

Trev's Tidings

"My wife does wonderful things with leftovers – she throws them out."

Herb Shriner,
Reader's Digest, 1956

Well, who would have thought the lowly mushroom could generate so much interest? A fascinating group of organisms, with so much potential to do good in the world. A lot like Rotarians, I suppose. Greg Seymour did a fantastic job of telling us about the history of the mushroom industry, where it is now, and where the future might lie. One of the best presentations we have had during my time at Strathfield. Congratulations to PP Rod for inviting him to speak and to Ian McLeod for the excellent meal he served.

Last Saturday, St Patrick's Day was celebrated at *Broughlea*. Nanette and I thought it was a great evening. Irish music, Irish food, Irish drinks and, at the end of the night, Irish snooker. We would like to thank everyone who came and made it so enjoyable.

Sunday saw several of us at the inaugural Reclink Sydney Community Cup event at Henson Park. I thank PP Kevin Freund, PP Peter Smith, PP Keith Stockall, accompanied by Kathy, PP Grahame True, PP Roger and Janice Vince, Ian Johnson, Rod Rimes, Chris Virgona, Andrew Kowalski and Nanette for doing an outstanding job of barbecuing several hundred sausages and hamburger patties. Four barbecues were kept in constant use from 11.00am until after 4.00pm. Once again I am indebted to Bradley Ayres for bringing it all together. It took a considerable amount of time and effort and many, many emails to finalise the details. In the end I think it was all worth it and the club will receive \$1600 for the day's efforts. One thing I was surprised to find out was that Cheryl Ayres cooked her very first batch of Rotary sausages. She was also told that her onions were not as anaemic as some that had been served earlier in the day.

On Wednesday afternoon this week we will again be barbecuing for Strathfield Council at the Harmony Day celebrations in Airey Park. This will be a much simpler affair compared to Henson Park. Even if you are not on barbecue duty, why not come along and join in?

The District Conference will be held next weekend. Consequently, we have no Wednesday night meeting.

Our next dinner meeting is on Wednesday, 28th March, when the speaker will be Robert Chittick, Regional Manager of the Bendigo Bank, who will tell us about Community Banking.

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