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The Raven

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The Western Desert project



Walungurru (Kintore) region: The Territory's Far West
 Swimming in Kintore creek in Walungurru, an Aboriginal community 530 km west of Alice Springs in Central Australia. Normally dry, after heavy rains the creek flows for a few days.

Tonight:

Phil Hastie

on

Scale Modelling

Phil spent 26 years in the RAAF as an Aircraft Technician (Engine Fitter) retiring in Jan 1997, then worked as a contractor to Defence, joined the Public Service in Defence and have worked in Defence ever since. Currently Integrated Logistics Manager for the Mine Warfare Command Support Systems Project. Phil has been a modeller since the age of nine and missed the usual break from modelling when he discovered girls. The girls had to put up with going into hobby shops if they went out together or find someone else.

Involved with modelling clubs since the mid-eighties - International Plastic Modellers Society in WA (IPMS WA) - IPMS East Gippsland, and founding member of the Hunter Scale Modelling Society in Newcastle. On posting to Canberra in 1996, Phil joined the ACT Scale Modellers Society and has served as the webmaster, newsletter editor and committee member. Phil co-published a small booklet on Modelling Aircraft of the Australian Defence Forces in 1/72 Scale.

ACT Scale Modellers Society has been going for 27 years and it is currently enjoying the highest membership ever, including a good number of junior modellers. Eighty members are on the books with about eight of them being juniors under the age of 16 years. The club runs an annual competition over two days on the last weekend in May and this event attracts modellers from as far away as Melbourne, Orange, Wagga and from the clubs in Sydney and Wollongong. The club has its own website (www.actsms.org.au)

	THIS WEEK -- Wed 7th Mar	NEXT WEEK -- Wed 14th Mar
Program	Phil Hastie Scale Modelling	Dave Sutton Off Roding and Hay R Road
Introduction	Robin Cromer	Tom Davies
Appreciation	Phil Ibbotson	Bish Mukerjee
Fellowship	Davis Fox John Widdup	Bob Harvie Neale Emanuel
Raven Recorder	Piers Booth	Bernadette Capello
Birthdays	Ian Excell	Pixie Gray 19th Mar
Anniversaries	nil	nil
Trash & Treasure	11th Mar John Widdup-Val Bland 25th Mar Shukry Sahhar-Ian Excell	18th Mar Neale Emanuel-Ajit Banerjee 1st Apr Bruce Wyatt-John Gray

Last Week:

President Ray opened the meeting welcoming the speaker, Russell Drew and guests. Bob Harvie has distinguished himself by and congratulation to Helen and Bob on the birth of their **first grandson**, 8 lb 3 oz, celebrated by the members with a glass of cheer. Then there was a time of fellowship taken with the tales of the effects felt around town from the super-cell storms over Canberra in the past two days, drenching rain and metres of hailstones in places.

Gary Scott presented what he hopes to be his last and final report on **Show Parking**. There was a 100% participation of club members, no complaints, only complements from the parking public for guidance and assistance. 14,200 cars were parked, 1,400 more than last year, bringing in \$71,000 (yes, that computes) for the Show Society under the direction of three coordinators and a neat roster of members, partners, friends and 30 CGS boys. Congratulation, Gary.

The date for the **Change-over Dinner** is Wednesday 20th June 2007. Peirs reported on a **training meeting** of RAWCS he attended last week – overseas project were reviewed and we note that ROMAC has brought a child, name of Sin, to Canberra for major intestinal surgery.

Project Western Desert – Two representatives will be visiting with a welcoming BBQ at David's house on Friday 9th March – 6pm to meet with them, then at a place and time to be notified on Saturday morning to listen to these visitors, to listen carefully for what they wish us to do for them,.

Bernadette introduced the **Guest Speaker** Russell Dew, accountant who worked with the Commonwealth Government for 13 years, then NAB and now conducts his own business as a consultant for advice on **Superannuation and Pensions**. This talk addressed the changes to the above which become effective on July 1 this year. Private super funds have now become savings reservoirs and tax havens to encourage self-sufficiency in retirement against the changing demographics as the bubble of baby boomers moves toward retirement. People are living longer after retirement, many more reaching into the late 70's, beyond the 60's 20 years ago. There will also be fewer people in the work force and governments will be less able to afford pensions. Three trillion dollars are invested in superannuation in Australia.



Russell distributed a paper setting out the latest changes which will apply this year and briefly discussed these – Superannuation, Allocated and Term Allocated Pensions and the relationship the latter has to asset tests for eligibility for aged pensions. (He did not state the advantages of a pension health card but did show how some super arrangements will ease our way through the inevitable costs of health care as the years roll on). The topic is complex and the advice of a qualified consultant is advised early (years) and not left to a couple of days before going out the door for the last time.

And for the Word-Sleuth: On closing the meeting the President gave a ruling that the words president, chairman and fellows are to be used as unisex terms.

Thanks to Raven Reporter – Ken Goard

Attendance: Club Guests-Russell Dew and Janet Badu-Tiwaa; Hon Member-Frank Macklin; Guest-Kim Young; Make-ups: Val Bland, Robin Cromer, Peter Evans, Ken Goardx2, Jim Grainger, Bish Mukerjee and Ros Osbourne. Club members present-26; Percentage: Over 100%

Our condolences to Ros Osbourne whose mother passed away on Wednesday night (28th). Ros' mother's name was Bradfield. The Bradfield name is, of course, well known, as Ros' grandfather was Dr Bradfield, the engineer responsible for Sydney Harbour Bridge.

A Good Idea --- New Member Program.

How about trying in our Club? David Rees, Past President Rotary Club of Crookwell writes in the recent District Newsletter about recruitment --- in June 2004 Crookwell Club had 21 Members, in June 2005 they had 24 Members and in June 2006 they had 28 Members. The main instrument that works best for Crookwell is their Special Guest Night, this is how it works.

ONE. Plan early, at least three months ahead before the intended date.

TWO. Brainstorm the Members for a suitable speaker, What you are looking for is someone who will be interesting on the night and will look good on the invitation to your guests. Someone known locally (or at least with a local connection) is good.



.THREE. Approach the guest speaker and agree with them on the date of the Special Guest Night and the topic they choose to speak about.

FOUR. Brainstorm with the Members to create the guest list. The primary objective is to identify people who might be prospective new Rotary members. However, we won't get the numbers exclusively that way so we also include others who we want to show Rotary in action. Some may not want to join now but could be a prospect further ahead, we include some local figures as well e.g. the Mayor.

FIVE. The invitations are prepared and posted out about two to three weeks before the date. We get members to follow up with their guests. We also ask the Members to look after their guests on the night.

SIX. During the evening we take the opportunity to tell everyone that we are seeking new members and we look for the opportunity then, or soon after, to put the question to all the likely ones whether they would be interested to join Rotary.

Show Parking

Sunday 6pm - The end for another year!



Ten Men Standing!....



Finis!....

PICTURE NEXT PAGE.....The Ten Men Standing (L to R):

Tom Davies

Ray Newcombe

John Widdup

Neale Emanuel

Bernadette Capello

Gary Scott

Phil Ibbotson

Chris (Canberra City Club)

Student from Canberra Grammar School - representing the many students who helped on Saturday and Sunday

Des Henderson Kelly

Photographer - Des Pain,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,

2007 Council on Legislation prepares to meet in Chicago.

The Council on Legislation, Rotary 's "parliament,' meets every three years to deliberate and act upon all proposed enactments and resolutions submitted by clubs, district conferences, the General Council or the Conference of Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland, or the Rotary International Board. The council itself also makes proposals.

The next Council on Legislation is scheduled to take place on 22-27 April 2007 in Chicago, Illinois, USA. The Council comprises more than 500 representatives from every part of the Rotary world. Voting members include one elected representative of the clubs of each Rotary district. Past District Governor Bill Dethlefs is District 9600 delegate.

Non-voting members include the chairman and vice chairman of the council, and others, including the RI president and members of the RI Board and past RI presidents.

Rotary International Director Nominee John Lawrence will attend as an observer (he will be one of non-voting members for the next one in 2010). The Council first convened in 1934 as an integral part of that year's international convention in Detroit, Michigan, USA. In 1970, it was constituted as the legislative body of RI, no longer to function just in an advisory capacity.

Actions of the council are subject to review by all Rotary clubs prior to being incorporated into the Manual of Procedure.

ONLY 8 DAYS TO GO TILL NOMINATIONS CLOSE - ARE THERE ANY MORE GOLFERS INTERESTED?

Our FIRST TEAM is: Bob Harvie (Leader), Shukry Sahhar, Peter Evans and Des Pain

ROTARY CLUB OF CANBERRA

TEAM FELLOWSHIP GOLF CHALLENGE

WHERE

(ROYAL) GUNNING GOLF CLUB
(West side of the town just across the Hume Highway)

WHEN

1 APRIL 2007 – YES APRIL FOOLS DAY BUT THIS IS NO JOKE!

TIME

10.30 AM – Shot gun start followed by BBQ lunch

FORMAT

TEAMS EVENT 9 hole Medley Aggregate Stableford– 4 to a team, 3 to count

RESTRICTIONS

EACH TEAM MEMBER WILL CARRY ONLY THREE CLUBS PLUS PUTTER

WAIT FOR IT

THE PREMIER PRIZE

A PAUL HARRIS FELLOWSHIP

donated by the Rotary Club of Canberra to be awarded by the team's club to a member of its community who is not a Rotarian.

OTHER PRIZES APPROPRIATE TO SUCH A PRESTIGE EVENT WILL BE UP FOR GRABS!

TEAM COST \$100 including BBQ and soft drinks (\$25 per team member)

Team registrations to PDG Paul Street cheque for \$100 required payable to the Rotary Club of Canberra with names of team members with handicaps – non handicap players welcome – organisers will decide on appropriate handicap! More than one team from a Rotary club may enter, but all contestants must be Rotarians or Rotarians' partners.

Send Registrations to Paul Street PO Box 4267, HAWKER ACT 2614 by 9th March 2007

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PLEASE ACCEPT THE CHALLENGE!!