



CHATTER ON A PLATTER

NOVEMBER / DECEMBER 2012

Northern Beaches Toastmasters Club

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

Thanks giving

Thanksgiving Ceremonies and Celebrations for a successful Harvest are both Worldwide and very Ancient. Almost every culture in the world has held or do hold Celebrations of thanks for a Plentiful Harvest.

It's the familiar things in life that too seldom are appreciated and not acknowledged.

We expect so much and forget the simple things of life, let alone looking out the window and seeing the sunrise or sunset. Then there is the gift of watching the clouds in the sky floating by, then there is hearing the birds sing, the crickets in the evening and locusts in the heat of summer.

PLATTERS KITCHEN

Reef Sports Bar and Grill Restaurant

1030 Pittwater Road, COLLAROY

- Entrée; Tomato & Basil Galette with Apple Rocket & Parmesan.
Salad with Japanese Carrot & Black Sesame Dressing.
- Mains: Gremolata Crusted Rump Steak with Italian Mash and Redwine Jus.
Portugese Style Chicken Breast in Cajun Potato & Spicy Tomato Jus.
- Vegetarian: Burritos wrapped and stuffed with Cheese, Beans, Seasoned Rice, Salsa, Guacamole & Sour Cream

Welcome to our Guest.

We all welcomed Guy Loucks as a guest at the beginning of our meeting before he left at the end of the meeting as our New Member.

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Toast

Muriel Jones presented the toast to The Mothers & Fathers of the Bride

In a sense she still had the Thanksgiving theme as being thankful that our son's and daughter's had reached the age in life to make their choice of husband and had celebrated with having a wedding.

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Round Robin

As well as having a table topics we had a round robin lead by Denise Tomlinson asking what we all think of 'Thanksgiving.'

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Presentations

Frank Elmes as the Chairman awarded for his educational and entertaining speech on vocal variety of Best Speech of the Evening to Brian Paull.

Also to The Excellence Award was awarded to Steve Barber for his proficiency as Vice President of Education and managing the agendas so well.

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TABLE TOPICS

Lead by Denise Tomlinson

Odd Evaluator: Jan Vecchio

Even Evaluator: Steve Barber

1. Thanksgiving is traditionally associated with the Pilgrims who sailed on the Mayflower. What shipboard games did they play?
2. Native Americans known as the Wampanoag Indians showed the colonists to plant, fish & hunt?
3. Its 1620 the winter is hard & you're missing your homeland, seeing something it give you the strength to carry on, What is it?
4. Two great food items, Pumpkins and Turkeys, which is your favourite and do you have a recipe?
5. If you could say Thank You to anyone through history, who would that be and what would you say?
6. What has somebody taught you that could save your life or another?
7. Thanksgiving is about gratitude. For what are you most grateful?
8. Abraham Lincoln first declared Thanksgiving as a National Holiday as one more way to reunite the North and South after the war in 1860's What would you choose as a National Holiday and why?

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SPEECHES OF THE EVENING

Guest Speaker: Luke Pervan

Title: “Your menu tonight!”

Evaluator: David Tomlinson

Tonight Luke discussed the menu and the ingredients served to us all. Yet, not giving away any Secrets!!

Then Luke told us about the Reef Sports Bar & Grill clientele and how one can get their name on the blackboard if you can eat 50 very spicy chicken wings in 30 minutes or less and without a drink or napkin.

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Speaker No 1: Laurel Holterman

Title: “Governor General Field Marshall Sir William Slim”

Evaluator: Sharon Austin

This was an Interpretive Reading for Laurel about an address given by Sir William Slim who fought in both WW1 and WW11 including in the Forgotten army of Burma,.

Speaking to Children on Anzac Day and giving them words of wisdom that

“All the men in the WW Wars have fought for You, Your children and their Children.”

‘Whatever You do, do it as well as you Possibly Can.’

“A Great Nation is the Character of its People. Always Remember the Great Men of Anzac.”

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Speaker No 2: Brian Paull

Title: *“If you say It Correctly... Maybe the Audience will hear it Correctly”*

Evaluator: Jan Vecchio

Explaining the importance of our speech on all occasions. The volume, pitch, emotion, intensity of expression.

In 1698 a machine was created to do just that and that is the Piano.

Today we can learn from the great orators, Churchill, Hitler, Mandela, Martin Luther King, Barack Obama & don't forget Bart Simpson. Not forgetting our own Golden Voice of John Laws

So always think about What you're going to say and How you are going to say it!

Thought of the Day

Look well to this day,
for yesterday is a dream & tomorrow is a vision.
Yet today well lived,
makes every yesterday a dream of Happiness
and every tomorrow, a Vision of Hope.



*...use some
...experience
into a glowing
symbol and an
audience is
electrified.*

*Ralph
Waldo Emerson*

**NORTHERN BEACHES
TOASTMASTERS CLUB**

Meet 6.45pm
Tuesday of the Month

18th December 2012

Theme

Christmas

Our Christmas Meeting

Will be held at the

Home of

Denise and David

Tomlinson.



*District 70
Area: 8
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Club No. 609136*



Our Grateful Thanks to the past Committee Members for all the work they have done on Our behalf to help make Northern Beaches Toastmasters Club the Club it is today.

This year June 2012 – May 2013

President: Reg Stewart
V/P Education: Steve Barber
V/P Membership: Brian Paull
V/P/P Relations: David Tomlinson
Treasurer: Deanna Morpurgo
Secretary: Kathy Stewart
S @ Arms: Denise Tomlinson
I/P President: Steve Barber

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Northern Beaches Toastmaster Members



*May your Aussie Christmas Day be filled with sunshine,
love, smiles, laughter, memories and flowers, friendship
and happy hours!*

*With love from all the
Members of NBTC"*