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Where we meet

Meets Thursdays 12.15 for 12.30
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Please contact Pres Elizabeth before
12 noon Thursday of the meeting or
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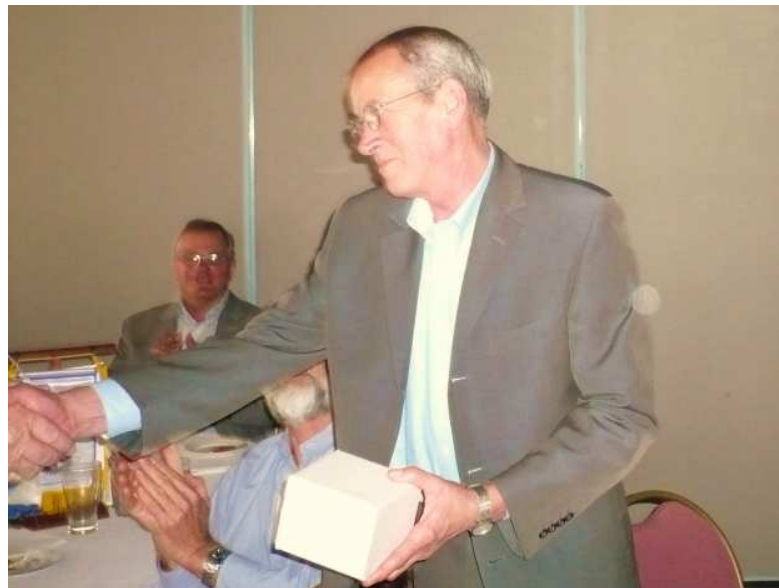
Last meeting details
T.B.A.

**This week's international
toast**
Peter Dawson
Next Week– Olek Gancarz

Rotary Grace
For good food, good
fellowship, and the
privilege to serve,
through Rotary we give
thanks.

Last Week - The Griffin Legacy

Our Guest Speaker last week was Graham Scott Bohanna, who is Special Projects Manager at the National Capital Authority. Graham spoke on the topic 'The Griffin Legacy' and outlines the NCA's role in maintaining and developing this work, which is related to the 'Big Picture' planning of Canberra. A very interesting speaker from an organisation which is under particular challenge at the moment.
Tony Brickwood



Door Roster

Thursday 6th March – John Little and Peter Petkovic
Thursday 13th March - George Wilson and Dorothea Polonyi
If you can't to do the door duties please arrange your own replacement.



The Rotary 4-Way Test

"Of the things we think, say or do:
Is it the TRUTH?
Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER
FRIENDSHIPS?
Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?"

Coming Events and Speakers

6th March – T.B.A.

12th March – Board Meeting

13th March – Lyndall McLean
– Chief of Protocol at DFAT

20th March – Wine Auction –
Dinner meeting

27th March - Elanor Grassby –
Experience with foreign
students

Farewell to Terry and Sonoe Newman

Last week we said our group goodbye to Terry and Sonoe Newman as they depart to China for their next adventure. With a full room of well wishes it was a sad day to lose one of our past Presidents and an extremely active family from our club. Barry Howe, Bill Andrews and Graeme Howieson spoke on behalf of the club of the Newman family's great contribution to Rotary.



Barry spoke of the twinning agreement our club had with Heijokyo, Japan and how Terry and Sonoe brought a more human aspect to the relationship. Communication became easy with Terry's ability to speak Japanese so they could pick up the phone and discuss issues. This closer relationship with Rotary in Japan led to the Rotary Club of Heijokyo providing a matching grant for west Timor so their contribution has directly helped thousands of people.



Bill and Graeme spoke of Terry and Sonoe's involvement with the Candle Festival, which Terry convinced this club to take on single handed. This event last year had over 3,000 attend and it has become an annual celebration that has directly enriched the Canberra cultural community.



Another well loved fundraiser that seemed to develop in Terry and Sonoe's street is the Stomp. This is a major event for us now that has increased our fundraising abilities immensely. Sonoe has been a gem behind the bar whilst Terry has been away and Daniel and Kiri have been great workers on many a Handy Help day.

Terry's business sense and the ability to take opportunities by the horn has taken our club forward in leaps and bounds. We will remember them fondly when the work starts on the next Stomp and Candle Ceremony! Look out though, Bill Andrews might even arrange another tour group to stop in and visit Terry, Sonoe Daniel and Kiri sometime soon.....

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Board Meeting Minutes – 13th February 2008

8 present; 1 apology.

Yet another busy and lengthy meeting was held on 13 February, with the proposed twinning arrangement with the Polish Krakow Club, the new Club Donations Policy and the Child Protection Policy being the major agenda items. A letter has now gone to our Polish Rotary colleagues advising that we are happy to proceed and that we look forward to the execution of the necessary documentation during the life of both current Boards. Some members will recall that it was this Club's principal sponsor and an Honorary Member, Rotarian Jack Olsson.

The new Donations Policy was agreed to by the Board and copies will shortly be circulated to all members. This cannot be a policy binding on future Boards but, given that both the President-Elect, Bill Andrews, and the President Designate for the 2009/10 Rotary Year, Sharon Green, are both members of this Board, it seems likely it will continue in force at least until June, 2010. The Child Protection Policy will have consequences for all present and future members and will also be circulated. What a sad world this sometimes is.

The Club's financial position remains extremely sound and should remain so even if the \$10000 donation ceiling for the year set out in the new policy is met. The Board decided that \$1000 should be provided to Polio Plus immediately. Meanwhile, one of our better earners, the next STOMP is to be held on 19 April, when the RMC Band will provide the music. Put it in your diaries!