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THE FOUR WAY TEST:

Of the things we think, say or do: -

- Is it the truth?
- Is it fair to all concerned?
- Will it build goodwill & better friendships?
- Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

APRIL IS MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH MONTH

BULLETIN NO: 39

Thursday 16th April, 2020.

Invocation: *For good food, good fellowship and the opportunity to serve through Rotary, we give thanks.*

Greetings members,

I hope this bulletin finds you well and happy. It is now four weeks since we met at the Country Club..... and it will be interesting to see how long we have to wait before we can meet again. I hope all the jigsaws are progressing well, and that your other 'home projects' are coming along nicely. These stunning days have made my garden projects a pleasure to undertake. I am even getting around to those jobs which prior to COVID always seemed to sink to the bottom of the list. I have also found a stack of novels which I had been 'meaning to read', and this lovely weather makes it a treat to sit in the sun with a good book. This is certainly a pastime which I have neglected in recent times, and I am enjoying getting back to it. Perhaps there are those amongst you who need some reading material, and others that have books on their shelves that they are willing to lend. It only takes an email to me outlining what you have to share or what you might like to read, and I can put people in touch. A drive-by to drop off or collect can always be arranged. I have an extensive collection of jigsaws if anyone would like to borrow one. Let me know!

I did really enjoy the trip to the other side of my street to put out my bin. A highlight of my week!

Next week I hope to publish a special ANZAC edition. I am sure there are members who have items they are able to contribute. Please send me what you can by Thursday 23rd so I can work on it on Friday. Thank you in advance.



Have a good week!

Vicky

Bit's n Pieces from/about members



Proof of life.....

David Cannon sent this photo as evidence that he is 'on the mend', currently enjoying 'lockdown' with his *therapy dog*!!

Anyone else still alive out there??? I would love a snap for future bulletins!

Raffle Winner

Drum roll please!! This week's winner is **Marion Moran**! Marion has often spoken of her love of Irish dancing, so in deference to that, I enjoyed a 'Dancing Leprechaun' cocktail!

(Look it up!! <https://www.food.com/recipe/dancing-leprechaun-422820>)



'The View from a Social Distance.....' (Finesmaster) (Graeme Callander)

I intend to test your knowledge of events in WW2 because to forget our past is to place our future in jeopardy. Please contribute to your *isolation fines jar* for every question you cannot answer. (*Answers provided at the end of this bulletin*)

1. What event is recognised to have started WW2 and on what date?
2. When did the Dunkirk evacuation take place and how many were evacuated?
3. When was the "Battle of Britain" waged and for how long?
4. When was the "blitz" and how long did it last?
5. 27 May 1941 saw a significant Royal Navy victory. When and where was that?
6. Whilst the USA stayed officially out of the war, they provided an enormous amount of material to Britain in the early 1940s. What was the arrangement of the supply of this material called and how was it delivered?
7. Who were the "Axis" powers and when was that pact formalised?
8. What and when was the event that brought the USA into the war?
9. The statement "I shall return" was made by whom/when and to where was he to return?
10. When was the Kokoda Campaign fought?

Bonus question: When did the "Dam Busters" raid on the Ruhr Valley dams occur?

The cruelest week:

You thought things were tough did you? Well, historically, the week of April 15 is no stranger to tragedy. While disaster can strike at any time, an unusual amount of misfortune seems to take place on a few inauspicious days in April. Eerie coincidence? In most cases, yes. But it leads one to wonder if a day (or a week) can simply be unlucky.

The list of unfortunate events that happened during the week of April 15 is surprisingly long.

Here are some of the most noteworthy:

1. The Lincoln Assassination: April 15, 1865

Shortly after the end of the American Civil War, President Abraham Lincoln was shot in the head by John Wilkes Booth while attending a play at Ford's Theatre in Washington, D.C. Lincoln was carried to a house across the street from the theatre, where he died April 15, the day after he was shot.

2. The Sinking of the Titanic: April 15, 1912

The passenger liner RMS Titanic sank after striking an iceberg on her maiden voyage across the Atlantic.

The ship carried only 20 lifeboats, which provided an escape for just a fraction of the estimated 2,224 passengers and crew. More than 1,500 people died in the disaster, making it one of the worst commercial maritime disasters during peacetime.

3. The Hillsborough Disaster: April 15, 1989

Overcrowding in the standing-only central pen at Hillsborough Stadium in Sheffield, England, led to a disastrous event in which 96 people were crushed to death and 766 were injured.

The Hillsborough Disaster remains the U.K.'s deadliest sporting disaster.

4. The Boston Marathon Bombing: April 15, 2013

Terrorists detonated two bombs near the finish line at the Boston Marathon in 2013, killing three people and injuring more than 250.

5. The Notre Dame Cathedral Fire: April 15, 2019

On the evening of 15 April 2019, a fire broke out beneath the roof of Notre Dame cathedral in Paris. By the time it was extinguished, the building's spire collapsed, most of its roof had been destroyed and its upper walls were severely damaged. Reconstruction has now been delayed due to the COVID emergency.

6. The Virginia Tech Shooting: April 16, 2007

An undergraduate Virginia Tech student shot 49 people, killing 32, in the worst school shooting in United States history.

7. The San Francisco Earthquake: April 18, 1906

Early in the morning of April 18, 1906, a powerful earthquake, centred on the northern California coast, shook the city of San Francisco.

After the quake, a fire broke out in the city and burned for four days and nights. Between 700 and 3,000 people were killed and more than 80% of the city was destroyed. Up to 300,000 people were left homeless.

8. The Oklahoma City Bombing: April 19, 1995

A truck loaded with ammonium nitrate fertilizer exploded outside the Alfred P. Murray federal building in downtown Oklahoma City, killing 168 people. The blast was, at the time, the worst terror attack in United States history.

Timothy McVeigh and several co-conspirators orchestrated the attack, which McVeigh said was in retaliation to the government's handling of the siege at Waco.

9. The Columbine High School Massacre: April 20, 1999

Two students at Columbine High School in Littleton, Colorado, shot and killed 12 students and one teacher and wounded an additional 21 people in a massacre that made the word "Columbine" synonymous with school shootings. The students initially planned a bomb attack, but the propane bombs they planted in the school cafeteria failed to detonate.

Guest Speaker

In 2008, **J.K. Rowling** delivered a powerful graduation **speech at Harvard University**. It was, in many ways, absolutely spellbinding — and quickly became the most-viewed commencement address on **Harvard's** website <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wHGqp8lz36c>



Boredom Busters

Each week I hope to bring you suggestions for things you might do to help ease the days of 'distancing'. Here are some suggestions:

- laugh: the humour of Jeanne Robertson. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L1_W0LCHwK4
- enjoy: visit Cirque du Soleil <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=allVFq3P-48>
- remember: watch Monty Python and the Holy Grail (Netflix)
- listen: "The Lady Vanishes"...A true crime (Podcast series)
- sort your spices alphabetically (!!!) yep! here's my effort →
- colour: *Happy Colour by Numbers* (App)
- word play: *CodyCross* by Fanatee (App)
- explore: need to get outside? do it virtually!
<https://www.travelandleisure.com/trip-ideas/national-parks/virtual-national-parks-tours>



What are you getting up to?? Let me know for future bulletins.

Exercise and Fitness.

Another one from the archives! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3Mg0yIbYorg>

THE WEEK IN PICTURES:-



BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: -

(19th —25th April)

Birthdays: Judy Galloway (22/4)

Rotary Anniversaries: Allan Duffus (23/4/19992)

Wedding Anniversaries: nil

KOOKABURRA



My new social distancing outfit just arrived from amazon



COVID ZONE

Working from home



COVID-FREE ZONE

Late one night a burglar broke into a house and while he was sneaking around he heard a voice say, "Jesús is watching you." He looked around and saw nothing. He kept on creeping and again heard, "Jesús is watching you." In a dark corner, he saw a cage with a parrot inside. The burglar asked the parrot, "Was it you who said Jesús is watching me?" The parrot replied, "Yes." Relieved, the burglar asked, "What is your name?" The parrot said, "Clarence." The burglar said, "That's a stupid name for a parrot. What idiot named you Clarence?" The parrot answered, "The same idiot that named the rottweiler Jesús."

You are on a horse, galloping at a constant speed. On your right side is a sharp drop off, and on your left side is an elephant traveling at the same speed as you. Directly in front of you is another galloping horse but your horse is unable to overtake it. Behind you is a lion running at the same speed as you and the horse in front of you. What must you do to safely get out of this highly dangerous situation?
Get off the merry-go-round!

A boy with a monkey on his shoulder was walking down the road when he passed a policeman who said, "Now, now young lad, I think you had better take that monkey the zoo." The next day, the boy was walking down the road with the monkey on his shoulder again, when he passed the same policeman. The policeman said, "Hey there, I thought I told you to take that money to the zoo!" The boy answered, "I did! Today I'm taking him to the cinema."

Graeme's quiz answers:

1. Germany's invasion of Poland on 1st Sep 1939
 2. 27th May 1940 to 6th June. Almost 340,000. The smallest craft was only 14'7" long. 6th June also saw the "Fight them on the beaches" speech in parliament by Churchill.
 3. July to September 1940. Its purpose was to soften Britain up in preparation of an invasion. It failed.
 4. 7th September 1940 and 21st May 1941. London and specific industrial cities were bombed. Birmingham and Coventry were particularly targeted because of Spitfire and Tank factories in Birmingham and munitions factories in Coventry.
 5. The sinking of the "Bismarck" in the Atlantic about 550 kms west of Brest, France
 6. "Lend Lease". Delivered by "Liberty Ships". 18 shipyards in the US built over 2,700 of these ships between 1941 and 1945. A major contribution.
 7. Germany, Italy and Japan. The "Tripartite Pact" signed end of September 1940. The Tripartite Pact was subsequently joined by Hungary, Romania, Slovakia, Yugoslavia and Croatia.
 8. Japan attacked the US Naval Base, Pearl Harbour in Hawaii on 7th December 1941. There were over 350 Japanese planes launched from 6 aircraft carriers to carry out the raid.
 9. March 1942 Douglas MacArthur said this on arrival in Melbourne after leaving 70,000 US and Filipino troops on Corregidor Island in the Philippines. He returned to the Philippines in Oct 1944.
 10. July to November 1942. It was the first time the Japanese army had been forced to retreat.
- Bonus question: Night of the 17th May 1943 which was 18th May in Australia.(Graeme's birthday!)

