

Rotary



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# Rotary Club of Maffra

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The Rotary Club of Maffra meets every Thursday, 6 pm for 6.30 pm  
Duart Receptions, 20 McLean Street, Maffra

*(Apologies and visitors to Nathan Smith by 1 pm. Telephone (03) 5147 1985)*

**TOAST: "To the Privilege of Community Service"**

## MEETING SNAPSHOT

**16 members** present for a special evening.

**2 members' AWOL.**

**Guests for the evening** were: Lorna Bailey, Val Mildenhall, Thelma Costa, Jan Wishart, Paul Burke and Dianne Honey's granddaughter Meshi Wilson.

**2 members** on caravan duty

**Graeme Hemming** present at the governor's civic reception.

**Helen Lanigan and Dianne Honey** attended a district conference meeting

**Sunday Market BBQ** had Rob Noble, Cath Noble and Michelle Worsley manning the hotplate.

**Roger Malouf and Neil Wishart** winners of the swindle.

**Highlight of the evening:** naming of **Lorna Bailey as a Paul Harris Fellow.** Lorna has been a stalwart of the local community for many years and a member of the Mardi Gras committee since 1991.

**Paul Burke**, an exchange student to California 39 years ago, reported on the final washup of the Mardi Gras on behalf of the Maffra Football/Netball Club.

**Their entrant, Meg Knobel**, raised \$35,000.00, which will go towards the completion of their corporate box, a new netball shed, a trainer's room and a supporter's bar.

## Programme for Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2017

At short notice, we have been able to book what promises to be one of the best speakers that the club has had for a long time. Professor Karen Dwyer will be at the club for an intimate meet and greet.

Among her many accomplishments, Karen led the team for the world's first hand transplant.

This promises to be a fascinating and informative evening and it is highly recommended that partners, family and friends be invited.

Please book any guests in to Duart before 1pm Thursday.



*Filming a promo for Channel 7*



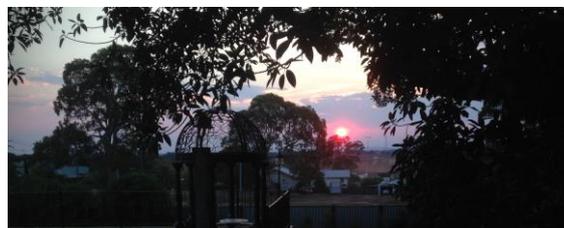
*Lorna Bailey receiving her PHF from President Sue Gray*



*Paul Burke reporting on the results of the Mardi Gras*



*Guess the Rotarian*



*A blood red sunset*

## CURRENT STATUS



Since 1988, we've seen a worldwide reduction in polio cases of 99.9%. Last year we only saw wild polio cases in three countries.

[Read the Full Report](#)

### **Afghanistan** **03 Reported Cases**

2014: 28  
2015: 20  
2016: 13

### **Pakistan** **02 Reported Cases**

2014: 306  
2015: 54  
2016: 20

### **Nigeria** **00 Reported Cases**

2014: 06  
2015: 00  
2016: 04

## The Facts

### 01

Polio mainly affects children under age 5.

### 02

There is no cure, but polio is preventable with a vaccine.

### 03

Only three countries remain endemic.

### 04

We've reduced cases by 99.9% since 1988.

### 05

Until we end polio forever, every child is at risk.



A global public-private partnership has reduced the poliovirus caseload by 99.9% over the last 30 years, but there's still plenty of work to do.

**Story Written By:** John Hewko, General Secretary, Rotary  
Jan. 13, 2017

We are close to eradicating a human disease for only the second time in history. A global public-private partnership has reduced the poliovirus caseload by 99.9% over the last 30 years, but there's still plenty of work to do.

Even before we reach that milestone, the knowledge and infrastructure built to fight polio is being repurposed to take on other global challenges.

### **3 countries where polio is still endemic**

Fewer than 40 children were paralysed by polio in 2016, the lowest number in history. This is a dramatic decrease from the estimated 350,000 cases per year in 125 countries that the world saw in 1985 - the year that Rotary International initiated a worldwide effort to eradicate this terrible disease.

In 1988, Rotary was joined in the effort by WHO, the U.S. Centres for Disease Control, UNICEF (and more recently the Gates Foundation) to create the [Global Polio Eradication Initiative](#) (GPEI).

Today the virus is limited to a few areas in just three countries - Pakistan, Afghanistan and Nigeria.

In response, Nigeria intensified surveillance activities to pinpoint where the virus is circulating.

In Pakistan, innovative tactics are being used to focus polio immunization drives. Health workers are trained in the use of [cell phone data reporting](#), which allows real-time recording of immunization coverage and public health surveys of populations.

In Afghanistan, the program continues to adapt in order to reach the maximum number of children possible despite a volatile security situation.

### **155: the number of countries involved in largest coordinated vaccine switch in history**

There are three different strains of the poliovirus. Once a strain is eliminated (type 2 was [officially eradicated](#) in September 2015), we have to match our vaccines to the remaining strains to protect children globally.

This transition is a massive undertaking, requiring significant funding and coordination to accomplish global health feats that have never been attempted.

To give you a sense of scale, the largest and fastest globally coordinated vaccine switch in history (to target poliovirus types 1 and 3) was successfully conducted over two weeks in April 2016, with 155 countries taking part.

[This article is part of the World Economic Forum Annual Meeting 2017.](#) Click [here](#) to view additional graphics.

Part 2 of this article in next week's bulletin.

## ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES 2016-2017

### BOARD MEMBERS

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| <b>President</b>                         | Sue Gray         |
| <b>Immediate Past President</b>          | Ross Neilson     |
| <b>Secretary</b>                         | Dianne Honey     |
| <b>Treasurer</b>                         | Graeme Hemming   |
| <b>Club/Vocational Service Director</b>  |                  |
| <b>Community Service Director</b>        | Pauline Hitchins |
| <b>Foundation/International Director</b> | Shane Smallwood  |
| <b>Youth Service Director</b>            | Sharon Knight    |

### OTHER ROLES

|   |                            |
|---|----------------------------|
| <b>Sergeant at Arms/Fines</b>   | Rob Noble/Ted Mitchell     |
| <b>Program Co-ordinator</b>   | Brian Gray/Veronica Dwyer  |
| <b>Club Bulletin and Publicity</b>                                    | Shane Smallwood            |
| <b>BBQ Co-ordinators</b>  | Hans Van Wees/John Watts   |
| <b>Attendance</b>   | Neil Wishart               |
| <b>Arthur's Swindle</b>   | Cath Noble/Sandra Houghton |
| <b>Family of Rotary</b>   | Dianne Honey               |
| <b>Club Protection Officer</b>  | Sjors Duursema             |
| <b>On to Conference</b>   | Ross Neilson               |
| <b>Club Website</b>   | Logan Connolly             |
| <b>Rosters - Registrations / Friendship / Property /Caravan / BBQ</b> | Shane Smallwood            |

### COMMITTEES

| Community Service   | International Service/Foundation   |
|---|--|
| <b>Pauline Hitchins (Director)</b> Cath Noble, Rick Dare, Hans Van Wees, Veronica Dwyer, John Watts, Brian Gray, Peter Quennell, Nathan Smith | <b>Shane Smallwood (Director)</b> Rob Noble, Ross Neilson, John Osbom, Neil Wishart            |
| Youth Service   | Club Service/Vocational Service  |
| <b>Sharon Knight director)</b> Sjors Duursema (Protection Off.), Logan Connolly, Sandra Houghton, Roger Malouf, Ted Mitchell                  | Sue Gray (Pres), Ross Neilson (IPP) Dianne Honey (Sec), Graeme Hemming (Treas), Helen Lanigan. |

## YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED!

Our adopted Rotaractor, **Michelle Worsley**, is participating in **The World's Greatest Shave**.

She will be donating her locks at **10.00am on 22<sup>nd</sup> April at Mirada Hair in Johnson Street.**

Donate at:

<http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/michelleworsley>

She has been attending our club regularly and volunteering for our BBQs and other events so, I think it only fair that as many of us support her on the day. Let's be there to cheer her on.



**April 30<sup>th</sup> 2017**  
**Rotary Club of Maffra**  
**will host an attempt at a world record**  
**for the most throwers of gumboots**  
**@ 12 noon.**



The most people throwing Wellington boots simultaneously is 431, achieved by Burwell Village College Primary (UK), in Burwell, UK, on 1 July 2016.

The Rotary Club of Maffra is aiming to beat this record with the help and participation of keen and interested community participants.

**Guinness World Records have given their approval for this attempt.**

While this will be a lot of fun, it is also for a world record attempt, there are rules and there will be stringent documentation and recording of the event to satisfy the requirements for recognition of a world record.

This will also be an excellent opportunity to raise some much-needed funds for community projects, as well as give Rotary a high public profile and hopefully attract a few potential members.

There will be market stalls, food and entertainment for both young and old. Trade and allied services stalls will also be on display.

For the children, there will be plenty for them to do such as carnival rides, face painting and a jumping castle. They could even place an entry into the best decorated gumboot section or participate in the egg and spoon race wearing gumboots, or the three-legged race also wearing gumboots!

All the family is invited to join in the fun and throw a Wellington gum boot. Be part of history on this day by attending, and assisting in the organising.

See Dianne Honey for details.

Go to: <https://www.trybooking.com/259735> to book

Go to: <http://www.guinnessworldrecords.com> to find out more about Guinness World Records.

## HOUSEKEEPING PAGE

Please take note of your roster, IT CAN CHANGE.

When YOU are rostered on for duty and YOU are unavailable, please arrange your own swap.

Special instructions for those on the BBQ rosters, please make sure you collect the tear drop flag.

| DATE                   | PROGRAMME                        | CHAIR          |
|------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| 13 <sup>th</sup> April | Dr Karen Dwyer<br>Partners Night | Veronica Dwyer |

| CARAVAN ROSTER Date    | Deliver         | Pick Up        | Booked by                        |
|------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------------------------|
| 13 <sup>th</sup> April | Brian Gray      | Peter Quennell | Tinamba Red Cross                |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> April | Rick Dare       | Cath Noble     | Maffra Secondary – Alpine School |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> May    | Shane Smallwood | Hans Van Wees  | St John's Anglican Church        |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> May   | Rick Dare       | Nathan Smith   | Maffra Lioness                   |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> May   | Brian Gray      | Peter Quennell | Boisdale Playgroup               |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> May   | Nathan Smith    | Cath Noble     | Maffra Agricultural Society      |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> June   | Shane Smallwood | Hans Van Wees  | Maffra Volleyball                |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> June   | Rick Dare       | Nathan Smith   | Boisdale Consolidated            |

| MEETING DUTIES DATE | GREETING     | REGISTRATION                 | PROPERTY        | MARKET BBQ with Hans   | WOOLLIES' BBQ   |
|---------------------|--------------|------------------------------|-----------------|--|---|
| April               | Rick Dare    | Ted Mitchell<br>Cath Noble   | Peter Quennell  | 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Rob Noble<br>Sharon Knight,<br>Sue Gray    | 8 <sup>th</sup> : George Duursema,<br>Dianne Honey,<br>John Watts |
| May                 | Ted Mitchell | Rob Noble,<br>Graeme Hemming | Shane Smallwood | 7 <sup>th</sup> : Brian Gray,<br>Cath Noble,<br>Roger Malouf | 13 <sup>th</sup> : Rick Dare,<br>John Osborn,<br>Graeme Hemming   |

**MILESTONES 13<sup>th</sup> April to 19<sup>th</sup> April 2017. None this week**

| MEMBER | MEMBER'S B/DAY | PARTNER'S B/DAY | WEDDING ANN. | JOINED ROTARY |
|--------|----------------|-----------------|--------------|---------------|
|        |                |                 |              |               |

**The Washington Post's Mensa Invitational once again invited readers to take any word from the dictionary, alter it by adding, subtracting, or changing one letter, and supply a new definition.**

**Here are the winners:**

- Cashtration** (n.): The act of buying a house, which renders the subject financially impotent for an indefinite period of time.
- Ignoranus**: A person who's both stupid and an asshole.
- Intaxication**: Euphoria at getting a tax refund, which lasts until you realize it was your money to start with.
- Reintarnation**: Coming back to life as a hillbilly.
- Bozone** (n.): The substance surrounding stupid people that stops bright ideas from penetrating. The bozone layer, unfortunately, shows little sign of breaking down in the near future.
- Foreplay**: Any misrepresentation about yourself for the purpose of getting laid.
- Giraffiti**: Vandalism spray-painted very, very high.
- Sarchasm**: The gulf between the author of sarcastic wit and the person who doesn't get it.
- Inoculatte**: To take coffee intravenously when you are running late.
- Osteopornosis**: A degenerate disease. (This one got extra credit.)
- Karmageddon**: It's like, when everybody is sending off all these really bad vibes, right? And then, like, the Earth explodes and it's like, a serious bummer.
- Decafalon** (n): The gruelling event of getting through the day consuming only things that are good for you.
- Glibido**: All talk and no action.
- Dopeler Effect**: The tendency of stupid ideas to seem smarter when they come at you rapidly.

# Rotary Club of Maffra



**You are invited to attend the meeting of the Rotary Club of Maffra**

**On**

**13<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

**At**

**Duart Homestead, 20 McLean St. Maffra**

**To hear**

**Professor Karen Dwyer.**

Karen is a nephrologist and an immunologist. She grew up in Newry, was schooled at Catholic College Sale, did her PhD at Melbourne University and then on to Boston training in the science of transplant surgery.

Among her accomplishments, she led the team that conducted the world's first hand transplant.

This meeting promises to be an extremely interesting and informative one.

This is a rare opportunity to meet a distinguish leader in their chosen field.

Reservations are essential to take advantage of this invitation.

**Please reserve your seat for dinner and the guest speaker by phoning Duart Homestead on 03 5147 1985 before 10 am Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April.**

**2 course meal @ \$25.00 plus drinks at bar prices.**

**Meeting time 6.00pm for a 6.30pm start.**