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Rotary Club of Drysdale Bulletin

BRUCE BANTER

Meeting held on Monday 10 February 2020 at Bellarine Springs Retirement Village starting at 6.30pm

**Apologies**: Colin Bartlett, James Charles, Andrew Jeffrey,

**Visitors**: Geoff Morphett (RC Highton – Kardinia), Leigh Morley, Bellarine Springs Management and staff

**President Report**

* The Club was well represented with the jumping castle at Torquay on the weekend with Colin H, Bruce and Sue, Gary and Bard, Terry and Shirley looking after it
* Leila and Rae will be co-ordinating the Art Show raffle sales effort this year. As always ticket sellers are desperately needed from now until Easter. Please contact Rae on 0404893331 or email on malraemacleod@gmail.com if you can help out with the roster. Also please return sold individual ticket allocations as soon as possible please

**Program – Bellarine Springs**

The Club enjoyed the hospitality of the Bellarine Springs Retirement Village on Monday night.

****The CEO of Pinnacle Living who operate a number of retirement villages gave us a run down on his journey and that of Bellarine Springs.

After completing secondary school Geoff was advised by his parents that careers involving manual labour were to be avoided and had some initial interest in being a Pilot. The restructure of the aviation industry put a dampener on that and he then looked to something in Engineering. On graduating Geoff joined Vicroads in their Work Experience program and as luck would have it worked in our own Lyle Grinter’s program (jury is still out on whether Geoff’s career flourished because of or in spite of that experience)

A move to major contracting firm Thiess saw him work on a range of high profile projects – Albert Park Grand Prix Circuit, Torrumbarry Weir, Roxby Downs and the MCG footbridge.

After 10 years Geoff wanted to operate a business of his own and saw an opportunity when the Tudor Village retirement village in Lillydale came up for sale in 2003

In 2006 the business grew with the building of a second village in Balwyn, and in 2007 the purchase of the land parcel now occupied by Bellarine Springs.

The 2008 Global Financial Crisis was a challenging time for the business but it has come out from those times to establish the current 120 houses with plans for another 130 in the coming years.

The business prides itself on providing high quality accommodation and services in its villages which was certainly evident during our visit

**Powerball Confectionary Challenge –** No 17 Geoff Ross

**Foundation Flutter** – Andrew Jeffrey (results not available at time of going to press)

**Heads and Tails** won by Shirley Baker

**Bellarine Springs Lucky Draw** won by Glynis Jones

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**Upcoming meetings**

Feb 17 The Annual Graeme Allison Memorial Foundation Night (GSCG 6:00 for 6:30)

Guest presenter Alison Davis ‘It takes a Village’ on her work in the Solomon Islands

Feb 24 Rotary’s 115th Birthday (CSGC 6:00 for 6:30)

Members Talk: Sue Riminton Behind the Badge Members Talk.

Special Guest: Toby Roberts, The Science Experience student

March 2 To be confirmed at CS Golf Club

March 9 No Rotary Meeting Public Holiday Labour Day

March 16 TBA

March 23 Police Safety Awards at Leopold Sportspersons Club Joint meeting with Rotary Club of Bayside. Chair: Terry Baker.

March 30 TBA

April 6 Art Show Briefing (Van Every Gallery for fine Arts – 16 Wintersun Crt. Gourmet pizzas – meal price $15

April 11-12 Art Show Friday night, Saturday, Sunday Easter weekend

9/4 Thursday Set up Time: TBA by Lyle

10/4 Friday 9.30 - 3.00 receiving paintings and hanging paintings

10/4 Friday night opening - Artists, Sponsors, Rotarians, Judge

- Winners announced

12/4 Sunday Dinner after the Art Show clean up

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**Duty Roster 17-24 Feb 2020**

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| Guest Speaker Liaison | WELCOME H/Tails | Attendance | Room set up/pack up | Sergeant |

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| 17 Feb Terry B | Rae | Terry B | Catherine & Martin | Jan W |
| 24 Feb James | June A | Terry B | Glynis & Peter D | Jan W |

**Community News and Important Dates**

**Bellarine Springs – Central Road Clifton Springs**

Open Day and Travel Expo

Thursday 13 February at 3:00pm

**Festival of Glass Twilight Flames**

The Range Curlewis – 1201 Portarlington Road Curlewis

Observe internationally renowned Venetian glass artist Mauro Bonaventure at work

Saturday 15 February at 7:00pm. $55 or $45 for sponsors

**Geelong East Rotary Club – 50 Year Anniversary Dinner**

The Range @ Curlewis 1201 Portarlington Road Curlewis

Two Course Meal $50 per person and drinks at bar prices

Bookings via https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=588662&

Sunday 23 February 12:00 – 3:00pm

**Visit to the Adventure Park Wallington**

Anyone who would like to join a group of adults wanting to go to have a ride on the Tsunami at the water park and have fun should meet at the Adventure Park on the. This will be weather dependant. If it is too wet and cold the group will be visiting the cider place across the road.”

28th Feb at 10am

**Rotary District Conference**

Swan Hill

20-22 March

**Drysdale Rotary Club – Social Night**

A night at the Cinema and meal to follow - James Bond No 25 – No Time to Die

April – date to be confirmed

**Shelterbox Tasmania Trek 2020**

On this adventure, you’ll spend five-days trekking a variety of trails around the Cradle Mountain Village area. From easy exploration walks to day-long hikes up to lookouts, you’ll discover the Tasmanian wilderness up close on this unforgettable adventure. Best of all, you’ll raise funds to support ShelterBox Australia on their mission to help families rebuild their lives after a disaster More information available from: info@inspiredadventures.com.au

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