

VALLEY VIBES

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Mr. Craig Daniels - Hearing Life

Clinician Craig Daniels was our guest speaker on 11 April at the Royal Hotel, Harrisville. Craig has been working as an Audiometrist for the past 7 years and commenced working for Hearing Life about three and a half years ago. Craig began his career in a small clinic about 12 years ago where he was a computer support technician and did hearing aid repairs. His interest in helping clients to lead better lives, and be able to hear better gave him the motivation to become qualified and he did this through TAFE NSW while working full time. Craig started his talk with saying "If you can't hear, you lose the context of the environment you're in". Most of us probably don't think about this much, but for those who cannot hear can often feel left out and not included on what is happening due to their hearing loss. If you can hear you feel like you are a part of the environment. Technology has progressed a lot over the years and it can now even be adapted to tune into hearing aids to improve the quality of life for the hearing impaired. Craig said hearing is one area of our health areas that we let 'slide' and don't get checked as regularly as they should. There are four degrees of hearing loss - Mild / Moderate / Severe / Profound. Hearing loss can be caused by many different things and on average it takes seven years for people to recognize that they



have a hearing problem and decide to go and get it checked out. Hearing loss can occur at any age, but is more prominent with age.

Rotarian Marjorie Porter with Clinician Craig Daniels



VICTORY!

Beersheba 100th Anniversary

Boonah locals Jim & Jeannette Grounds were our ANZAC Day speakers on 2th April, they were fortunate to have travelled to Israel for the 100th Anniversary of the Charge of Beersheba. Jim & Jeannette were late additions to the tour, so they were only able to see the commemorations on a big screen in an auditorium at the British War Cemetery at Beersheba. A large crowd gathered for the momentous occasion, which was a moving experience with some excellent speeches by the Israeli Prime Minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, Australian Prime Minister Malcom Turnbull, and the Govenor General of New Zealand, Dame Patsy Reddy. Jim recorded the ceremony & the re-enactment of the charge on his camera, which he shared with us.



Photo taken from <http://beersheba100.com.au/events/israel.html>

Netanyahu said:

Exactly 100 years ago brave Anzac Soldiers liberated Beersheba for the sons and daughters of Abraham and opened the gateway for the Jewish people to re-enter this stage of history...brave soldiers who are buried here played a crucial role in defeating the Ottoman Empire, liberating the Holy Land and ending 400 years of Ottoman rule in one great dash.¹

Australian Prime Minister Malcolm Turnbull added:

It did not create the state of Israel but enabled its creation...They defied history. They made history and with their courage they fulfilled history.²

Immediately after the service, the dignitaries opened a new ANZAC museum adjacent to the cemetery. Following this, the band led a parade of the horses through the streets lined with thousands of flag-waving school children, Israelis and overseas visitors. A contingent of aborigines represented their forefathers who served in the ANZAC troops and were enthusiastically welcomed and honoured by the crowds.



The official party then drove up to Tel Be'er Sheva where there was a New Zealand commemoration and a new monument was opened to remember the soldiers who fought to capture this strategic, ancient tel. Almost at the exact time of the charge, the re-enactment ceremony began. The 100 horses walked the distance 'in peace' for the Prime Ministers, followed shortly after by a gallop from a smaller group, much to the delight of the thousands who filled the stands. Jim & Jeannette's trip was 17 days in total, they had time in Israel & Jordan and travelled in a bullet proof bus which made them feel very safe and non-threatened at all times.

President Scott Champion with Jeannette & Jim Grounds

May Dinner Speaker: Ron Surtees



In charge of Audio Visual (AV) and Media at the Catalyst Church in Ipswich, Ron Surtees has been a vital member of the church's staff for the past 28 years. Ron's working life has been centred around AV technology and its use to capture information relevant to the world's media, as he built a career that eventually led to him holding a position as a Senior Cameraman at Channel 10.

As he entered the AV world in what would now be considered its infancy, much of Ron's knowledge was gleaned from the experiences of his colleagues in the field. The 1956 Melbourne Olympics were one such place where the inexperienced were placed in a situation that forced them to experiment with technology in ways that it had not been used before, in order to broadcast the events satisfactorily to the world's emerging television market. Ron will give us a rarely seen insight into the world on the other end of the television camera, from a time when the how-to and why-for of the cameraman's job were not limited by what they were taught at film school, but only by their imagination.

Tree Planting

Rotary International President 2017/18, Ian Riseley, challenged every Rotary club worldwide to make a difference by planting one tree for each of its members between the start of the Rotary year on 1 July and Earth Day on 22 April 2018. If this goal is achieved, an estimated 1.2 million new trees should be planted bringing a great deal of ongoing benefits the environment. On Saturday 14th April members of the Rotary Club of Fassifern Valley planted 1 tree for each

member at the Harrisville Cemetery. Local Councillor and overseer of the Harrisville Cemetery, Duncan McInnes, met President Scott and Rotarians Graham & Ross to help mark out where the trees should be planted.



Rotarian Graham Porter grew, potted and donated the Jacaranda trees which were then planted along the front fence line of the cemetery. When they grow they will not only provide some much needed shade for the cemetery, but they will display a beautiful array of colour which runs parallel to the Peak Crossing – Kalbar road.

Rosewood Campdraft

Saturday 28th April we catered for the Rosewood Campdraft, it was a long day, but a great day to be out and about and have our first catering event with our new chip van. We catered for breakfast, lunch and dinner while enjoying the conversations with competitors and visitors, as well as being able to see some of the riding action in the arena. A great big thank you to Aleeta, Cara & Scott who were there all day, to Rebecca & Ann Kay, Wendy Silcox and Shirley Weatherhead, whose help throughout the day was amazing and to all our members who were there throughout the day. Everyone's contribution made it a successful and fun day to be a part of.



Presidents Report

G'day all,

As I predicted in the last exciting edition of the Valley Vibes, the pace of life for many members of RCFV jumped up a gear or two in April, and I would like to take this chance to sincerely thank all those members who have made it possible for us to achieve what we

have in such a small amount of time. The past few weeks has seen the club complete the tree planting at the Harrisville Cemetery, and the catering at the Rosewood Campdraft with the food van.



Firstly, a big thank you must go out to Graham P. who organised the trees for us, and also to Ross M. for organising and operating the tractor for us on the day. It sure would have hurt if we had to dig all those holes by hand. If we can get the trees to thrive over the course of the next year, they will be a beautiful addition to this sacred place.

The work that Lindy, Cara and Aleeta did in the lead up to the campdraft really set us up for success on the day at Rosewood. I want to thank everyone for the contribution that they made on the day, but special recognition must go to Cara and Aleeta for the work they did. They were going flat out for 16 hours, from 5:00 am to 9:00 pm and turned up again at 8:30 the next morning to pack up.

I know Lindy was disappointed that this day clashed with a wedding at her property, and we were grateful for the time that she was able to give and that she arranged for the multi-skilled Wendy Silcox as a stand-in. Two other non-members, Ann and Rebecca Kay, also deserve huge thanks as they provided invaluable support for most of the day. I really appreciate the help of all those that showed up on Sunday morning to help clean the van, it made such a difference.

The full financial result is yet to be calculated, however we made a great profit for the club from the day and we learnt many very valuable lessons that will serve us well into the future as we refine our operating procedures. I think that we can truly say that the purchase of the van has been vindicated, particularly with the Scenic Rim Regional Council providing a grant for its repairs.

And we found out yesterday that we have been allocated a site at the Winter Harvest Festival, so we need everyone to get ready for another big day. Remember the long-standing Rotary principal of **service above self**, and make yourself available where you can.

YIR,

Scott Champion

President 2017/18

Youth Matters

Cara Champion
Youth Director

There are key times throughout the year when we focus on our youth. Youth camps are a huge component of where we like to support youth, however ANZAC Day is another opportunity where we can make a valuable



contribution towards helping our children with their reading. Each year we purchase a set of age appropriate book sets and donate a set to each of the seven schools in our area. Where possible a member of the club will present the books at an ANZAC Day service.



May is also RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment), it is on the weekend of 25th - 27th May. It is quickly approaching and if you have or know of a young person between the ages of 14 & 16 years of age we would love to sponsor them to attend this leadership camp. Applications close on May 10th, please contact myself or any other member of our club for further details.

Cara Champion
Youth Director 2017/18



From the
Secretary's Desk

ANZAC DAY BOOKS

Once again, members attended local ANZAC Day Services and on behalf of the Club presented sets of books to local schools in place of floral wreaths. Thank you to the members who

represented the Club at Harrisville, where books for Peak Crossing, Mutdapilly, Warrill View and Harrisville Schools were presented, and Kalbar, where books for Aratula, Roadvale and Kalbar Schools were placed on the Memorial.

Scenic Rim Regional Council GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP

Last Wednesday night President Scott, President Elec Andrew, Cara & Aleeta attended the Grant Writing Workshop which was held at the Scenic Rim council office in Beaudesert. The workshop was presented By Desiree Ngatai & Anna Barrett which was a good introduction to writing grants, and should be a valuable skill when needed.

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY – Sunday 20th May 2018

D9640 Assembly (North) is only a couple of weeks away and gives our members a great opportunity to attend, this time with minimal travel, as it is in Boonah. Please speak to Andrew and Scott if you wish to attend. It is a great opportunity to learn more about Rotary in our District.

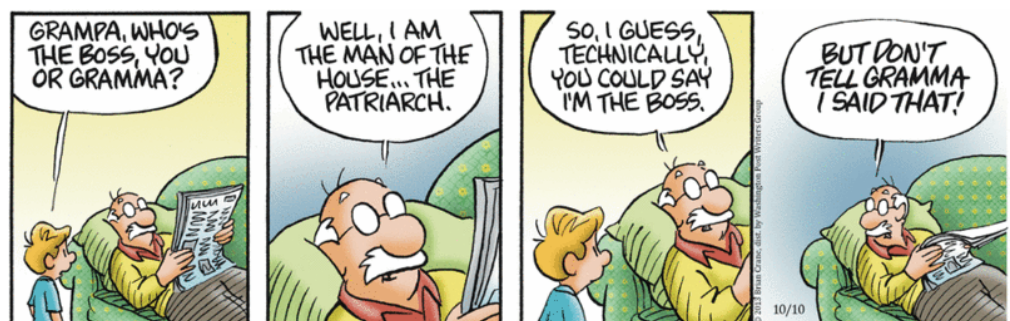
CHANGEOVER DINNER – Saturday 16th June 2018

Invitations are in the process of being sent and we look forward to a good roll up at our Annual Changeover Dinner when President Scott hands over the reins to Incoming President Andrew. In case you have missed the details, it is being held at the home of Lindy and Jim Kirchner and promises to be a fun and casual evening for all who attend. As usual, we will conduct a Raffle, so please start putting aside a few items to make our fund raising a success.

Marjorie Porter
Secretary 2017/18

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Upcoming Events

May	June	July	August
Sunday 20th May District Assembly, Boonah State High School, 8.30am - 2.30pm Friday 25th- Sunday 27th RYPEN Camp, Bornhoffen	Tuesday 12th Beaudesert Rotary Club Changeover Saturday 16th RCFV Changeover Thursday 28th Boonah Rotary Club Changeover Saturday 30th District Changeover	30th June - 8th July Eat Local Week	Sunday 26th Peak Crossing Car Display Day



Birthday	Wedding Anniversary
6 May 13 May	Bev Ward John Brent 1 May 1993 Andrew & Ann Kay 30 May 1970 Neil & Jenny S

Meeting Program and Duty Roster: May

DUTY ROSTER	Wed 9 May '18 Business Meeting	Wed 16 May '18 Dinner Meeting	Wed 23 May '18 No Meeting	Wed 30 May '18 Social Evening	Wed 6 June '18 Business Meeting
Duty Officer	N/A	Aleeta Wozencroft			N/A
Chairman/ Rotary Reflections	President Scott	Lindy Kirchner			President Scott
Meeting Venue & Time	Harrisville State School 6.50 for 7pm	Royal Hotel, Harrisville 6.30 for 7pm			Harrisville SS, 6.50 for 7pm
Program and/or Guest Speaker	N/A	Guest Speaker - Ron Surtees			

MEMBERS NOTICE:

1. To ensure a punctual 7.00 pm start, members are requested to arrive no later than 6.45pm.
2. When you have duties on the Roster and are not available, could you please arrange for someone else to fill in, and advise Secretary Marjorie of the change (Mob 0419 781 264)

