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March is Rotary's Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Month

*Tonight; New member Induction,
Meredith Jaffé, Festival Director for Storyfest,
Leonie Smith on PETS,
Helena Zuil, 5 minuter.*

Future Programs:

**Friday – Saturday and Sunday 6-7-8
March 2020 District Conference at DLC**

10 Mar: NO MEETING, to encourage members to help with the District Conference, register and attend.

17 Mar: TBA

24 Mar; Special dinner at the Dunn Lewis Centre in support of Bushfires affected restaurants \$45 a head

Partners' Night

2-course meal, alternate mains and dessert.

Very accurate numbers are needed.

Mains: both come with potatoes & roast vegetables

- Salmon with creamy spinach OR
- Roast sirloin with red wine sauce

Dessert:

- Pecan pie & cream OR
- Chocolate brownie & ice cream

PLEASE NOTIFY apologies and guests to Ed Zonneveldt on 0407 958 516, edzonneveldt1@optusnet.com.au BY 12 NOON ON MONDAY.

Club's Calendar

6-7-8 Mar	Fri - Sun	District Conference At Dunn Lewis Centre 'Roaring 20s'
21 Mar	Sat	000 Ball
7 Mar	Sat	Milton Show steak bar, help
20 Mar	Fri	Bunnings BBQ, help-Epilepsy
28 Mar	Sat	Princess Ball
10 Apr		Our Club is turning 60
12 Apr	Sun	BOF Festival
19 Apr	Sun	Tennis v Lions
30 Apr 1, 2, 3 May	Thur - Sun	Entertainers
24 May	Sun	Swap Meet
31 May	Sun	60th Anniversary Lunch at DLC, 12 noon for 1:00pm. Please put the date in your diary \$50 for a 3-course meal, complimentary drink on arrival and Tea-Coffee

Birthdays: 4 Mar; Kerry Hozack, 9 Mar; Jenny Cantrill, 13 Mar; Deb Fondacaro
Anniversaries: 8 Mar; Catherine and Peter Hughes, 14 Mar; Ali and Col Tyquin.

Sponsors' money needed asap, for the 60th History Book, please.

Report on meeting of 25 February 2020

Sergeant at Arms Ian Tibbles welcomed members and guests, AG Phil Presgrave, Jan Pryde, Julie Webster, Tracy Bindley & Guest Speaker Patrick Berkery from BlazeAid, Jonathan Benyei, Christine Bell, Jan Shalhoub and Louise Garrett.

President Stephen Hladio informed members of the arrival of the Caravan of Hope, it has been allocated to David Bland a local resident for his use, while he rebuilds on his land at Little Forest Road. The Caravan of Hope will then travel to Burrill Lake Holiday Haven for family affected to use for holidays. **John Goggins** than spoke on the travels of the van and how it will be used in the area.

PP Tim Gregory handed over a cheque for \$7,000 from the sales of the Christmas trees for 2019. Thank you, Tim & Genelle Gregory, and all involved with the Christmas trees.

Community Service Director Yvonne Young spoke on upcoming working bees for Mullala and Rotary Park details to follow.

PP Brian Morrison informed members of the Blessing of the Fleet dance practice has started and set up for the Blessing of the Fleet Ball will be on Friday 20th March 2020. Roster to handed out shortly.

AG Phil Presgrave presented **Jan Shalhoub, Jan Pryde, Tracy Bindley and Patrick Berkery** "Service Above Self" Awards for their efforts during and after the recent Currowan Fire and BlazeAid help.

Coordinator Patrick Berkery from BlazeAid spoke on the idea behind Blaze Aid. So far 139 properties have registered with BlazeAid for fencing work. Volunteer crews are working throughout the area, mending and replacing fencing on rural properties. There are volunteers are working from Milton to Cobargo on fences and properties maintenance. The Blaze Aid organization are expected to be in the area for at least the next three months.

BlazeAid also focus on the mental health people on the land during the time of need. Some of the volunteers working for BlazeAid don't have any experience in Fencing & Maintenance so are learning on the job. Grey Nomads have also volunteered to assistance BlazeAid. Patrick thanked members for their assistance with BlazeAid, **Guy Porter** for supplying a PC, **Phil Brown** for stationary, **Ian Tibbles** for BBQ, **Craig Saunders** for clothing and **Emile Jansen** for donating a marquee.

Patrick thanked the Club for allowing him to speak on the Blaze Aid project and the goals of BlazeAid for the recovery program



John Goggins brought the Caravan of Hope to our area and presented the Caravan's relay baton to Pres Stephen



David Bland and Janey Cameron, in front of the Caravan of Hope, 27-2-2020



29-2-2020 Thank you to all the volunteers, involved with the stage and Castle

Thank you, Yvonne Young, for the meeting's report.

End of report