AUSTRALIAN GOLFING FELLOWSHIP OF ROTARIANS.



PIN HIGH NEWS (Issue No 1 June 2018)

This is hopefully the first of a "series" of news items that we can provide to all our members and partners.

At Murray Bridge, a sub committee was formed comprising Leigh Iles, Greg Armstrong, Robert Motteram and Mike Bermann to investigate not only ways to attract new Rotarians to participate in future AGFR's but also communicate with all members during the year.

Hence our first news letter.

NEW TRIAL.

We are going to "trial" something new at the AGFR in Alice Springs in an attempt to attract "local golfing Rotarians" who normally don't participate in our fellowship to join us on a limited basis.

We will treat it like a "Corporate Day" event.

Should the Alice Springs organisers be able to attract a number of Rotarians from within the 3 Rotary Clubs in that city then their format will be:

- * Play as a guest on the Tuesday and Friday mornings.
- *Attend the Rotary make up dinner on the Tuesday evening.
- *Attend the Presentation Dinner on the Friday evening.

*The individual cost to those members would be:

- # Green fees and lunch fees on the Tuesday and Friday
- # Dinner fees for the Makeup dinner and Presentation dinner.
- * Provided there was sufficient interest/numbers we would run a separate stableford competition for them together with prizes allocated to the daily winners.

As stated, this is only a "trial" however there could be an upside if they enjoy the event and Rotary fellowship. It also gives those Rotarians the opportunity to return to their businesses etc during the afternoon if time is of the essence.

We can't sit on our backsides and do nothing, as we are an ageing Fellowship!!! And we need more members.



Golfer: "This is the worst course I've ever played on".

Caddie: "This isn't a golf course. We left that an hour ago"

MURRAY BRIDGE AGFR.

The above is now a memory, but what a great event it was.

Congratulations to all the winners and to the members of the Murray Bridge Rotary Club for hosting that event.

Of note is the fact that their Club was able to distribute a little over \$10,000 each to Australian Rotary Health and the Headspace group, their allocated projects.

Well done with your fundraising and a great result.

2020 AGFR EVENT AT 13TH BEACH.

The dates have been set for the above tournament and are to be held between the 19th to 24th April 2020.

Mark these dates in your calender ...it's closer than you think!!!!

Remember the next day is ANZAC Day so for all you AFL followers why not head to the MCG on the 25th to watch the traditional ANZAC Day match between Essendon and Collingwood. There is a magnificent and solemn ANZAC ceremony prior to the start of the game.

CONDOLENCES.

We all learned of the sad passing of Corry Cats during last year and it has been brought to my attention that we also lost Tony Blackmore during that year.

Tony would have been well known to many of our members.

Also, Lea Dart the wife of Honorary Rotarian and former AGFR attendee George Dart, passed away during April this year.

Lea was a lovely lady and she will be sadly missed.

AGFR – ALICE SPRINGS.

If you haven't already done so, log onto the AGFR web site www.agfr.org and view the excellent promotion provided by the Alice Springs Rotary Club's Organising Committee.

It's outstanding, and tells you everything you need to know about not only the tournament, but accommodation, tours and the Alice in general.

If you have Rotary golfing mates who have never been to an AGFR "**NOW IS THE TIME TO SELL**" the virtues of our fellowship to them.

Not often do we get a "once in a life time" opportunity to visit the centre of Australia to PLAY GOLF and enjoy the hospitality of everything Alice Springs has to offer us.

THIS IS UNIQUE!!

Think of the boost to our membership it would be, if we could collectively attract say even a further 10 golfing Rotary members and partners to the AGFR family.!!!!

It's not impossible. We just gotta ask 'em.



What should you do if your round of golf is interrupted by a lightning storm? Walk around holding your 1- iron above your head, cause even God can't hit a 1 – iron!!!!!

2021 AGFR MAROOCHYDORE

I will be on the Sunshine Coast during July and have been invited by President Paul Scott to visit their Club (Rotary Club of Maroochydore) and do a short presentation about the AGFR. Paul's Club will be our hosts in 2021.

This gives us a further opportunity to promote our fellowship.

ROTARY DOWN UNDER

Assistant Secretary Graeme Woolacott has sent a photo of David Motteram, (Ian Riseley Trophy winner at Murray Bridge) together with an article about that event to RDU. Let's all hope it gets published. Well done Graeme.

FUTURE PIN HIGH NEWS

If you have any items of interest for future editions please forward to me for inclusion. We don't want this to be a "one off" newsletter.

Send to me @ leigh.judy@bigpond.com

Until our next edition good golfing everyone and stay healthy.

Yours in Rotary

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