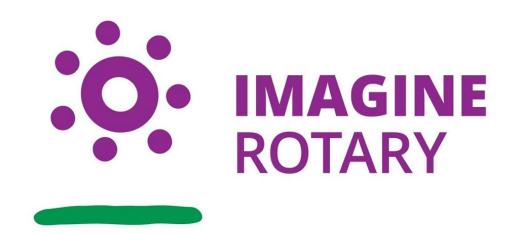


CLUB NUMBER - 18437

# THE BULLETIN

81<sup>ST</sup> YEAR - No 24 – DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup> 2022



President – Roopa Mulik 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: JANUARY – VOCATIONAL SERVICE**

# 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
Jan. 9	First meeting for 2023 – ??BBQ??	??
Jan. 16	??	??
Jan. 23	Jarred Ranson – Enterprize (Not For Profit Incubator).	RSL

#### BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES - JANUARY 2023

	Birthdays		Wedding Anniversary	Club Anniversary
13	Bruce CLARK 1942	3	Allan/Kuniko JAMIESON	
		19	George/Eleanor AUSTIN	

ATTENDANCE	16 (61.5%)
------------	------------

As this was our once-a-year breakfast meeting (0730 start) it was pleasing to note the good roll-up.

This being our last meeting before the Christmas break, we were thankful for the Invocation from Chaplain Chris Swain, who officiates at both Parklands and Wynyard High Schools.



From left, George and Paul compete to open a nonsense thingamajig, while PDG Ken looks on bemused. Everyone else, is calmly awaiting their scrambled eggs & bacon.



At bottom left, PP Nigel (and current Chairman) seems pleased with his arrangements for the meeting. Dilani and Leanne wait to get a word in.

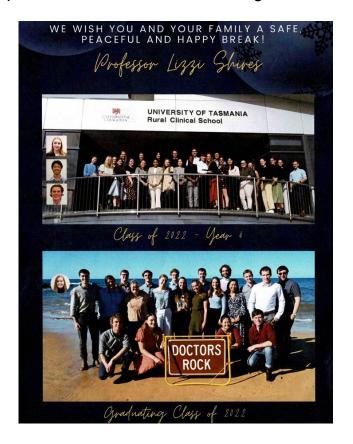


The men's end of the long table appears unaware that President Roopa has yet to arrive.

## Secretary George:

• We need to consider how to deal with the appeal (at our meeting on Nov. 28) by Burnie Work's Director, Rodney Greene, to help fund the Books in Homes, campaign in Burnie. Burnie Works encourages a love of reading by providing students in Burnie public primary schools and Child and Family Learning Centres with Launching-into-Learning programs whereby three new books of choice are given to young children in each of terms 1, 2 and 4 of the school year (thus nine books in total). The kids get to keep the books. Information is aimed at educating children and families about the uses of our local library. Rodney had said there is a need for around \$20,000 as seed capital.

- It was pointed out 'from the floor' that we could run a fund-raising event in 2023 with Books in Homes as the – prominently proclaimed – sole destination for the funds raised.
- The Bowls Night will be on **Thursday** 23 Feb. *NOT* a Monday!
- We received a thank-you card from Professor Lizzie Shires, Rural Clinical School. Our sponsored student, Olivia, is doing fine, we're told.



### **Guest Speaker:**

Burnie Boy, Chaplain Chris Swain described the nature of his workplace (high schools in Burnie & Wynyard).



Chaplaincy started for Chris in 2001 with a single day per week at Parklands HS. Today he is fully occupied – three days a week at Parklands and two at Wynyard

HS. Accompanying Chris are other public health specialists; a psychiatrist, youth worker, autism support persons, *etc.*.

Chris sees anxiety as a major problem and one that is becoming <u>more serious</u> with each year; suicide is not at all unusual and self-harm is ever-present. He argues that the physical and mental health of students is fairly well catered for, but spiritual health is lacking; where do I fit in life?; what is in store for me? .....?

At this point, Club President Roopa said; 'as a paediatrician, I must say that most of my patients are anxious – I have no medication for them! Can I send them to you, Chris?'

Schools do not have anywhere near the capability required to help all the kids who **need** help, Chris said. It is quite clear that the background to this huge problem lies with the parents, or the *lack* of a parent. In addition, social media's impact is definitely <u>negative</u>, *not* positive.

The Bulletin Editor realised with concern that school today is a vastly different environment to when he was a student 60 years ago!

#### ===//===

Owing to the Bulletin Editor's absence from last week's AGM, the financial statements for the year-ending June 30, 2002 were not included in that meeting's Bulletin. In summary, therefore:

#### Income & Expenditure

General Acct.	2022	2021
IN	\$26,271	\$21,214
OUT	\$26,765	\$11,730
Club Acct.		
IN	\$27,908	\$21,631
OUT	\$25,166	\$21,208
<b>Combined Surplus</b>	\$2,247	\$9,907
Club Assets	\$36,438	\$34,190