
Rotary The Rotator

District 9640
District Governor
Jeff Egan

Rotary Club of Southport
Chartered 20 August 1945. Club No. 17905



Service above self

Club President: Andrew Middleton

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March:- Water and Sanitation

Next meeting: 1st March. Ferry Rd Tavern. Club assembly



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Faux Presidents Report for 15th February 2022

I have requested Tony G's scribes report to avoid duplication, and commend it to you, no surprise, comprehensive and excellent.

With seven attending we were low on numbers but big on friendship and conviviality with time to talk, reminisce and enjoy each other's company.

As you will read we are testing the waters with the Solar Buddy project and will observe the process and feedback with the door open for further contribution in the future. It certainly sounds very worthwhile, however any project through third parties and overseas carries risks and uncertainties.

You will note that the next meeting will be a Club Assembly and I think President Andrew anticipates, time to think about the next Rotary year. District is enquiring about our Club's Executive for the new year and all that goes with another Rotary Year and although I'm sure I am not alone in being happy to continue as we are, is it "Fair to All Concerned"? I think not, and with that in mind what would it look like? Certainly time for deep consideration and to face harsh realities.

Yours in Rotary

Graham C for Pres. Andrew

Scribes Report 15 February 2022

Chair Tony P opened the meeting of seven members at 6.15PM with the 4 way test and toast to Australia. Acting president **Graham C** proposed a toast to Merv P and Peter O who have their 80th birthdays about this time. Pres Andrew was an apology for the evening.

The meeting was told that Gail Dinneen is having her 80th birthday also.

Matters raised for discussion were firstly the Solar Buddies that member Tony S had donated \$1000 to support and Andrew had suggested that we donate four buckets of the lights at a cost of \$3250 with the balance coming out of club funds.

PDG Michael I expressed serious reservations about the project as similar previous projects have had import taxes charged and in some cases the actual destination of the donations can be very dicey. There is no feedback as to where they go and how successful the scheme will be. The lights seem very expensive compared with similar lights available here at Bunnings. The batteries are older technology and could pose a danger to children if misused. There is no clear information who will be NGO's at the other end responsible for replacing batteries.

The meeting decided to donate two buckets of lights at this stage at a total cost of \$1625 and follow up on the outcome of our donation. A couple of local schools have indicated willingness to allow students to be involved in the project.

The Nerang Mens' Shed put out an appeal for tools to be donated to be sent to Tonga to assist them after the earthquake. It was suggested that the other sheds in the area may have a surplus of tools they could spare..

An appeal to help with Teenage Adventure Camps resulted in the meeting deciding to donate \$600 to assist 10 children attend the camps.

Michael I reported that both Neil Russell and his wife have good and bad days but he does welcome visitors when they are permitted.

February is Conflict Resolution Month and the district is seeking candidates for this .

Michael then raised the matter of Darryl Brown whose introduction to Rotary was as a member of an overseas exchange team sponsored by Southport many years ago. This has led to an impressive career in Rotary and it was suggested we invite him as a guest speaker to talk about his experiences.. It was proposed to have it on 19th April and make it a partners night and invite past members.

Tony P suggested we should have a partners night out social in the near future. He has heard nothing back from district about a satellite club.

Michael told us that numbers are very low for the conference in March due to Covid reservations. This problem has also affected the Convention later in the year.

It was mentioned that Merv P had attended the Griffith Club function last Friday to celebrate Graham and Marion Jones contribution to Rotary and various projects. Lionel had brought a bag of ladies sanitary aids sewn by Yvonne to give to Roz Irving.

Next meeting will be a club assembly on 1st March.

Heads and tails won by Tony P and the raffle by Graham C.

The duty roster for our next meeting was read and the meeting closed at 7.30PM.

Tony G.

Members:7	Club Guests:	Visiting Rotarians:	Partners:
Members Guests:	Visitors:		Total: 7
Fines: \$	Raffle: \$35	Polio Plus: \$	Club Admin: \$
Billy: \$	Billy YTD: \$		

CONFIRM YOUR ATTENDANCE (OR APOLOGY) FOR EVERY MEETING:

Please register your intention to ATTEND or DECLINE (apology) via the EVENT on Southport Rotary website: <https://southportrotary.com.au/> or ClubRunner.

To register partners or guests: first register yourself; SAVE, then add guests one at a time, SAVE each time.

Apologies are required if you are unable to attend a dinner.

DUTIES ROSTER – If members are unable to fulfil a duty, it is their responsibility to find a replacement. CHAIRMAN- The chairman is responsible for telephoning the members on duty to confirm their attendance.

Guest speakers, events and meeting calendar:

1 March	Club meeting Club assembly
15 March	Club meeting

DUTIES	
Chair	Merv P
Sergeant	
Attendance/Trs	Peter O
Rotary Minute	
Vote of thanks	
Ups and Downs	Lionel P
Scribe	Michael I
Meet and Greet	

Note: It is the responsibility of members to arrange a replacement if they cannot fulfill a duty

Note: The Chairman is responsible for telephoning the members on duty to confirm their attendance.

Celebrations

Birthdays 15 Feb Steve P 18 Feb Peter O (80) 8 March Tony P 14 March Michael I	Anniversaries
Rotary induction 15 Feb 02 Lambert W 23 Feb 78 Graham C 8 Mar 83 Tony P 14 March 92 Michael I	Spouse birthday

Themes for Rotary months

August: Membership & Extension

October: Economic & Community Develop't

December: Disease Prevention & Treatment

February: Peace & Conflict Prev/Resolution

April: Maternal & Child Health

June: Rotary Fellowships

September: Basic Education & Literacy

November: The Rotary Foundation

January: Vocational Service Month

March: Water & Sanitation

May: Youth Services

Contributions to The Rotator are most welcome, please e-mail tonyandmira@optusnet.com.au before 6.00pm Thursday.



Happy 80th birthday to Gail Dinneen.

District Conference Tenterfield



WHEN

Friday 25 to Sunday 27 March 2022

WHERE

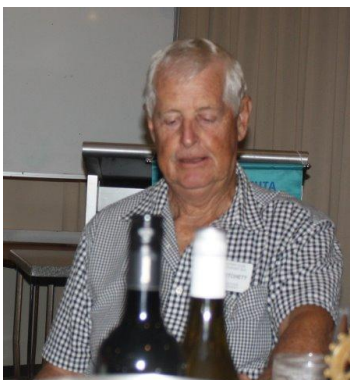
Memorial Hall
Molesworth Street, Tenterfield NSW 2372 | [MAP](#)

STAY

Camping is available at the Tenterfield Showgrounds (details& booking form below).

For accommodation options go to [Visit Tenterfield - Accommodation](#)

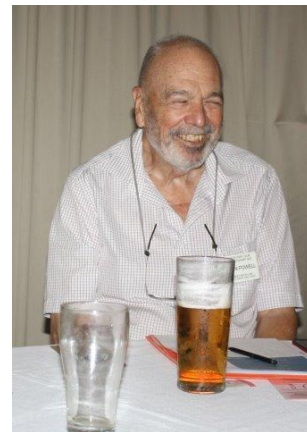
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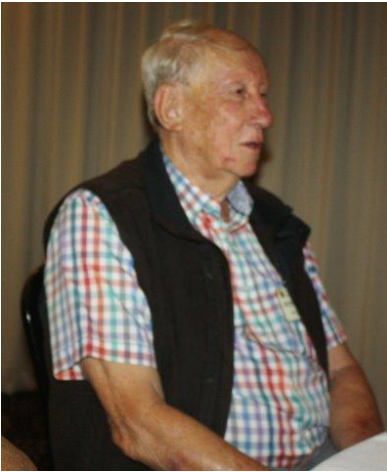
Chair Tony P



Acting president Graham C



Merv Birthday boy



Peter O 80 on 18th

Our modest gathering

- **Celebrating ageing.**
- You know you are getting old when people call at 9 p.m. and ask, "Did I wake you?"
- You know you are getting old when you have a party and the neighbors don't even realize it.
- You know you are getting old when you turn out the light for economic reasons rather than romantic ones.
- You know you are getting old when people warn you about shoveling snow.
- You know you are getting old when you move something to a more logical location and then can only remember where it used to be.
- You know you are getting old when you're cautioned to slow down by your doctor instead of by the police.
- You know you are getting old when your idea of a night out is sitting on the patio.
- You know you are getting old when the clothes you've put away until they come back in style... have come back in style.
- You know you are getting old when you no longer think of speed limits as a challenge.
- You know you are getting old when you quit trying to hold your stomach in, no matter who walks into the room.
- You know you are getting old when taking your morning pills takes longer than eating your pancakes and sausage.
- You know you are getting old when you lean over to pick something up off the floor, and then ask yourself if there is anything else you need to do while you are down there.
- You know you are getting old when you leave concerts and ballgames early to beat the crowd.
- You know you are getting old when the only reason you're still awake at 2 a.m. is indigestion.
- You know you are getting old when you frequently find yourself telling people what a gallon of gas USED to cost.

- You know you are getting old when it takes you two tries to get up from the couch.

Nearby clubs for make-ups:

Day	Time	Club	Venue	Address
First and third Mondays	6.30pm	Surfers Paradise	Ferry Rd Tavern	Ferry Rd Southport
	6.30pm	Coomera Valley	Arundel Tavern	226 Napper Rd Parkwood
Tuesday	6.30pm	Runaway Bay	Paradise Point Bowls Club	22 Thrush Ave Paradise Pt
Tuesday	6.30pm	Parkwood	Arundel Tavern	226 Napper Rd. Arundel
Tuesday	6.30pm	Broadbeach	Quality Inn	Mermaid Waters
1 st and 3 rd Wednesdays	7.00am Fpr 7.15am	Surfers Sunrise	Surfers Paradise Life Saving Club	Surfers Paradise
Wednesday	7.00am	Hope Is	Sanctuary Cove Country Club	Sanctuary Cove
Wednesday	12.30pm	Mermaid Beach	Quality Inn	Markeri St. Mermaid Beach
Wednesday	6.30pm	Ashmore	Ashmore Steak and Seafood	Cnr Ashmore Rd and Reed St.
Every second Thursday	7.00 for 7.30 AM	Griffith Gold Coast Club	Griffith University Campus	Contact Marion Jones 0406 040 039
Thursday	7.00am	Burleigh Hds	Burleigh Hds Surf Club	Goodwin Tce. Burleigh Hds
2 nd and 4 th Thursdays	6.15pm	Gold Coast Central	Southport Golf Club	Slatyer Ave
	7.00am	Coomera River	Waterlife Restaurant	Gold Coast Marina 76-84 Waterway Dv Coomera.
Friday	7.00am	Broadwater Southport	Southport Yacht Club	Main Beach