PRESIDENT’S REPORT

The Board met this week and we were able to plan the activities for the final few months of my term as President.

The board has decided that we should be establishing an Educational Foundation in our region following the presentation from Wendy Cohen. Although the Warracknabeal Rotary Club would be initiating the project, we would be looking for support from other community groups and individuals to establish the Foundation. Thus it was decided to hold a public meeting using the resources of the Country Educational Foundation to create a management Board with a view to establishing the Foundation in our region.

As you are all aware the club has been approached to have an inbound exchange student Jasper Hoist from Schwarzenbek Germany. The Board is supportive of having an inbound student, but feels that we would need to have at least 4 host families in place before we could accept hosting Jasper in August. We are now looking to the Warracknabeal community to find families who would be able to host Jasper. We are also looking for Rotarians who are prepared to support an exchange program in any way. We need to be in a position to make a final decision by the end of March.

If you or any of your family member are able to support this youth exchange please talk to our Youth Committee or myself.

Have a great week, Chris.

COMING DATES

Fri 22nd—Sun 24 Mar  D9780 Conference, Maryborough
Sat. 6th April  Paddock to Plate Dinner

APOLOGIES / GUESTS

Jean Wise
By lunchtime Tuesday
0487 159 242
or email to
wbealbulletin@gmail.com

NEXT WPS BREAKFAST

Tuesday 26th Feb
John Aitken (Pick-up)
John Tonkin
Danielle Barbetti
## Duties

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### Inductions:
- Birthdays: Christine Gumpula 24 Feb, Wendy Hewitt 26 Feb,
- Anniversaries: Julie & Ron O’Brien 24 Feb.

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**Board Meeting 20 Feb 2019**

- An Inbound Youth Exchange student has been proposed to our Club Jasper Holst, we are now looking for Host families. Please see John Aitken for more details or hosting
- International Night 29th May
- RLYA applications extended until 31st March, sourcing applicants
- Further referees needed for Form 3s
- President Elect still vacant
- Changeover 3rd July
- Community Education Fund to be investigated further
- PHF nominations welcomed to Board
- Invitation to Warracknabeal Ladies Probus AGM 1st March
- Preliminary invites sent to Clubs for Paddock to Plate 6th April

‘Get Active’ District Inter-club Challenge....be an inspiration!

**How It Works**....Every member’s total activity time over the period from March 14th and 6pm March 22nd is tallied, then divided by club member numbers. It’s a bit of fun and it’s also good for us :)

Not only are we competing against other Rotary Clubs, our very own Rotaract Club are putting up the challenge...they think they’ll do better than us. So let’s start getting more active now, and prove them wrong!
PADDOCK to PLATE UPDATE (Wendy Hewitt)      Ben’s Shearing Shed. Sat 6 April. 6-10pm

The Committee is meeting each week after the regular meeting with any updates. If you have any ideas, please see Chris H, Chris G, Sue, Tony, John A, Jack, Bernie, Helen, Ben, Peter, Wendy. Plans so far:

**Purpose of P2P:** Promote country life, produce and hospitality, especially to our friends visiting from city clubs. It is also a fundraiser for our club, especially for the Country Education Foundation that we are looking to establish here.

**Invitations** are being sent out. Members are also encouraged to keep the date free & invite friends & family.

**Cost:** $65 pp for 3 course meal, prepared by professional chef, Randall Scott from Digby. Showcasing local produce—lamb, beef, duck, grains, legumes, olives, honey, wine etc. Drinks at bar prices.

**Entertainment:** We are planning to have a shearing demo, and possibly music.

**Fundraisers:** Raffle, other activities—on the night and during Saturday.

**Capacity:** 120 people

**Weekend package:** Extra activities on Saturday for visitors—farm and silo tours, W’beal walk and golf options.

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**District 9780 Conference 2019**

Maryborough Town Hall March 22 - 24

**Be Inspired by the Golden Heart**

**There’s still time to register....be inspired!**

Visit the website for more information and registration [rotary9780conference.com.au](http://rotary9780conference.com.au)

- Entertaining, thought provoking, networking, interesting.....
- Great speakers—local, national and international....... Including our own Johanna Parker (devries)
- What are other Rotary clubs doing? RI displays.
- Social events: Conference Dinner, Golf, discovering Maryborough, Partner’s trips.
- See our club get the prize.... For the Winner of The Great Inter-club Exercise Challenge. :)”

So far the following members and partners are booked in for accommodation in Maryborough at the Junction Hotel.

Chris H, Sue, Helen, Wendy, Robin, John, Marie and Tony. (Anyone else will need to organise their own accommodation.)

Don’t forget to register......

**The theme for the conference dinner is Gold Rush and it always adds to the night when lots of people dress up.....as we always do :)** So we will need someone to coordinate our themed outfits. Any volunteers?