



ROTARY CLUB OF HAWTHORN



Tuesday 20 April 2010

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Meetings

Hawthorn Receptions
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Tuesdays 12:30pm for
1:00pm (Finish 2.00pm)

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Bulletins etc available from:
<http://groups.google.com/group/hawthorn-rotary/files>
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Bunnings BBQ—Sunday 25 April (ANZAC Day) From Noon

- One more volunteer needed 3.00-4.30pm
- Contact Neil Roberts 0418 105 587

Tuesday 27 April—Normal meeting

International House ‘Café International Circus’ Saturday 01 May

- 6.30 for 7.15pm
- \$75 per head
- Black tie
- Contact Bernie Walshe 0419 525 145 to join the Hawthorn table

Sunday 02 May—Fellowship Visit to Rosbacks’ Farm

- Gourmet BBQ Lunch—BYOG—\$20—help RCH causes!
- See last week’s Bulletin for details
- If you want to join the gathering, please contact David Pisterman 0447 323 593 or pisterman41@pacific.net.au

Business Innovation (Ron Carr) Awards—Tuesday 04 May LUNCH meeting

Tuesday 11 May—Normal meeting, but *watch for change of venue*

Sumba Eye Program 2010—Wednesday evening 16 June

- Hawthorn Town Hall
- Includes charity auction
- Run by Rotary Club of Glenferrie
- More details soon

Changeover Night—Thursday 24 June

Boroondara Paper 15 April Breakfast Meeting

Law, Order & Community

The Boroondara Paper Breakfast Meeting is becoming a big event in our Rotary Calendar, and big names are part of the allure.

We had the incomparable Tony Charlton as our MC, and we had brief speeches from our President (Neil Roberts), our District Governor (Colin Muir) and our Boroondara Mayor (Jack Wegman).



We had a hot breakfast – maybe an unusual treat for many of us!

Most of the men wore ties. Many members of our Cluster clubs brought guests. No-one seemed to be visibly bleary-eyed, despite the early start time of 6.45 for 7am.



And we heard from a pillar of our caring society – Frank Vincent, son of a wharfie, who told us that when he retired last year, his name changed from Justice Frank Vincent back to simple Frank Vincent. But that did not prevent him from drawing on his huge career in the law and giving us an interesting range of observations on the litany of issues such as

- Balancing the rights and responsibilities of the state against those of the individual – and how this balance is continually changing.
- The exercise of judicial discretion
- The anguish of sentencing
- Could there be a better system for appointing judges?

Was there a simple message for us? Only, for me, that the complexity of our society precludes any simple answer to any big question.

Congratulations to Bernie Walshe, chief organiser of this year's Boroondara Paper!



(By Lawrence Reddaway)

Annette Bennet, scientist, teacher – 'Behind the member'

Annette has had several careers. We know of Annette as wife of our member Sandy, as mother of their two daughters, and as Principal of Kingswood College since 2002. But today we learned from her about the career that she started upon when graduating from the University of Melbourne with a double major in Chemistry and Biochemistry – her career as a scientist, active and dynamic in the medical world.



We were spared scientific details, and we were treated to a description of Annette's response to her working environments, and how she developed through her careers. A few examples will have to suffice:

- Working at the Alfred Hospital in the 1960s, straight after graduating, and frequently being on-call at night, coming to work in a deserted laboratory as part of the team working, against the clock, to save the life a real, breathing, suffering human patient.
- Learning about responsibility – the need to do the tests accurately, with someone's life in your hands.
- Working at the frontier of medical progress – like transplanting a pig's liver into humans.
- Learning about workplace relationships, respect and authority. ('The lady boss who sat in the corner office and shouted instructions.')
- Moving to Wollongong with Sandy, and her dentist's brother inviting her to work at the hospital.
- A growing delight in showing students what science really can be – leading to an M.Ed. and to teaching at Kingswood.

What a life of accomplishment – still ongoing. Annette: we're proud to have you in our midst – even if it is only as a 'partner behind the member'. Surely, we should change that to 'partner beside the member'.

As a delicious sub-plot, it was great to have present Adam and Shane McInnes, one time star pupils of Annette at Kingswood.

(By Lawrence Reddaway)

People

Good to see **Vic Burns** back with us, off the sick list.

Best wishes to **Joan Janka & Ian** on their trip to Morocco & Italy.
(But commiserations to Joan on her injured foot.)

Great to hear that **Geoff Hayes** is on the mend after some excellent medical detective work (led by our own Kevin Rose) found an insulinoma on his pancreas, which was duly removed by surgery. **Meredith**, who hustled the medical system into quick action, is greatly relieved!

At lunch, President Neil thanked

- **Bernie Walshe** for triumphing with the Boroondara Paper; and
- **Ian Warren** for the successful January tennis parking raffle.

At the Boroondara Paper Breakfast:

- It was good to see **Peter Linley** (hoping for a good experience with new medication), and **Alistair Troedel** (clarifying the precise nature of his familial relationship with **Phil Slobom**).
- Congratulations to the raffle winners, including **Jill Weeks** and **Cheryl Pisterman**.

The Club commiserates with **Charles Morrison** on the recent death of his grandson.

This Week's Meeting:

Attendance: 38 Members + 5 Guests = 43 Total

Guest Speaker: Annette Bennet (Principal, Kingswood College)

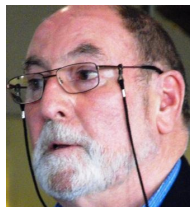
Guests of Members: Adam McInnes, Jacinta McInnes, Shane McInnes Noel McInnes), Annette Bennet (Sandy Bennet)

Visiting Rotarians: nil

Other Guests: nil

Thanks to: Barry Pratt (Sergeant), Henry Drury (Chair), Noel McInnes (Raffle Donor)

Congratulations: Brian Reid (Raffle Winner)



Apologies

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CHRISTOFFELSZ J

DAVEY Geoffrey
GROOM Richard
HALFORD Noel
LOGAN Richard

POHL Ian
SHORE Dennis
STEWART Phil
WEEKS Jill

Make-Ups: .Richard. Groom (RC Clayton 19/4, RC Glenferrie 20/4). Ian Pohl (Boroondara Cares Committee 6/4). Lawrence Reddaway (RC Bright 8/4)

Around

The

Club

Dress Code—is *The Shadow's* campaign winning?

As part of *The Shadow's* long term campaign for relaxed dress codes, he carried out an ad-hoc survey: About half the men at our meeting were wearing no ties! Yes, we are making progress!

Naming The Piggy Bank

Another suggestion emerged during lunch on Tuesday: How about 'Silvester' (since it collects Silver coins)? *The Shadow* believes this idea emanated from David Pisterman.

Rafferty's Raffle Rules?

It seemed like a scam, but fortunately it proved to be legitimate:

- 'The winning raffle number is 58.'
- No response.
- Until Meredith Hayes calls out 'It's Brian Reid'. Placing rightful trust in the word of our President-Elect, the bottle of wine is given to Brian.
- Only then does Brian find the vital ticket - numbered 58.

Sausages & Mash—time to end a tradition?

The Shadow enjoys an occasional sausage, but he also reckons that the appearance of two large sausages on a bed of mashed potato is not the best meal in our annual menu. The rumour is that the late lamented Reg Harris led a lobby group for this dish to be retained. *The Shadow* advocates in the other direction. Who will join *The Shadow* in this effort to alleviate the hearts, the minds, and the stomachs of our great club?

The Shadow

Housekeeping						
(If you cannot perform your duty, please find a replacement. Or call Norman Hall 0401 100 177)						
Date	Setting Up	Badges	Front Desk	Grace	Raffle	Clearing Up
27 April	Geoff Wright	Max Brenner	Brian Reid	Ian Macfarlane	J. Christoffelsz	S. O'Donoghue
			Ian Hamilton			Bill Troedel
04 May	John Gowers	Ken McNamara	R. Bainbridge	Dennis Shore	R. Groom	Noel McInnes
			Ian Hamilton			L. Reddaway

Forthcoming Speakers					
Date	Topic	Speaker	Organisation	Chair	
April 27	The Journey of a Quilt	Ros Brown	Victorian Quilters, Charity Auxiliary, Royal Chil-	David Rosback	
Precursor to our great Quilt Show in September.					
May 04	LUNCH—not dinner! - Meeting		Boroondara Business Innovation Awards		
Business Innovation Award (<i>in memory of Ron Carr</i>). Each year the City of Boroondara and the Rotary Club of Hawthorn recognize and reward a business that has demonstrated success in a product or service innovation.					
May 11	The Lyceum Club – its History, a President's Life and a Few Anecdotes	Annie James	Immediate Past President, the Lyceum Club	Brian Reid	
Annie was recently president of the Lyceum Club, Melbourne for two years and, although it is a private club, will tell some of its history and the challenges and pleasures of being associated with such a strong institution.					
May 18	Member Behind The Badge	Colin Crawford	Club Member	Gerry Cantwell	
An always-popular part of our program!					
May 25	Genetic Testing: the Science, Applications and Ethics	Jason Major	Manager Technyou	John Higgins	
Our genes can reveal a lot about us. As our understanding about genes, their function and how to manipulate them rapidly grows what societal implications will this have? How do we want to use this knowledge? What are the risks and can they be managed in acceptable ways?					
June 01	Rideability Victoria (formerly Riding for The Disabled)	Colin Simpson	Vice Chairman & Treasurer	Geoff Wright	
Programs operate in 44 centres across Victoria, catering for 1350 riders and carriage drivers, and aims to enrich the quality of life of people with special needs through committed volunteers and innovative programs with horses.					

Leave of Absence		Second Bite Roster			
		April	24	ANZAC Weekend	No Collection
		May	01	Ian Hamilton	Norman Hall
		May	08	Richard Groom	David Rush
		May	15	Geoff Dumayne	Ian Stoney