COMING EVENTS

AGM on 17th March at 10.00 am at Rotary Function Centre.

Next Probus Meeting : Tuesday **17th - meet 10 am** at Rotary Function Centre

Birthdays: Steen Andersen - 18th Cate Bowman - 27th

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 February meeting was at Huntsman Lake due to Rotary facility being used by an alternative hirer. The dam is reflecting the weather with water levels at an all time low: even the grass has lost its greenness!



A big thank you to Maureen Bennett for arranging the membership visit to Rubicon Probus at Port Sorell on the 25th. It is a sizeable club with active members who put on a lovely morning tea and great guest speaker (Kevin Schadbolt) from Rotary speaking on his working visits to



Nepal - Kathmandu. A well organised venue and event!

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Unable to find the February Birthday photos. Please supply for next Bulletin if anybody has got them.

Big ships in Port of Devonport in the meanwhile



INTERESTING THOUGHTS……..

WHY 'FOLLOW YOUR PASSION' IS FLAWED ADVICE

Editor recently read an article reasoning that advice to "do what you love"; "follow your heart" or "chase your dreams", whilst well-intentioned: is now thought to be unrealistic. Children and importantly adults, need to start seeing things as they really are: "For every individual who can pair their passion with a profession there are 10 to 20 others who find themselves far from this ideal." There are bills to be paid; being a responsible person.

Being a passionate person is not the same thing as being good at something and fails to consider most of us do not end up discovering what our passions are until much later in life.

Clumsy career advice often inadvertently contributes to a generation of unsettled young adults, who grapple with career confusion; many moving from one job to another.

For most of us, actually earning a living - or following one's passion - end up being separate pursuits. Apparently current thought is to help young discover 'a good-enough job' that provides some satisfaction, meaning or purpose and pays the bills.

If we want to keep things real, we should reserve the corny cliché "find your passion" for those seeking their life partner.

Professor Gary Martin - a workplace and social trends specialist. CEO of Austn Inst of Mgmt WA.

Perhaps mature 'common sense' is the idiom that is needed. With growing and life's experiences, comes common sense (we hope!).

SUGGESTED READING

The Fourth Protocol by Frederick Forsyth (1985)

It is the end of the Cold War but the intrigues continue. The literary spymaster, Forsyth, is well worth a read!!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETNG

Well, another annual year ends in March and the old Board will retire, with Michael and Brian accruing five years. As per Michael's email, for the Club to survive those with some energy and time, please step up.

Anne and Phil have been steadfast in providing the morning tea, always early to set up and take monies: not to say the fresh scones.etc; the Editors have been going for nearly ten years and Lois has secured many interesting and outstanding speakers over the years. Geoff has been active and Cate keeps up the greeting cards.

We thank President Karen for taking on the role in the midst of selling and later moving to Devonport. You brought freshness to the role, ably assisted by Michael, Brian and the Committee. The Lupus Association is fortunate to have you as part of their team.

FROM THE AGE DOESN'T MATTER BOOK

WHAT REALLY MATTERS:

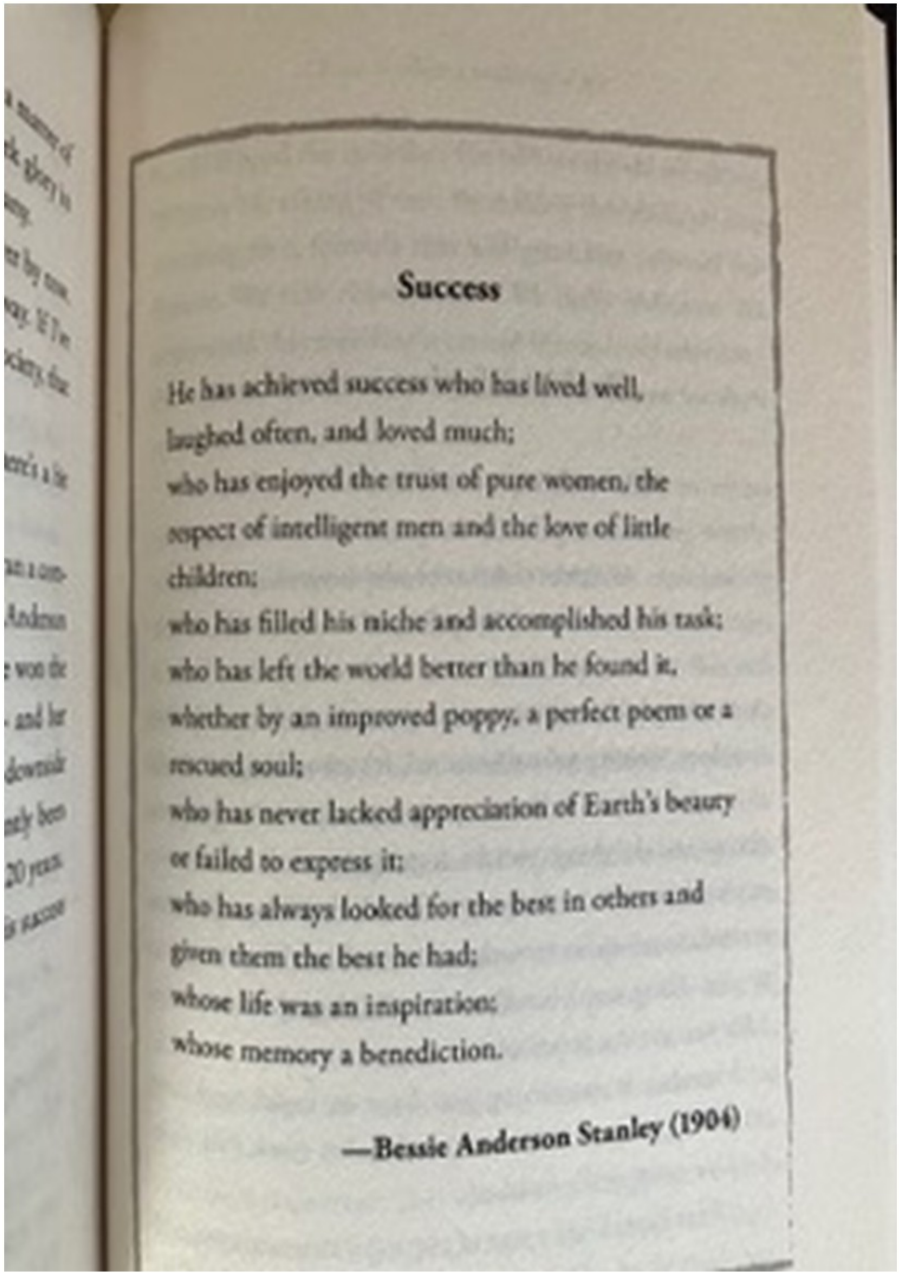
The average man generally feels once in his life the full happiness of love and once the joy of freedom. Once in his life he hates bitterly. Once with deep grief he buries a loved one, and once finally he dies himself. That is too little for our innate capacity to love, hate, enjoy and suffer. We exercise daily to strengthen our muscles and sinews that they may not degenerate. But our spiritual organs, which were created for a lifetime of full activity, remain unused, undeveloped, and so with the passing years, they lose their productive power. Actor, Edward G. Robinson

TRANQULLITY:

The mystery of the world *is the visible, not the invisible*.

Oscar Wilde

With thanks from Gerard



Success

He has achieved success who has lived well,
laughed often, and loved much;
who has enjoyed the trust of pure women, the
respect of intelligent men and the love of little
children;
who has filled his niche and accomplished his task;
who has left the world better than he found it,
whether by an improved poppy, a perfect poem or a
rescued soul;
who has never lacked appreciation of Earth's beauty
or failed to express it;
who has always looked for the best in others and
given them the best he had;
whose life was an inspiration;
whose memory a benediction.

—Bessie Anderson Stanley (1904)

FROM GEOFF

