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Just a quick overview of last night's meeting for those who couldn't join us, which I need to do before I leave on Friday, or all will be lost.

Those in attendance were, President John, Marilyn Gary Roberts, Debbie, Monica, Donna, Cameroon, Sharon and guest David Ronksley from Melbourne.

David is a busy Rotarian as the RAWCS Volunteer Co-ordinator and we were happy to have David join us.

As we all sat around in our Christmas decorations, well .... me in my Santa Hat, everyone was polite enough to mention my new hairstyle, after 35 years of long hair I have moved on! Much easier for swimming.



Debbie in her fabulous glasses. Santa made an appearance, John Schache in his fabulous Santa garb. Sorry John S, I wasn't quick enough to catch you with the camera. All members were heading off in different directions for Christmas with family, and Debbie and John are serving Christmas Dinner through a Church organisation, for those less fortunate than us. I am sure everyone there will have a great time.



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President John had two important duties last night:

1. Induction of a new member, Monica Vaughan. It is now quite a family affair with sisters Monica and Donna in our club. I am sure Monica will be a great asset to our club. Welcome Monica, we all look forward to getting to know you better.
2. Debbie was awarded a multiple Sapphire Pin, (2) for her support to Foundation. Debbie is a committed Rotarian and has served Rotary at club and district levels over a number of years. Her support of the Foundation as well as other charities is a great example to us all. Debbie is currently the District Youth Director which is a big portfolio, responsible for all youth programs in the District and is working hard to ensure Rotary supports the youth of all ages and aspects of their formative years. We are truly fortunate to have Debbie in our club. Well done Debbie.



John also mentioned that Little Paths, Kate Bowyer's project, is running a Christmas Fundraiser. Please have a look and consider taking part. It is easy to do, just follow the prompts.

After great fellowship talking about ski-ing, holidays, etc, and Cameron in his role with CFA and catching up on the state of Sharon's pantry, which is always a fascinating subject, particularly when stocking it depends on the seasons, ie wet and dry. When I race up the supermarket tomorrow, I must remember, how lucky I am. (!#%^&\*\*\*) I love Debbie's reaction to all this. I truly think we all need to do a field trip the Burketown! Travel safe Sharon on your journey down south.

In regards to meeting in January, 3<sup>rd</sup> seems to be a problem for some of us. President John will be away and I am happy to assist John by taking the meeting. I would like to know which date is most popular, either the 17<sup>th</sup> or the 31<sup>st</sup> are available. (These are not our normal 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday). I would appreciate some input as to which date is most suitable. I will then notify you of the most popular choice. It will be again a short meeting of fellowship.

It was a very pleasant evening. Thank you all for your contribution.

Again, Merry Christmas, take care and have a safe, happy and holy Christmas.

Marilyn