

Rotary Youth Vocation Awards host school is Picnic Point High School and she also required some dates for Primary Schools Principals & Captain's night . 20th April suggested. And Secondary 27th July. Cliff saw a shelter box on show at a rotary antiques auction and thought we may be able to do same at one of our functions. Some businessmen bought them when they saw them displayed.

Keri reminded everyone about "Wicked" next week and there was some discussion about fancy dress for conference.

Joan had some applications for stalls which were discussed. Barry said that Harry Picket died this week. His funeral is at Macquarie Grove on Friday at 1.15pm. He was a great Rotarian and was 98 years old.

Attendance – 33/39 members – 84.62% attendance.

Reminder – there is no meeting next week.

Our guest speaker was Michelle Flaska from Ian Thorpe Indigenous Literacy backpack project.

JOKES THAT WILL OFFEND EVERYONE:

Why is divorce so expensive?

Because it's worth it.

What do you call a smart blonde?

A golden retriever.

Why do men chase women they have no intention of marrying?

The same urge that makes dogs chase cars they have no intention of driving.



Michelle Flaska from Ian Thorpe Indigenous literacy backpack project informs us about this project. At the end of the presentation the club presented Michelle with a cheque for \$9,000 for the project

Welcome to members and guest speaker Michelle Flaska from Ian Thorpe Literacy Backpack project.

President's Report

The club won "Community Service by an Organisation" Australia Day Award nominated by Bankstown Council. Paul Reid sent his congratulations for the award to us all and he will comment in District newsletter.

Jean Mullick has resigned due to work and family commitments. She was the club's first female member.

Final numbers are required for the Parliament House dinner on 9th March. Cost to be paid by 16th Feb

Frank Lauren & Julie attended the Rotary Leadership Institute Training on Sunday. It is recommended and new members are encouraged to consider attending. The next date is 18th April. Keri, Barry and Keith were presenters.

There will not be a meeting next week. Some members are attending "Wicked" It is a make-up week. Please let Kevin know your make up meeting.

Brochure re Haiti Appeal – Rotary sent 2000 shelter boxes and another 3000 due within the week.

Email from Peter & Kaye thank you for the jackets.

Thank you to Keith for putting together the Rotary Advert in the Express on 26/1/10

Bankstown Council has waived the park fee for the Carols.

Cabramatta Club is celebrating its 50th Birthday – invitation for 1st March. Details provided.

Australian Rotary Health newsletter passed around.

Secretary's report

Glenda presented some invoices to the Treasure and a Careflight magazine.

Treasurer's report.

As per report presented to members.

Club Administration

Frank thanked all members who attended the Australia Day BBQ especially John, Gary and Ken who tirelessly worked long hours. Frank discussed the topic of guest speakers. 1 speaker per month was decided by board. Some members commented and the outcome was that a good number was 2 per month.

Community

John Earls mentioned Clean-up Australia Day on 7th March and the Panania Markets on the 13th March.

International Rotary –

Frank P. said that The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust (TARFT) has been given approval to accept direct donations for the Haiti relief effort. Donations will receive tax deductible receipts. Donations will not earn PHF credits or count towards becoming a major donor. They do not want shelter boxes. They are not appropriate in this situation. There is a link from District 7020 (Haiti) for the latest Haiti update as of the 28th of January District Please click on the link below

http://www.clubrunner.ca/dprg/dxhome/dxstoriestab/_storyitem.aspx?did=7020&index=8350&linkcat=4&tail=0&dir=f

Membership/Vocational –

Charlie, Keith and others will be attending Rotary Awareness on 31/3/10.

Charlie asked if club or private members would consider supporting Special Children's Christmas Party at Homebush by sponsoring a couple of children.

ROK

Gary said back at ROKing tomorrow night 6pm Bond's factory in Fitzpatrick Street.

General Business

Veronica needed approval for Rotary community chest run by Burwood.

She also asked if there were any vacancies for RYDA and will do submissions.

The EHGTHS is having its Garden Fair on 14/9/10. Will club do BBQ?