryce:** Red Shield is only weeks away 22nd and 23rd May. The 23rd is the main collection day. The target for this zone is \$34,000. Please help.
- Melinda:** Thank you on behalf of Laura for our support for YEP application.
- Russell:** The cost of District Conference should be reduced for partners as they really are not that interested in the general proceedings.
- Sharon:** Met Noelene, previously from the club on the weekend, would like us to move to Panania. Also spoke to Tom Vujevic – his daughter is interested in RYPEN.
- Bryce:** The 26th June is Red Shield Appreciation Night and unfortunately it clashes with our District changeover. All welcome anyway.
- Veronica:** Visited the new Police Station in Bankstown for a tour. It was very interesting, would we like to do a tour for a vocational night.
- Warren:** Will be absent from 22nd April to 30th April with Trevor. Will need a replacement to do the Fulcrum for these 2 weeks. Whilst I will be here for the meeting on the 20th I have a YEP meeting on the Wednesday night and fly out Thursday morning so won't have time to do notes on this week as well as the following one when I will be absent.

Attendance – Kevin:

30 / 33 or 90.91%