

Trev's Tidings

"He's a distinguished man of letters. He works for the Post Office."

Max Kauffmann

This week is State of Origin 1 or, if you are the Sports Minister for Victoria, "...State of the Origin.." between "...Queensland and New Zealand"! Before the game kicks off you will still have time to hear Peter Revelos tell us something about himself. I am looking forward to discovering why this Rotarian in particular always seems to be of such a happy disposition.

Last week Ernst Krolke gave us a fascinating insight into how aircraft get into and out of airports around the world, on time and in time to satisfy the needs of global travellers. It was so refreshing to listen to someone who clearly loves his work. His organization grew out of a fascination of how airports function, which continues to be his hobby. When he told us that his organization is not-for-profit, so that there is no avenue for corrupt negotiations regarding prime time slots, I thought, "Now there is someone who would make a great Cabinet Minister".

Last Saturday, *Hats On at Breakfast Point* was staged and what a wonderful afternoon was had by all. My sincere thanks to PN Suzanne Freund and her team of Penny, Maree and Nanette from Strathfield, and PP Margery Foss and Marcia from Breakfast Point, for making it the success it was. The combined effort raised \$3,500 for Australian Rotary Health. I suspect that a similar function will be held again next year. I was happy to see that DG David Cook and his wife, Carolyn, could also be there for part of the fashion parade. I take my hat off to them both for the way they have supported the activities of all the clubs in the District throughout the year, especially those of Strathfield RC.

Sunday was the Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal day. I would like to thank everyone who participated in the activities for supporting PP Peter Smith and this very worthy cause.

Over the next two weekends we have four more barbecues to look after. They will be fundraisers for the club and held at the *Domayne* Warehouse Relocation Sale in Carnarvon Street, Silverwater. We need volunteers to help cook and serve between 11.00am and 3.00pm. Peter Smith is coordinating the events and a commitment sheet is circulating. Please try and give him some of your time.

The visit to the Bowral home of Domenico and Johanna Alvaro is on Sunday, June 17. We intend to hire a bus for the day and a commitment sheet will be circulating soon. I think this may be the first time we have visited the Alvaros at this time of year and he says it will be cool and has promised a warm open fire.

Strathfield Rotary's Changeover Dinner will be held on Friday, 29th June, at Strathfield Golf Club. A flier for the event will be circulating soon, as will a commitment sheet. This is a highlight of the year when we will induct Ray Wilson as our next President and welcome his team. It is also an occasion where we reflect on our achievements for the year and show our appreciation of the efforts that have been made by Rotarians and non-Rotarians alike.

Finally, the District 9690 Changeover Luncheon will be held at Club Marconi in Bossley Park at 12 noon, on Sunday 8th July. Cost will be \$46 per person and replies are required by June 27. If you wish to attend please let me know and I will send in an attendance sheet on behalf of the Club.

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