



President's Message



I thought it worthwhile to ask these questions again for feedback from members. Do you think communications are sufficiently open in our Club? Communication should be a two-way street in that Club leaders should be transparent in communications with members, and members should feel free to speak openly and frankly with Club leaders.

An ideal communication plan should include relaying information at club meetings, on our club website and through social media. Do you think our Club achieves these ideals. If not do you have any ideas as to how we can improve on our communication techniques?

Our club website and social media accounts are regularly updated, and members are encouraged to utilise these resources to remain up to date and be informed about current and past activities. There are members of the club who are internet savvy so if you feel you would like some guidance and support in this area all you need to do is ask-that is what Rotary is all about-sharing skills and talents with other members to achieve maximum outcomes. Please don't be afraid in sharing your thoughts and ideas even though it may not always be possible to implement them because of overall considerations of the best interests of the club being taken into account and other competing priorities-however be assured that your ideas will always be duly and fairly considered.

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Russell

[Russell Groves](#) | President 2017-18

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

We acknowledge the Darkinjung and Guringai people who are the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to Elders both past and present.

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do ...
Is it the TRUTH?
Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

MISSION

The mission of Rotary International is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

Charity Trivia Night

An enthusiastic group of club members will be turning up to raise funds for Coast Shelter at this Trivia night organised by the Everglades Country Club. Monday April 23rd 6:00 for 6:30pm. \$10 of the entrance fee of \$20 will go directly to Coast Shelter. A free drink and nibbles will be provided by the Everglades club. Let's have a great evening supporting our club's venue and a very worthwhile charity. Please add this to your diary.

Just to start the ball rolling - a question for you. Name the highest peak of Australia and its territories.

(Answer at our next meeting)

Object of Rotary

The Object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

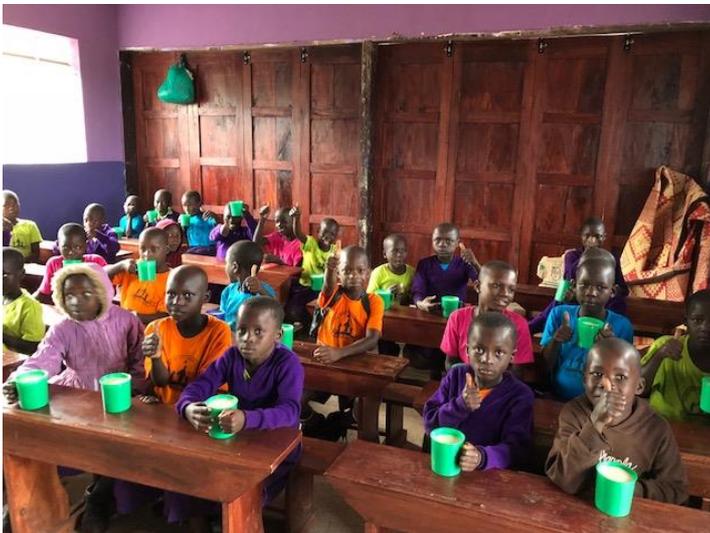
FIRST: The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
SECOND: High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
THIRD: The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
FOURTH: The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

News from Sue and Joan in Uganda

We have spent time at Divine Mercy Primary School, Buwampa to check on progress. Construction of Classroom Block 2 has commenced in earnest. The community men are contributing their labour and have made rapid progress in just 2 weeks. All the bricks have been hand-pressed. The new classroom block will consist of 4 classrooms including an office/storeroom for each classroom.



Teachers' houses: land has been cleared and trenching completed for the foundations. Rain has hampered the commencement of the foundations but it should happen by the end this week.



The 360 students are all given maize porridge for morning break. It is prepared by a community lady who does all the preparation and cooking voluntarily. She also prepares the meals for the construction team.

As well as their school uniforms the students have been allocated their sports uniform and put into teams. Gorgeous bright colours have been chosen for the sports uniforms Orange-Lions, Aqua-Zebra, Hot Pink-Giraffe, Lime Green-Elephants.

Water Pumps: We are installing two water pumps. One close to the school kitchen and one will be on the road side for community use.



Brisbane Water Secondary College: The Interact Club presented AU\$500 for the use of the Divine Mercy School. We have purchased a variety of Library books and we were excited to present these as shown in the picture below.



BWSC via Annette have also donated geometry sets and folders (along with several other items), and we have donated these to the school.

We are having an incredibly productive trip.

Sue and Joan

RAWCS project team

Rotary Club of WOY WOY

The Science and Engineering Challenge

The Science and Engineering Challenge is a nationwide STEM* outreach program presented by the University of Newcastle in partnership with communities, Rotary clubs, universities and sponsors.

Through the Challenge, students experience aspects of Science and Engineering which they would not usually see in their school environment.

The Challenge runs a range of programs but focuses on inspiring students in year 10 to consider a future career in science and engineering by choosing to study the enabling sciences and mathematics in years 11 and 12.

Feature in Rotary Down Under March 2018

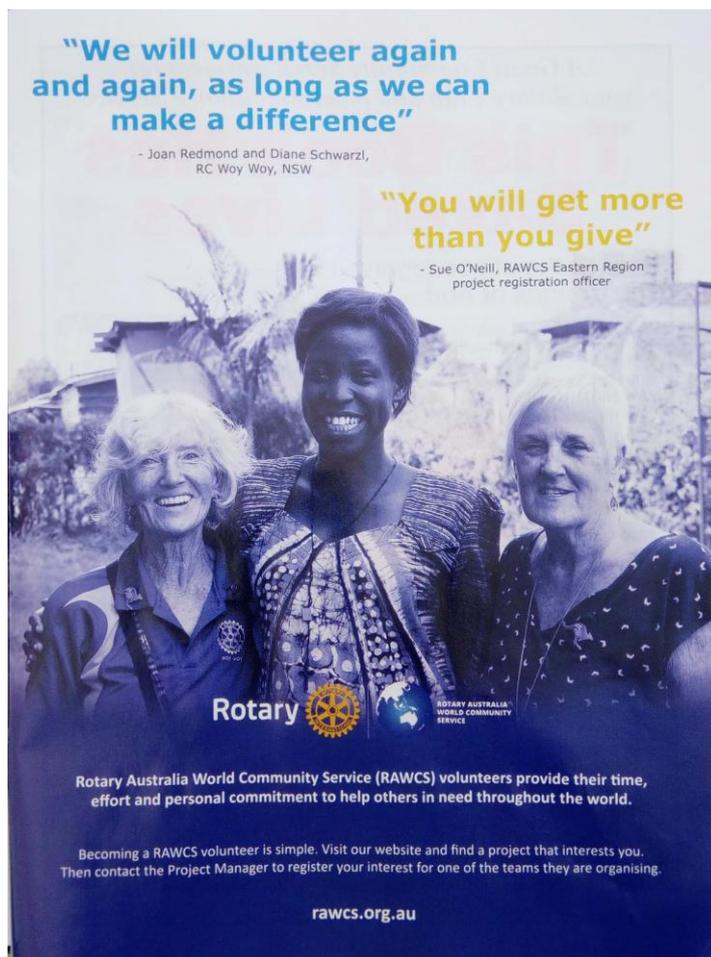
The Uganda team were featured in an article in RDU under the title "Do Good, Feel Good".

The point that was made by our ladies was such a valid one that it is worth expanding.

"By doing good you get a feel-good feeling that makes it all worthwhile."

The following page of RDU, below, said it again in a different way – "You will get more than you give".

Congratulations Sue, Di and Joan on your achievements with the Uganda project.



but I was always too busy with my business. I went along one night when he was President and the club was meeting at the Woy Woy leagues club and he had a gentleman talking about nutrition for athletes. I was intrigued, and we sat and ate a meal and this guest speaker just blew me away. That is why it is so important to have a good quality guest speaker. It does not have to be about Rotary. Incidentally tonight was a good example of what we should be having [Ed. the night in question we had just had a speaker about local history].

Ed: Is that why you continue in Rotary?

Bill: Yes, and I have made a number of good friends. Along the way I have probably brought about twelve people into Rotary. One of my memories of a very successful time was when the club ran the car rallies (Romps) which raised considerable funds and were highly enjoyable.

Ed: Thanks Bill for your insights.

Bill: My pleasure.

[Ed: Bill has just made the headlines in the local paper with his gold medal in the Ironman competition for the over 70s at the Masters Branch Championships. He also took away the prizes for the tube race and board.]

District Conference

Two pictures of the Colour My World dinner at the District Conference, showing our members getting together for some fun



Thank you, Bobby, for the pictures.

Interview with Bill Cook

Bill is one of the longer serving members of our club and the Editor took the opportunity to ask Bill a few questions about his time in Rotary.

Ed: So, Bill when did you join Rotary?

Bill: Some time ago probably in 1983 or thereabouts and I have been in many roles including President, Youth Director and others; so, I was on the board for many years.

Ed: Why did you join Rotary?

Bill: I was chased by Bruce Judd for many years to join

CALENDAR



Tue 20th March - Dinner at Girl Guides Hall – DGE Susan Wakefield

MARCH 2018

Sat 24 Opera in the Arboretum
Tue 27 Vocational Service and Pride of Workmanship Awards evening

APRIL 2018

Tue 3 Jenny Wilder – GUST – Grow Urban Shade Trees
Sat 7 PETS (President Elect Training Session)
Tue 10 Jill Colwell – Western Access Program – Delivering Distant Education
Mon 16 Board Meeting
Tue 17 NO MEETING
Wed 18 Soup Night - Pearl Beach - Paul Harris Birthday
Tue 24 Legacy Representative (TBC)
Wed 25 ANZAC DAY
Sun 29 District Assembly

MAY 2018

Tue 1 Bobby Redman -A Better Understanding of Dementia
Tue 8 Sponsors' Night
Mon 14 Hawkesbury River Postman Ferry
Tue 15 Dennis van Someren - Shine for Kids
Mon 21 BOARD MEETING
Tue 22 Joint Meeting with Umina Beach Rotary Club.
Tue 29 - Preview Restaurant-Ourimbah (TBC)

JUNE 2018

Tue 5 TBA
Tue 12 NO MEETING
Thu 14 CC MUNA (Gosford City RC)
Thu 14 Top Blokes Presentation-Breakers Country Club
Sun 17 Club Changeover (TBC)

SERGEANTS

Tues 20th Mar Sue Tee

JOIN US

We meet on Tuesday 6.00 for 6.30pm at Everglades Country Club, Dunban Road, Woy Woy.

MEMBERSHIP

Enquiries to Peter Mote | M: 0400 001 205

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS - Advise Sue Tee of non-attendance
VISITORS - If you would like to attend a meeting, please contact Sue Tee by 10am Monday

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WEBSITE

<http://www.woywoyrotary.org.au>

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THIS 'N' THAT NEWS

Jayne informs us that an opportunity has arisen for a fundraising opportunity at Avoca theatre to screen the award-winning film BREEZE - subject POLIO on Thursday 10th May. The cost is \$25 per head and Erina Rotary will provide nibble /food as is their norm prior to the screening of the movie. If all local clubs get behind this, we could donate \$3000 to end Polio when supplemented by money from Bill and Melinda Gates.

DISTRICT ASSEMBLY 2018

2018-19 Board Members, please be aware of the following 2018-19 District training:

District Assembly

Sunday 29 April 2018

The Kings School

Pennant Hills Road, Parramatta

It will begin with registrations at 8.30am and formal start at 9.00am, finishing at 4.30pm.

The training content will be informative and entertaining. It is a Rotary International requirement that each club is represented at PETS and District Assembly.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE ON 20 APRIL - PLEASE REGISTER ASAP

Trachoma is the leading cause of infectious blindness in the world - 1.9 million are blind or severely vision impaired from trachoma, and 200 million are still at risk.

- Australia is the last developed country to still have trachoma.
- Australia's coordinated effort in treatment began in 2009, resulting in significant rate reductions from 21% to 4.6% in 2015.
- Without prevention however, trachoma will continue to persist. To stop trachoma transmission, and to stop trachoma bouncing back again, we must make sure that all children in affected communities are able to keep their faces clean and have safe and functional washing facilities. For more information www.endtrachoma2020.org.au

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