

# ROTARY CLUB OF BURNIE

## THE BULLETIN

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**ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE**

**THEME FOR 2017-18:**

**ROTARY MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

**Invocation**

**For good food, for good fellowship, may the  
giver of all our blessings make us truly thankful.**

**ROTARY MONTH: SEPTEMBER – Basic Education & Literacy**

**Duty Roster - SEPTEMBER 2017:**  
**George Austin - David Bennett - Themba Bulle**

PROGRAM: Elizabeth Kinneir-Tarte

11 – SEPT - 17	DG Tony Colman		Greens
18 – SEPT - 17	Adele Britton	School of special education	Greens
25 – SEPT - 17	Lisa Martin	Hellyer, supporting education.	Greens
2 – OCT - 17	Wayne Richards	SES	Greens
9 – OCT - 17	Burnie Art Gallery	Tas Art Exhibition	Greens
16 – OCT - 17	Nancy Arnold	Community Care	Greens
<b>Any ideas for speakers then please call Elizabeth on - 0427 376 747</b>			

**Apologies - If you are unable to attend for any reason please notify Carolyne at BRL (6431 6333; or email [carolyne.sullivan@alsglobal.com](mailto:carolyne.sullivan@alsglobal.com)) by midday on Monday. Failure to do so will mean you are still responsible for the cost of the meal.**

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

S E P T E M B E R	Birthdays		Wedding Anniversary		Rotary Anniversary	
	5	Murray O'CONNOR 1948				
	7	Stanley FRENCH 1938	11	Robert/Kathy BENTLEY	11	John GLEN 2006
	12	Geoffrey McLEAN 1945				
	14	Nigel MORGAN 1975				
	15	Dorothy MUIR				
	27	Ken MOORE 1949				

**Sausage Sizzle: Bruce Clark/Doug Forrest**

DATE	#1 - PICK UP GEAR	#2 - PICK UP MEAT	
09 - SEPT	George Austin	David McCarthy	
16 - SEPT	Barrie Crawford	Ian Guest	
23 - SEPT	Nigel Morgan	Paul Kearney	
30 - SEPT			

**President - Nigel Morgan**  
 President Nigel is an apology tonight

**Secretary - George Austin**

- Secretary George filled in for president Nigel.
- George welcomed our guest speaker and Latrobe Rotarian PP Frans Ammerlaan to the meeting.
- We received an email from Rotary Health which has been forwarded on to Themba Bulle then to Wayne Licht.
- John Packham has sent in a letter of resignation saying that at 85 years old he needs to slow down a bit.
- The DG has contacted George concerning membership. George as a result has put a challenge to the members to bring at least one guest to a meeting.

- Some membership dues are still outstanding, please pay them at your earliest convenience.

**SaveALife- Ken Moore**

Many months ago, we contacted the Heart Foundation to explain the Savealife fund raising program to them. We have now received a message telling us that they fully endorse our program and that it has been written into their guidelines. They also advised not to give up on TGA approval but to pursue it via our parliament representatives.

**Rotary information - John Glen**

**ROTARY'S CAUSES**

Rotary International has six core interests in providing a better World for all. I will introduce each of these over the following weeks. These are:

- Promoting peace 14 August 2017
- Fighting disease 28 August 2017
- Providing clean water - 3 July 2017
- Saving mothers and children
- Supporting education
- Growing local economies 24 July 2017

**Directors Reports**

**Youth Service - Stephanie Prendergast**

- Burnie Highschool have been cleaning their library and are going to dispose of hundreds of non-fiction books, perhaps Library aid international may be able to use them in their program.
- A "Drop Box" has been organised for board members so they can peruse meeting documents and mail at their leisure.
- Rotary district also has a "Drop Box".

**International Service - John Glen**

John is an apology tonight.

**Community Service - Themba Bulle**

**Vocational Service - Wayne Licht**

We will not be doing the Burnie show gates this year.

**Program Director - Elizabeth Kinneir-Tarte**

The Burnie Coastal Art Group's ever popular annual exhibition 'TasArt', now in its 39th year, continues attracting well-known local and interstate artists.

The exhibition includes works in all mediums with guest artist's work on display, exhibition dates are Saturday, 23 September 2017 to Saturday, 14 October 2017 inclusive.

The Burnie Rotary Club have been invited to have an evening there on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October, partners and friends are invited.

**Attendance: Graeme Muir**

- Apologies: Doug Forrest, Paul Kearney, John Glen and Nigel Morgan
- Make up: John Glen
- Leave of Absence: Adam Coles and Kay Lord
- Guests: Frans Ammerlaan
- Present: ...18 Excused: 1 Make Ups: 1 Total: **Percentage: 76.9%**

**RAFFLE WINNERS: Bruce Clark and Allan Jamieson. 2<sup>nd</sup> week in a row for Bruce and he has only been back from overseas for 2 meetings!**

**LAST WEEKS MEETING**

Allan Jamieson introduced IPP of Latrobe Rotary club Frans Ammerlaan to the meeting. Frans is one of those rare people that have a photographic memory and is therefore extremely good at languages.

He is one of 6 siblings of whom 3 are alive. 2 have passed away due to the effects of the incarceration. After WW2, the family became refugees and were transported to Australia in 1945, the first 50 Dutch refugees to arrive in Freemantle. They were repatriated to the Netherlands in 1946 and migrated back to Australia in 1953. He married, had 4 children; remarried, acquiring 4 more and took in 2 young adults for a total of 10 children. Most are now resident in Tasmania which island state they have adopted as their own. He cofounded a new technology of language acquisition which is now nationally accredited. He is currently involved in a Master's degree in Linguistics.



**Wayne Licht discussing the meeting with Frans Ammerlaan**

Frans was born on the family plantation in Indonesia on the island of Java formally the Netherlands, East Indies in 1935. His early life very laid back having servants to do the menial tasks, grey up with a silver spoon in his mouth so to speak. He was on the plantation when the Japanese invaded and watched his grandfather dig his own grave before he was executed. He and his family were placed into a concentration camp where he stayed for 3.5 years. Frans fought to rid himself from the curse of the nightmares he experienced as these impacted on his ability to learn, to relate to others and “normalise” his emotions. His release from these mind demons came to him at a beach in South Australia where he gave forgiveness to the people that committed the atrocities he had witnessed.

One of the major outcomes of all this was a new way of teaching languages, so Frans wrote the book “Languages are learnt from the Mother”. Another book Frans has written is “Post Traumatic Stress” which has been taken up by the Australian Army to help with returned soldiers.

### **Weekly Funnies**

I talked to a homeless man this morning and asked him how he ended up this way.

He said, "Up until last month, I still had it all...I had plenty to eat, my clothes were washed and pressed, I had a roof over my head, I had TV and Internet, and I went to the gym and the library.

I was working on my MBA on-line. I had no bills and no debts. I even had full medical coverage."

I felt sorry for him, so I asked, "What happened? Drugs? Alcohol? Divorce?" "Oh no, nothing like that," he said, "No, no.... I was paroled!

### **How do court stenographers keep a straight face?**

ATTORNEY: This myasthenia gravis, does it affect your memory at all?

WITNESS: Yes.

ATTORNEY: And in what ways does it affect your memory?

WITNESS: I forget.

ATTORNEY: You forget? Can you give us an example of something you forgot?

ATTORNEY: Do you recall the time that you examined the body?

WITNESS: The autopsy started around 8:30 PM.

ATTORNEY: And Mr. Denton was dead at the time?

WITNESS: If not, he was by the time I finished.

ATTORNEY: Now doctor, isn't it true that when a person dies in his sleep, he doesn't know about it until the next morning?

WITNESS: Did you actually pass the bar exam?