

Rotary
CLUB OF BURNIE



CLUB NUMBER - 18437

THE BULLETIN

81ST YEAR - No 26 – JANUARY 16TH 2023



**IMAGINE
ROTARY**



President – Nigel Morgan
Secretary - George Austin
Treasurer - David Bennett
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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 WIJESORIYA

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

| Date | Event or Speaker/Topic | Venue |
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| Jan. 23 | ?? Maybe a representative from EVRG | RSL |
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BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES – JANUARY 2023

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

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| ATTENDANCE | 18 (69%) |
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Your editor was informed at this meeting that our club has a new President. In accord with a decision made, it seems, at last month’s AGM, former PP Nigel Morgan has taken over the reins from Roopa.

President Nigel:

- welcomed back our venerable (*i.e.*, longest serving member) PP Graeme Muir – “*Three cheers*” all round!
- invited PP Themba to introduce his Zimbabwean compatriots.

[The Editor’s struggle to understand what was said led him to label them A, B and C.]



From left: “A”, “B”, “C” and PP Themba

‘The Editor’s skill as a *Candid Camera* operator is embarrassingly evident’

Also present at the meeting was Dr Fariba Sani from Iran and her husband Mohammed, guests of Leanne and Mandy.

Secretary George:

George has lost none of his longstanding brilliance, regaling us with a convoluted, exceedingly long explanation of some email confusion he experienced recently.

- After coming back to reality, he expressed pleasure with the BBQ experience last week at the Rhodo gardens – a sentiment we all shared. Rot'n Wayne Richards is to be thanked for his considerable input in arranging the event.
- While in Hobart last week, George paid a visit to former Burnie Rotarian, PP Graeme Wood, whose wife Jocelyn is struggling with confusion. Graeme has 'stage 4' cancer.
- Our 2023 Bowls night on Thursday 23rd February, is anticipated to be the last such event catered for by the Inner Wheel ladies. Many Rotarians from clubs along the coast have attended these events simply in order to enjoy the expert catering provided by the ladies. We are facing the end of an outstanding era!

Fines Master: PP Barrie Crawford

Barrie dredged up a goodly collection of fines. Your editor was asked to justify how he could mistakenly identify one of our club members by name. Allan felt he had a 50% chance of guessing correctly, but he paid the fine because Mandy had joined us over 12 months ago! He pleaded with Mandy to henceforth limp whenever she walks.

Slime Challenge: Leanne Cullen

Planning is well underway for this event, to be held on Sunday Feb. 12th (with the set-up effort needed on Sat. 11th). A roster will be drawn up at next week's meeting. The set-up itself might need 6~8 people. We will also put on a sausage BBQ.

Golf Day: Paul Kearney

This will be held at Seabrook GC on March 19th. A committee meeting will be held at the RSL next Monday at 4:30 pm.

Emu Valley Rhododendron Gardens:

Sec. George advised that he and Allan had been alerted to the fact that the Rotary sign, which had been placed on the rock-wall at the entrance to the gardens in 1993, was no longer visible. Our club had built that wall!

Allan explained that Geoff Wood, EVRG Manager, has promised to track down the sign and arrange to have it re-erected. Geoff had also informed Allan that the EVRG is in desperate need of support and is in danger of shutting down.

The members expressed concern at this news and requested that a representative of EVRG address us at our next meeting, so that we can best understand what kind of assistance we can best provide.

Australia Day BBQ:

Burnie Council will host an event at BAFC on Jan. 26 and we have been asked to run a BBQ from 10:30 am; about 250 people are expected to attend.