



Billets for visitors from Manila

The only real difficulty with the visit from the R.C. of Marikina is billeting as there are far more coming than originally anticipated. We probably need seven billets of two each with perhaps Brother Pat a Marist brother staying with Doug.

So far we have:

Sue and Mick Leahy,
Judy and Peter Johnstone,
Maureen and Mal Dubock.

Although some of these visiting Rotarians are relatively prosperous the exchange rate is horrific and puts them at a severe disadvantage.

As part of this exciting weekend we will formally sign a sister club relationship with them. They have a sister club in Japan with whom they stay when going there. Personally should I return to the Philippines I would prefer staying at a hotel as I like to be alone, but then again the exchange rate is highly advantageous to us when going to the Philippines.

It will be very unBrunswick not to billet this ourselves and have to go to other clubs.

History of Brunswick book

The current price for this book is now \$50 and may be reviewed at the next Board meeting. This excellent publication was initially over produced and the simple principle of supply and demand meant we had to discount them to reduce stocks. As stocks are now more manageable we will cease handing them out to guest speakers and start to charge something closer towards their true value.

Fund Raising

After discussing Fund Raising at the Board over the last two months David Earley called a meeting of older members to discuss the matter with a view to putting some proposals to the Board this month. Bearing in mind that there is no "Roast" this year and Greg's raffle has been put on hold, we have no income and probably need to review our lunch fees.

The first proposal is to run a celebrity breakfast next April. We need to look at perhaps running two smaller Greg type raffles although there is the problem of relying on Greg to sell a major portion of the tickets in the past. Greg's list is diminishing. Can we all sell 10 each at \$50 twice this year?

Also discussed was a planned programme of minor ventures raising \$500 to \$1000 each such as fellowship dinners; sell art for a commission as an adjunct to the Youth Arts Exhibition; run a super Christmas party for 50 loading each ticket \$20; what an we raise during the visit.

David Earley will take some proposals to the Board for implementation.

Career Connections

Up to 750 students are seeking your guidance in how to achieve at a job interview at the Darebin Arts Centre on Thursday 23rd October 2008 at either a morning shift or afternoon shift.

Conducted by The Local Community Partnership Group, Career connections at R.M.I.T.

Our Vocational Director, David Earley will seek your assistance in the coming weeks.



Make Dreams Real

Last Week

Although an evening meeting we were particularly pleased to welcome Molly Arnol who spoke to us about her part in the Australian Schools delegation to attend THIMUN (The Hague International Model United Nations) in January 2009.

It was a marvellous evening where we took the opportunity to celebrate Mel Kennedy's 35th birthday and it was by chance Molly's 18th birthday so we celebrated that as well.



Our favourite birthday girl Mel Kennedy receives flowers from the club as part the celebration. Sergeant at Arms, David Earley presents Mel with a profiterole birthday cake, a present from Maureen Dubock. The other birthday girl Molly Arnol is in the background. Ursula Ramage baked a special cake for Molly.



President David presented a cheque for \$1000 from the Club towards the \$6,500 she needs to attend THIMUN. As she lives in Brunswick and we were encouraged by President David to support her other fund raising efforts as well in any way we can.

Molly tells the meeting all about THIMUN and how she got to be selected. In the background are her parents Patty and John Arnol. Siblings Imogen and Angus were also present together with a friend Justine.

The Soup Van

I had a marvellous evening on the soup Van last Wednesday. Somewhat apprehensive when I fronted up at 6.30 p.m. as I'd been awake since 3.30 a.m. – what's life if you don't get out of your comfort zone and challenge it now and then. I finished at 10,30 p.m. and was on a high

There are two vans one goes straight onto the streets at designated places the other tours boarding houses. Doug's idea was that we'd do the boarding houses on our second trip but I was lucky nobody else could drive the manual van donated by the R.C. of Camberwell so I was promoted to the boarding house run

There were about 24 of us. 7 students from Mercy Regional College, Camperdown and 4 from St Aloysius North Melbourne with their teachers =13. Note again, the higher ratio of country kids. They volunteered for a one off evening as part of their Social Justice programme. One of the girls told me she was 16. About 8 volunteers mostly in their young 20s, a couple in their early 30s, Doug and me.

Membership



Recruiting



The bulletin office hard at work

After a good run for about three years, we have nothing happening at the moment. There are a number of measures that can be implemented. A motion will be put to the Board Meeting next week to establish a review committee such as the Fund Raising one held last week. There are a number of things we have been thinking about but simply have not implemented properly or followed up on as well as we might.

Programme

Thursday 11 th Sep	Lunchtime 12.45 for 1: p.m.	Location Bridie O'Reilly's Speaker: Tom Cryer who donated 4 Panda personal alarms to our club
Wednesday 17 th Sep	Evening 5.45 for 6 p.m.	Location INNEN President David 's office Board Meeting
Thursday 18 th Sep	Lunchtime 12.45 for 1: p.m..	Location Bridie O'Reilly's Speaker: Bahay Tuluyan helping impoverished Philippino children selling ear rings
Thursday 25 th Sep	Lunchtime 12:45 for 1:00 p.m	Location Bridie O'Reillys Greg Sewell's Grand Final Extravaganza Mega Meeting for spouses, partners, friends
Friday 10 th October to Sunday 13 th October		Youth Arts Exhibition
Thursday 9 th October to Monday 14 th October	Visit by the R.C. of Marikina, Manila	Programme issued separately Rotarians required to travel with our guests and provide accommodation for three nights
Thursday 23 rd October	Career Connections	Location: Darebin Arts Centre Half day guidance to students on achieving jobinterviews

Attachment

The District Newsletter "**Networker**" is attached. Those seeking Golf Days or other Club or District activities should read this publication.