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People Of Action In And For Our Community.

Thursday 12th October 2023

Michael Young, Manager, Waste & Sustainability at CCC.

ZONE 8 ~ REGIONALSATION

Proposed Regional Structure:

All districts in Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands would be placed within a region governed by a Regional Council that would manage all regional operations with the assistance of vibrant Regional Support Committees. The role of the Regional Council would be to manage the day-to-day activities of the region, including setting membership dues and governing all aspects of Rotary currently managed by districts. Each region would then be divided into sections or areas, with 10-30 Rotary and Rotaract clubs within each.

The Regional Strategic Goal is to establish a Regional Governance structure to transform Rotary and Rotaract in our region, to better support Clubs to provide relevant and engaging experiences, that serve our communities and enable us to grow.

President Reg advised our Club that time is limited, so, we need to think about: Regional Council, Regional Specialists and Rotary's Place today. In the future, there will be no Assistant Governors. Issues will be Zone-wise not dependent on the US. A new level of Governance and type of support will be in place..



ZONE 8 REGIONALSATION cont.

Here are some guiding questions :

How do we group Clubs? By their location or geography?

What type of Club do we want and what are their common features?

Each Rotary Group will elect their own 'leader' and will facilitate growth and provide support.

So how do we want to be grouped? Each Club will select the its preference based on majority decision .

What are we passionate about?

What are our strengths and Weaknesses?

How would any support help us as a Club?

What is our preferred grouping?

Are we interested in being part (subset) of a secondary grouping?

There were many areas to consider which we diligently did by consensus of three options:

The top three passionate issues for Howrah Club were **Protecting the environment / Support education / Fighting disease**. Other areas provided a healthy discussion but remain simmering in the background. These were deemed as important but main focus on the ones above.

Our Club's strengths: Membership participation – Community recognition – Camaraderie and friendship.

Our Greatest Challenge: Technology and social media ~ Rejuvenating our Club.

Grouping: State of Tasmania as ONE GROUP.

Secondary: How small do we need or want to be?

WE'RE ON THE MOVE AGAIN, THE BOOKSHOP THAT IS

The Rotary Bookshop is moving two doors down in same location to make way for a restaurant. Many thanks to those who could help when the move began yesterday. However members are still needed to move books from 10am on Monday 9th Oct. If you can help please come along. Exciting times ahead! AND we're still operating!



HERE AND THERE

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* Welcome back to Gayle and Suzanne.

* All invited to take part in the Mental Health Walks on Sat 15th Oct. More info coming from Vice President Ankita.

*The District AGM will be held at the Kermandie Hotel. We will appoint a proxy to represent us.

* **Polio Hat Day** Please wear a hat next meeting. [NO HAT \$5 TO THE FUND-RAISING EFFORT].

*Warrane Community Garden Centre We will be running a “community” BBQ (We supply everything) on 21 Oct. Efforts are being made to enlist Lindsfarne Club for help.

Reg reported that the BBQ at Rokeby Primary went well. **A BIG THANK YOU TO JOHN ANDERSON FOR HIS INVALUABLE ASSISTANCE!**

*George is co-ordinating the Chocolate Wheel at Montagu Bay School on 20th October and Corpus Christi School on 8th December. Hands went up to assist but you need to note the date and BE THERE please. George will soon email all those who volunteered re more details for the day.

*Our acceptance of the new Constitution is not negotiable so at next Club Assembly (Nov.) we will officially ratify it for the AGM.

*Auditor advised our Treasurer, Gayle, that all is good. A work in progress for the AGM.

•Shirin has booked a Partners Night at “Yummi Thai” for October 19th but needs numbers by the 16th please, or preferably at our next meeting.

***Christmas Raffle** will go ahead this year but all members need to get behind this cause. Currently it is an ongoing issue with tickets and prize(s). Looking at another wheelbarrow and “Christmas Hamper” with printed tickets.

* Pres. Reg has approached Bellerive RC about a joint sign to promote the fact that both Rotary Clubs meet at BYC.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

“We acknowledge and pay respect to the Tasmanian Aboriginal people as the traditional and original owners and continuing custodians of this land on which we gather and acknowledge Elders – past and present of Lutruwita”.



DIARY OF EVENTS ...

OCTOBER

Wed. 11th Coffee Club at Local Grocer, Cambridge. 10.30am.

Thurs. 12th Clarence City Council, Micky Young Manager, Waste and Sustainability together with a representative of the company Cleanaway.

ALSO this is Hat Night for Lift the Lid on Mental Health – please join the fun with a decorated hat and try to win a prize.

Thurs. 19th Social Event Partners Night at Barilla Holiday Park Thai Restaurant 75 Richmond Road Cambridge 6pm. **PARTNERS NIGHT.**

Fri. 20th Chocolate Wheel at Montagu Bay School Fair

Tues.24th World Polio Day

Thurs. 26th No Meeting – Show Day.

Fri. 27th Friday Drinks @ Bellerive Yacht club 5.00pm.

NOVEMBER

Thurs. 2nd Club Assembly

DECEMBER

Sun. 10th Christmas Lunch on Sunday at South Arm RSL & Community Club South Arm Road. More information to follow.

Thurs. 14th No Meeting but maybe Breakfast – for discussion.

Duty Roster.....

Greeter

Duty Officers

Thurs.12th Oct.

Peter L.

Rob & Richard

ATTENDANCE PROTOCOL

Members who **are unable** to attend Thursday meetings **OR** those who **do not require** a meal should **contact SHIRIN before lunchtime on Tuesdays.**

Contact SHIRIN at smp@internode.on.net or 0466790991.