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Club's Website and Club's Facebook

March is Rotary's Water and Sanitation Month

Tonight: Club Assembly, come along and join in the discussions.

Future Programs:

April is Rotary's Environment Month

4 Apr; Henry Jones, Management of Osteoarthritis for mature age

Introduction: Guy Porter

Vote of Thanks: Avril Pryor

11 Apr; No Meeting

18 Apr; Sean Phillips; Returned Servicemen's League

Introduction: Tim Trescowthick

Vote of Thanks: Ross Wade

25 Apr; NO MEETING, ANZAC DAY

May is Rotary's Youth Service Month

2 May; His Excellency, Mr Ambassador Ufuk Gezer, Turkish Ambassador to Australia
Fundraising Night for the Earthquake Appeal.

☺ **Partners and Friends' Night**

☺ **Open to community members.**

\$30 per person, numbers needed.

BYOG. Please spread the word.

Club's Calendar

30 Mar		PETS and Learning-Development, Orange
31 Mar		Preregistration discount ends for the RI Convention
8 Apr	Sat	Taste of the Sea, Civic Centre Bar duties
9 Apr	Sun	Easter Sunday, Helpers - please
10 Apr		Our Club's Anniversary
25 Apr	Tues	Anzac Day Dawn Service and March
25 Apr	Tues	NO MEETING?
30 Apr	Sun	Men's Health Van
16-18 June		StoryFest
27-31 June		RI Convention Melbourne
30 July	Sun	Milton Mollies, Bar Duties
10 Oct		Hat Day, Lift The Lid on mental illness

Birthdays: 31 Mar; Dale Wilford, 1 Apr; Evelyn Foreman, 2 Apr; Ross Wade.

Anniversaries: None this week.

PLEASE NOTIFY apologies and guests to Louise Garrett, 0432 091 991 loumqarr@optusnet.com.au by NOON ON MONDAY.

If you don't notify your non-attendance, the club will need to charge you.

If your attendance is in doubt, please apologise and if you turn up, the caterer will not mind extras.

If a member nominated for a duty is unable to fulfil this function, or does not wish to do it, PLEASE arrange a replacement and let the Bulletin editor know.

Meeting report; 21 March 2023

President Bernard Jones opened the meeting and welcomed our guest speaker Captain Scott Palmer, HMAS Albatross Commanding officer, our Area Governor Adam de Toth and Ann Chapple.

A combined BOF Parade and Taste of the Sea flyer were made available by John Goggins, to be delivered in letterboxes.

Club toasted John Sattler and the Rotary Club of Savusavu.

Secretary Phil Brown said that himself, Pres Bernard and Ed Zonneveldt attended the Merimbula PETS, some of the subjects discussed; membership, Club runner, RF, Grants, Polio, Youth Protection current and new members, Insurance, Friendship, RC of Parks has flyers with future guest speakers which are delivered in town.

Thank you to Simon Brown, Jeff Franklin and Glenn Rowen for the street signs.

Avril Pryor, Youth Director, talked about Dream Cricket and is pushing the various Rotary programs at the High School.

Tim Trescowthick, International Director, advised the members of the Turkish Ambassador's visit to our club.

The car show is on hold till 2024 as for this year it will clash with other shows.

Almoner Bill Harris said that Gordon Young is still at Berry Rehab, Rob Powell is progressing well, Beryl Wade was in hospital and doing well.

President Bernard spoke on the Merimbula PETS; club image, membership, banners, badges (ask me about Rotary), Melbourne RI Convention, help is needed for the BOF Ball, Taste of the Sea at the Civic Centre, money spinner, BOF Parade, THANK YOU to Beck Cameron and Leonie Smith for their work on the BOF and finally, please members, come up with fundraising activities at next week's Club Assembly.

Brian Morrison introduced our guest speaker and was thanked by Glenn Rowen.

Captain Scott Palmer, Commanding officer of HMAS Albatross, gave us a brief summary of his journey in the Navy. Captain Scott's father was in the Airforce, his brother joined the Navy for a while and he joined thirty years ago.

Scott was attracted to the lifestyle, he had pilot training in WA, in 1999 he flew helicopters in East Timor, was posted in San Diego to teach flying Sea Hawks, he has landed and visited in 50 countries. He had a managerial role in Canberra, overall, he has spent half his career on the South Coast.

Captain Scott hopes with his experience to influence Navy personnel and is happy to be involved with community events.

Raffle winner was Gareth Davies and his number was drawn by Captain Scott.

John Goggins, on the BOF Parade, said that we have 80 stalls booked, which represents a double the usual number, stall marking requires six volunteers and the electrical wiring need to be checked, please help.



End of report.