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NEXT MEETING

Function Room
Duke of Brunswick Hotel
207 Gilbert Street
Adelaide

Thursday 18th February

MEAL - Dining Room 6.00 pm

MEETING - DOORS OPEN at 7.00pm

For a 7.30pm start.

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General Meeting
until 9.00pm

Tea Break

Presentations and
Question and Answer time

10.00pm CLOSE

President's Report

I'd like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a safe and happy 2010.

My year didn't start too well when I had to go to hospital because of an anaphylactic reaction (which I think was caused by a different pesticide I used).

Correct Use of Tools and Chemicals

It goes without saying that it's always best to abide by the manufacturer's directions for use. When using the same product over a long period of time, it's good to recheck the directions in case something has changed. It's too easy to be complacent about taking these precautions, especially when pressured for time, but you could end up paying the price like I did.

Making Prototypes

In the construction of prototypes, always be careful to use the materials, tools, parts and chemicals within their specifications. If you don't have mechanical experience to assemble one yourself, seek help.

The End Product

To have a successful product you need to consider:
Must be simple and easy to use
Safe for the user and the worksite it's to be used in
That it looks professional
Financially viable in the marketplace
There must be sufficient need for it.

President IAA (SA) Inc

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

It is the supreme art of the teacher to awaken joy in
creative expression and knowledge.

Albert Einstein

Lou introduced the Guest Speaker Dr. Steven S. Pietrobon from Small World Communications.

Steven's topic was Codes and Errors in IT Communications and space communications. He gave an insight into the workings of and the development with digital communication in space which he was involved with.

More information on Steven achievements can be found at <http://www.sworld.com.au/steven/>

Howard says

My life is being changed. No more hot buttered raisin toast. The size of ones girth has raised the concerns of she who must be obeyed and I am looking at kefir and raw vegetables.

Now I am in favour of a reduction of ones girth even if only to see ones shoes but there is something missing in ones life if the moments of temporary pleasure have to be now reduced to the occasional single malt.

Kefir is now my focus. It promises that I will live to 110 years in good health like those pesky georgians. I am busily brewing my kefir each day (a kind of super yohgurt with super bugs) and so far my aches and pains have all but disappeared except when I move which is how it was before I started on this health regime. Still one lies quietly in hope and at least my trousers can now be done up.

I remain however concerned that "codex alimentaris" or the SA Health department will stop those of us who wish and even those who do not from partaking of the great answers in complementary treatments.

The patent system has seriously biased the system because the large pharmaceutical companies will not support the unpatentable because they cannot get a monopoly on the unpatented products. They therefore cannot make significant margins needed to support their aggressive marketing and some research.

The complementary business is very large and I think it would be brave for a Government to try to shut it down because it may be promoting a product that has not had its safety "proved". However proving safety is very expensive indeed and without a patent there is not much hope of getting the investment back.

Rather a catch 22 eh.

Still about time I had another large glass of kefir before I start crying into my single malt.

Happy inventing.

NEW MEMBERS

We cordially welcome all our new members and trust that the Association can help you in your 'journey'. If you have any special requests please talk to any member of the committee and we will endeavour to help you. Committee members have a red dot on their nametags.

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