



Kevin Dale's lunch

Thanks again to Kevin for this special day. Adam reported that almost \$1500 was raised on the day, approximately \$680 from attendance and \$800 from the fruit raffle.

Grateful thanks are also due to Ross Costa of Giovanni Costa & Sons of Toolamba for their generous donation of the fruit and produce also to Greg Sewell for his tremendous effort.

Mick Leahy won the President's prize for the best Australiana gear, he was the only one to read the bulletin and compete. Am I wasting my time here?

Trivia Night

The club will be holding a fundraising Trivia Night in early April (perhaps Thursday 4th or Friday 5th) to raise funds for the eradication of polio worldwide.

The club will be contributing \$US1,000 for the next three years toward the Bill Gates-Rotary International initiative.

Members are invited to bring a table of friends and relatives in support of it.

Twilight at the Zoo

Fellowship at the Zoo Twilight this year will be on Saturday 28th February. Entry 4.30 p.m. concert starts at 6 p.m. Admission \$34, concession \$27. Pay Mel Kennedy who will organise the tickets.

BYO picnic or buy food and drinks at the zoo. We will take chairs as before so we can sit together, but need to be back from the grass area.

Sydney Road Street Party

The Sydney Road Street Party will be held on Sunday 1st March 2009. David Earley is organising our participation at it and is circularising the club separately.

We will be located outside Brunswick Uniting church (formerly St Andrews) as in previous years.

1988

Attached is a record of a club meeting held on 28th April 1988 the first meeting after The Walk. The record was written by Terry O'Meara.

Some points of interest Membership 50

We had a number of meetings with other clubs on the way. The powerful Mittagong-Bowral club on the first evening was also having a Ladies Night. The small Orbost club on one of the extremities of the State welcomed our Rotary interaction and joint fellowship There were a number of members who joined and left The Walk at various stages as they could not give the whole nine days they might give four or five. Greg Sewell and Peter Randles for example left a couple of days earlier with Peter's parents Peter snr and Pauline. So not all walkers are on the Orbost meeting list.



The reference to Ron Paoli was that he was so keen to get there he got two speeding fines on the way to Sydney. Ron had earlier told me when I first took over the club "You've got to do something to lift the club" and week later when I announced my intention he told me "This is the most ridiculous thing I've ever heard of" fortunately he and most of the club changed their minds as we progressed, Ron brought his son Andrew with him.

We spent our first night over the boarder at Cann River (we had to go down the Princes Highway the Police wouldn't let us use the Hume highway). Max told me that if I wanted to invest some funds with him he was going back over the boarder to place bet on a certainty and the price was better in N.S.W. Not being a punter but trusting Max's judgement I didn't hesitate and gave him some club money, Max's action added to the kitty. Although I was coming to the end of my year it was not until some years later that I bothered to read The Constitution and Bylaws.

The amount finally raised by R.C. of Brunswick for R.I. was \$60,200 a further \$9,478 raised was used to pay for expenses. We jointly rattled tins in country towns with the local clubs as we passed through and gave all the proceeds estimated at \$12,000 to them for their contribution. In addition it was estimated members paid their own expenses to the value of over \$20,000.

There is one error in the Club History, it was Ian Kift who raised \$20,000, Owen Whelan raised \$10,000. Initially I only had the support of John Higgins and Henry Rekaris there was strong resistance for a couple of months. It was when Ian Kift threw the first cheque of \$9,000 on the table from Dunlop that the club swung behind the project,

Of the 11.000 or so clubs in the R.I. Australasia / S.W. Pacific area we raised the most, until the wealthy Sydney club trumped us.

Bulletin

I've had to change my plans for business reasons so there will be a bulletin next week but not on 23rd February 2009

Bulletin No 27
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9th February 2009
2nd March 2009

Programme

Thursday 5th February	Lunchtime meeting 12.45 for 1 pm	At Bridie O'Reilly's Fellowship
Thursday 12 th February	Lunchtime meeting 12.45 for 1 pm	At Bridie O'Reilly's
Wednesday 18 th February	Board Meeting 6 pm	President David's Office INLLEN, 29 Sydney Road, Coburg
Thursday 19 th February	Lunchtime Meeting 12.45 for 1 pm	At Bridie O'Reilly's
Thursday 26 th February	Lunchtime meeting 12.45 for 1 pm	At Bridie O'Reilly's
Saturday 28 th February	Twilight at the Z00 4.30 for 6 pm	Fellowship
Thursday 5 th March	Evening Meeting 6 for 6.30 pm	At Bridie O'Reilly's Fellowship
Sunday 1 st March	Sydney Road Street Party 10.30 am to 7.45 pm	Sydney Road Brunswick
4 th /5 th April	Trivia Night	Polio Eradication initiative

RECORD OF BRUNSWICK ROTARY CLUB MEETING HELD AT LUNCH TIME AT
ABRUZZO CLUB ON APRIL 28th 1988

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP	50	ATTENDANCE	31
GUEST SPEAKER		Owen Whelan	
VISITING ROTARIANS		Arthur Davis	
GUESTS OF MEMBERS		Keric Brown (Rotary Foundation Scholarship student)	
APOLOGIES	John Wilson, Ted Bailey, Jack Mikkelsen.		
MAKEUPS		Jock McInnes (Essendon) Ian Tampion (Essendon)	

Under are the following who attended the Official Visit at Orbost on April 20th:

Jim Allen, Ted Bailey, Kevin Dale, Mal Dubok, Max Friemder, Les Gordon, John Hardwick, Rick Hayes, Peter Johnstone, Ian Kift, Bruce Le Page, Jack Nunan, Henry Rekaris, Col Simpson, Jeff Sullivan, Owen Whelan & Jock Mc Innes.

POLIO PLUS WALK

By all accounts based on the general hilarity and good feeling and the lying bragging about the copious quantities of beer and whiskey consumed, the walk from Sydney was a great social success. It was certainly a great financial success. President Mal reported that we will have established an Australia wide record of more than \$50,000.00 when all pledges are received. THEREFORE HE ASKS THAT WE IMMEDIATELY OBTAIN AND REMIT PROMISED CHEQUES.

Congratulations to Mal on his effort in coming up with a totally ridiculous and unacceptable idea, forcing his will on members to make them accept it and then making it such a great success. If Henry tries to come up with a better idea, we will do to him what the Trojans did to the Greeks of old. Thanks also to Mal's Co-Musketeers, John Higgins and Arthur Davis and all other organisers.

Sergeant Bob White excelled himself (and the other sergeants) by touching Members for their exploits while away from the good influences of home including:

RON PAOLI who believes lightning never strikes twice in the same spot so therefore you are free to drive like a scalded cat after the fuzz have caught you once.

MAX FREMDER who was still able to make money while walking courtesy of one of his neddys.

Special mentions go to those members who are able to combine unaccustomed exercise and an increase in circumference.

Owen Whelan gently related some examples of the incredible efficiency of the organisation and gave Les Gordon the opportunity to make some very nasty remarks about poor Ron Paoli and Jack Nunan. (Who wants to let Jack drive his car?)

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

May 5th 12.30 for 1 p.m.

Luncheon Meeting

STEWARDS Ian Kift, Jeff Sullivan, Kevin Dale & John Hardwick
WELCOMING John Wilson & Richard Tembe to Hardwick.

GUEST SPEAKER None advised

PRESIDENTS TABLE

Jim Allan & Bob Fraser.