



NORTHERN BEACHES TOASTMASTERS CLUB MINUTES

Club No: 609136

Area 8 Hawkesbury Division

District 90

Meeting No: 226

On: 25th August 2020

At; Via Zoom online Meeting

Theme: "AHA MOMENTS"

Meeting Opened:

7.00pm

Sergeant-At-Arms:

Brian Paull

Present:

Steve Barber, Errol Byrnes, Luke Donabauer, Rob Geoghegan, Gail Goff, June McKimmie, Brian Paull, Heather Rickard, Reg Stewart, David Tomlinson, Denise Tomlinson, Adrian Oostuizen, Charles Salgado.

Apologies:

Graham Blandy, Deanna Morpurgo, Alexis Martin, Kathy Stewart, Robyn Doyle, Shaun Curry, Sue Loucks, Anastasia Loucks

Guests:

Beverley Barber, Steve & Julie Carratt, Fiona Warneke, Issy Shepherd

Quorum:

Yes - 20 members less 1 inactive = 19. Quorum is 50% + 1 =10

Presidents Opening Remarks:

David Tomlinson warmly welcomed members and guests and gave us a quote from William A Ward who said "The best investment you can make is in yourself"

Before you speak - listen

Before you write - think

Before you spend - earn

Before you invest - investigate

Before you criticise - wait

Before you pray - forgive

Before you quit - try

Before you retire - save

Before you die - give

And wished that we have many "AHA" moments tonight.

Chairman:

Luke Donabauer explained the theme of the meeting "AHA Moments" and impressed us with his range of backgrounds on his Zoom image.

Adoption of Minutes: Steve Barber moved that the minutes for the meeting held on 28th July 2020 (#225) be confirmed as read. Proposed by Reg and seconded by Gail. Motion carried unanimously.

Change in Fees: Luke Donabauer addressed the meeting about the proposal to increase the club membership and dinner fees as discussed at the recent Executive meeting and reported in the minutes of that meeting for members consideration. After a brief discussion the motion was put and passed unanimously.

MOTION: That semi-annual fees be increased from \$72 - \$80 in September 2020 plus cost of dinners increase from \$35 - 40 when meetings return to restaurants.

Moved by Luke and seconded by David Tomlinson

Word du jour: June McKimmie chose; ‘Revelation’ and described how it could be used to suit tonight’s theme.

**Agenda changes/
Apologies:** Errol Byrnes confirmed the agenda had no changes from the last issue yesterday.

Toast: Gail Goff gave us a toast to the theme “AHA Moments”

Speaker #1: Heather Rickard presented a speech with the title “Becoming the leader you would like to be lead by” which was evaluated by Steve Barber. Heather made an innovative use of Zoom - screen sharing with a prepared slide show.

Table Topics Master: Luke Donabauer, theme “AHA Moments”
1) David, 2) Steve Carratt, 3) Brian, 4) Adrian, 5) Fiona
6) Denise, 7) Gail,

Dinner Break: 7.50 pm - 8.20pm

Call to Order: Brian Paull

Table Topics Evaluations

Odds Evaluator: Reg Stewart

Evens Evaluator: Rob Geoghegan

Speaker #2: Adrian Oosthuizen presented a speech evaluated by Denise Tomlinson with the title “Taking an Alpine Plunge”

Speaker #3: David Tomlinson presented a speech evaluated by Errol Byrnes with the title “Me, myself and I” about understanding your communication style.

Evaluator #1:	Steve Barber evaluated Heather's speech
Evaluator #2:	Denise Tomlinson evaluated Adrian's speech
Evaluator #3:	Errol Byrnes evaluated David's speech
Grammarians:	June McKimmie reported that the word "Revelation" had been used 13 times by members during the meeting and also noted several sayings worthy of mention.
General Evaluator:	Brian Paull gave a comprehensive general evaluation of the meeting, which encouraged a breakout question from guest Issy about feedback with looking at the camera and several suggestions were made from helpful members.
Timers Report:	Errol Byrnes gave a comprehensive report with the majority of members right on time with their assignments.
Awards & Chair message:	Luke awarded the Best speech to Adrian Oosthuizen and Best Assignment jointly to both June and Gail for their roles.
Promotion of next meeting:	22nd September 2020- Chairman Heather Rickard, probably via Zoom and a Theme of "Spring Forward"
Comments - Guests:	Steve & Julie Carratt - They are members of another club and considered ours to be a very professional meeting, Issy Shepherd - Appreciated the feedback received
Presidents Closing remarks:	David made reference to the Area Humorous Speech and TT Contests on the 31st October and our contests being at our meeting on 27th October.
Meeting Close	9.26
Secretary;	Steve Barber