

ROTARY CLUB OF SALE INC

80 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE SALE REGION
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Weekly Bulletin **the Rotary Club of Sale** **Chartered 19th September 1928**

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Leo O'Brien
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R.I. President
Dong Kurn Lee
District Governor
Ken McDonald

Chairman David C welcomed the 18 Rotarians present and Mikes guest his mother Mrs Pat Smith and son Xavier. Vice President Col was standing in for Leo who was an apology.

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

Laurie reported on the weekends Dragon Boat Festival which was a success with an estimated four hundred people attending on Sunday as there were a few team withdrawals at the last minute meant revenue was down and cost exceeded income the members moved a vote of thanks to Laurie and his team for the staging of event

Sunday 19th April Working Bee River Heritage & Wetlands Trail 10am – 12noon then family BBQ Activities

- 1 Trail Safety Check (David C Team Leader) bike riders of all ages required to establish which trees need to be lopped and where safety barricades may be required also Laurie is arranging for people in wheel chairs (pushed and self propelled) and personnel movers (gofers) and a golf cart to test track grades and approaches to board walk to ensure suitability**
- 2 Heritage Recovery Unit (David T Team Leader) Remove blackberries around water and recover 1908 windmill for future restoration**
- 3 Clean Up (Noel Team Leader) collect plastic and other debris from tracks, garbages supplied volunteers will require gloves**

Interpretive Signs sponsorship available for \$1,000 each if you wish to be a sponsor or can nominate one contact Alan

Col relaunched **Cops & Robbers** which will now be held on **Saturday 9th May** tickets from Margaret @\$35/head

Members note that the joint meeting with Sale Central has been rescheduled and we will have a normal meeting at Relish on Monday 20th April



Alan showed he was a dab hand at sweeping



Harry had a short lived try



Neil did a tremendous job laying buoys, safety boat duties and assisted race starter Adrian



Julie and Carmel handled the registration desk



David, Col, Lyndon, Don (Julies partner), Bob and Alan ensure that boarding and disembarking went smoothly



Keith did a sterling job on the BBQ well assisted by Paul on the Sunday Rossie enjoying a well earned snag

Sergeant at Arms Mike

- Don for wearing the Bishop's shirt
- Laurie for not organising the weather
- Alan Mike could not use his car key
- Carmel absolute gem on weather
- Noel heading to golf at 8.10am
- Laurie caught backing into pine tree

- Ian with the shining top of on a Puket junket
- Marg for living with a movie star
- Bob for loading duties
- Keith the only profit centre on weekend
- Graeme celebrating his sister's birthday with 10 hour party



Mike and his Mum



David reporting on meeting with Past member Stephen Payne

David C introduce our speaker for the evening by club member Chaplain (Air Commodore) Royce Thompson whose subject was the Australian Bravery Association

Royce started his talk by indicating that he was wearing the association tie. The association was formed at the instigation of Sir William Deane when Governor General where a memorial garden was established to honour acts of bravery in both peace time and at war. The Association exists as a self help organisation to provide support to those who by their act of bravery suffer physical, emotional or financial difficulties and fellowship to those people involved in acts of bravery. Royce said he was honoured to be the honorary chaplain to the association. He noted that recipients come from all walks of life and all ages and backgrounds most are unprepared for that act and have no strategies to cope. They react in a heartbeat to save a life and many then spend a good deal of their lives recovering. Up to 50% suffer post traumatic stress after the event. The Association is promoting opportunities to advance the current systems by challenging people to be proactive in reporting brave acts, support commensurate with the individuals needs and enhanced community understanding a foundation partner in this endeavour is Rotary International and to date Rotary have made four nominations, two of which have resulted in the award of Australia Bravery Medal. A Foundation was established in 2008 with an initial donation of \$250,000. Royce concluded his address by outlining the Australian Honours System in the context of bravery awards, how to nominate some one, the role of the Australian Government and the strong support of the association by the Governor General who is patron. Following Royce's talk and after questions Col moved a vote of thanks.



Royce delivered his address in his usual erudite manner



A special welcome to Mikes son Xavier

NEXT MEETING Monday 20th Tuesday 27th April 2009
 April 2009
 Speaker : Paul Harrison Job
 Chair: Royce Thompson
 Sergeant: Daniel Smolenaars
 Attendance: Noel Langley
 Set Up: Lyndon Webb

On the Radar
 Saturday 9th May Cops & Robbers Night

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:
 Bairnsdale: Tuesday 6:00pm Bairnsdale Club
 Bairnsdale Sunrise: Friday 6:45am Main Hotel
 Lakes Entrance: Wednesday 6:00pm Bellevue Motel
 Maffra: Thursday 6:00pm Duart Receptions

Mitchell River: Monday 5:45pm Italian Club
 Sale Central: Tuesday 6:00pm Sale Greyhounds
 Traralgon: Tuesday 6:00pm Traralgon Golf Club
 Traralgon Central: Monday 6:00pm Latrobe Convention Centre
 Yarram: Wednesday 6:00pm Yarram Club

Relish Contact Details
 Hosts: Thao Hua
 Phone/Fax: (03) 5144 5044
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NOTICES Attendance: 18 Rotarians
 Visiting Rotarians:
 Guests:
 Make-Ups:
 Raffle: Who won the raffle

Rotarians, please remember to notify Relish if you'll be absent by 12:00 midday on the Monday of the meeting.

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>

JUST FOR FUN

Contributed by Daniel

An elderly gentleman...

Had serious hearing problems for a number of years. He went to the doctor and the doctor was able to have him fitted for a set of hearing aids that allowed the gentleman to hear 100%. The elderly gentleman went back in a month to the doctor and the doctor said, 'Your hearing is perfect. Your family must be really pleased that you can hear again.'

The gentleman replied, 'Oh, I haven't told my family yet.
I just sit around and listen to the conversations. I've changed my will three times!'

Two elderly gentlemen from a retirement center were sitting on a bench under a tree when one turns to the other and says: 'Slim, I'm 83 years old now and I'm just full of aches and pains. I know you're about my age. How do you feel?'

Slim says, 'I feel just like a newborn baby.'

'Really!? Like a newborn baby!?'

'Yep. No hair, no teeth, and I think I just wet my pants.'

An elderly couple had dinner at another couple's house, and after eating, the wives left the table and went into the kitchen.

The two gentlemen were talking, and one said, 'Last night we went out to a new restaurant and it was really great. I would recommend it very highly.'

The other man said, 'What is the name of the restaurant?'

The first man thought and thought and finally said, 'What is the name of that flower you give to someone you love?'

You know.... The one that's red and has thorns.'

'Do you mean a rose?'

'Yes, that's the one,' replied the man. He then turned towards the kitchen and yelled, 'Rose, what's the name of that restaurant we went to last night?'

Three old guys are out walking.

First one says, 'Windy, isn't it?'

Second one says, 'No, it's Thursday!'

Third one says, 'So am I. Let's go get a beer.'

Morris, an 82 year-old man, went to the doctor to get a physical.

A few days later, the doctor saw Morris walking down the street with a gorgeous young woman on his arm.

A couple of days later, the doctor spoke to Morris and said, 'You're really doing great, aren't you?'

Morris replied, 'Just doing what you said, Doc: 'Get a hot mamma and be cheerful.''

The doctor said, 'I didn't say that. I said, 'You've got a heart murmur; be careful.'

One more. . .!

A little old man shuffled slowly into an ice cream parlor and pulled himself slowly, painfully, up onto a stool.. After catching his breath, he ordered a banana split.

The waitress asked kindly, 'Crushed nuts?'

'No,' he replied, 'Arthritis.'