

NORTHERN BEACHES TOASTMASTERS CLUB MINUTES

Club No: 609136

Area 8 Hawkesbury Division

District 70

Meeting No: 155

On: 26 August 2014

At: Noorpuri, Dee Why

Theme:

CRAZY HATS

Meeting Opened: 7.00pm

Sergeant At Arms: Steve Barber

Present: Sharon Austin, Steve Barber, Beverly Barber, Errol Byrnes, Muriel Jones, Deanna Morpurgo, Brian Paull, Sue Loucks, Keren Snell, Kathy Stewart, Reg Stewart, Jan Vecchio. (12)

Apologies: Francis Elmes, Kevin Huang, John Inglis, Guy Loucks, Andrew Mills, Joan Rinaldi, Suzanne Shallvey, Denise Tomlinson, David Tomlinson, Antonio Vescio, Louella Wilcher.(11)

Move **THAT the apologies be accepted.** Motion carried.

Absent: Graham Blandy.

Guests: None

Quorum: Yes - 12

President's Opening Remarks:

Jan spoke about her trip to KL and feeding the elephants – taking opportunities when they come to you.

Chairman: Sue Loucks

Program Alterations: Jan Vecchio

Word For The Evening: Steve Barber chose "Paradox" – self-contradictory although often true statement.

Toast: Kathy proposed a toast to "Never Give Up" by Winston Churchill.

Pet Peeve: Brian Paull gave us his Pet Peeve

Round Robin: Sweet 16 - Favourite or most memorable birthday

Table Topics: Kathy Stewart (stepped in at the last moment with excellent questions)

Evaluators - Deanna Morpurgo and Reg Stewart

Tonic Surprise: Deanna Morpurgo - hats

Business Session: Moved **THAT the minutes for meeting dated 22 July 2014 as circulated be approved.** There were no changes to the minutes. Moved Sue Loucks. Seconded Deanna Morpurgo. Motion carried.

No inwards or outwards correspondence.

Jan thanked Sharon for the newsletter she produced and advised the meeting that all contributions gladly welcomed.

Dates to remember: Area 22 contest 27th September; Hawkesbury Division Contest Sunday 19th October; D70 Semi-annual Conference 7th -9th November at Liverpool Catholic Club. Dee Why RSL Toastmasters Club (co-sponsor this club, celebrating their 50th anniversary on 15th November.

Finances: \$ 2,292.45 in main account and \$878.28 in the debit card account. Semi-annual dues are now due - \$48 - pay either by EFT or at the next meeting into club bank account BSB 633 000 Acc. 128118858.

Speech Toastmaster: Evaluators read the speech objectives and introduced the speakers.

| Speaker | Title | Manual | Evaluator |
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| Sue Loucks | From Anne of Green Gables to ... (6.20) | Project 1 CC | Sharon Austin |
| Errol Byrnes | The 5 Pillars of Change (12.50) | Project 3 CC | Keren Snell |
| Jan Vecchio | The Toastmasters International Convention (7.59) | Project 8 CC | Brian Paull |

Listening Post: Beverley Barber

Grammarians: Steve Barber - word of the day used 5 times. Steve listed great word choice - and only one on which we could improve (try not to use 'gotten').

General Evaluator: Brian Paull gave a succinct report - his first GE role - well handled.

Timers Report: Muriel Jones.

Excellence Award: Deanna Morpurgo - for Tonic/Surprise and THE HAT!!

Best Speaker: Errol Byrnes - for great improvement.

Promotion Next

Meeting: Jan highlighted that no venue yet and draft agenda already listed.

Comments - Guests: none

Comments - Members: none

President's Closing

Remarks: **President' Pick** - Sue for multi-tasking as Chairman, Speaker and Secretary.

Additional awards - Brian, Beverly & Steve, Muriel for wearing their hats all night and Deanna for her outstanding hat.

Meeting Closed: 9.50pm

Secretary: Sue Loucks

President: Jan Vecchio