

Trev's Tidings

"All that glitters is not gold."

William Shakespeare
The Merchant of Venice

This week, the after-dinner presentation is by the economist and historian, Michael Waterhouse, the topic, "Adventures in the New Guinea Goldfields".

I would like to thank those of our members who are associated with the *Rookwood Necropolis* for convincing Robyn Hawes to address our club last week. What an interesting and well-illustrated talk it was. And what a fascinating place the cemetery is and what stories can be found there.

We were also pleased to have with us representatives from the local Probus Clubs. It was interesting to hear that they are experiencing difficulties similar to ours in attracting new, younger members. However, their difficulties are slightly different from ours in that their 'young' means 'under-75'!

This week, we celebrate Rotary's birthday. Most clubs in the District are doing something to mark the occasion and to raise public awareness of the *PolioPlus* campaign and of Rotary in general. For our part we are selling End Polio Now pins at Burwood *Westfields*.

Next week, we have a restaurant night at the *Torque* Restaurant on Tuesday, 28th February, being organised by PE Ray Wilson. Don't forget to fill in the commitment sheet this week.

It looks like March will be a busy month. There are three barbecues; one for Strathfield Council's Clean Up Australia Day activities on Sunday, the 4th; another at Henson Park for the Reclink Community Cup on Sunday, the 18th; and we have been asked to hold a barbecue for Homebush West Primary School on Friday, the 30th. On Saturday, the 17th, we celebrate St Patrick's Day at *Broughlea*, and a week later we have our District Conference.

Just a reminder, if you want an item included in the Bulletin, please give it to PP Angelo in writing or, preferably, in electronic form. Similarly, if you want something on the website, please send your material, preferably electronic, directly to PP Raymond.

Finally, last week, I assumed you had all been leaving your District Conference registration until the last minute. After the Presidents Meeting on Friday I hope that I assumed correctly. Our registrations are down somewhat and, if the situation doesn't change, I will be at the head of the smallest Roman Legion in history.

Remember
Reach Within to Embrace Humanity