COMING EVENTS

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Tuesday, 7 October - 11.00am at Devonport Elimatta Hotel for talk by Maureen Bennett on the history of the Port of Devonport. Then followed by light meal at Devonport Maritime Museum at
12 noon. **Please RSVP to Maureen on 0407 728234**

Meet at 10.00 am at Rotary Pavilion for car pooling to Devonport.

Next Probus Meeting : Tuesday **21st - meet 10 am** at Rotary Function Centre

Birthdays: Don Collins - 6th Brian Holloway - 17th John Smith - 24th

Guest Speaker : **Speaker TBA.**

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NEWS BULLETIN

Deloraine Probus Club

Established March 1988
(Rotary District 9830)

Meeting every third Tuesday of the month

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The September morning tea was held at ETC and was enjoyed by participating members as shown on photo supplied by Michael H.

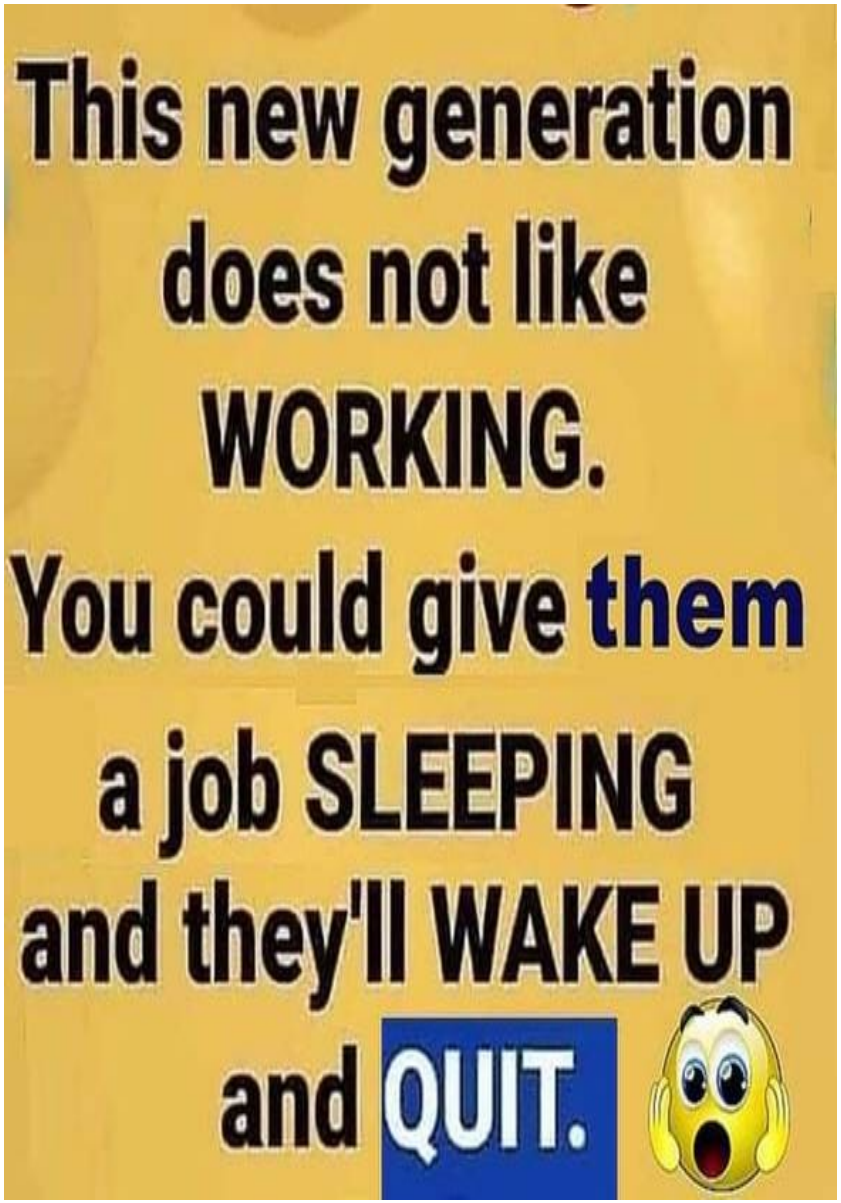




At our usual meeting President Karen and Secretary Michael, used the 'do all' IPhone ably entertained with quizzes in lieu of our late scheduled speaker, Ian Faulkner, KC, who unfortunately was unable to attend and will no doubt arrange another date.
Geoff as Club Development made lengthy points on Probus and member promotion: a difficult item at the best of times. Moving with the times, look to retrieve energy; inviting other clubs Lions and Rotary…..
President Karen and Martin have now relocated to Devonport with respective cats - old and young. It is hoped they will settle in comfortably and we are sure to hear how it goes with these independent felines.
The redoubtable Michael P. has again taken on the reins of the Rotary Craft Fair. With the influx of new arrivals to the area there should be adequate (it is hoped) volunteers to assist. The stalwarts due to aging and energy levels need to rely increasingly on the community to 'put their best foot forward' to promote the event. The usual community groups get paid for their work: from electrician, security, garbage collection and parking, with the town main gaining much trade. Rotary should be acknowledged for the funds donated to community areas over many years from this annual Fair.
It is understood all the store spots are full, as well as accommodation outlets and all members are encouraged to participate where possible, or even just to attend.

Happy Birthday Pic for September.



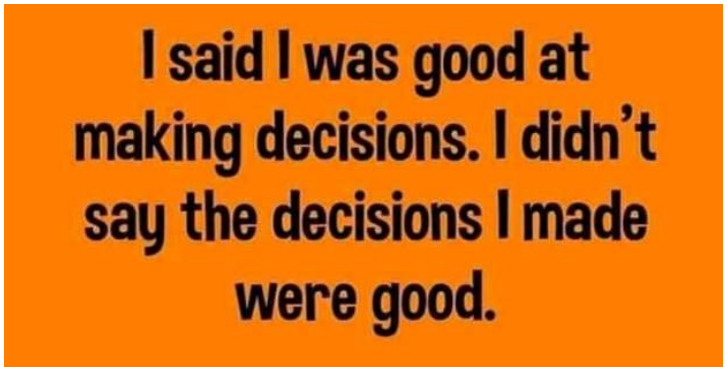


Thanks Geoff for the fun stuff.

To those members experiencing health issues: of which there is an increasingly number - let the club know if you would like a visit or just a natter on the phone.
Anne - again many thanks for your tasty morning teas, a very welcome break time for all. Maureen B. is always open to options for outings. Social promotion can be tiring so positive constructive contributions appreciated.

WITTICISMS

Secret of Success: Be an individualist - and an individual. You'll be amazed at how much faster you get ahead. Businessman, J.Paul Getty
Getting Older: The older you get, the stronger the wind gets - and its always in your face. Golfer, Jack Nicklaus
Self-Knowledge: He who knows other is learned; he who knows himself is wise. Philosopher Lao-Tzu
From the book of Tranquillity - It is neither wealth nor splendour, but tranquillity and occupation which gives you happiness. Thomas Jefferson



INTERESTING READING ON THE DAIRY INDUSTRY

New Zealand co-op dairy company Fonterra has agreed to sell its global businesses to French giant Lactalis for $3.4 billion. Following the deal Lactalis will become the largest dairy company in Australia. The sale still needs farmer and regulatory approval, before it's expected to be finalised in early 2026. 2 companies control 40% of Australian milk

In 2018 Montreal based Lino Saputo acquired Australia's then biggest dairy processor, Murray Goulburn

Now in 2025 French Emmanuel Besnier has bought Fonterra's Asian consumer dairy business under the brand, Lactalis.

No 3 with 15% is Bega Milk. In Australia cheese accounts for 41% of annual milk production, followed by milk 32% and butter 20%.

At a State level, Victoria has around 63% of production. Fonterra is now focussing globally selling to food companies and powdered milk for baby food another other buyers.

Here in Tassie apparently production is more concentrated being a Fonterra stronghold.

"We looked very closely at the transaction as it will combine two of the largest buyers of raw milk in Victoria and lead to some further consolidation in Tasmania," ACCC Deputy Chair Mick Keogh said.

The ACCC found that across Gippsland, the Murray and Western Victoria, alternative buyers of raw milk would continue to constrain Lactalis if the acquisition proceeded.

"We found that while the industry in Tasmania is already concentrated, Lactalis has a limited presence and the acquisition would not substantially alter the market dynamics. If the acquisition proceeded, Lactalis would continue to be constrained by Saputo and, to a lesser extent, Mondelez," Mr Keogh said.

John Durie - Business Editor Australian

SUGGESTED READING

The London Séance Society Sarah Penner (2022)

Written with alluring suspense and sultry prose, The London Séance Society is an entrancing tale that explores the blurred lines between truth and illusion and reveals the grave risks women will take to avenge the ones they love.

Sarah Penner epic debut was The Lost Apothecary. A breathtaking tale of the occult - definitely something different!

