



Rotary E-Club of D9700



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Next E-Club Meeting (Guest Speaker)

Theme: DG John Glassford

November 13th, 2018

8.00 pm



Attendance: Marilyn, Debbie, John, Ruth, Monica, Donna. Apology: Kate.

What a fabulous effort everyone made for our early Melbourne Cup Theme.



Look how great we look!

It was very interesting to hear everyone's presentation regarding the Melbourne Cup winner they chose to research.

I shall go through them individually. (I hope my notes don't let me down.)



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Firstly,

Ruth:

Makybe Diva

Won Melbourne Cup: 2003, 2004, 2005



Makybe Diva is one of the few females to win the Melbourne Cup. Makybe Diva is the only horse to win the cup three times. An amazing effort.

Her name is devised from the first two initials of the women who were part of the syndicate who owned the horse.

Maureen, (**MA**), Kylie (**KY**), Belinda (**BE**), Diane (**DI**), Vanessa (**VA**)

MAKYBE DIVA

How clever is that?

Thanks Ruth.





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Donna:

Almandin

Won Melbourne Cup: 2016



Donna investigated the name trial:

Almandin is the same word as Ammolite, which is a gem stone.

The gem was found in the city of Allabanda. The story is, a King named the city Allabanda after his son won a horse race. In Latin Alla means horse and Banda means victory. Therefore Allabanda.

Well done Donna!





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Monica:



Rainlover

Won Melbourne Cup: 1968, 1969

One of six with weather names.

Pluviophiles are people who enjoy raining days and watching the rain. They gain joy and peace of mind while watching the rain. They are rainlovers.

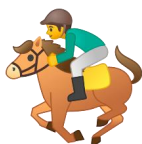
Characteristics of a Pluviophile:

1. Live in the moment
2. Confident
3. They keep things in perspective
4. They understand the beauty of living in the moment.
5. They are in tune with their sense.

Donna mentioned more, but at this stage I was a little overwhelmed, because I realised I am a Pluviophile. 🙄 I love rainy days, and watching water. I thought it was because I grew up in southern Victoria. There is nothing more calming than sitting beside the fire listening and watching the rain outside. Then there is the wonderful smell in the air after rain, and then..... Oh how I can go on.....



Thanks Monica





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John:

Gold and Black

Won Melbourne Cup: 1977

Gold and Black, a NZ horse, ridden by John Duggan, and trained by Bart Cummins. He won the race in 3 mins and 18.4 seconds. The race had a full field of 24 horses.

The race was run on the Tuesday 1st of November, 1977. Jimmy Carter was President of the USA and it was his birthday.

You light up my life, by Debbie Boon, was the popular single hit.

ABBA's album Name of the Game was number 1.

We saw the launch of the Space Shuttle "Enterprise".

Elvis Presley died.

Last case of Smallpox

Red Rum, won the Grand National for the 3rd time.

Queen Elizabeth celebrated her silver jubilee

Star Wars was the box office hit

And the sad memory, was Donald McKay disappeared. He was an outstanding citizen who was a Rotarian and member of another service group. (Can't remember which one).

Australia's population was 14,000,000

And John Kerr was the Governor General.

Thanks John.





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Debbie:

Subzero

Won Melbourne Cup: 1992



Subzero, known as Subby, became a much loved horse and enjoyed a career after racing. Upon retirement from racing, the big, near-white gelding with a lovely temperament was employed as the clerk of the course's horse by Racing Victoria's long-time Clerk, Graham Salisbury, and has made numerous appearances on television, at charity functions, and at schools.^[4] In July 2008, he was fully retired as he had developed arthritis. Subzero has the reputation of raising large amounts of money for charity. Here is a link to a video telling his story. I hope it works.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=s-Ufu3Bkj7Y>

Thanks Debbie, a great tribute to a beautiful horse.

Post script: The last entry for Subzero was an article celebrated his 29th birthday on 1st August 2017. I believe he is still with us and will be 30 this year.





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Marilyn:

I did a presentation on betting on Grey horses.

1. Why some refuse to bet on greys, because they never win.
2. Why some people always pick the grey.

Two greys have won the Melbourne Cup:



Bahgdad Note: 1970



Subzero 1992



Gunsynd placed. 3rd

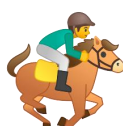
Conclusion:

There is absolutely no link between racing ability and the colour of a horse's coat.

The reason Bays win more often because there are many more bays entered than greys

Maybe some punters choose the greys because it's the Australian spirit of supporting an underdog and favouring the odd one out.

Thanks everyone for a fantastic effort. I thoroughly enjoyed every presentation and learnt so much. The really are gorgeous animals. Debbie that was a great idea, well done.





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Kiva Loans.

Following the presentations, we asked John to organise more Kiva loans. John has followed up with this and you would have all received the email from John with the details.

Many thanks John.

Recipe Book

Recently, PP John forwarded to me the following email. I have contacted Jack and Caroline and asked if we could participate. They have accepted our offer. If you would like to participate, send me any recipes that are family favourites or recipes that you think would be suitable for this project.

Greetings from the Rotary eClub of Innovation (East Anglia).

Our Club is looking to support End Polio, Roll Out the Barrel (a water project) and other causes. Please can you help us raise funds without spending any of your own money?

We are putting together a cookery book by Rotarians for Rotarians (and others). Although, there have been other Rotary cookbooks we aim to make ours unique by collecting recipes from every country where there is a Rotary Club and by using Rotarians' family favourite recipes. This should ensure that there are no issues of copy right, that the recipes are tasty and popular and that they reflect the variety of Rotarians and their lives the world over. Clearly, we can only do this if a Club in every country helps us out.

Every person that contributes a published recipe will be acknowledged and their Club named. Once we have completed our task the book will be available to purchase on the web as an online publication. Being included in the book will bring your Club to the attention of all those who purchase it, hopefully around the Rotary world. We will let you know when it is available.

If a member of your Club can help us please send the recipe by email to (this address)

Recipes@rotaryclub.org.uk

If you do not wish to take part please let us know so that we can approach another Club in your District.

Yours in Rotary

Jack Davis

Caroline Dobson



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I would like to suggest that we look at Australian recipes, ie Anzac biscuits, Lamingtons, Meat Pie, Lamb Roast. Of course there is the famous Pavlova, at the risk of upsetting the New Zealanders. A little research into the history of these dishes would be an added interest. We know this history of the ANZAC biscuits but I'm not really sure about the others. The Sunday lamb roast is iconic in Australian history.



Let me know your thoughts and any other ideas.

Next Meeting our guest will be District Governor, John Glassford, November 13th, 8pm.

Please make the effort to attend if you can.

I would like to do a short presentation to John regarding our projects. Could I please have a short update regarding the projects listed with our club. 1-2 paragraphs would be suitable.

It's a great chance to show John what we do!

See you on the 13th.

Take Care, Marilyn