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Welcome back to Gaille. Literacy kits are being organized – there are 120 bags. Any donations e.g. pencils, pencil cases, erasers, exercise books, small note books etc are all welcome. Cash donations are also welcome to purchase these articles.

Barry said he knows 2 clubs in Alice Springs who are looking forward to help distribute. Gaille would also appreciate a more personal contribution – maybe the name of a local school.

General Business

Barry has received a very warm response thanking the club from Michelle Flaska representing the Ian Thorpe Indigenous Literacy Project.

The club is required to nominate 2 members as electors at the District conference. Barry McConville and Keith were nominated and both accepted. District is also calling for nominations for the District Governor selection committee for year 2010 – 2011. Joan Wells nominated and was accepted.

Resolutions at District conference – accepted financial statements. April 6th is a close down night which is a make up night. Barry M suggested a list of 7 clubs be presented. Reports about meeting will be asked for.

Gaille mentioned that Kate Ritchie will be doing a new programme on Channel 9 about youths between 14-24 years who have missed their dream. Any suggestions?

This week Keith and Julie were very proud to have presented Bankstown Hospital (which was a beneficiary of Padstow on Parade) with a donation of \$8,000 which enabled them to purchase 3 pulse oximeters and accessories. These units will help medical staff non-invasively observe changes in a child's oxygen levels.

Attendance

29 members were in attendance out of 38 which is 78.59% attendance tonight. Apologies received from Tony Blazek, Veronica, Gisella, Charles, Terry Martin, Alan and Keri Sweet and Alex Thomas.

Another ex-member and club director, Lou Williams died last week at 81 years of age. Kevin represented the club at his funeral. Reminder that next Tuesday is Rotary birthday and the fines for February will be contributed to the Polio effort.



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*Last Weeks meeting was a Club Assembly.
Gaille Walton brings details of a Youth Program highlighted by
Channel 9 for 14 to 24 year olds who have "missed their dream"
Tonight "Board Meeting"
2nd March Club Meeting
9th March Club Meeting
12th March Markets and Conference*

Presidents Report

The club received a cheque for \$500 from K2R as a contribution towards the cost of the Carols.

The members who attended last week's "Wicked" had a great night. Thank you to Keri for organizing.

Lauren, Charlie and Julie attended President's Meeting – Youth and vocation Talks at Penrith. The club received a pennant for being 3rd in district for donations per capita to The Rotary Foundation for 2009.

Copies of District Governor's newsletter was distributed to all members.

All those attending the conference – please check the latest form and update your particulars.

Sad to announce the resignation of Melinda Heywood. She is unable to make meetings because of personal commitments.

Letter presented from Rotary Club of Cabramatta. Their 50th Birthday celebration on 1st March. Any members attending please let Julie know.

Letter announcing new club. The Rotaract club of Western Sydney – celebration on Friday 12th March at Smithfield RSL.

Letter from Werrimbirra Rotary Club regarding battle of the bulge.

There will be a target loss and the losing (or winning) club will give \$500 to the charity of their choice.

Julia Reid is doing a tree of navy or black (preferably navy) sox to make a tree and present to St Jude's on 2nd March.

Secretary's Report

The following communications have been received:

Rotary Club of Liverpool – Dinner dance on Sat 10th April.

Newsletter from ROMAC

Stewart house fundraising

Northcott Society 14th Annual Cricket Legends lunch

Parramatta Mission brochure regarding wills.

Careflight newsletter.

Warwick Tyrrell's Proms Concert newsletter

Newsletter from Fred Hollows Foundation.

Treasurer's report

As per report presented to members. Reminder that subs are now due for Jan-June 2010.

Club Administration

Frank put forward that changeover this year on the 1st week in July to be held at a different venue.

Community

John said that Panania Markets last week was disappointing due to the uncertainty of the weather conditions. The regular Sausage sizzle ran at a loss with a lot of food left over, some has been frozen for future use and some taken to Exodus. However the income from the stalls was approximately \$450.00 so overall we probably broke even.

He has received notification that Bunning BBQ will be on Sat 12th June which he thinks is long weekend and also weekend of Panania markets. So all members please keep date in mind as all hands will be needed. He has also received notification from Bunning's that BBQ cooks are required to do a course at Padstow TAFE on food hygiene. Keith remarked that we are exempt because of our charity status. He will have more details at the meeting on 2nd March where he will explain the clubs obligations.

Bowel scans are available at local pharmacies. The rotary scans are not the ones that received the bad publicity – there are no problems with them.

Clean-up Australia Day is on 7th March. It will be at the same location as last year. Form for helpers will be at the meeting on the 2nd March.

Youth

Lauren has given a sheet to members tonight regarding a fundraiser selling chocolates to check if it is viable and if everyone is willing to support. There are 48 chocolates in a box @\$1.20 ea with 1 month to sell. Club profit is half the sales.

ROK

Garry said they will be ROK'ing tomorrow night at factory at 2 Fitzpatrick Street. All welcome.

