



## ROTARY NOMADS DOT POINTS – 16 NOVEMBER 2016

**Meeting opened** – 7.00pm EST

**Chairman** – Phil Hughes

**Dot Points** – Camilla Barker

**Welcome** – President Geoff welcomed all members. Special welcome to visitor Janelle Books and also Sue Larsen who is our guest speaker tonight & an honorary member of Archerfield Rotary Club and also members of the Gard Family.

**Four Way Test** – Phil Hughes

**Present** – Barry & Lee Tait, Camilla Barker, Geoff & Lorelle St Clair, Paul Northrop, Robin & Annette Bailey, Trish & Steve Bennett, Mel Rolfe, Jim Barbey, Wendy Symons, Faye Powell, Louise Lemon, Wayne Kemmis, Pam Fallon, Colin & Barbara Gard and family, Phil Hughes, Mary Henderson, Dennis Wade, John Williams, Marlene Charles, Janelle Books, Don McQueen, Sue Larsen.

**Apologies** – John Clements, Gary Latcham, Mary & Allen Hunter, Brooks, Greg & Meg Fallon, Wendy Thomas and Francis Harman.

**Club Visits – Mary:** Marlene Charles – Lockyer Valley Rotary Club

**Volunteer / Service Hours - Lorelle**

- Jim Barbey – 8 hours
- Robin & Annette Bailey, Don & Anne McQueen – 30 hours – Car Show

**Make ups** – Francis Harman – on line Nomads Meeting

**Welfare – Barry and Lee Tait** – Greg Fallon unwell.

Barry and Lee attended a function for clients of the Community Support Group in Coolah. They enjoyed chatting and spreading the word of Rotary and the Nomads.

**Toast to Rotary** – Faye Powell proposed a toast to the Rotary Club of Condobolin NSW. The Club does work with the Murrin Bridge Aboriginal Community, has a very large Rotary Wheel painted on a round-a-bout in town, is an RV friendly town and has 'Utes in the Park'. Members charged their glasses for the toast.

**Guest Speaker** – Geoff St Clair introduced Sue Larsen who spoke on the Fred Hollows Foundation. Sue has worked for the foundation for 14 years and it is her passion. She showed a video from Laos where 7-month-old twins were able to have cataract surgery to restore their sight through the Fred Hollows Foundation. She then spoke about the Foundation which was set up in 1992 just prior to Fred's passing away. Main causes of blindness are – cataracts – ½ global blindness, trachoma infections – ½ million people – mainly indigenous and Diabetes. The Fred Hollows Foundation restores sight through surgery and glasses, trains doctors, investment in equipment and advocacy for eye health. The Foundation can't do the work without donations – 75% funding from Australians and 25% from overseas. Sue took a question and answer time. Thank you Sue for sharing the story of the legacy of Fred Hollows.

## **GENERAL BUSINESS – Geoff**

**Craft Spectacular** – Marlene Charles and Lorelle St Clair have been investigating the holding of *The Crafters Expo* at Grantham next year. They have had a brainstorming meeting. As of today, they have secured the Grantham Butter Factory (Rotary restored this building after the floods at a cost of \$2 million) free of charge. Ideas for the day are – café, stall holders, demonstrations, workshops and sales. This will be at no cost to the club, possibility of raising funds as there will be an entrance fee and stall holder charge. This event has the possibility of becoming an annual event.

The date is Saturday 11 March 2017. Local Nomads to help. Insurance of Currency and Public Liability from Rotary. Thank you to Marlene and Lorelle for your work so far.

**New Zealand Earthquake Appeal** – Geoff has put a link on FB and members can donate direct.

**Car Show Report** – It was extreme weather – bitterly cold and windy. It was well organised for a first event. 95 entrants – less than expected due to the weather. Annette, Robin, Don and Anne looked great in their Nomads aprons.

**Thomas Fun Run** – Some members from the Melbourne area will be volunteering at this event.

**Berri Muster** – Cost of Caravan Park has been confirmed at \$32.40 for all Nomads attending.

**Special Resolution** – At the Board Meeting held this evening a discussion was held regarding 10% of surplus income from any service project to go into club operations account. Geoff St Clair moved a motion that a special resolution go to all members to be voted on at the General Meeting following the AGM on 30 November 2016. Camilla Barker to give written notice to all members and 75% of members' present must vote in favour of resolution for it to be passed. If this occurs the bylaws will be updated.

### **Christmas Break Up - Partners/ Friends Night – 14 December**

- Partners or friends invited to attend & introduced by members
- Guest Speaker – Tristan Clements: Aged care
- Everyone to wear a Christmas hat
- 60 Second Chats – what is everyone doing over the break?
- Finish with “We wish you a merry Christmas”

**Christmas Break** -There will be a three week break over Christmas/New Year – last meeting on 14 December 2016. No meetings on 21/12/2016, 28/12/2016, 04/01/2017. Resume 11/01/2017.

**Jokers Wild** – Dennis Wade under the watchful eye of Paul Harris performed his duties -

1<sup>st</sup> Draw Mary Hunter – Colin Gard's grandson Jordon chose the card - Jack of Clubs

2<sup>nd</sup> Draw Barry Tait picked 2 diamonds

The Joker was well hidden once again.

### **Next week's program –**

- Chairman – Barry Tait and his assistant Lee
- Dot Points – Camilla Barker
- Guest Speaker – Camilla Barker – recent travels

**AGM** – to be held on 30 November 2016. Nominations for the board to be sent to Camilla prior to that date.

**Geoff** thanked Phil for being Chairman and all members for their attendance.

**Meeting closed** at 8.00pm