

# 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: NOVEMBER – THE ROTARY FOUNDATION**

**Duty Roster - NOVEMBER 2017:**  
**Jim Forsyth - John Glen - Ian Guest**  
**PROGRAM: Elizabeth Kinneir-Tarte**

20 – NOV - 17	Fiona Onslow	Elderly Care	Burnie RSL
27 – NOV - 17			Burnie RSL
04 – DEC - 17			Burnie RSL
10 – DEC - 17	Christmas Function	\$10 Secret Santa	ILUME Restaurant
11 – DEC - 17	No Meeting		
18 – DEC - 17	Breakfast Meeting		Wellers Inn
25 – DEC - 17	Public Holiday		

**Any ideas for speakers then please call Elizabeth on - 0427 376 747**

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

**Birthdays & Anniversaries**

NOVEMBER	Birthdays		Wedding Anniversary		Rotary Anniversary	
	13	Helena McLEAN				
	13	Wayne LICHT 1959			27	Wayne LICHT 2006
	22	Glenda Bennett				
	25	Themba BULLE				

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

DATE	#1 - PICK UP GEAR	#2 - PICK UP MEAT	
11 – Nov - 17	Nigel Morgan	David Bennett	
18 – Nov - 17	Graeme Wood	David McCarthy	
25 – Nov - 17	Paul Kearney	Barry Crawford	
2 – DEC - 17	Allan Jamieson	David McCarthy	
9 – DEC - 17			
16 – DEC - 17			

**President - Nigel Morgan**

- President Nigel was an apology this, unfortunately his father had a fall and broke his leg. We wish him a painless and speedy recovery.

**Secretary - George Austin also filled in as President**

- This year's Christmas function will be a lunch at ILUME Restaurant Bass High Boat Harbour. Starting time will be 12.00 for 12.30 pm and we will be having a Secret Santa again this year. Gifts should be Unisex and less than \$10 in value. The cost will be \$50.00 per person. Nigel will provide the menu in due course.
- George welcomed our guests, DG tony Coleman and his wife Elizabeth, ADG Nigel Pedley from Smithton and John Kirwan from the Royal Flying Doctor Service.
- We will be meeting at the Burnie RSL for the next 3 weeks to assess the venue.

- We will be running a BBQ on Saturday for the Pharmacy in the Arcade in Burnie. We have borrowed the BBQ unit from UTAS and we require 3 volunteers.
- Ten people attended the film night fund raiser and raised \$50 for PolioPlus.

### Science and Engineering Challenge 2018

Even though it's not till late May, already, in just a few weeks the registrations from schools to compete have filled nearly all spots. This shows the importance schools place on the value of the Challenge; so: Volunteers are now being sought for the 2018 Tasmanian Challenge Series.

The 2018 Tasmanian Challenge Series will be held on the following dates in these regions:

#### Burnie

Monday 28th and Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May. (possibly) Marist Regional College. **Science and Engineering Tasmanian Super Challenge. Launceston**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> June. Newnham Campus, University of Tasmania. (Old cafeteria and the Drama Auditorium)

**RAFFLE WINNERS:** DG Tony Coleman and Ian Guest (Ian donated his wine back to the club).

#### Attendance:

- Apologies: Robert Bentley, Doug Forrest, Nigel Morgan, Geoff McLean, Jay Kotay and Paul Kearney
- Make ups: Doug Forrest and Nigel Morgan
- Leave of Absence: Kay Lord and Adam Coles
- Sick Leave:
- Guests: DG Tony Coleman and Liz Coleman, Jocelyn Wood, Kuniko Jamieson ADG Nigel Pedley  
Guest speaker: John Kirwan RFDS.
- Present: ...18      Excused: 1    Make Ups: 2    Total: 21    **Percentage: 77.7%**

#### Graeme Muir

	Youth Service	Community	International	Vocational
Directors	Stephanie Prendergast	Themba Bulli	Kay Lord & John Glenn	Wayne Licht
	Robert Bentley Liz Kinneir-Tarte Allan Jamieson David McCarthy Graeme Muir	David Bennett Doug Forrest Ian Guest Geoff McLean John Pease	George Austin Barrie Crawford Jim Forsyth Ken Moore Murray O'Connor	Paul Kearney Nigel Morgan Roopa Mulik Graeme Wood Bruce Clark

### LAST WEEKS MEETING

This week we were treated to three speakers. The first of which was John Kirwan from The Royal Flying Doctor Service, then our District Governor Tony Coleman followed later by Elizabeth Coleman the wife of our DG.

**John Kirwan** Gave us brief history of RFDS in Tasmania. The Beginning was in 1928 on the mainland as depicted on our \$20 note but did not have a presence in Tasmania until 1960 with strong support from aero clubs and did not have its own plane until 1993 and is currently based at the Launceston airport.

Tasmania has regionally dispersed population with 33% living outside Hobart and Launceston, we have an aging population and has the highest rate of premature deaths mainly in rural areas.

The RFDS Tasmania's vision is to improve health outcomes for all Tasmanians by focusing on the health needs of remote and rural Tasmanians

**DG Tony Coleman** took us through a presentation by World President Ian Riseley.

The Rotary board are committed to improving support for clubs and endeavouring to communicate a consistent brand and getting more recognition in the public arena.

Clubs boards need to push succession planning to encourage members to take up district roles and become active at a state level.

The average age of Rotarians in Tasmania is too high, the average is 71 years old but at the same time the gender balance could be raised from its current low level of 27%, Burnie's average would be lower still so an obvious area that could be improved.

**Elizabeth Coleman** presented the need for children to be encouraged to read at an early age to develop literacy skills this is achieved by reading books to them at bed times and encouraging them to read by donating books to children and learning centres. Liz requested that every Rotarian bring a child's book to a meeting for donating to this worthy cause.



**District Governor Tony Coleman talking with PDG Ken Moore**

## Weekly Funnies

Brian and Jan were 85 years old and had been married for sixty years. Though they were far from rich, they managed to get by because they carefully watched their pennies.

Though not young, they were both in very good health, largely due to Jan's insistence on healthy foods and exercise for the last decade.

One day, their good health didn't help when they went on a vacation and their plane crashed, sending them off to Heaven.

They reached the pearly gates, and St. Peter escorted them inside. He took them to a beautiful mansion, furnished in gold and fine silks, with a fully stocked kitchen and a waterfall in the master bath. A maid could be seen hanging their favourite clothes in the closet. They gasped in astonishment when he said, 'Welcome to Heaven. This will be your home now.'

Brian asked Peter how much all this was going to cost. 'Why, nothing,' Peter replied, 'remember, this is your reward in Heaven.'

Brian looked out the window and right there he saw a champion-ship golf course, finer and more beautiful than any ever built on Earth...

'What are the greens fees?' grumbled Brian...

'This is heaven,' St. Peter replied. 'You can play for free, every day.'

Next, they went to the clubhouse and saw the lavish buffet lunch.

'Don't even ask,' said St. Peter to Brian. This is Heaven, it is all free for you to enjoy.'

Brian looked around and nervously asked Jan 'Well, where are the low fat and low cholesterol foods and the decaffeinated tea?'

'That's the best part,' St. Peter replied. 'You can eat and drink as much as you like and you will never get fat or sick. This is Heaven!'

'No gym to work out at?' said Brian

'Not unless you want to,' was the answer.

'No testing my sugar or blood pressure or...'

'Never again'

Brian glared at Jan and said, 'You and your healthy Bran Flakes. We could have been here ten years ago!'