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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of all the things we think, say or do . . .

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

FROM PRESIDENT MAUREEN



Hello All,

At last weeks meeting we were delivered an insight into living in Cairo, Egypt today by travel agent Cath Graham. If you are looking for a holiday with a difference but is still safe, you really should speak to Cath about one of her trips.

On Sunday I attended the Foundation Seminar for District and Global Grants.

We as a Club have been very active in this area but not all of us understand how one goes about applying for one and what are the guidelines are. The slides from today's Seminar will be on the District Web Site. We need to get our act together if we are going to be in the running for next year (2016) because applications close on 30th April, 2015. For our new members I suggest that you go to the District website

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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

6:30 pm for 7:00 pm
Clover Cottage Fundraising Night
54 Manuka Road, Berwick

See Notice on page 4

MILESTONES



ROTARY ANNIVERSARY:
None this week



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:
Mike and Barb Goonan - 22 March 1969
Glenn and Viv Ellam - 25 March 1972



BIRTHDAY:
Robert Jackson - 22 March

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and find out how we can qualify for either a District or Global Grant and maybe you can find a project that fits and you could apply for a grant. If nothing else it's very educational.

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

Chairman: Maree Hutchins

Apologies: Barry Dean, David Hanlon, Geoff Magor, Wayne Pererson

Leave of Absence: Michael Shanks.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Acting Secretary Eric Neill:

☛ We received a letter from District confirming that the District Governor Nominee Designate (DGND) is Don Ripper from RC Sale.

☛ We have been advised that the District Grant of \$1472 for our Computers for Community project has been approved.

Judi McKee:

☛ The International Women's Day Breakfast was a great success with 340 people attending. The organising committee - led by Frankston North Rotary and supported by Frankston Peninsula 2.0, Mt Eliza, and Frankston Rotary Clubs - did a great job in organising such a successful event from the ground up. With the experience gained, it is hoped to make the Women's Breakfast a bigger and better annual event. The Mornington Race Course proved to be an excellent venue and the speakers were excellent. The committee thanks the sponsors - Conley Luff and White Lady Funerals - and the many donors who provided items for the gift bags for each participant. The Audio Visual presentation was very well managed by Don MacDonald. Perhaps, most importantly, the event promoted Rotary Awareness among the people attending and through the media coverage the event generated.

Mark Sammut:

☛ At the recent Multi District Presidents Elect Training Seminar, the 2015-2016 Rotary Year theme was announced. RI President Elect, K.A "Ravi" Ravidran has chosen "Be a Gift to the World" to be the theme

Tony Spring:

☛ A reminder that the presentation to our Club by the Turkish Group Study Exchange team on March 25 is not a designated Partners Night, although partners are welcome to attend to meet and hear from this engaging group of young ambassadors for Rotary in Turkey.

☛ District is giving the outgoing GSE team to Turkey, led by Eric Neill, a Farewell Lunch at the Cranbourne Race Course on Sunday, April 12. Our Club Meeting scheduled for Wednesday April 15 has been moved to coincide with this GSE Farewell Lunch, so there will be no Club Meeting on the 15th.

☛ Tony is going on a 15 day Rotary Cruise to Turkey, and other places, that will include the Peace Conference in Istanbul, an offshore visit to Gallipoli on April 25 and later, visits to many Gallipoli landmarks. This will be a great Rotary cruise and there are still places available at a discount. See Tony for details.

Rod Puls:

☛ At last count, we have distributed over 60,000 tickets to various participating organisations, however there are many more organisations who participated in recent years but have not contacted us after being sent letters inviting them to participate. Rod has lists of those clubs and needs Members to follow-up them up.

☛ Our Club has received it's allocation of tickets for the Community Raffle, and we need a big effort from all Members to sell as many as possible to add to our Club coffers and enable to fund more community projects. Each Member is asked to take 3 books to sell. We have booked a table at the Seaford Farmers Market on April 19, which will be dedicated to sell tickets. See Rod if you can help.

☛ Geoff will be away till March 24, so contact Mike Goonan or Rod Puls if you need help during that period.

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Eric Neill:

☞ The Club Footy Tipping competition is about to start up again. Last year’s participants have been requested to re-register for this year and any other Members, or their family, can join the fierce competition this year by contacting Eric (except Collingwood supporters, who are not welcome). Cost is \$20

Linda Tinney:

☞ The Club Meeting at Clover Cottage this week is a joint fundraising event with Nepean Inner Wheel and promises to be a great fun event. It will start at 6:30 for 7:00 pm and is about 45 minutes drive from Frankston. Because we will be on a tight schedule please make sure you are there on time. There will be Raffles, Straw Gifts, Prizes and great fun. Remember to bring handfuls of gold coins and join in the fun. Club proceeds from this event will go towards the Rotary drive to eradicate polio from the planet.

Guest Speaker: **Cath Graham**

“Living in Cairo, Egypt Today and the state of the Travel Industry”

Cath has had 31 years in the Travel Industry and from her early days in the industry, has been besotted by Egypt as a holiday destination. She now works through her home based



company, Travel Managers, that specialises in small tour groups to Egypt, Jordan and Africa. She also does cruises and children’s tours. Cath teaches Hospitality to Aboriginal children in Mining camps and teaches prospective Tourist Agents.

Cath has done 50-60 tours, particularly to Egypt and lived there for 2 years. She has many friends and associates there and keeps in constant contact with them.

During her time in Egypt, Cath experienced the month of Ramadan, which is a month of fasting during daylight hours. The fasting is demanding with nothing to enter the body during daylight hours for the whole month. This even includes water. To get

through this ordeal, Muslims eat heartily during the hours of darkness and are expected to share their food with the poorer people who are unable to provide their own food.

Cath is impressed by the openness and generosity on the Sunni Muslims that mainly inhabit Egypt. She feels much safer walking in Egypt during the night that she would in Australia. Since the birth of her daughter 4 years ago, Cath has not been back to Egypt but is planning to return with her daughter in 2016. While motherhood will naturally slow down her travel commitments, she is determined to take tour groups to explore the wonders of Egypt, and catch with her many friends.

Travel Agents are not required to be licensed, so anyone can set up an agency. The problem with this is than there may not be any insurance provided by the cheaper operators.

NEXT MEETING	COMING UP
<p>6:00 for 6:30</p> <p>Turkish GST Team Presentation</p> <p>Chairman: Tony Spring</p>	<p>27 Mar: District Conference (Shepparton)</p> <p>1 April: Partners Night. Interplast -Joint Mtg. RC Frankston</p> <p>8 April: New Web launch and training</p> <p>12 April: D 9820 Farewell Lunch (Cranbourne Race Course)</p>

MARCH IS LITERACY MONTH

Frankston North Rotary



with



Inner Wheel Club of Nepean

Invite you to attend our joint fund raising dinner
at

Clover Cottage

54 Manuka Road, Berwick

on

Wed 18 March 2015 at 6.30pm for 7.00pm.

A three course dinner and a full night of fun will cost
\$55per person.

Drinks at bar prices.

To book a table or purchase a ticket please contact:

Jan Graham H: 9789 2080 M: 0427392490

David Hanlon H: 5924 2303 M: 0414 996 798

Are you interested in discussing payment options?

Please state any special dietary requirements.