President’s Report

We are already one month into the New Year and we have a very busy few months ahead.

By the time of reading this bulletin we will have completed the Grange Golf Club clean-up and the February Moonlight Market.

Many thanks to all involved.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Annual Brunch at Bruce and Anne’s home on Sunday, March 1.

In closing if any member is interested in learning more about our club, I extend an invitation to ask any one of the directors or myself and we will be more than happy to invite you to one of our board meetings.

Yours in Kiwanis, Geoff Thomas, President

Community Welfare

The horrendous effect of the Fires in Australia need to be addressed by the club but before recommending any donation or help that the club could give, as advised in my report at the last meeting, does anyone have any personal connections to anyone affected? I believe if we have a personal connection it will be better for all.

There must be someone who knows, or has contacts of sporting clubs that have lost equipment etc. Give me feedback. This is not a quick fix, so we have time to help effectively.

As an example, my brother-in-law finds push bikes left out on rubbish days and repairs and recycles to be given to disadvantage children. We have now connected him with the Mt. Barker Lions Club who will connect him to children who has lost bikes in the fires.

I do suggest if you feel you need to help now, the Red Cross, which has put out requests for help for victims of the bushfires in Australia. The club has recently supported this with donations of half the last Bunning’s barbecue but I would encourage any members who feel they can help with donations to do so. please see Australian Red Cross website at www.redcross.org.au, or the S.A. Bushfire Appeal.

Happy New Year to you all,
Rod Cameron, Director

Thank you Clayton Church Homes Inc.
Generously printing our bulletin. It’s a great indicator of your community spirit.
Young Children Priority One and Youth Services

Happy New Year to you all. Welcome back to another year of Kiwanis fellowship.

In my report in the November 2019 Kiwanian I wrote about our club joining with Athelstone club in a project to provide a student, Fraser Getgood who attends Charles Campbell College, with a sound system which is portable and allows it to be used as he moves from classroom to classroom.

The system was received and tested and the project finalised before the end of the school year. We have now received a thank you letter from Fraser’s mother which reads as follows: “Hi Geoff and the amazing team at Kiwanis. I just wanted to let you know that the Phonak relay system you purchased for Fraser has arrived. He has tested the system out at school and said it is absolutely amazing and so easy to use. He is so excited about his transition to middle school next year. Thank you once again from the bottom of our hearts. Regards, Sarah and Fraser.”

Geoff Sibley, Director

Christmas Women’s Hat Competition

Phil Daws and the Men’s Hat Winner

Birthday Greetings

Bob Rudolph, February 4
Janine Keulen, February 5
Geoff Holmes, February 5
Avril Pople, February 6
Rod Cameron, February 14
Anne Ind, February 19
Pauline Norman, February 21
Janine Harper, March 3
Bob Pierce, March 5

To me, old age is always fifteen years older than I am.

I’m returning these glasses I bought for my husband. He’s still not seeing things my way.

Membership

A big welcome to the new year to everyone. Our first meeting for 2020 saw us welcome two friends of Helen Bibbo and thanks to the many members who chatted and welcomed them to this special meeting where we learned a lot about the history of tea, the tea tasting was really special so thank you Jana, we all enjoyed it. If you know anyone who would like some information on our club, please let me know and look forward to hearing more on a project that Jana is currently working on - watch this space!

Avril Pople, Director
Our first meeting for calendar year 2020 was “brew”-tiful. Thanks to Jana for stepping up to the podium with her interesting discussion and demonstration about teas. We would be surprised if it created a “strain” for anyone and it did give us opportunity to explore the different tastes. Thanks again Jana!

In coming meetings we will have a number of different opportunities to learn about a range of subjects and participate in others. More information will be provided each meeting for the next time we gather.

As well as the other forms of communication, about the Invitation to high tea, we are mentioning it here. If you would like to participate on either March 13, or March 20 please contact Janine Harper to reserve a place, or two. Positions are limited and places will be assigned on a first come basis.

Don’t forget to let Chris Ward know if you will be an apology for dinner meetings. If possible please ring him at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

In constructing the schedule of speakers we have taken advice from members. As always, we would love to hear from members if they have any good suggestions, or contacts.

Finally, the committee is planning to gather later in February. If you have any matters related to House and Reception please contact Janine, Bruce or one of the committee members.

Yours in Kiwanis, Janine Harper and Bruce Ind, Joint Directors

GUEST SPEAKER DIARY

February 10 — Laughter Enthusiast — Jan Vaughan
February 24 — Mercy Ship
March 9 — Bowls Evening (in our Payneham Bowling Club room)

They told me I had type-A blood, but it was a Typo.
Human and Spiritual Aims

Recently we had a bout of extreme hot weather which carried on throughout the night making sleep extremely uncomfortable for some. For those who had difficulty during this time we offer thoughtful wishes and hope you didn’t suffer too much. Remember to drink plenty of water during the hot weather and maintain a healthy lifestyle. We don’t want to hear of our members/spouses suffering during periods of heat.

Dennis Castle has started his cancer treatment and our thoughts and best wishes are with Dennis. Yvonne and Bill Castle will not be at our next meeting as they will be on a 15 days cruise to Kuala Lumpur and we wish then bon voyage. Enjoy your time away.

I haven’t received any news about other members so hope that is good news. “No news is good news.”

I know it doesn’t come under my portfolio but I would like to personally thank Jana Clifford for an excellent presentation on Tea Making at our last meeting. Well done Jana. [Me too! - Ed.]

Chris Ward, Director

Fundraising

We completed the Grange golf clean up and received a donation of $400 plus some drinks for the brunch and the empty bottles and cans. Thanks to helpers Avril & Bob, Geoff Holmes, Rod Cameron, Judy Channing, Phil Daws, Bruce and Anne Ind, Mary (M. and M.) Brian Merchant, Liz Paterson, Ian Siggs, President Geoff Thomas and Ann, Gary and Joan, Chris Ward, John Jones, a great job done.

The next Moonlight Markets were on Friday February 7, there will be updated details on how this went tonight.

Next up is our Annual Brunch, on Sunday, March 1, tickets from Avril. This is a great event to invite family and friends to and is a lot of fun. March 6 concludes the Moonlight Markets for this season. We have a booking forward the next movie lunch on Sunday, May 3, but the date needs to be confirmed by the theatre as they are refurbishing the Regal and hopefully will be completed by then. We know that the latest James Bond movie is being released around this time but we will keep you posted on that! We will be doing the Mother’s Day Classic for Breast Cancer on Mother’s Day again this year. Keep the morning free for that event.

Special thanks to those who set up and pack up at the Moonlight Markets. We love your dedication.

Gary Tye and Ann Thomas, Joint Directors

Velcro - what a rip off!
Writers, like teeth, are divided into incisors and grinders.

Santa with Helpers Avril and Sue

Rod Cameron and Rose Hepple

Women’s Christmas Hat Finalists

Fay & Chris Ward, F.C. and Bill Castle

Pam Johnson (winner), Jana Clifford and Jelly Fish alias Pam Jones [I think!]

What does Santa bring naughty boys and girls on Christmas Eve? A pack of batteries with a note saying “toy not included.”
I asked God for a bike, but I know God doesn't work that way. So I stole a bike and asked for forgiveness.

Do not walk behind me, for I may not lead. Do not walk ahead of me, for I may not follow. Do not walk beside me, either. Just leave me alone!