

NEXT MEETING - WEDNESDAY, 20th MARCH 2002 Time: 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm
BREDBO HOTEL – JOINT MEETING WITH TUGGERANONG.

Meet at Cooma Centennial Park 6 pm for car pool.

Pres. Elect Lou Moore arranging entertainment.

Apologies or Guests: Please advise Darrell on 64523302 ASAP

Non-apology & non-attendance means you pay for the meal.

Apology, Non-attendance & no make-up means you pay \$2

SERGEANTS FAX-A-FINE: Send to Graham French on 64526102

MARCH ROSTER: *Attendance:* Geoff Bowland & Dugald Mitchell *Property:* Jim Hatfield. Be Early
If not at meeting arrange for substitute. At another venue arrange to bring necessary property.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK by Dr. Bob

Next Week: Ashley C

Music is a discipline, and a mistress of good order and good manners, she makes people milder, more moral and more reasonable.

LAST WEEKS MEETING: TWO EXCELLENT SPEAKERS

Firstly Daniel Shirvington, one of the clubs 3 nominations to RYLA. At first Daniel was a bit wary of what his friends would think, it might be boring, but a former Rylarian told him it would be great, so he went with an open mind, even though the acceptance email said "No Alcohol" and they would be expected to "act like adults". The first day was ICEBREAKERS where everyone learned a bit about each other and participated in a game "I'M NOT A DICKHEAD". The 2nd day was the toughest part of the week PERSONAL SHIELDS, telling a room full of people your innermost thoughts, things you had pushed back in your mind for many years. During the week they were exposed to important talks on financial planning, networking, team work, mental health and relationships. They also attended a Rotary dinner which included alcohol (great) and also raised \$500 for bushfire appeals. Not only did our 3 Rylarians make 38 new friends, but learnt things that will help them throughout their life, already had two reunions, next due in April. Daniel also offered apologies from the other two Rylarians; David Vial, who sent a letter, now works in Talbingo and Liz Jefferies who is backpacking in WA to get away from her parents.

The second Guest Speaker as Honorary Rotarian Keith Montague who spoke of achieving his dream of visiting Nepal, encouraged by his sons reports on visiting many parts of the world. Keith booked a trekking trip through World Expeditions, Sydney. Got himself physically fit and at 77 was the oldest of a team of 8, the others being 24 to 40, trekking through Nepal (probably the Grandpa – no Great Grandpa of the team). Keith found Nepal a very beautiful country, but too many poor people, too much litter and fog. The Sherpa team accompanying them, though only short, were very strong and fit, transporting the tents, tables, chairs and luggage around. The first part of the trip was a trek through the hills, to view the countryside, temples and brilliant night sky. I won't expand on the pain example. The second part was white water rafting down a river through rapids (his wife didn't know about this), the 3rd was a jungle trip on elephants where they observed hippos, monkeys and wildlife, but no tigers thank goodness, and a trip in a dug out canoe down a more placid stream to view the birds, flowers and even tribal dancing. The trip was well organised, with an excellent sherpa leader, very safe, health conscious. Keith's advice: FOLLOW YOUR DREAM, GO FOR IT. He did and was well pleased.

NEWS:



Marjorie McGufficke: had her hair shaved on Thursday and the club raised \$120 for this – hope you have a hair raising experience shortly Marjorie.



Salvation Army: looking for volunteers to help man the cash register at Family store. If you have an hour or more spare time and can help during the week contact Deb Clyne on 64521327.

ROTARY INFORMATION:

Attendance Last Week: 32 members plus 3 makeups = 35 out of 40 = 88% (Yes Ashley) **Visiting Rotarians:** Howard Grigor (Williamtown) **Guests:** Louise Bank, Daniel Shirvington & Keith Montague (Club); Volka Van De Gasst (Ashley C) **Apologies:** Robyn D; Julie J; Ken P; Neville L; Kevin D; John & Heather J **Leave of Absence:** Col A; Phill B; Richard W **Make-ups:** Graham F (Feb markets) Julie J & Dave H (Queanbeyan) **We Also Missed:** Brian L
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