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CLUB MEETINGS

Wednesdays
6pm for 6.30pm
California Gully
Mechanic's Institute,
School Street,
California Gully, (off
Eaglehawk Road).

THE FOUR WAY
TEST OF THE
THINGS WE THINK,
SAY OR DO

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all
concerned?

Will it build goodwill
and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to
all concerned?

SISTER CLUB

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Thailand*

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COMING PROGRAM

RESPONSIBILITIES	11 th February	18 th February	25 th February
Chair	Lindsay Roberts	Rod Hanson	Howard Osborne
Grace	David Dolman	Graeme Lock	Roy Parker
Sergeant	Doug Poole	Doug Poole	Doug Poole
Duties	Geoff Adcock	Charlie Cuneen	Colin Anderson
Fellowship	Doug Harrison Carolyn Robinson	Roy Parker Peter Jeffery	Rita O'Brien Stephen Moss
Program	Peter Cox - Eaglehawk Ward Councillor	Jack Lavery - Bendigo Gliding Club	RYLA - Nadia McCoomb

Apologies to President Alf by Tuesday 6.00pm for catering numbers. 5447 0465

President Alf welcomed our Guest Speaker **Ashlee Fry**, who attended the Skandia Weekend. Also welcomed Chairman **P.E. John Jones**, visitor - **Peter Kennedy**, President of Rotary Club of Bendigo Strathdale. Swap Meeting finalisation meeting to be held on Monday Night. Camp Get-Away meeting at All Seasons next Wednesday at 12 noon.

Secretary Rob reported that P.P. Lionel Pavey, of the Rotary Club of Kyneton, passed away last night. Apologies were received from: Joe Cogo, Peter Cox, David Dolman, Peter Jeffery, Bill Orde, Heather Ridge, Carolyn Robinson and Sarah Wainwright.

Reports: **Leon Scott** thanked members for attending Working Bee at Weeroona College on Saturday, they were finished by 9 a.m.

Wayne McAuliffe: Informed members that there will be a Working Bee at Neangar Park Pony Club Saturday week, 14th February, 8 a.m. start, may go all day. Wayne has Registration forms and Money Boxes etc. for Relay for Life.

Doug Harrison handed out application forms for Working With Children Checks. Members and Partners should have this certificate if they do anything through Rotary that involves children.

Howard Osborne reported that Tai Air have donated four air fares for the Rose Students, so only have to pay for one fare.

Chairman **John Jones** introduced guest speaker **Ashlee Fry** who had attended the Skandia event weekend. Ashlee is a student at the Bendigo Senior Secondary College. Ashlee thanked the Club for sponsoring her for this event, she had a very enjoyable time, meet a lot of interesting people, made friends and learnt a lot.

It was an early start, travelling to Melbourne for registration at the Crown Casino, this was followed by an Australia Day Luncheon at the Crown. Kevin Rudd spoke, met the skipper of the Yacht Skandia, Jeffrey Rush, Peter Smith John Blackmore and many other celebrities. Ashlee showed photos of some of these people. That evening was a Barbeque, with the opportunity to get to know and make friends with other students. Saturday, visited Docklands, saw Sand Sculptures, met the crew of the Yacht Skandia. Tour of factory to see how yachts are made. Stayed with the Rotary Club of Brighton North.

Sunday was an early start at 7.30 a.m. Groups were given their Yachts to travel from Williamstown to Geelong which took 4 to 5 hours, the time went very quickly as everyone was busy, all yachts were the same, this was to prove that it was the crew that made the difference. Almost collided with another yacht whilst they were tacking.

The crew were all under 25 years, they were very helpful. Ashlee's yacht finished fourth and received a wonderful reception when crossing the finish line. Had the presentations in Geelong followed by a tour of the yacht Skandia. Ashlee then presented a cheque for \$500 from Skandia to say thankyou to the Club for nominating students.

Walter Lourie won the bottle of wine, proceeds going to Relay for Life

CALENDAR		
DATE	EVENT	ORGANISER
14 th March	Working Bee at Neangar Pony Club – 8am start	Leon Scott 5446 8498
12-14 March	Rotary District 9800 Conference – Launceston, Tasmania	

Membership:

Continuing our theme of recent weeks, our longest serving member is Roy Parker. The Club was chartered on the 8th of August 1966, and Roy Parker became a Rotarian on that day, followed a short time later by Vin Walshe

Apart from these two, we have 11 other members with more than 30 years membership, plus a further five who have been with us for more than 20 years.

It is only in recent years that Rotary membership was opened up to women, although Eaglehawk has always considered the wives/partners to be as much a part of the Club as members. Our first elected female Rotarian was Rosie Coleman in 1996, and we now include seven in our official numbers, plus our wives/partners. In 2010/11 we expect to have our first female President.



Update on Conference information

1. The Registration Deadline is 12th February 2009 - 14 days away, so register now to avoid missing out.
2. Latest detailed information is constantly being updated on our Conference Website: www.rotarynthalwyn.org/conference
3. You will need to make your own arrangements for your Club Dinners on the Friday evening, 13th March.
4. Conference attendees may collect their registration name badges, programmes and conference kits from 12 noon, Wednesday, 11th March from the Reception Room, ground floor, Hotel Grand Chancellor, 29 Cameron Street, Launceston.
5. To attend the first Plenary Session on Thursday 12th March (commences at 12.15 for a 1.00 pm start), delegates will have to have collected their Name Badges from the Hotel Grand Chancellor.
6. We will have paramedics present at all official Conference functions to ensure a prompt "first response" for any injury or illness.
7. Details of the Sunday church services being held in Launceston on Sunday, 15th March will be printed in the Conference Booklet.
8. Clubs wishing to distribute hand-out material are invited to place them on the Information Table in the House of Friendship (no distribution is permitted by the Princess Theatre management).
9. Dress for the Gala Dinner on Saturday night, 14th March, at Clarendon House, is "Black Tie Preferred".
10. Child-minding services are available by prior booking at www.babysittersrus.com.au. or by phoning Megan Beasy on 0438 713 735.

Hi All

Just to bring you all up to date regarding the fires and how it may have affected us.

To my knowledge at this stage, all club members, both full and honorary, are safe and well; however the bad news is that Norm Kenyon has lost his house; the fire also threatened Geoff Adcock's home and I understand he has lost a fence but the house has only been singed so the damage is light.

There was an information meeting at the Eaglehawk Town Hall today at 3pm and Wayne McAuliffe and I attended. The information that came out of that meeting is that the fire was officially contained, most roads in the area were being opened up again apart from a few streets that still posed a danger or the police had investigations to perform. A recovery centre for those affected by the fire was operating at the Kangaroo Flat Elderly Citizens Centre but will move to the Eaglehawk Elderly Citizens centre tomorrow morning.

Immediate emergency grants of \$1000 were and are available all emergency services were in place including accommodation, so there was not a great deal that we as a club could offer at that stage. I did leave my contact number with the coordinator, with the information that Rotary is ready to assist where we can and she indicated she will contact me tomorrow.

That is about all we can do at this stage but you can be sure we will be able to help out once the situation is clarified. I think the first thing we need to do is to be ready to organise working bees to assist Norm in clearing his block, when it is time to do this, and to see if Geoff also needs some assistance.

If there is any need to do so, I will bring you a further update prior to Wed, otherwise we will discuss our action on Wednesday.

Regards

President Alf