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Luncheon:

On the 5th June it might have been a rainy and windy day but we still had over thirty members turn up at the Rose and Crown Hotel, Parramatta, to enjoy a congenial lunch “out the back” in a covered area of the pub. The ferries didn’t run, it was cold, but even that couldn’t dampen the spirits of those who braved the weather and transport difficulties. Thanks to Heather Causley another successful raffle was held for Stewart House and there was a rumour that a few members got their money back with a bit of luck in the area set aside for games of chance!

Wollongong:

Although unable to attend myself it was reported that the Association of Retired Principals had a successful gathering of local retirees in Wollongong. The Association is keen to promote these functions across NSW and the Executive is looking to have some key retirees in certain areas to help organise local functions. Thanks to Warren Marks and John Salt???? for their efforts in Wollongong.

Elections:

Nominations have now closed for positions on the Executive and no doubt we will hear shortly from Dennis Suttlings as to who has put their name forward for the various positions. As I did not nominate again this time I would like to pay tribute to members of the current Executive who have actually got the ARP up and running and have made the effort to gain sponsorship and affiliate with the NSWPPA. John McMillan, as the illustrious leader and great PR man who always stands up for Public Education, Colin Labrie as Secretary, who set up the data base for members and chased up many of the function venues, Vice-President, Heather Causley, who took on board the charity side of things, Cheryl Buckley who many times made the long trip from Orange to get to meetings and functions and our Treasurer, Graham Hayton (and for a year Peter Newman) who watched the pennies to make sure we were in a strong financial position whilst allowing generous subsidies for members who attended functions. If these people stand again or we have members of a similar caliber standing then the ARP is in good hands.

Fees:

These are now due and no doubt you have received a reminder from Colin and Graham. The fees have not changed since the setting up of the ARP with \$50 covering membership for the year. Apart from subsidizing functions there are also costs involved in keeping the ARP up and running and members informed. To post your cheque you may send it to “The Treasurer ARP”, 34 Kareela Rd, Baulkham Hills 2153. If you include a return address, Graham will post out a receipt. Cheques should be made out to the “Association of Retired Principals”.

Next Luncheon:

Our next luncheon will be Thursday September 4th at a venue to be decided. Once again our major sponsor, Phil Campbell from First Capital Finance Planning, will organise a guest speaker and this time it will be related to Centrelink and pension entitlements. This is sure to be of great interest to all retirees. Hope to see you there!

Mudgee:

At the moment our President is investigating the possibility of a few days in Mudgee for a special time for members to get together with options of golf, wineries and excellent dining. We will keep you informed but we would need at least thirty members to be interested to make it viable.