

ROTARY CLUB OF SALE INC.

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WEEKLY BULLETIN OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF SALE. 30th January 2006

Chair: Daniel Smolenaars

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

- President Alan introduced his announcements by remarking what a wonderful representation there had been from the Club at the Australia Day celebrations on Thursday. He thanked all those who attended. Keith thanked Alan on behalf of the Club for the effort he put into organising the events for the occasion. Lyndon expressed his thanks to the Club on behalf of Wellington Shire Council for the successful day organised at such short notice.
- Alan continued by stating that he had volunteered the Club's services again, this time for the occasion of the opening of the Swing Bridge on Sunday 19th February for about 2 hours from 10am. Ten Rotarians are needed as marshals, parking attendants and for other logistical duties that arise in such an event. The function is scheduled to go from 11am to 1pm.
- Alan passed on Neil's apology for his absence tonight as he is worn out following four days in the Volvo Challenge sailability in which the Sale team was very successful.
- Sale Central Rotary Club has raised \$15,000 through a raffle and is considering ways in which to help with the Heritage Trail.
- There is a late change to the program for next week when Laurie Smyth will present a talk on the History of the Postal Service in Gippsland.

Guest Speaker: Ben Lancaster – Job Talk

Tonight's speaker, Ben Lancaster, was introduced by Chairman Daniel as hailing from Newborough, a great sports fan and a Holden driver. He left it to Ben, the youngest and one of the newest members of the Club to tell his own story.

After Ben completed his University undergraduate course he commenced employment with accounting firm, Ritzer, Gallagher and Morgan in Sale. Since those days, Ben has had a change in direction and is now a financial planner with the McMillan Group where he is one of a staff of 11. The group manages funds of \$120m and runs an office in South Yarra as well as the one in Sale. To ensure he stays abreast of developments in the financial management industry and thus provide the best possible service for his clients, Ben is currently studying for the degree of Master of Financial Planning at the University of Sunshine Coast.

The business has found success by focussing on its clients' circumstances and individual needs and is remunerated for its services through standard fees rather than a commission based on the amount managed. There is a sliding scale of fees for investment services. Ben went on to say that financial plans are prepared in plain language, are explained with the use of flow charts and are checked at a number of levels.

Following his presentation, Ben answered questions from Alan, Colin, Keith, Graeme and Carmel. He indicated that the majority of clients were in the 40 to 60 year age group but that there is a broad spectrum including a significant number of young people asking about superannuation. He explained that because of the way clients are treated there are very few complaints. On the share investment side, Ben said that should an issue ever develop with a share market stock, clients that are affected would be contacted. Ben also went into some detail to explain various technical questions

At the conclusion, President Alan summarised several key points, commended Ben on his presentation and thanked him for his talk. Daniel then closed the meeting and invited members to stay for fellowship.

Keep Smiling

A man and woman were having marriage problems and decided to end their union after a very short time together. Following a very brief attempt to reconcile, the couple went to court to finalise their break-up. The judge asked the husband, "What has brought you to this point where you are not able to keep this marriage together?"

The husband said, "In the six weeks we've been together, we haven't been able to agree on one thing."
"Seven weeks" interjected the wife

A woman was testing her Sunday school class on the concept of heaven. "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would that get me into heaven?"

"NO!" chorused the kids.

"If I keep the church clean and tidy, and mow the lawn, will that get me there?"

"NO!" was the answer

"If I am kind to animals and give lollies to all the children, and love my husband, would that get me there?"

"No!" came the response again.

"Well then, how can I get into heaven?"

A five-year-old boy shouted "YOU GOTTA BE DEAD."

Sergeant at Arms: Emu Jones

- Sergeant Emu has not lost his touch over the Christmas break and quickly set about collecting fines, starting with Adrian for disseminating the wrong information in the Bulletin.
- He showed no mercy with Mike either, claiming that Mike asked too many questions about the low cost of rescue equipment.
- Noel was not quite discreet enough and was observed by the Sergeant raising a "medicine glass" to his lips at the Seaspray meeting.
- Emu fined Graeme because he has finally discovered that using a bike is a faster than walking.
- Daniel incurred a penalty for the sign on his car.
- President Alan was also in the Sergeant's sights for a fine because he introduced Philip Davis as the Hon. Philip Davies.
- Leo paid up for inviting his pregnant wife to the Australia Day celebrations and subjecting her to 40°C heat.
- Ben found the Australia Day festivities an expensive outing when he charged his girlfriend \$2.50 for a \$1.50 drink and then having to pay for it himself. The Sergeant increased Ben's costs by charging him another dollar.
- Before concluding his session, Emu levied a dollar fine from all the members who failed to put in an appearance on Australia Day

RELISH CONTACT DETAILS

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 Rotarians, please remember to notify Relish of your intentions before 12:00 midday on the Monday of the meeting.

NOTICES

Attendance: 21 Rotarians
Visiting Rotarians: None
Guests: None
Make – Up: None reported
Raffle: Won by Daniel

NEXT MEETING Monday 6th February

Club Night
Chair: Alan Lewis
Sergeant: Leo O'Brien
Attendance: Noel Langley
Set Up: Tania Jones
Venue: Relish

Meeting Monday 13th February

Guest Speaker: Mike Clapper,
 Principal Gippsland Grammar
Chair: Don Ripper
Sergeant: Rod Exton
Attendance: Noel Langley
Set Up: Carmel Webb
Venue: Relish

ON THE RADAR

Mon 20th Feb – David Harrington in China
 Mon 27th Feb - Gary Silgard, Esso (TBC)
 Thu 2nd Mar. – Combined meeting at the Princeton in lieu of the meeting on Mon 6th March. Interplast Movie presented by Bob Pitman. ☆ ☆☆☆☆
 Mon 20th Mar – Working B Ashleigh House

If you are away from home you will find friends at all Rotary Clubs. You can make up for missed meetings of the Sale Club with any of the following local Clubs:

Bairnsdale: Tuesday 6:00pm Bairnsdale Club
 Bairnsdale Sunrise: Friday 6:45am Main Hotel
 Heyfield: Monday 6:30 Railway Hotel
 Lakes Entrance: Wednesday 6:00pm Bellevue Motel

Maffra: Thursday 6:00pm Duart Receptions
 Mitchell River: Monday 5:45pm Italian Club
 Sale Central: Tuesday 6:00pm Princeton
 Traralgon: Tuesday 6:00pm Traralgon Golf Club
 Traralgon Central: Monday 6:00pm Latrobe Convention Centre
 Yarram: Wednesday 6:00pm Yarram Club