

ROTARY CLUB OF SALE INC.



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R.I. President
William (Bill) Boyd
District Governor
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June 2007 – Rotary Fellowship Month

Chairman: Alan Lewis

PRESIDENTS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ashleigh House Garden. Many thanks to the small band of gardeners for assisting with the garden at Ashleigh House on Saturday morning. We achieved quite a lot and the place looks very nice now that the tall grasses and ivy have been taken back. Moving on we need a plan for the ongoing maintenance of the garden and after talks I've had with David Crouch we are both of the opinion that the Club should retain control of the maintenance issue to ensure that all of our hard work in establishing this garden is not lost to other peoples lack of understanding about what was intended. Anyway, Sue, David, Keith and myself will develop a plan to make sure the garden is maintained.

Invitation. We have received an invitation to attend a Bushfire relief volunteers function run by the Wellington Shire. Details in a flyer in this bulletin.

Reports. I'm one who's being a bit tardy in forwarding my annual report to Col. To all other Board and Committee chairs please attend to this as soon as possible.

Forest Edge Camp. On Saturday Janet and I went to the Youth Exchange Program orientation camp at Forest Edge north of Warragul. I was very impressed with the quality of the nominees for our District's student exchange program. They are a great bunch of kids. There were a number of returning exchange students and the current bunch of overseas students (most of whom were only weeks away from returning home). The differences between them are immediately obvious and indicate just what a remarkable program youth exchange is and the positive effects it has on the students in just a single year. There are a number of these camps for the Rotary Exchange students during the year and I would urge members to become acquainted with the program if not as a host parent then certainly in the organization and management of the program as a District committee member. Iain Stewart from the Rotary Club of Maffra will be the YEP Chairman for the coming year.

Guest Speaker: Robert Noble – Two Rivers and a Creek

Chairman, Alan Lewis, welcomed Robert back to the Club since his last visit as Assistant Governor and introduced Robert as the farmer from Boisdale with a special interest in water resources.

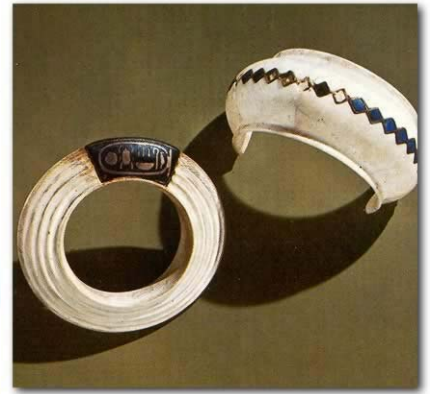
Robert commenced his talk by informing his audience of the topic of his presentation which is Two Rivers and a

Creek. He explained that it follows a recent visit to Egypt where he toured the Aswan Dam region and emphatically stated that the treasures of King Tutankhamen was a must see feature of Egypt. Robert pointed out that the pharaohs reigned Egypt from 3000BC to 500BC and that these are the only surviving treasures from that time as all the other Pharaohs' tombs were robbed.

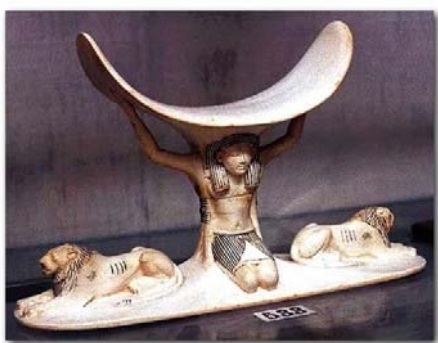


Gold Falcon pendant

Robert continued by giving some facts about the Aswan Dam. It was completed in 1970 at a cost of \$1 billion and is the second largest dam in the world with a capacity of nearly 6 trillion cubic feet. The purpose of the dam is for flood control, hydroelectric power generation and irrigation. Despite the fact that only 3% of the land is arable, the dam has enabled Egypt, with a population of 80 million, to be self sufficient in food.



Ivory and Stone Bracelets



Ivory headrest

Robert also gave his impression of the security measures in place in Egypt. He indicated that the security forces were very visible and carried firearms to protect tourists. Tourism is essential for Egypt's economy. In contrast there were no visible guns in China where Robert had earlier toured the Yangtze River. In response to a question from Alan, Robert stated that the Nile is much cleaner than the Yangtze but that this was most likely due to the much larger population with



Pendant Depicting the Solar Beetle Flanked by Baboons



The Aswan Dam holding back the water of Lake Nasser

the Yangtze Valley supporting 600 million people.

Robert described Dubai as hot and its a place where 85% of the water used is desalinated. It is the only place in the world to boast a 7 star hotel but that many of its buildings remain in an unfinished state to avoid paying tax on them. He indicated that Dubai's wealth is not dependent on oil but that it is the centre of international trade.

After Robert answered a number of questions from Lyndon, Daniel, Colin and Keith, Chairman Alan invited Grant to thank the speaker on behalf of the Club.



The Dubai Creek is noted for its golf course and yachting.



An overview of the Yangtze River Dam

Sergeants-at-Arms: Leo O'Brien

- Col was noticed yawning in a Board meeting and paid the price.
- David was fined for staying home when Club meetings are on and Chris was fined for keeping him there.
- Alan paid up for rearranging the procedures of the chairman.
- Grant's use of his wide vocabulary earned him a fine. This time it was the word 'penchant'.
- Adrian paid up for sending out an indecipherable Bulletin.
- Bob did not quite hide well enough behind David C and paid up for this failure.
- Laurie involved Leo in the "bored" meeting and as a consequence earned a fine.
- Leo paid a fine for Carlton's woeful loss against Hawthorn.

NEXT MEETING Monday 25th Jun	Meeting Monday 2nd Jul	ON THE RADAR
Club Night	Change-over	Mon 9 th Jul - TBA
Guest Speaker: Adrian Foggart	Guest Speaker: TBA	
Chair: Col Counsell	Chair: Grant Ellers	
Sergeant: Rod Exton	Sergeant: Mile Smith	
Attendance: Noel Langley	Attendance: Noel Langley	
Set up: Neil Ross	Set up: Bob Davis	
Venue: Relish	Venue: Relish	

Relish Contact Details	NOTICES
Hosts: Tania Jones & Robert Wood	Attendance: 21 Rotarians.
Phone/Fax: (03) 5144 5044	Visiting Rotarians: Robert Noble RC of Maffra
E-mail: relish8@westnet.com.au	Guests: None
Rotarians, please remember to notify Relish if you'll be absent by 12:00 midday on the Monday of the meeting.	Make-Ups: None reported
	Raffle: Mike Smith won the raffle.

If you are away from home you will find friends at all Rotary Clubs. You can make up for missed meetings of the Sale Club with any of the following local Clubs:	Maffra: Thursday 6:00pm Duart Receptions
Bairnsdale: Tuesday 6:00pm Bairnsdale Club	Mitchell River: Monday 5:45pm Italian Club
Bairnsdale Sunrise: Friday 6:45am Main Hotel	Sale Central: Tuesday 6:00pm Princeton
Heyfield: Monday 6:30 Railway Hotel	Traralgon: Tuesday 6:00pm Traralgon Golf Club
Lakes Entrance: Wednesday 6:00pm Bellevue Motel	Traralgon Central: Monday 6:00pm Latrobe Convention Centre
	Yarram: Wednesday 6:00pm Yarram Club

For more information about Rotary check the following websites

Rotary Club of Sale: http://home.vicnet.net.au/~rcsale/	Rotary District 9820: www.district9820.org	Rotary International: http://www.rotary.org
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Just for Fun

A small boy is sent to bed by his father.
Five minutes later....."Da-ad...."
"What?"
"I'm thirsty. Can you bring a drink of water?"
"No, You had your chance. Lights out."
Five minutes later: "Da-aaaad....."
"WHAT?"
"I'm THIRSTY. Can I have a drink of water??"
I told you NO! If you ask again, I'll have to smack you!!"
Five minutes later....."Daaaa-aaaad....."
"WHAT!"
"When you come in to smack me, can you bring a drink of water?"

The Maffra Club of Maffra Inc Invites
The RC of Sale, President & Members to their
CHANGEOVER DINNER
(Wear your wildest animal gear)

At
Duart Reception Centre
On

THURSDAY 28th June
At 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm
\$26.00 per person

Outgoing President: Ted Mitchell
Incoming President: Peter McDavitt

RSVP to:
Secretary
P. O. Box 154
Maffra. 3860

Or

Sue Lawrence – 5145 6614



*Wellington Shire Deputy Mayor
Councillor Jeff Amos*

takes great pleasure inviting

Representatives of the Rotary Club

to a

Reception to thank Volunteers

for their efforts

during 2006/2007 Bushfires in Wellington Shire

on Friday 6 July 2007

6pm – 8pm

Wellington Room

Port of Sale Civic Centre

70 Foster Street, Sale

RSVP to Virginia Cleary by Monday 2 July 2007

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