

Rotary

CLUB OF BURNIE



CLUB NUMBER - 18437

THE BULLETIN

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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

President – Themba Bulle

Secretary - George Austin

Treasurer - David Bennett

Bulletin Editor – Allan Jamieson

INVOCATION

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

ROTARY MONTH: APRIL – MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH

Apologies: please call before 1:00 pm Monday

Dr Themba Bulle on 03 6432 2222 or George Austin on 0438 450 801

Duty Roster: Graeme MUIR & Dilani WIJESOORIYA

Club website: <http://www.burnierotary.org.au>

Date	Event or Speaker/Topic	Venue
APRIL 18	NO MEETING – EASTER MONDAY	--
APRIL 25	NO MEETING – ANZAC DAY	--
MAY 2	??	RSL
Ideas for speakers? Contact George Austin		

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES – APRIL 2022

	Birthdays		Wedding Anniversary		Club Anniversary
1	Aileen FORREST	24	Wayne/Sue-Ellen LICHT	6	Bruce CLARK
24	David BENNETT	28	Ken/Lois MOORE		

RAFFLE WINNER	David McCarthy
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ATTENDANCE	12 (46%)
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Pres. Themba:

- Welcome to visiting Rot'n Leanne Cullen
- Sec. George is an apology (a Covid victim?)
- We seek three or four volunteers to act as Marshals during the Anzac Day ceremony on Monday, April 25 at West Park (from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm)
- At last week's Board Meeting, it was decided to seek the views of our members regarding how best to make use of the monies we have in the Club accounts – see George's email on this subject dated 6 April. *Please let us know soon.*
- Also, *we are seeking ideas for new projects.*

Treas. David:

- At last week's Board Meeting, it was noted that the RSL has increased the cost to us of supplying our meals. The Board decided to charge \$25 per member per meeting, with this sum to *include* a raffle ticket.
- **THUS, FROM OUR NEXT MEETING, THE COST WILL BE \$25, NOT \$20.**

PP John Glen:

- . *Working with Vulnerable People*: Does every member have an up-to-date card? Without this, you cannot participate in any event involving children!!! Our club will be much stronger if everyone has this card.

PDG Ken:

- The ARH (Australian Rotary Health) Research Night event will be held in Burnie on Sat. May 14. The venue will soon be confirmed.
- There will be an auction held at the Research Night and all the money raised will contribute to a 3.5 year scholarship for a mental health researcher. The ARH and St Kilda Football Club have combined forces to set up The Danny Frawley Centre for Health & Wellbeing in 2022. The Coroner found that Danny, a much-loved St Kilda footballer, was battling depression when he crashed his car into a tree east of Ballarat in 2019.

PP Allan:

In response to this question from the floor – *When is the Forum to be held?* – Allan replied:

- The Group 7 Forum is intended to happen from 11:30 am to about 1:30 pm – lunch included – at the Wynyard Showgrounds on Sunday May 1st. Wynyard RC have been seeking an indication of the number likely to attend, but to-date, I have not received any further advice on this matter. I shall enquire.

{Allan contacted the Group 7 ADG, Philip McKenzie on 12 April: “YES, the Forum will take place as planned.”}

Guest Speaker: PP Allan Jamieson

Allan explained that Launceston resident, Mr Ben Hughes, gave us a presentation in late February on the subject of the **Men’s Table** movement. In brief:

Each **Men’s Table** creates a sense of belonging, community, peer support and camaraderie that is lacking for many men.

A **Men’s Table** begins with two or more men wanting to meet.

Membership of any Table is capped at twelve; there can be several Tables in any one town if demand warrants.

There are only a few simple rules:

There is one meeting a month at whatever time suits the particular group

You only need to bring your ears

No man is forced/required to speak

When any one man speaks, everybody else remains silent and listens

The only cost is the price of a meal

Pres. Themba wants to know if our club is willing to support the setting-up of a **Men’s Table** in Burnie. To that end, Allan contacted Ben Hughes last week. Ben replied as follows:

“I set up a Men’s Table in George Town last night; this is the 55th Table in Australia.

“A Table in Burnie will happen, it is just a matter of time and resources from my end. We have detected interest in Burnie and there is some funding that we can use. I feel we can *think* about starting in early July.”

Ben raised some issues that perhaps our club could help with:

- a) “The more connections I can make the better - Rotary Clubs, Lions Clubs, sports clubs, doctors surgeries, local media, local MP's.”

Allan asked if any member has a good contact in any local organisation, such that a ‘heads-up’ communication to that person might assist in promoting the value of Burnie having a Men’s Table. The alternative is for the Burnie Rotary club to mail out a letter to “To Whom It May Concern”, but with a lesser likelihood of success.

Responses:

- Wayne Licht said he could assist in this way
 - Doug Forrest referred to a group run (or led) by Glen Swain
 - The local Men’s Shed was suggested.
 - John Pease wondered if there might be any impact on the local Probus club
- b) “The other real help is identifying a local venue that is open on weekdays and has cheap eats and most importantly a private room to seat 12.”

Responses:

- ‘Thai Smiles’ has a small room that might be suitable.
 - ‘City Mission’ has the ability to assist, I think.
 - RSL
 - “Beach Hotel”
 - “Liv Eat” has a room upstairs.
- c) “A good way to spread the word is by sharing our website:
<https://themenstable.org/> “

Close 7:25 pm