



Rotary Club of Trafalgar

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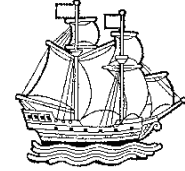
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February 8th 2011

Welcome back to our regular meetings!!

The Four Way Test

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build good will and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Herbert J. Taylor, president, Rotary Club of Chicago, 1939-40 and Rotary International 1954-55. He lived from 1893 to 1978. During a business crisis in 1932, he wrote the "Four Way Test." It was adopted as part of Rotary International in January of 1943 and is widely publicised in more than 80 countries.

“Tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today” (African Proverb)

Club Calendar

This week grace will be said by: Glenn

The National Anthem will be lead by: Michael

Date	Speaker	Subject	Chairperson
8 th Feb	Minh Cao	Science Summer School	Michael Fozard
25 th -27 th March	Conference in Shepparton		

Set Up Roster

February	Keith and Sue Pye
March	Bob and Ian
April	Isabel and Peter

Please arrange for a replacement if you are unable to attend when you are on set up.

*Arrive **5.45pm.**
 Set up and lay tables.
 Hang banners etc.
 Set up microphone.
 *Serve meals and clear tables.
 *Help clean up at the end of meeting.

Report from the last meeting As mentioned in the President’s Report a number of us joined around 150 Rotarians and partners from our cluster last Thursday for a great evening of fellowship. Speaker Ian Nethercote let us know that we have 500 years of brown coal to use.



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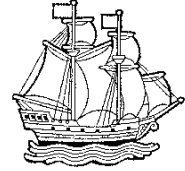
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Rotary Family News

Belated Happy Birthday to Dianne for 16th January!!! We hope you had a happy day.

Happy Birthday to Sue Murphy for 11th February

Happy Wedding Anniversary to Bob and Sue (Jan 13th), Ian and Sue (Jan 9th), Michael and Ruth (Feb 13th)

On January 1st Kevin and Michael had a Rotary Anniversary. They have both been members of Rotary for 20 years!!

Congratulations to Kevin for joining the technological age, now having an email address. We look forward to seeing Kevin back behind the bar after surgery during January.

Upcoming Events Around the Area:

11th Feb in the Old Butter Factory Drouin: Annual Poetry Night as part of the Ficifolia Festival which is on all weekend. Be entertained by local and guest poets. Expect the unexpected. Humorous items as well as serious. \$12 entry includes a glass of wine etc (I think)

11th March in the Trafalgar Community Centre: Lions Club Wine and Cheese Night. \$15 a head with proceeds going to Lions Ride For Sight

President's Report

It seems so long ago since we last met in the formal sense. (It was in fact the 14 December with the following week being the Christmas break-up dinner at our place.) And not everyone was able to make it to the January garden meetings so I am looking forward to seeing everyone together again.

On the subject of the January meetings, my gratitude must go to the hosts/hostesses and although the process involves a minimum of fuss, there is still lots to do both before and after so this is a very big 'thank you' to all of those involved; Ken, Carmel, Tom and Sue, Keith and Janina.

Also in the break we welcomed home our exchange student Megan Low from a cold winter in Denmark. Megan and her mum Karen were guests at our January meeting at Tom and Sue's. We look forward to Megan's talk about her exchange year at a meeting in March.

And Megan was great company for Carmel and me at our first Foodworks Sausage Sizzle for the year on 29 January. Her cheerful manner helped make it a very successful day with \$165.70 being raised in aid of the Rotary contribution to victims of floods in Queensland and Victoria.

PP Ed has not been idle. As arranged earlier in the Rotary year, Ed oversaw the construction of a large garden box for the Youth House. This all came together on a rather hot Saturday in January. The soil etc will follow next week. It will be good to see the children getting their hands dirty producing a bit of 'home grown' food. Thanks to Ed particularly and to his helpers.



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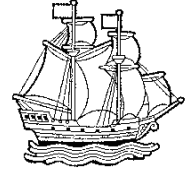
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Those who were able to make it to the Cluster meeting at Morwell had a great night in the company of about 150 Rotarians, partners, exchange students and other guests. Club members were separated and given places at tables with people from other clubs. As a consequence we know a few more people and lots more of what is going on in other clubs. So under the heading of Fellowship, Rotary has excelled. The guest speaker was the CEO of Loy Yang Power, Ian Nethercote who gave a thought provoking talk about electricity generation as it is now and as he sees it in the future.

I have passed on our appreciation to the President and Board of the Morwell Rotary Club for the cluster meeting initiative.

"Life is mostly froth and bubble, two things stand like stone; kindness in another's trouble, courage in your own". – Adam Lindsay Gordon

**You're in an elevator and another person turns to you and says "What's Rotary?"
With less than a minute to answer, what would you say?**

I will leave you to think about this and I will give some answers next week unless everyone tells me they have read their Feb. Rotary Down Under!!!(Bulletin Editor)

Nursing Home Entrance Exam.

During a visit to my doctor, I asked him, "How do you determine whether an older person should be put in an old age home?"

"Well, he said, "we fill up a bathtub with water and we offer a teaspoon, a teacup and a bucket to the person to empty the bath."

"Oh I understand," I said. "A normal person would use the bucket because it is bigger than the spoon or the teacup"

"No" he said. "A normal person would pull the plug. Do you want a bed near the window?"

Remember, dogs and cats are better than kids because they:

- (1) eat less,
- (2) don't ask for money all the time,
- (3) are easier to train,
- (4) normally come when called,
- (5) never ask to drive the car,
- (6) don't smoke or drink,
- (7) don't want to wear your clothes,
- (8) don't have to buy the latest fashions,



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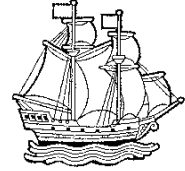
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(9) don't need a gazillion dollars for college and

(10) **if they get pregnant, you can sell their children**

2011 Traf Tales Writing Competition Open and Junior

The Traf Tales Writing competition is again looking for the best in local writing. There will be two categories this year:

- **Open** with the words, “My Grandfather told me....” (or My Grandmother)

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The word limit is 3,000 words but a succinct effort of 500 words may just take the prize.

First Prize: \$250 and publication in *Traf News*

Second prize: \$100

Third Prize: \$50

- **Junior:** Max 500 words. “My Grandfather told me....” (or My Grandmother)

- **Sponsored by the Traf News**

First Prize: \$100 and publication in *Traf News*

Second prize: \$50

Third Prize: \$20

Picture story books are welcome but we are unable to do them justice in the *Traf News*.

Entries can be submitted by:

- snail mail to PO Box 57 Trafalgar, 3824
- hand delivery to the Baw Baw Technology Centre, Trafalgar.
- e-mail to pjcooke@hotmail.com (much the preferred way)

(We would appreciate an electronic copy whatever way you submit your entry.)

Closing date: Friday, 25th March, 2011

Entries must include name, address, e-mail address, age, (if a junior entry), phone number **on a separate sheet of paper.**

*******Could all reports and items for the bulletin be with me by 6pm Sundays please and this can include jokes, literary quotes, family news etc. It is YOUR bulletin (isabelrobertson@hotmail.com)**



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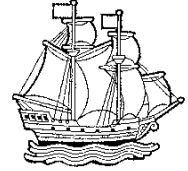
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Rotary Club of Trafalgar Chairs and Committees 2010-2011

Membership

Director: Chris Makin

Members: Lana Prout, Di Harrison, Laurie Snowball

Club Administration and Public Relations

Director: Peter Cooke

Members: Ian Quake (Treasurer), Glenn Doolan, Kevin Gracie.

Foundation

Director:

Members: Bill Harrington, Bob Murphy, Sue Pye

Service Projects

Director: Ed Hayward

Members: Michael Fozard (Youth), Isabel Robertson (Community), Keith Heil (Vocational), Ken Brown (International, Assistant Treasurer and Art Show Treasurer)

Other Positions

Sergeant-at Arms: Sue Pye

Bulletin Editor: Isabel Robertson

Dining Room Manager: Bob Murphy

Bar Manager: Kevin Gracie

Programs: Bill Harrington