

Trev's Tidings

"Water taken in moderation cannot hurt anybody."

Mark Twain
Notebook, 1935

This week, our guest speaker is Graham Attenborough from the Sydney Catchment Authority. Graham oversees all the dams in the Sydney catchment and he will discuss some of the challenges that the Authority is faced with when it comes to the management of those dams, particularly Warragamba, in times of drought and, more recently, in times of flood. Those of us who attended the District Conference in Penrith heard a little about the complexities of the water distribution system serving Sydney. It is a fascinating subject and one that we all should be aware of so that we can make informed judgements about current and future strategies relating to the continued supply of this precious resource.

Last week Dan O'Carrigan recounted some tales of his early years as a teacher in the Australian bush. How simple life seemed back then, particularly when it came to getting a driver's licence.

Also last week, following the recent deaths of two of our members, I remarked that I, for one, did not fully appreciate how significant a contribution some of our longer-serving members had made to the club. In addition, there have been difficulties in recent times in tracking down some important pieces of documentation. Consequently, at the Board meeting this week I will propose that we appoint an archivist from among our ranks and give them the task of collecting and collating the important documents pertaining to the operations of the Club, our past achievements, and the identities and locations of our alumni. I will also propose that this information should be located in a secure depository so that there is less reliance on the memories and filing systems of past Board members. If you think you have any documents that should be brought to the attention of the archivist, then start looking for them now.

Next week there is no Wednesday night meeting. Instead it has been transferred to the ANZAC Day Breakfast at Cape Cabarita. Please make sure you fill in the commitment sheet so that PDG David Croft can finalise the arrangements.

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