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ROTARY CLUB OF GOSFORD

The meeting on 22 October was a good night & due to a few Members away on well earned holidays, our attendance was at 72%. Our guests this week were our National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) student Kairavan Selvarjan, & his mum Janaki. Kairavan was in attendance to provide Members a brief overview of his personal, educational & sporting backgrounds, as well as his hopes & ambitions as a result of attending this year's event. Kairavan expressed his deep gratitude to all Members for their most generous sponsorship which allows him to attend the event. Further, he enthusiastically voiced his great interest in Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths (STEM) subjects. He will return in the new year to provide Members with a feedback summary of this wonderful opportunity!

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

The International Toast was to the Rotary Club of Marseilles, France. This was because French President Emmanuel Macron has announced partial curfews variously restricting the movement of young people and gatherings for cities including Marseilles, Bordeaux, Nice and Lyon in the south as well as Lille and other towns in the north. Earlier Interior Minister Laurent Nuñez, who has been strongly criticised by opposition politicians over the preparedness for the disorder, but whose resignation was rejected by President

Emmanuel Macron, admitted police had "lost control" in some cities.

"The protests began last month with students demanding better school conditions, but they have since escalated to take in a broader range of concerns, with numbers at demonstrations this weekend bolstered by trade unions and various protest groups".

Officials said that more than 2,500 people have been arrested, & 2000 businesses have been severely damaged or destroyed. One demonstrator's hand was blown off by a police crowd-control grenade, according to the AFP news agency. About 1,000 police officers were injured.

Jean-Luc Chauvin, the president of the CCI's Marseille branch, told the BBC that many of the city's shop owners were in "deep distress" and fear for their survival.

FUN TIMES

Heads & Tails was once again won by PHF Graham Lindsay while The Card Draw was won by PP PHF Lester Marquet, who chose the 9 of spades. Joker Jackpot now stands at around \$65

SERGEANTS SESSION

The Sergeant's Session was provided by PP PHF Lester Marquet, & this centred around the very popular "on this day" theme. Lester took

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	7 OCTOBER Don Wiseman 21 OCTOBER Chris Foster	26 OCTOBER Nita Vincent	12 OCTOBER Dennis & Jenny Allen 16 OCTOBER Sean & Cheryl Devlin	15 OCTOBER Bob Thomas 27 OCTOBER Geoff Vincent

us from 794 when the Japanese Emperor, Kanmu, relocated the capital to Heian Kyo, now Kyoto, right through the ages on another informative history lesson. These remain an eagerly awaited part of the Sergeant's Session segment! A cross fine was provided by Don Wiseman!



Janaki, Kaivaran & President Geoff

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5 NOVEMBER 2026
CLUB ASSEMBLY

NEXT BOARD MEETING
2 NOVEMBER 2026

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2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
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Oh, Lord and Giver of all good,
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May Rotary friends and Rotary ways,
Help us to serve thee all our days.