

Trev's Tidings

"The whole object of travel is not to set foot on foreign land. It is at last to set foot on one's own country as a foreign land."

G.K. Chesterton
Tremendous Trifles, 1909

This week I am so looking forward to hearing of Steve and Denise Taylor's *Baltic Sojourn*. It seems such a long time since I had a holiday! We will also be hearing a short presentation from PDG Warwick Tester about the *Centurion Program*. This will be timely as November is Rotary Foundation Month and the meeting is a partners night. Please consider becoming a Centurion, partners included. The Rotary Foundation is our charity and it should be the first one we support.

Wasn't the presentation last week brilliant? So well presented and so well balanced. I congratulate Alan Lindsay and extend my thanks to Paul Giammarco and Andrew Kowalski for making the whole affair complete. What a pity the audience, although enthusiastic, was so small. I would like to thank Sergeant Peter Foss for his session and all the other members who made the cross fines and happy bucks segments so enjoyable.

Last week Allan Teale, our Conference Coordinator, reminded us that time was running out for the early bird registrations for next year's district conference. Allan and I urge everyone to stay and play. Unfortunately, the temptation to commute may be too great. If you are considering this option, think again, and remember the great evenings we have had in the past and book a room at the Chifley.

On behalf of PP Kevin Freund I would like to thank PDG Harley Tarrant, PP Roger Vince and IPP Peter Smith for helping out at the RYDA session at Penrith last Thursday. Weatherwise it was a little miserable but overall the day was again a very worthwhile exercise.

On Wednesday, 14th December, we have our Christmas party. This year the format will be a little different from that of previous years' so come along, meet Santa, and be part of a party. A week later is the Children's Christmas Party, once again being organised by Connie Galletta. Commitment sheets for both events will be circulating soon.

Next week we have Andrew Kowalski giving a Job Talk and John Wakefield, Chairman of the D9690 Child Protection/Harassment Awareness Committee, will be bringing us up-to-date on some child protection issues.

Remember
Reach Within to Embrace Humanity