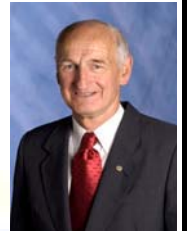


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December is Family Month

PRESIDENTS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcomes. A few people have unfortunately arrived just a bit late this evening and missed out on the welcomes so I'll mention them now. Adrian has been true to form and just made it for the main course, so welcome to you and Louise. Also, welcome to Rob and Tanya and if I'm not mistaken this must be the first time Rob has actually been a guest at one of our meetings, so a very special welcome to you Rob and it's good to see you on the other side of the kitchen counter for a change and also good to see both of you out together. Welcome also to all the other guests who've already been introduced.

Sail-ability. Rossi is looking for a volunteer to assist with putting the boats in the water tomorrow. Meet at the Lake Guthridge jetty on the southern side of the lake at 1100am tomorrow. He'll need your help for about half an hour.

Wheelchair. Rossi also has received a request for the Club to assist a family to purchase a wheelchair. (Rossi explained that a local woman who, along with her husband, has spent a lifetime caring for their disabled son (a George Grey Centre patient) is now seriously ill and facing a difficult time). She is genuinely in need of a wheelchair. I would like to propose that the Club purchase the wheelchair for her at a cost of approximately \$1100. All those in favour – Agreed. Thankyou all, I will leave it to Rossi and Emu to sort out the finances and who pays whom.

Fines Session. There's no Sergeant session this evening so no fines but if there was on I think that Neil should pay for everyone considering the serious wound on Marie's forehead. Just kidding, but maybe we should hold it over till next week.

Working Bee. There is a working bee next Saturday to bolt the signs for the Wetlands Heritage Trail to the stands

Guest Speaker: Al Gore who "used to be the next president of the United States"

AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH, is a film which offers a passionate and inspirational look at one man's fervent crusade to halt global warming's deadly progress in its tracks by exposing the myths and misconceptions that surround it. That man is former Vice President Al Gore, who, in the wake of defeat in the 2000 election, re-set the course of his life to focus on a last-ditch, all-out effort to help save the planet from irrevocable change. In this eye-opening and poignant portrait of Gore and his "travelling global warming show," Gore also proves himself to be one of the most misunderstood characters in modern American public life. Here he is seen as never before in the





media - funny, engaging, open and downright on fire about getting the surprisingly stirring truth about what he calls our "planetary emergency" out to ordinary citizens before it's too late.

With 2005, the worst storm season ever experienced in America just behind us, it seems we may be reaching a tipping point - and Gore pulls no punches in explaining the dire situation. Interspersed with the bracing facts and future predictions is the story of Gore's personal journey: from an idealistic college student who first saw a massive environmental crisis looming; to a young Senator facing a harrowing family tragedy that altered his perspective, to the

man who almost became President but instead returned to the most important cause of his life - convinced that there is still time to make a difference.

With wit, smarts and hope, AN INCONVENIENT TRUTH ultimately brings home Gore's persuasive argument that we can no longer afford to view global warming as a political issue - rather, it is the biggest moral challenges facing our global civilization.

WHAT IS GLOBAL WARMING?

Carbon dioxide and other gases warm the surface of the planet



naturally by trapping solar heat in the atmosphere. This is a good thing because it keeps our planet habitable. However, by burning fossil fuels such as coal, gas and oil and clearing forests we have dramatically increased the amount of carbon dioxide in the Earth's atmosphere and temperatures are rising.

The vast majority of scientists agree that global warming is real, it's already happening and that it is the result of our activities and not a natural occurrence.¹ The evidence is overwhelming and undeniable.

We're already seeing changes. Glaciers are melting, plants and animals are being forced from their habitat, and the number of severe storms and droughts is increasing.



The number of Category 4 and 5 hurricanes has almost doubled in the last 30 years.



Malaria has spread to higher altitudes in places like the Colombian Andes, 7,000 feet above sea level.



The flow of ice from glaciers in Greenland has more than doubled over the past decade.



At least 279 species of plants and animals are already responding to global warming, moving closer to the poles.

If the warming continues, we can expect catastrophic consequences.



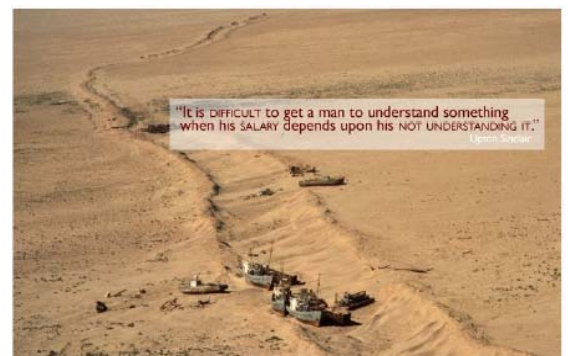
Deaths from global warming will double in just 25 years -- to 300,000 people a year.



Global sea levels could rise by more than 20 feet with the loss of shelf ice in Greenland and Antarctica, devastating coastal areas worldwide.



Heat waves will be more frequent and more intense.





Droughts and wildfires will occur more often.



The Arctic Ocean could be ice free in summer by 2050.



More than a million species worldwide could be driven to extinction by 2050.

There is no doubt we can solve this problem. In fact, we have a moral obligation to do so. Small changes to your daily routine can add up to big differences in helping to stop global warming. The time to come together to solve this problem is now – TAKE ACTION

Sergeant-at-Arms: No fines on this occasion

Just for Fun

There are male blondes in this world too and if you don't believe they are in the same class as female blondes, just think of Warwick Capper.

An Irishman, a Mexican and a blonde guy were doing construction work on scaffolding on the 20th floor of a building. They were eating lunch and the Irishman said, "Corned beef and cabbage! If I get corned beef and cabbage one more time for lunch, I'm going to jump off this building.

The Mexican opened his lunch box and exclaimed, "Burritos again! If I get burritos one more time I'm going to jump off, too."

The blonde opened his lunch and said, "Bologna" again. If I get a bologna sandwich one more time I'm jumping too."

The next day the Irishman opened his lunch box, saw corned beef and cabbage and jumped to his death.

The Mexican opened his lunch, saw a burrito and jumped too.

The blonde opened his lunch, saw the bologna and jumped to his death as well. At the funeral the Irishman's wife was weeping. She said, "If I'd known how really tired he was of corned beef and cabbage I never would have given it to him again!"

The Mexican's wife also wept and said, "I could have given him tacos or enchiladas! I didn't realize he hated burritos so much."

Everyone turned and stared at the blonde's wife... "Hey, don't look at me," she said, "he makes his own lunch."

NEXT MEETING Monday 4th Dec

Speakers: David T. and Col – Cape York: RAWCS in action
Chair: Don Ripper
Sergeant: Leo
Attendance: Noel Langley
Set up: David Crouch
Venue: Relish

Meeting Monday 11th Dec

Guest Speaker: Bishop John McIntyre's Christmas Message;
Partners night
Chair: Brian Turner
Sergeant: Mike Smith
Attendance: Noel Langley
Set up: Bob Davis
Venue: Relish

ON THE RADAR

Mon 18th Dec – Breakfast with the Langleys
 Mon 8th Jan – Working bee at Ashleigh House
 Mon 15th Jan – Social night of Lawn Bowls
 Mon 29th Jan – Sale Turf Club – partners night

Relish Contact Details

Hosts: Tania Jones & Robert Wood
 Phone/Fax: (03) 5144 5044
 Rotarians, if you are going to be absent you **must** notify Relish by phone no later than 12:00 midday on the Monday of the meeting or let Noel know the week before.

NOTICES

Attendance: Very good.
 Visiting Rotarians: None
 Guests: Many
 Make-Ups: None reported
 Raffle: No raffle

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

For more information about Rotary check the following websites

Rotary Club of Sale: <http://home.vicnet.net.au/~rcsale/>
 Rotary District 9820: www.district9820.org
 Rotary International: <http://www.rotary.org>