Toowoomba Meeting 18/11/2019

Members Present 23
Apologies 9 + 7 late (Apologies required by Friday 5.00pm)
Absent 3
Raffle Winner 02 – Clive Armitage

Sergeant Andrew Tilly
Meeting opened at 6.00pm with The Four-Way Test – Read by Sergeant and members toast to “Rotary International”.

Welcome by President David Snow.
Welcome Guests: Jaime McGuire E&E Waste.

President Notices:
- Nigel Beaman update – card circulated for everyone to sign
- District Conference Chinchilla 13 to 15 March 2020 – aiming for 10 members attending
- Thanks Errol Wildman & Wendy Byron for work on Rotary Drought committee

Directors Reports:
- Tony Mullen – TCCT – AGM windup passed and ceasing operation 17 December. Residual funds being donated to the St Andrews Hospital trust.
- Alan Twiddle – Salvation Army cooking 250 meals 4 times a day to support fire volunteers – Club supportive of us reaching out to see if we can assist.
- Mark Norman – Emerge (Youth at Risk support) RTR2 donation recipient of $16,500 present by Mark & David – recommend the cafe as a place to frequent – all profits go to support local youth.
- Christmas Party – Sunday 15 December - $20 per head. Great for everyone to be there and please pay in advance.

Secretary’s announcements:
- Thanks to David Snow & Greg Johnson assisting Fairholme College with mock interviews for year 9 students.

Next meeting Monday 25 November Burke & Wills.

Sergeant’s Session:
- Notable fines:
**Guest Speaker – Jaime McGuire E & E Waste.**

**Topic: Containers for Change**

Introduced Chairperson Chris Clark: Jaime born in NSW, accounting degree USQ - lived in Toowoomba 12 years. E&E Waste is supported of RTR and Jaime is on the RTR committee.

Containers for change is a big part of his business E&E Waste – Has modern facilities at 12 Kimberley Court Toowoomba open 7am to 4pm.

2018 - 3 billion containers used in Qld. 55% went to landfill. 2\textsuperscript{nd} most littered item. Qld had lowest recycling rate of any state at 44%.

1 billion containers now being recycled via containers for change – yellow bins still being utilized. Aim is to reach 80% of containers. Take 150ml up to 3ltrs – Milk containers, wine spirit bottles examples of exclusions. 1,000 new jobs created.

Toowoomba has recycled 67 million containers in 12 months and this has contributed $100m to the community. Containers for change is a cleaner product v the yellow bin which get amalgamated with other recyclables and can become contaminated. They have a ready local market for the containers for change product. There is an option for the club to establish an ID that allows funds from collection to be donated to the club. Also available and bins and bin wraps to collecting containers at events.

**Presidents Announcements:**

- Mark Norman and David Snow thanked Tony Mullen as well as other Rotary members involved in TCCT for their years of service. This was a service established by our club that everyone is very proud to have been associated with providing a valuable service to the local community.

**Meeting closed at 7.30pm** with singing of the National Anthem.
Gimme 10c will ya!

James EE Waste
Containers for 
Waste (Change)