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This has been the week of changeovers in that I have now attended Corrimal's, on the 13th June, Illawarra Sunrise's on 24 June and last Saturday the District Changeover so that I have had sufficient changeovers for the year. All changeovers were pleasant and friendly and all were run to time or close to it. Corrimal's new President is Kay Mireylees and our new District Governor is Sue Haywood. I was surprised with the number of Rotarians who head District positions as they were presented to the Changeover. I counted 13 positions covering Australian Honours Advisory Council Liaison Member through to the two Webmasters.

On Friday we returned to our normal Friday Meeting at which there were 8 members and one Guest (Rhys). The meeting was carried out at one table with the lectern being discarded to make it more cosy. The new framework of meetings was discussed with emphasis on where we would have our first social meeting. I offered some venues where Christmas in July was being held but after much discussion, the night has been changed for this month only to support St Mary's Interact Club's Murder Mystery Night. So all members are encouraged to purchase tickets and to attend that night.

I also take pleasure in announcing the offer of our member Norm Miller to take on the position of President Elect. I took this information to our regular club meeting Friday 29 June to have the offer endorsed by club members and it was. So this club now has a President Elect but still has to fill the position of Secretary of the club very quickly. Members please consider coming forward to nominate yourself for this position.

Have a safe week and I look forward to joining with you all on Friday.

Kindest Regards
Brian Ashe

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Dr Ian Fargher spoke as our guest speaker on Friday and this just shows that our own club members can entertain equally with imported guest speakers. His topic, Forensic Accounting, was informative as well as entertaining. Ian revealed some of the work that he had done for his Phd., which he completed last Christmas. I won't go into his topic matter as that will be in our Bulletin but I did want to point out that the Club has quite a number of members that have fabulous stories to tell us of their lives.

Our Changeover Lunch planning is all coming together and with fingers crossed, I believe the day will be one that will be up there with the best or

that is what I hope for. I did not realise just how much work and organisation goes into this event, with invitations, presentations, gifts and food for the day but I am becoming aware, as each day leading up is teaching me.

I attended Corrimal Club's Changeover Dinner on Wednesday night, which was quite enjoyable and well run (of course not as good as ours will be). There were four Paul Harris presentations, which included Paul Harris with three sapphires in those presentations and a unique presentation of a "Feather Duster" which is given by the President one year past, to the immediate Past President. No information was given for the use of the feather duster but you are to use your own imagination I guess. A full Board was presented to the meeting as the last item and It was good to see that Corrimal Club was able field all positions. At one point the numbers for the new Board were seven female members and one male member, but this lessened to a ratio to seven female to three males at the end.

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