**President’s Report**

Well, we are now past the half way mark for our Rotary year. There is still so much ahead with the Rotary District Conference in April, not forgetting the Motor Show in March along with other smaller activities. It would be good to reflect on the first half year, however, I believe that would be better provided for in the report for the year.

The breakfast meeting seems so long ago and it was our last meeting. President Elect Mike Kelly chaired the Annual General Meeting in the absence of Secretary Tony Hartley. The announcement of President Elect 2014-2015 Leigh Titmus was warmly received. I am so pleased that Leigh has accepted the invitation to accept this role. Apart from other positions Leigh has held, his contribution to managing our property has been quite exceptional and whoever follows Leigh in this role accepts the position in what I believe is the best shape that it has ever been in. Mark Nugent has accepted the position of Treasurer after taking over from Ian McCullum a few months ago. The Secretary position has not been filled as Rotarian Tony Hartley has decided to take a well earned break. Rotarians Ian Macleod, Rockie Lee and Kevin Matthews remain on the board to complete their second year in New Generations, International Service and Fund Raising. Retiring Community Service Chairman Seelan Nair will be replaced by Rotarian Julian O’Brien and Vocational Service Chairman, Matthew McConnell who has completed two years has not yet been filled.

The other major activity at our breakfast meeting was Rotarian Glen O’Halloran’s update on arrangements for Breakfast in the Park. It is now history that this event was a huge success with over 600 breakfasts served in 75 minutes. This is a tribute to Glen’s amazing organising skills. Obviously, it helps when the club gets behind him, however, it would not be possible with out someone of Glen’s ability to show this commendable level of leadership. Glen, on behalf of the club, I wish to acknowledge this and sincerely thank you for it.

There were two notable absentees, namely Rotarians Richard Barnard and Max McCormack, who in different ways were laid low and prevented from participating. The Club were quite concerned about their welfare and I am pleased to report their situation has improved and I trust it will not be long before we see them again at one of our meetings. I would like to thank Rotarian Alan Pattison for his role as coordinator of Family of Rotary in his care for our much love Rotarians.

We start off 2014 with a meeting at the Maritime Museum and this should prove to be a pleasant gentle introduction to a busy half year ahead.

Gwynneth and I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support, encouragement and assistance so far and to wish all a happy, safe and healthy 2014.

Until next week…. **Presley**

**Note from the Bulletin Editor: *Please advise Rtn. Mark Temple-Smith by noon on Wednesday, 8th January if you are unable to attend the Meeting at the Maritime Centre. Those members who do not apologies will have to pay $25 for their meal.***

**Rotary Club of Devonport North**

**Program**

**2013-2014 Week 26 – 9th January, 2014 – Meeting – 1961 – 39th Year**

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| Week | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| **Date** | **09-Jan-14** | **16-Jan-14** | **23-Jan-14** |
| **Speaker** | **BASS STRAIT MARITIME CENTRE** | Dr. John Brough | Alex Flint |
| **Subject** | **Lindsay Kelly - Architect** | Urologist | Devonport Aquatic Centre |
| **Chairman** | Capt. Kay Kidd | Peter Colgrave | Mike Kelly |
| **Presidents** | Lester Jackson - DCC | Richard Quinn | Leon Peck |
| **Table** |  | Steve Rockliff | Peter Chalk |
| **Reception** | Matthew McConnell | Mark Nugent | Alan Pattison |
|  | Steve Rockliff | Julian O'Brien | Rockie Lee |
| **Rotary Info** | **There will be a conducted tour** | Rod Owers | Lance Cox |
| **(Job Talk)** | **of the Museum after our meal** |  |  |
| **Meetings** |  | Sub Committee |  |
| **Birthdays** | Tony Davies 15Jan | Bobby Gray 18Jan | Nil |
| **Rotary** |  | Scott Poke 17Jan (1) | Nil |
| **Anniversary** |  |  |  |

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| **Previous Meeting:** | **19th December 2013** |
| Attendance: | 37 members |
| Make Ups: | nil |
| Apologies: | Max McCormack, Gavin Bull, Peter Chalk,  John O'Donnell, Tony Hartley |
| Leave: |  |
| Guest Speaker | Ian Hutchinson, |
| Guests: | Ivan Geritz |
| Visiting Rotarians: | nil |
| Apologies: | (Before 11am Wednesday) Contact Attendance Officer |
| Contact Officer: | Mark Temple-Smith - markts@templesmith.com.au |
|  | or 0418 337 104 |
| Club website: | www.rotarydevnorth.org.au |
| Motor Show: | www.devonportnorthshow.com |
| Eclub | www.rotaryeclubone.org |
| Rotary International: | www.rotary.org |
| 9830 Conference | [www.9830conference.com.au](http://www.9830conference.com.au/) |

Future Events

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| **Day** | **Date** | **Event** | **Location** |
| **Thursday** | **9th January, 2014** | **Normal Meeting** | **Maritime Museum - 6.15 pm** |
| Sunday | 23rd March, 2014 | D'port Motor Show | Round House Park |
| Fri.Sat.Sun | 11-13 April, 2014 | District Conference | Devonport |
| Sat - Wed. | 1st - 4th June, 2014 | International Conf. | Sydney, NSW. |