



Still Talking

Dedicated to the welfare of Laryngectomees and those with similar vocal disorders.

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MEETINGS

February – November, 3rd Wednesday Of the month. Sydney. Mechanics Institute, 280 Pitt St, SYDNEY at 10.45 am. (EXCLUDING JULY, DETAILS TO BE ADVISED) Regional meetings Pg. 2 Meetings will be followed by light refreshments. Laryngectomees, friends, families, professionals all welcome.

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www.cancercouncil.com.au

ASSOCIATION WEBPAGE:

www.stilltalking.org.

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LARYNGECTOMEES: www.theial.com/ial
WEB WHISPERS: www.webwhispers.org

NSW ASSOCIATION:

3rd Wednesday of month (Feb - Nov) Next away meeting St. George Hospital 17th July

NEWCASTLE: 3rd Tuesday. Monthly Mayfield Bowling Club Ingall Street Mayfield Start 12.30 -2.00 Contact John Lovett (02) 4954 8308

johndawnlovett@optusnet.com.au

NORTHERN RIVERS: 4 times annually in Lismore. Contact Speech Pathologist Allison Grady (02) 6629 4523 or (02) 6620 21 57

ALBURY: Meets alternate months from February. Contact Tanya Dawe- Speech Pathology Manager Phone 02 60584565, Mobile 0409543653

Email tanya.dawe@awh.org.au

MID NORTH COAST: The Colonial rooms Behind Saint Thomas's Anglican Church Hay St Port Macquarie Last Wed of March. June. September. & 1st Wednesday

December. Contact (02) 65801828

CENTRAL COAST: 3rd Thursday of the month, Cancer Council Community Hub, The Hive, Erina Fair 10am –12 noon. Head and neck cancer nurse (02) 4320 9823 Cancer Council 4336 4500

Facilitator Gary Marr 0412 262 145

gsm18@live.com.au

COFFS / CLARENCE: Shearwater Lodge, Coffs Health Campus. 2pm every 3rd Thursday, Bi-monthly

Contact Melissa Parish 02 6656 7606

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Minutes

July Meeting

The July Meeting is being held at St. George Hospital in Kogarah on 17 July in Seminar Rooms 1 & 2 in the Research & Education Building (adjacent to the Multi-Storey Car Park), Building 24 (see map), Belgrave Street. Commencement time is 11:am

There is a kitchenette close by and LANSW will provide lunch , tea & coffee.

All members, there families & carers are invited, especially those who live closer to Kogarah and may be outpatients of St. George Hospital.

Dr. Julia Maclean, the Speech Pathologist is the Guest Speaker & will update the meeting on the recent developments etc. on relevant laryngectomee matters.

St George Hospital Campus



Entrance
Gray
Street



English.

Six great confusions still unresolved

1. At a movie theatre, which 'arm rest' is yours?
2. In the word scent, is "S" silent or "C"?
3. If people evolve from monkeys, why are monkeys still around?
4. Why is there a 'D' in fridge, but not in refrigerator?
5. Who knew what time it was when the first clock was made?
6. If pro and con are opposites, wouldn't the opposite of progress be... congress?

Vagaries of English Language!

- Wonder why the word funeral starts with FUN?
- Why isn't a Fireman called a Water-man?
- How come Lipstick doesn't do what it says?
- If money doesn't grow on trees, how come Banks have Branches?
- If a Vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a Humanitarian eat?
- How do you get off a non-stop Flight?
- Why are goods sent by ship called CARGO and those sent by truck SHIPMENT?
- Why do we put cups in the dishwasher and the dishes in the Cupboard?
- Why do doctors 'practice' medicine? Are they having practice at the cost of the patients?
- Why is it called 'Rush Hour' when traffic moves at its slowest then?
- How come Noses run and Feet smell?
- Why do they call it a TV 'set' when there is only one?
- What are you vacating when you go on a vacation?

We can never find the answers, can we?
So just enjoy the pun and fun of the English language!

Calling Merrylands

On the 2 April 2019 \$10:00 was deposited into our account at the CBA branch at Merrylands. As there was no additional information given, we do not know who the depositor was. If it was you, please contact the Secretary/Treasurer using the details on page

Members Questions

Hello and good day from rural Goulburn, I hope you and other members are all well, I just have a question for all members and hope I am able solve my problem. When I breath in heavily and breath out I get a very foul smell most likely from within myself. I have asked Dr Julia Maclean about this before as I thought perhaps it was coming from my bad teeth but she seemed to have no answer for me at the time. Does anyone experience this bad smell?

Please send the editor an email if you have any thoughts and it will be passed on.

Laryngectomee Association of NSW Inc.

Minutes of Meeting of 15 May 2019

The president, Les Byrnes opened the Meeting at 10:45am, welcoming those present.

Attendance – Laryngectomees:

Les Byrnes; Frank Campbell; Vicki Pedras; Peter Tierney; Antoni Krasnodebski & Peter Kelly.

Attendance – Non – laryngectomees:

Glenn Williams; Carol Gardner; Glenda Tierney; Michael Schey; Lynne Gardner & Judy Kelly.

Apologies:

Raymond Chappelow & Cathy Edwards.

New Members:

John Saunders of Muswellbrook; David Turner of Glenn Innes

Renewals:

Victorian Zammit (2020) of Cabramatta; Roderick Hill of Windang; Kerry Kennelly of Mortdale

Vale:

Thelma Frank of Lithgow; John Crestani of Casula; Joseph Manning of Wallsend

Minutes of April Meeting:

These were adopted as published

There was no business arising.

Claims for Payment:

Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts – Invoice for April Rent – \$44:00

Wendy Tyrell – Patients' Supplies (Stoma Covers) - \$642:88

R Chappelow – Stationery (condolence cards) - \$15.05; Postage Stamps - \$20:00; Stationery (Condolence Cards) - \$28.35 -Total = \$63:40.

C Gardner – Lunch (April) - \$35:00

G Southgate – Float (Post = \$119.50 + Printing = \$105.00) = \$216:50

L. Byrnes – Welfare Officer Float - \$410:00

C Gardner – Lunch May - \$35:00

The Report was accepted & payment of Claims endorsed.

Correspondence:

Incoming:

LAVic – *The New Voice* April 2019

Terry Black of Wallarobba – Thank-you Card for new members welcome pack

Mtwo accounting partners – receipt for audit

Sydney Mechanics' School of Arts – Invoice re April Meeting

CBA – Society Cheque Account Statement – 1 Dec 2018 – 28 Feb 2019

Lucy Smith – notifying the passing of her brother Joseph Manning of Wallsend

Kay Kennelly for Kerry – with payment of 2 invoices + \$10 m'ship fee

Greg Joss & Les Byrnes – re Secretary's proposed letter re Unfinancial Members

Outgoing:

Mike Crestani & family – condolence card re the late John Crestani;
Lucy Smith & family – condolence card re late Joseph Manning of Wallsend
Family of Thelma Frank of Lithgow – condolence card.
Letters regarding Unfinancial Members deferred to General Business

Welfare Report:

Les Byrnes reported that as no volunteer for the vacant position of Welfare Officer had been received, he took over that role & all the equipment, etc. From Cathy Edwards. For the time being he and his wife Yvonne will assume all Welfare Officer tasks.
Invoice #486 Kerry Kennelly & Welcome Pack to David Turner.

General Business:

Advice from Atos Medical that their office has moved to Unit 6, 174 Pacific Highway, North Sydney, 2060.

The Association website was discussed, and members agreed that photos of deceased members should be removed from the various links. Also, the list of Hospital Visitors is not up to date. The President will discuss with Greg Joss.

The Secretary/Treasurer has raised the issue of unfinancial members (reference Correspondence above). After a friendly debate & suggestions, it was resolved that the President (who volunteered) would correspond to all members “in the red” requesting them to advise whether they wished to continue their membership. Mailouts will contain a stamped & addressed envelope to the Secretary, while emailed members will be requested to reply by email.

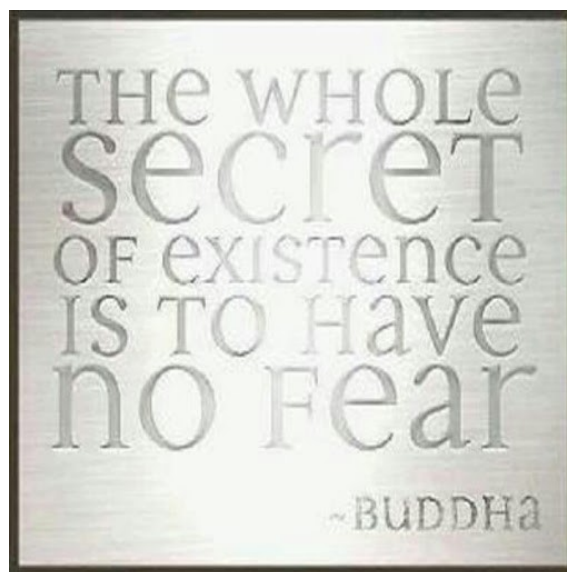
All of those present agreed that it was not the \$10 that was essential to the Association, but it is the simplest means of knowing if our members wish to continue involvement with LANSW. It was reported that the May edition of *Still Talking* was not received by some present. The President will investigate (with Editor).

The next Meeting will be at the SMSA, 280 Pitt Street (usual venue) on 19 June and please note that the July Meeting will be at St. George Hospital.

The Meeting closed at 11:30am

We're almost half way through 2019 and still a large number of members haven't paid subs for this year. The LANSW is not desperate for the money, but would like to know if you still wish to remain with us.

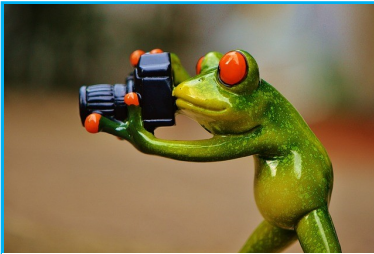
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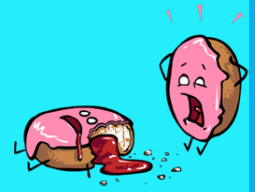
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WE CAN CONFIRM YOUR IDENTITY.**

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Funnies



A woman comes home from her doctor's appointment grinning from ear to ear. Her husband asks, "Why are you so happy?" The woman says, "The doctor told me that for a forty-five year old, I have the breasts of an eighteen year old." "Oh yeah?" quips her husband, "What did he say about your forty-five year old ass?" "Your name never came up in the conversation," she replies.

A married man was having an affair with his secretary, and one day, their passions overcame them in the office. . Exhausted from the afternoon's activities, they fell asleep and awoke at around 8pm. As the man threw on his clothes, he told the woman to take his shoes outside and rub them through the grass and dirt. Confused, she nonetheless complied, and he slipped into his shoes and drove home. "Where have you been?" his wife asked as he entered the house. "Darling," replied the man, "I can't lie to you. I've been having an affair with my secretary. I fell asleep in her bed and didn't wake up until eight o'clock." The wife glanced down at his shoes and said, "You liar! You've been playing golf!"

A redneck came home and found his house on fire, rushed next door, telephoned the fire department and shouted, "Hurry over here. My house is on fire!"

"OK," replied the fireman, "how do we get there?"

"Say, don't you still have those big red trucks?"

Quasimodo was the famous hunch back of Notre Dame. After his death, the bishop of his Cathedral sent word through the streets of Paris that he needed a new bell ringer.

The Bishop decided that he would conduct the interviews personally and so he went up into the belfry to begin the screening process. After observing several applicants demonstrate their skills, he shook his head - none were as good as Quasimodo.

Just as the bishop was leaving, a man with no arms approached him and announced that he was there to apply for the bell ringer's job. The bishop was incredulous. 'But, you have no arms!'

'No matter', said the man. 'Observe!' And he began striking the bells with his face, producing a beautiful melody on the bells. The bishop listened in astonishment; convinced he had finally found a replacement for Quasimodo. But suddenly, rushing forward to head the bell, the armless man tripped and plunged headlong out of the belfry window. Sadly, he died on the the street below.

The stunned bishop rushed to the armless man. When he reached the street, a crowd had gathered around the fallen figure, drawn by the beautiful music they had heard only moments before.

As they silently parted to let the bishop through, one of them asked, 'Bishop, who was this man?'

'I don't know his name', the bishop sadly replied, 'but his face rings a bell.'

"Having sex is like bridge. If you don't have a good partner, you'd better have a good hand."

Why did the manager hire the marsupial?

Because he was koala-fied.

A devout Australian cowboy lost his favorite Bible while he was mending fences out on the range. Three weeks later, a kangaroo walked up to him carrying the Bible in its mouth. The cowboy couldn't believe his eyes. He took the precious book out of the kangaroos mouth, raised his eyes heavenward and exclaimed, "It's a miracle!" "Not really," said the kangaroo. "Your name is written inside the cover."