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## FROM THE PRESIDENT'S KEYBOARD



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Last week's meeting was a Vocational evening with the presentation of the **Milton Fraser** and **Jim Kirkness** Apprentice Awards.

Vocation Director IPP **David Nichols** conducted that part of our meeting. He was joined by PDG **Christine Owen**, who reminded us of the significant contribution both **Jim Kirkness** and **Milton Fraser** made to the local community and our Club. The Awards named in their honour has become a feature and sought after recognition that the students of Ourimbah Campus of the Newcastle Uni aim for.

**Brendan Maxworthy** from Ourimbah Uni introduced the Milton Fraser awardee **Kristian Drescher**, who was joined by his mother Louise. Unfortunately, **Bryce Glanville** the winner of the Jim Kirkness award could not be present as he was away working in

*Tamworth. He will attend a future meeting to receive his award.*




*At a President meeting I attended last Saturday I learned that in the first 2 months of the Rotary year there have been 25 new members inducted into Rotary across the District with no resignations. District Governor **Niranjan Deodhar** also asked all*

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members to open the district e-news received by all members by email and read the page to keep up to date – apparently the read rate at present is only 50%. Please don't automatically delete the email as you are missing out.

**Geoff Vincent** has confirmed details of the BBQ at Homeworld Warnervale at their opening on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> September from 10am to 4pm. Geoff has a good number of volunteers and set up will be from around 8.30am. Address is 10 Virginia Road Warnervale – off the M1 along Sparks Road, past the airport, over the railway line, turn right into Virginia Road and you cannot miss it.

Heads and Tails was won by PP **Lester Marquet**.

Tonight, we are joined by **Rusell Stuart** who will talk about Police forensics and training programs.

*President: David Boardman*

## THIS WEEK

**Thursday 26th September 2024**

**Presenter: Russell Stuart**

**Police Forensic & Training Programs**

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

**Friday 27th September 2024**

**Kids in Need Charity Golf Day**

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**Sunday 29th September 2024**

**HomeWorld Warnervale BBQ**

**10.00am to 4.00pm**

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**Thursday 3rd October 2024**

**Club Assembly**

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**Thursday 10th October 2024**

**Annual visit by District Governor**

**Niranjan Deodhar**

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**Monday 14th October 2024**

**Gosford Rotary Club**

**Board Meeting**

**GGC at 11.00am**

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**Thursday 17th October 2024**

**Presenter: Sarah King**

**Radio Personality**

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**Thursday 24th October 2024**

**To Be Advised**

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**Thursday 31st October 2024**

**Presenter: Dick Whittaker**

**The Identifying of King Richard III**

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### BIOGRAPHY OF DISTRICT GOVERNOR NIRANJAN DEODHAR

Niranjan joined the Rotary Club of Beecroft in April 2017. He served as International Chair in 2018-19 and in 2019-20, followed by President for 2020-21. He is currently the Membership Director. He was recognised with the Paul Harris Recognition in 2018. Niranjan holds a Bachelor of Technology degree in Electrical Engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.

#### Professional background

Niranjan is Founder of Open Orbit ([www.openorbit.net](http://www.openorbit.net)) – a technology company with a vision to make the science and art of process design and improvement accessible to anyone in any organisation. With Open Orbit he brings together his expertise in Lean Six Sigma, sustainable process change, and insights in technology to create and build a new software platform for executives, managers and workers looking for practical methods and techniques in process improvement. Niranjan brings extensive experience in senior roles in companies like Genpact (an offshoot of GE), IBM, PwC, Rothmans, and Siemens. He has worked on building new business, creating consulting capabilities and implementing change programs in a variety of cultural and geographic contexts in Australia, India and the Silicon Valley, US.

Niranjan and his wife Vinita joined Rotary together in 2017 and share a passion for tackling pressing issues faced by

communities. Both were named Paul Harris Fellows. Vinita is a seasoned senior executive with deep experience in leading change and enhancing enterprise performance in complex environments. She combines business acumen with a deep sense of caring and compassion. She is Chief Product Officer at Open Orbit and non-executive Director, Woodville Alliance. Prior to this she was Executive Director NSW Treasury and served at NSW Government for over 13 years. Vinita has a PhD in public economics from Macquarie University.

#### Local & Global projects

Along with his club in 2020-21 (during Niranjan's year as President) Niranjan has contributed to projects such as; The Young at Heart Festival, Virtual Neighbours, Beecroft History Tours in the Big Red Bus, Anzac Day Memorial Service, International Women's Day celebrations and participation in Clean up Australia & Australia Day events. On a global level, Niranjan and Vinita have made multiple site visits to the global grant projects coordinated by their club over the years. They have engaged with host clubs & beneficiaries and assured of the good use of funds.

#### Innovation in Giving

Niranjan has created the new 'Valued Donor Program' targeted at non-Rotarian. To date 6 Valued donors have contributed almost \$3000 AUD into club cash for the global grant.

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