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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 DON



ANZAC Remembrance is a special evening in the Frankston North Rotary calendar. This year it was held at the Frankston Naval Association in Langwarrin South.

Our hosts provided an excellent meal and FNR had the privilege of recognising Raymond Surridge as a Paul Harris Fellow. Raymond was a worthy recipient who spent twenty years in the service of Australia in the RAN. Following this Raymond has served the local community through the Naval Association and is held in great esteem by his fellows.

We were then given an excellent presentation on "the last man standing" followed by a bugler playing the "Last Post" - just a combination of five notes - and played by a former member of the ADF. A very moving evening...

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

6:00 for 6:30 pm

"Changing the world, one voice at a time"

Matthew Jamieson
Creativity Australia
Chairman: **Judi McKee**

MILESTONES



ROTARY ANNIVERSARY:

Linda Tinney - 30 April 2008
Colin Price - 1 May 2012
Bill Fowler - 1 May 2012



WEDDING ANNIVERSARY:

Mark Sammut & Jane Griffiths - 3 May 2009



BIRTHDAYS:

David Loudon - 6 May
Annette Peterson - 6 May

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

Chairman: Peter Newman
Apologies: Barry Dean
Leave of Absence: Bob Edgar, Michael Shanks, Ron Cook, Rob Pill, Rod Puls
Visiting Rotarian: Mark Kinder (RC Somerville Tyabb)
Guests: Joey Sevilla, Neville Lloyd, John Reeves, Ray Surridge and friends from the Frankston Naval Memorial Club

President Don presented a Ray Surridge with a Paul Harris Fellow recognition for his community work, particularly with the Frankston Naval Memorial Club. Ray joined the Frankston Naval Memorial Club in 1988, and it only took him 2 years to gain the trust and respect of his fellows to be elected Vice President in 1990. Two years later in 1992 he became President and held office until 1995. Ray was back again in as President in 1999 and held the position until 2002. Again Ray stepped aside but he was back again in 2007 until 2010 faithfully carrying out the role as our Club's President.



When Ray was not been President he has always been close by in the role of VP aiding and assisting others with his extensive knowledge and knowhow.

Endowed with great practical ability and drive as a “doer,” he is constantly on station to take on all types of jobs, which he completes quickly and thoroughly. Ray's service is always evident and given the size of our Clubrooms, outbuildings and property his knowledge and drive in looking after our lawns, memorial garden and buildings is, and continues to be first class.

SERGEANT CON'S Fact of the Week:

For Australians, the image usually associated with 25 April, 1915 is that of Australian soldiers charging bravely up the steep and barren slopes of Gallipoli. Less appreciated is the picture of an Australian nurse on that same day attending to hundreds of battered and bleeding men on the decks and in the confined wards of a hospital ship.

Wounded men were ferried out to the Gascon lying off Anzac Cove. By the evening of 25 April, 557 wounded had been taken on board the Gascon. Over the next nine months it ferried over 8000 wounded and sick soldiers between the Gallipoli Peninsula and the hospitals on the Greek islands of Imbros, and Lemnos, Salonika, Alexandria, Malta and in England.

On the hospital ships off Gallipoli, Australian nurses came face to face for the first time with the reality of the wounded. It made some of them confront the limitations of their nursing skills and the notion of the glory of war.

The Gallipoli hospital ships deposited their cargoes of misery at general hospitals on the nearby Greek islands of Imbros and Lemnos, or at Alexandria, 1050 km away in Egypt. Among the tent cities on Lemnos was No 3 Australian General Hospital (AGH)

For the nurses, life on Lemnos was spartan. When winter with its bitter winds arrived the exposed position of No 3 AGH added to the discomfort. On 21 October five tents were blown down — four nurses' tents and one ward tent.



Peter Newman delivered an impressive tribute to the ANZAC's who served in war and never returned. He remembered those who lie around Gallipoli, Palestine, France, Libya, Lebanon, Syria, Malaya, Burma, New Guinea, Pacific Islands, United Kingdom and Northern Australia, in the unending sea and as prisoners of War. We remember our staunch friends from New Zealand who stood beside Australians on that first Anzac Day on 25th April 1915 and created the ANZAC legend. We remember those Australians who died with the Royal Navy, British Army, Royal Air



Force and Merchant Service. We remember the gallant men and women who died in Korea, Malaya, Borneo, Vietnam, Iraq, Afghanistan and on other peacekeeping forces. We then the haunting sounds of the Last Post played by bugler Neville Lloyd, who concluded by playing Reveille as was done across ANZAC Cove at the Gallipoli Service.



**Guest Speaker: WO1 Martin Grogan RAN OAM
"Darby Allan - Last Man Standing"**

Martin joined the Navy as an adult recruit at HMAS Cerberus in 1963 and was discharged in 1983. He then joined the RAN Fleet Air Wing then the RAN Reserve, working at Port Melbourne, Victoria Barracks, Point Cook and then Cerberus, where he currently the Curator/Manager of the Cerberus Naval Museum. He completed 50 years in Naval organisations and was given an age extension to serve until he is 70. It is thought he is the only sailor to be given this extension. He received a Civilian OAM in 2006 for his work with youth, sporting groups and Navy Veterans. He is the only serving Military person to receive an OAM in the Civilian Division which ranks higher than the one in the Military Division.

The Navy is 100 years old this year and other centenaries this year include the start of World War 1, the landing of the Navel Expeditionary Force in New Guinea, which was the first engagement of the war, the sinking of the German raider Emden by MAS Sydney 1 and the enlistment of William Evan Crawford "Darby" Allan into the RAN.

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NEXT WEEK

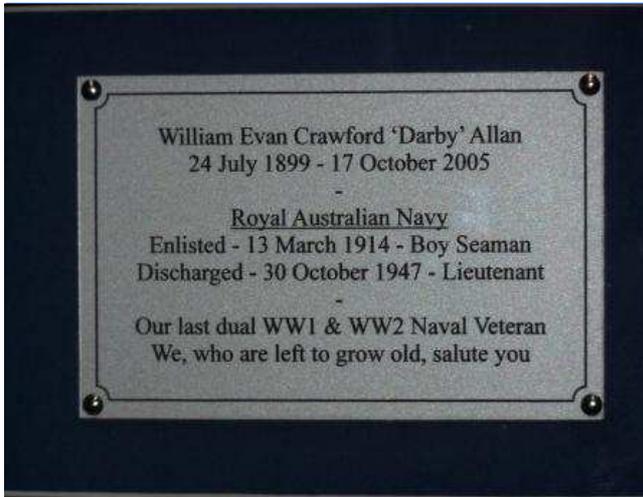
**6:30 for 7:00 pm - Partners Night
Club Charter Anniversary
"What is Radio Astronomy?"
Dr Bart Pindor**

KEY DATES

25 June - **President's Night**

Australians all let us rejoice
For we are young and free
We've golden soil and wealth for toil,
Our home is girt by sea:
Our land abounds in nature's gifts
Of beauty rich and rare,
In history's page let every stage
Advance Australia fair,
In joyful strains then let us sing
Advance Australia fair.

THE INVOCATION
"For good food, good fellowship and the opportunity to serve through Rotary, we give thanks"
THE LOYAL TOAST
"To The Queen, and the People of Australia"



Martin chose to speak about Darby Allen who was the last surviving Australian veteran to see active service in both the First and Second World Wars. He served on HMAS Endeavor in WW1, on HMAS Sydney 1 in the 1920's and HMAS Australia in WW2. He enlisted as a Boy Seaman at age 14 and retired as a Lieutenant in 1947. He established an orchard on the Mornington Peninsula and worked it until he was 80. He then moved in with his daughter after his wife died and voluntarily moved into a Nursing Home at age 100 because he decided his daughter was getting too old to look after him.



Martin, as President of the HMAS Sydney Association in Victoria which looks after sailors who served on the four HMAS Sydney's, got approval from the Victorian Government to hold a State Funeral at HMAS Cerberus for Darby when he still going strong at 104. The Association had trail funerals for Darby every 6 months until he died at age 106, by which time he was the last man standing. That is, he was the last surviving serviceman to see active service in WW1 and WW2. On the anniversary of his 107th birthday, the Association arranged for Darby's ashes to be HMAS Sydney 4 to come to Melbourne and take his daughter and 2 grandchildren to scatter his ashes off Sandringham, where he once lived. The family then donated his 13 service medals to the Navy. Martin had the medals made up into a plaque which was presented to the HMAS museum by the family. The Commanding Officer of HMAS Cerberus gave miniature medals to Darby's grandchildren to wear on occasions such as ANZAC Day. A street on HMAS Cerberus has been named Allan Street.

END POLIO - statistics at 19th March 2014

Total cases	Year-to-date 2014	Year-to-date 2013	Total in 2013
Globally	37	11	406
in endemic countries	33	11	160
in non-endemic countries	4	0	246

The endemic countries; Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria have all experienced increases in the number of cases reported. It is of interest to note that there are 4 cases in non-endemic countries- Equatorial Guinea 3; & Cameroon 1. This shows just how easy it is for the Polio virus to travel, demonstrating the need for our children and grandchildren to be immunized against this terrible disease. Polio eradication remains a top priority for Rotary and this will continue to cost money.

APRIL IS MAGAZINE MONTH