

ROTARY CLUB OF SALE INC

80 YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE SALE REGION
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Club President

Leo O'Brien

Secretary

Laurie Smyth

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R.I President

Dong Kurn Lee

District Governor

Ken McDonald

Chairman Daniel welcomed the 17 Rotarians present and guest speaker Stuart Wrigglesworth Southern Rural Water
President's Announcements
Reminder Portsea Camp October 10th -12th see Laurie for details
Harry having his head shaved for Gippsland Base Hospital looking for Sponsors
David Crouch re Albury District Conference
Adrian advised re "80th Anniversary Function at the Baptist Conference Centre" on Saturday 20th September
see details attached and register your name and guest next Monday night



Ready to go



Daniel welcoming members and guest

Sergeant - at - Arms: Mike

- Harry for losing weight
- David for promoting the Albury Botanic Gardens
- Laurie Taxi damage again
- Mike watching video on building
- Rod a report on Richmond please

- Leo a tie but no new member to induct
- Daniel Tender kept him absent
- Marg for her cushion
- David T for past demolitions
- Col wife finding fault



The happy Sergeant



Col & Rod happy to contribute

Chairman Daniel Introduced Stuart Wigglesworth Finance Manager of Southern Rural Water to provide an overview of the Macalister Irrigation District 2030 plan. Stuart is a local who after completing accountancy work with major firms before moving back to the district in 2003 to take up his current position he is married to Rochelle (also an accountant) and has two children. Stuart explained that Southern Rural Water (SRW) is a Victorian Government water authority with four principal businesses: • Eastern Irrigation – supplying an average of 150,000 ML for irrigation and stock and domestic use in the Macalister Irrigation District around Maffra in central Gippsland; • Western Irrigation – supplying 4,000ML to the Bacchus Marsh and 10,000ML to Werribee Irrigation Districts for irrigation and stock and domestic use from the Werribee River; • Licensing – administering around 7,800 licences for surface and groundwater diversions, and licensing construction of bores and on-stream dams. • Headworks – managing seven major dams in the Werribee, Maribyrnong, Latrobe and Macalister basins to harvest, store and deliver bulk water entitlements for our own irrigation customers, urban water authorities and Latrobe Valley power. MID2003 involves SRW and irrigators working together to implement a strategy that will ensure the sustainability of the MID by: • Increasing water availability by reducing losses from the water supply infrastructure. • Providing improved service levels for irrigators to support farm investments in more productive irrigation methods. • Managing environmental impacts both in the MID and externally. The strategy will: • Save 37,400 ML of water through supply infrastructure upgrades for use by investors of the upgrades. • Facilitate a further equivalent volume from farm savings for increased production through advanced irrigation methods. • Reduce average annual nutrient export to the Gippsland Lakes from over 40 tonne of phosphorous per year to 10 tonne per year. The strategy is threefold: • SRW will upgrade its supply infrastructure and to improve substantially the water delivery efficiency and the levels of service that it offers to irrigators. • Irrigators will take advantage of reduced order times, improved reliability and increased flow by investing in improved irrigation practices such as high flow flood irrigation, converting to spray or installing and optimizing reuse systems to save water, time and to increase production. • Irrigators will adopt closed irrigation practices and SRW will undertake works on drains to further reduce export of nutrients and contaminants from the District. Stuart provided an outline of the options under consideration for funding the works estimated at \$120m having regard to current charge of \$40ml and the impact of separating water rights from land ownership. The benefits of the improved system will ensure its importance as a food production region is maintained with enhanced opportunities for a greater range of agriculture pursuits and the availability of water ensured. Stuart answered a range of questions and Leo made the usual presentation



Noel counting out his pennies



Stuart



Why did he ask that question?



Leo making the presentation

NEXT MEETING Monday : 1st September
 Speaker; Patricia Nalden Lifeline
 Chair; Julie
 Sergeant: Daniel
 Attendance: Noel Langley
 Set Up: Neil Ross

Monday : 8th September
 Speaker; District Governor Ken & Margaret McDonald Visit
 Chair; Leo
 Sergeant: Rod
 Attendance: Noel Langley
 Set Up:

On the Radar
 Monday; 15th September
 Saturday 20th September
 "80th Anniversary Function at the Baptist Conference Centre"
 Details below

Venue: Relish

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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:	Maffra: Thursday 6:00pm Duart Receptions
Bairnsdale: Tuesday 6:00pm Bairnsdale Club	Mitchell River: Monday 5:45pm Italian Club
Bairnsdale Sunrise: Friday 6:45am Main Hotel	Sale Central: Tuesday 6:00pm Princeton
Heyfield: Monday 6:30 Railway Hotel	Traralgon: Tuesday 6:00pm Traralgon Golf Club
Lakes Entrance: Wednesday 6:00pm Bellevue Motel	Traralgon Central: Monday 6:00pm Latrobe Convention Centre
	Yarram: Wednesday 6:00pm Yarram Club

Relish Contact Details

Hosts: Thao Hua
Phone/Fax: (03) 5144 5044
E-mail:
Rotarians, please remember to notify Relish if you'll be absent by 12:00 midday on the Monday of the meeting.

NOTICES

Attendance: 17 Rotarians
Visiting Rotarians:
Guests: 1
Make-Ups:
Raffle: Marg won the wine

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>

JUST FOR FUN

Contributed by Adrian

Just a Tap,

A passenger in a taxi leaned over to ask the driver a question and tapped him on the shoulder. The driver screamed, lost control of the cab, nearly hit a bus, drove up over the kerb, and stopped just inches from a large plate glass window.

For a few moments everything was silent in the cab, and then the still shaking driver said, "I'm sorry but you scared the daylights out of me."

The frightened passenger apologised to the driver and said he didn't realize a mere tap on the shoulder could frighten him so much.

The driver replied, "No, no, I'm sorry, it's entirely my fault. Today is my first day driving a cab. I've been driving a hearse for the last 25 years."

**Members of the Rotary Club of Sale
are asked to join President Leo O'Brien,
fellow members and past members
to celebrate
the Club's 80th Anniversary
at the
Baptist Convention Centre
Lot 2 Princes Hwy Sale**

**Commencing at 6:00 for 6:30 pm
On Saturday 20 September 2008**

Cost \$35 per head includes:
3 Course meal and entertainment
including pre-dinner drinks and nibbles.
BYO Table Wine
Dress: Lounge suit
Rotary Decorations may be worn.