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**SERVICE Above Self**

### **THIS WEEK**

All members please make a special effort to get to this weeks meeting as we welcome two new members.

### **OUR CHANGEOVER**

Make sure you mark Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> July in you diaries now for our Clubs Changeover. The incoming president wants to bring us together in a celebration of Rotary and fun. A sumptuous 2 course meal at Monnee Valley will be accompanied by a couple of special performances by local groups and the special event will be a guest Comedian. There will also be some special presentations to be made, so make sure you let everyone know that it's going to be a great night. We are aiming to only cover costs on a night designed to pull people together, however if anyone had an inkling for donating prizes for a table raffle, we could look at that. Well that and the Sergeant I guess.

This will be a great chance to invite people who might not want to commit to lunch, to come along and see the fun in Rotary, along with examples of the projects we run as well.

### **DISTRICT CHANGEOVER**

Incoming District Governor Bernie Walshe has requested we put together a table to celebrate his changeover. Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July at The Brighton International. Please let Adam know if you would like to come along.

### **DISTRICT ASSEMBLY**

The President Elect would like to thank everyone who turned up at La Trobe yesterday for the District Assembly. In our busy schedules it was great to see you there. Special not that Maurice was there to learn more about Rotary. Hopefully he will still turn up Thursday.

### **NEW MEMBERS**

Remember it is each Rotarians task to be aware that we need to grow our club. Each and every one of you should be on the lookout. There are two great reasons for this:

1. There is strength in numbers. Brunswick had been a large club before, lets build it again.
2. Spread the load. Whilst there have been lots of recent requests for action, a lot of that is based on the numbers that we have. We want to continue to be known as a club that does things, so growing is a way to spread the load. If you are feeling like you are constantly being asked to do or give for Rotary, try to introduce a new member so that you can share the load.

### **ROLLING ALONG NICELY**

I think it can reasonably be said that the influx of a few younger new members in the last couple of years has contributed greatly to the increased success of our activities this year.

Our Dance has progressed to the stage where it is now a great success with better prospects for the near future and our Raffle is now coming out ahead.

We are also seeing a continuation of a reversal of our earlier trend of losing members instead of increasing membership.

Prospective inductees, Sally Garden and Maurice Sgarbasso were again present this week and we continued our trend of approximately 80% of members attending our meeting.

(Judging by some of the comments about the tucker, we may have a problem keeping attendance up. This is probably not a difficult problem to solve.) Terry, please pass comments onto Adam so that he can try to solve them!

#### **AMBASSADORIAL SCHOLARSHIP**

Michael Leahy reported that we currently a young lady, Magdalena, to District as a candidate and we wish Magdalena success.

#### **PAT SHARPE**

Peter Johnston reported that Pat Sharpe is having great problems with her eyesight and that she will be re-locating to Western Australia at the end of the year. Best wishes of all of us will go with Pat.

#### **IN-HOUSE RAFFLES**

There is a great surge of volunteers to arrange our next major raffle seeing that the successful ticket in our cash raffle was purchased by a friend of Greg Sewell and that for the Plasma TV was purchased by the mother of Cheryle Landolina.

Ron Paoli wants to be appointed organizer for the raffle of a motor car.

Speaking of Cheryle, we are still wondering what she was up to when she was discovered in the possession of the band leader's keys on Friday night. They both swore that it was an accident.

#### **GUEST SPEAKER: - DEANO KENNEDY**

Dean has been in the high tech business since 1992 and managed to speak to us without using any technical words that none of us understood.

Dean and Mel were introduced to Rotary last year by Michael Leahy (who is now running of to China.) He and Mel have been great catalysts in bringing Brunswick Rotary into the 21<sup>st</sup> Century via their re-design of our website (which I promise to look up real soon.)

Their activities encompass Printing, Design, Websites, and Public Relations in which activities they currently both work from a home/office. Dean says that living, working etc from the same place has created no impediment to their marriage although I think they will find things rather cramped if they don't manage to separate their activities before some little billy lids come along.

Many of their clients are in far away parts of Australia and they have never meet each other. It is due to the wonders of modern communications and technology that a small office in Melbourne is able to serve the needs of clients throughout the country.

Dean was asked what is his greatest desire in life. He replied that it is a 50inch wide printer. **BOOORRING!!!!**

#### **FORTHCOMING AGENDA**

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| May 25  | Graeme Walker – “Brunswick Business Incubator”   |
| June 1  | Club Assembly to discuss by laws   |
| June 8  | Jacinta Lucas - Executive Officer- Inner Northern Local Learning<br>Employment Network |
| July 8  | Saturday Night- Change Over at Moonee Valley   |
| July 26 | Wednesday – Combined Meeting at a venue to be decided.                                 |

#### **COMBINED CLUB MEETING**

The combined meeting of Essendon and "Daughter Clubs" being, Bacchus Marsh, Keilor, Essendon North, Moonee Valley and of course Brunswick is planned for WED. night the 26th JULY. The Rotary Club of Brunswick has agreed that this meeting will be instead of our regular Thursday lunchtime meeting. Venue an exact time to be advised.