Trev's Tidings

"I think it will be a clash between the political will and the administrative won't." Antony Jay and Jonathan Lynn, Yes, Prime Minister, BBC TV

This week, we welcome representatives from Strathfield Council. The General Manager, David Backhouse, will be accompanied by Operations Director, Robert Bourke, and Technical Services Director, Patrick Wong. They will reveal what the future holds for the municipality and it should be of interest to everyone, whether they live in, work in, or even just travel through, the area.

Last Tuesday we had another great restaurant night, this time at the *Torque* Restaurant. I thank PE Ray Wilson for organising the event. The food was excellent and the service impeccable. I am looking forward to our next one, which is being organised by PP Peter Smith and is set for Tuesday April 3, at *La Piazza* at Bankstown Sports Club.

Thank you, Paul White, for your presentation last week. A touchy topic at the present time but handled extremely well.

Isn't it great to be associated with Meriden Interact. They exuded so much excitement and enjoyment last week when they told us about their trip to Cambodia, one they will remember for a long time. I wish I could muster enough energy to laugh as much as they did.

Sunday was *Clean Up Australia* Day and we provided the finishing barbecue as usual. The weather was quite remarkable, considering that of the previous week. My thanks to Connie Galletta, Tony Lanzafame, PP Rod McDougall, Chris Virgona and Peter Smith for setting it up and feeding the masses, and to Bradley Ayres for organising it and being part of it.

Jan Clark, co-ordinator of the Expo at this year's District Conference, wants to remind us that all members, family and friends, even if not attending the Conference at Penrith Panthers, are invited to have a look at the exciting Public Expo being staged on Friday 23rd March from 1.00pm until 6.00pm. ENTRY IS FREE. The aim is to showcase to the public all the aspects that Rotary has to offer both in service and recreation. There will be a mini M.U.N.A on stage from 1.30-2.30pm with students from Penrith Selective High School which promises to be entertaining. Further information from Jan on 47391327 or 0419215793 or jrclark2@iprimus.com.au.

Next week the after-dinner presentation will be by Geoff Seymour from the Australian Mushroom Growers Association. It is a partners night and I look forward to seeing everyone there. Regarding future meetings, Rod McDougall puts in a lot of effort to publicise upcoming events. Open his emails and have a look.

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