DUTY ROSTER – JANUARY/FEBRUARY

Attendance:

FEBRUARY: Dave Libauer & Lou Moore **MARCH: John Mercer & Katrin Hackney**

Meeting Preparation/Property

FEBRUARY: Graham French & Robbyn Crooks

MARCH: Tony Slater & Richard Warner

Fellowship: Margaret Echarri & Claire Neumeyer, with power to add Be early, if not at a meeting arrange a substitute. If meeting held at another venue arrange to bring property.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGES

Markets -

FEBRUARY: Ashley Constance BBQ; Sarah Woodhouse, David Epstein C'Van; Patrick Kwan, (With power to add)

MARCH: Alan doidd (C'van), Wolgang Laub (BBQ), Monica Alcock, Geoff Bowland

NOTE: Members rostered on and not able to attend are to make arrangements with another member to take their place. Those nominated to tow the caravan or chuck wagon are to be at the Rotary shed no later than 8am. ENSURE YOU GET THE KEY TO THE SHED FROM ROBBYN PRIOR TO THE EVENT SO THE EQUIPMENT CAN BE SET UP EARLY. If you are unable to tow the van or chuck wagon PLEASE ASK SOME ONE WHO CAN, or advise Robbyn before the event.

Others nominated should be at the Park by 8.45am.

NEXT MEETING:

WEDNESDAY 7th FEBRUARY, 2007

Guests speaker: SUSAN GROENHOUL Topic: View Clubs of Australia

Introduction: Pamela Mansfield-Eastway – Thanks: Dave Holgate Apologies to Darrell by 10 am PLEASE - Phone 6452 3302 PLEASE RESPOND DIRECTLY TO DARRELL ON 6452 3302

ATTENDANCE 31st January

44 members + 1 makeup out of 55 (56 1 Sick Leave) = 81.8%

GUESTS: Alison (Dave H), Georgie & Ryan (Ashley C), Hanna (Club)

APOLOGIES: Marianne Burgess, Davis Byrne, Darrell Gaukroger, Julie John-

son, Richard Lawson, Kapilla N, Tony Strong.

LEAVE: Liz A, (Sick), Les Sutcliffe,

WE ALSO MISSED: Gail Eastaway, Tony Slater, Sarah Woodhouse.

MAKEUPS: Keviin D, (Sydney 23.1)

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GUEST SPEAKER KATRIN HACKNEY



LAST WEEKS MEETING the guest speaker was Rotarian Katrin Hackney who shared with us her family background. Katrin's mother Margaret came from upper middle class family, her father was a Scotsman. But the war,/fire/depression destroyed the family assets and she was educated by family in London, on returning to Jena in Germany met Wilhelm Jehne, married in 1942. He got called to service in WW11, even though he didn't support Hitler's views, his 3 sayings were 1. The only army worth joining was the Salvation Army

2. The best uniform was a well cut business suit, 3. in the theatre of war, as in a picture theatre the best place is in the back row. The family returned to Jena after the war, but stories of young men disappearing to Russia, Communism, officialdom, rules, regulations and less freedom so it was decided this was not the ideal environment to bring up a young family, that now included Katrin, so they decided to escape to the west. After a couple of failed attempts, escaped in 1955 when Katrin was 1, and built a house in Hamburg, Her father saw notices that Australia and Canada wanted skilled labourers, so the family decided to migrate to Australia, a country with room to grow, a land of opportunity and freedom and in 1956 setoff on the MS Skaubya, which eventually sank after 2 more trips. They landed in Freematle and then on to Melbourne. Katrin shared some memories of this trip. They were housed in 4 hostels before building the first Family Home at Blaxland in the Blue Mountains. The family have never

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regretted the decision to come to Australia, and her father took full advantage of the freedom offered. and said "My first step on Australian soil was the first time I felt really free" Katrin was naturalised in 1960, but was disappointed she was

not declared an Australian Citizen, but as a British Subject, however her school friends made amends and sprinkled gum leaves and water on her on the train to make her a fair dinky di Aussie. and she has maintained this station ever since. A very interesting history, with some overviews of family and country to assist, look forward to hearing episode 2/3 & maybe 4???



Les thanks Katrin for her most informative talk

CONGRATULATIONS

Monday 5th February – Mary & Jim Hatfield (Wedding Anniversary) Monday 5th February – Judy & Des Trute (Wedding Anniversary) Thursday 8th February – Doug Alcock (Birthday)

The Club extends best wishes to you all on your Special Days

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

NEXT WEEK Dave Libauer

Des: Knock Knock Richard: Who's there? Des: Ann Richard: Ann who? Des: Another Pommy has gone for a duck

GOOD PLANNING IS VITAL FOR SUCCESSFUL SERVICE PROJECTS



We Rotarians are a practical lot. We are not ones to stand idly by when our help is needed. Nor do we begin a job without the tools to finish it. We do not sit at home and wish for a better world. Instead, we work to achieve it.

In choosing our projects, the first important step is planning. Before any work is begun, we must assess the needs and our ability to meet them; we must ensure that we have everything that we need to bring our project to its conclusion. And we must be sure that we are approaching each need in the most efficient, most effective way. Communicating with the people whom we are trying to help is absolutely vital here, as I have seen over and over in my travels.

The best projects are those in which the Rotarians involved have thoroughly researched just what needs to be done, how, and why — and have kept everyone involved at every step. This goes beyond involvement in the planning process. Successful projects transfer the "ownership" of the project to the beneficiaries, for this ensures that the benefits continue into the future. In brief: Plan well, ensure that you are meeting the real need (and not the perception of the need), and give owner-ship to those who will benefit.

Deciding whom to help is never easy. When we make that decision, we must look not only at the needs surrounding us but at ourselves — what we have to

President Rotary International

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