



The Timeball

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Area of Focus for March is Water and Sanitation

Presidents report

The week before was very busy. We had the International Womens Day at the Crown on thu 7/3. Kerry Kornhauser managed to fill the room with approx 1,000 people (mostly women). The panel was a very interesting group of people and I got a lot more out of this than I expected!

In the evening the Inner wheel had a function at RYCV about A Touch of Africa. They do some work with women in Africa. Kathy, Damien, George and others were there. Great night!

On the friday 8/3 we cooked a BBQ for the Rocan riders. They rode from Sydney to Melbourne, some 1100 km, and were quite hungry when they arrived. Yvonne is very happy with the fundraising result. It will help the Cancer Wellness Centre.

Our BBQ on the Sunday netted \$702. Thanks to the BBQ team! Well done!

We will be visiting the B24 Liberator refurbishing project in Werribee on April 8th. They will put on a BBQ for us with salads and desert for \$20-25 pp.

We need you to put down your name. It is very interesting and I urge you to ask your children, friends etc to come along. We did this 8 years ago and I can tell you they have made a lot of progress since. There are only 8 B24's left in the world and only 1 in the Southern Hemisphere.

Welcome back Stan! We have been missing you. We know your are now used to 50C+ temperatures but the good news is you can survive without A/C here!

Next week no normal meeting. Instead we are visiting the Point Gellibrand meeting on Tuesday 26th at 7pm at the RYCV.

Outlets-in Newport (Therese McKinney) is promoting a program for "Life after stroke". For obvious reasons I am a strong supporter of this cause. I have given Therese a supporting letter for her to get some council funding. I also envisage that we shall support the cause. If you want to know more ask Eddie to invite a guest speaker, Nils Oman, to tell you all about it!

Sven joined our club 5 year ago! Thank You for your support!

Claire Calcutt has applied to become a member. Her application form has been sent out in a separate email. If you have any objections, please let me know within the next week!

Apologies: Brad Saunders, Tony Boyd, Sven Guttenbeil

Announcements:

Guy congratulated Murray with his appointment to be RIPER , representing R.I. President Barry Rassin in Ashburton, New Zealand.

Murray spoke about the orphanage where Sokea, our sponsored child , in Cambodia lives. There has been ongoing discussion whether the orphanage is going to continue as part of the land it is on has been sold, apparently the orphanage will be continuing but the Rotary club in Hawaii who supports it is only going to support the school in the future not the orphanage. The question is do we still send money knowing it might not be going to Sokea up keep or do we stop.

John Barry discussed further the relocation of WERN, who have now secured a lease on a property in Derrimut, they have some financial support from the Tunnel authority. It is felt that this is quite a long way out for our club and the Highlands Foundation. We still have memorabilia, and 2 containers at Cross St. which we will still need to re locate in the future. The truck is being housed with Phil Purdy at the present moment. We have approached Adrian Butera in regards to suitable leasing options more local to us, apparently Vic Rails have vacant facilities around Williamstown.

It was decided the club members should meet at Cross St. Saturday, 9.30am to help John sort through the memorabilia and decide what should be done with it. Following that we could go to DIK to their open day.

Yvonne Moon spoke about the ride from Sydney to Melbourne, that it was a difficult ride and a few times they lost their way. Money raised was in the vicinity of \$60-70K. A big Thanks to the 30 riders, BBQ team, Eddie and support team.

Eddie Knight spoke about options for the Charter anniversary, we need to settle on a date, the numbers we are aiming for so we can book the supper room. Costs \$1500 for room hire, speaker around \$3,000, to help with the organisation of might he has asked for volunteers to have a subcommittee, Nils and John have offered.

Eddie also recently attended PET seminar last weekend and spoke about the speakers and ideas he wishes to follow through with, like re visit Club visioning.



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Jokers Wild - Guy but no prize

CALENDER OF UPCOMING EVENTS

MARCH 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 HMAS Yarra Memorial & BBQ	4 Dinner meeting	5	6	7 IWD breakfast. Also A touch of Africa @ Inner Wheel.	8 BBQ RYCW. 1.30 pm Bike riders return.	9
10 Farmers Market	11 Public Holiday. 70th Charter Anniversary	12	13	14	15	16
17	18 Dinner meeting	19	20	21	22	23
24 Farmers Market	25 Visit to RC Pt. Gellibrand	26	27	28	29	30
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Carl Hurwood 1st March

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