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ROTARY CLUB OF  
SOUTHPORT

Queensland, Australia



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Charter No: 6069  
Club No: 17905

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12 April 2016

Service Above Self



RI President  
K.R. Ravi Ravindran



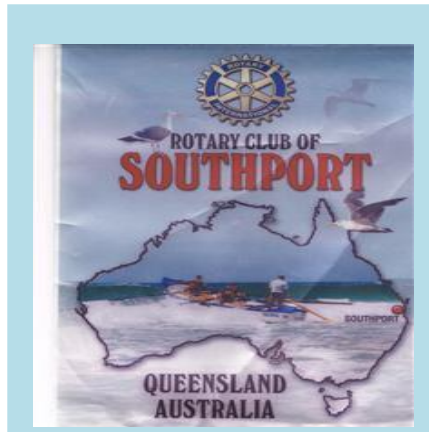
President Lea Rickwood



DG Anne Egan

ROSTER  
12 April

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Serg	Peter O
Attnd	Allan T
Treas	Sahlee O
Rot Min	Michelle W
Thanks	Ian C
UP/Dn	Neil R
Scribe	Steve P
M&G	All members



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19 April

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Thanks	Gail R
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## President's Message 5<sup>th</sup> April

DGE Michael Irving and Roz gave a very upbeat presentation about their forthcoming year and plans for District 9640. Rotaract and Satellite Club members joined us for a very enjoyable evening. The room was buzzing and I expect the support for Michael and Roz will be ongoing in 2016/17.

It is official that the Rotary Club of Southport is one of only four clubs in our district to receive a President's Citation this year. Much of the credit goes to Graham Jones, however all clubs members have cause to celebrate. A club is only as good as the people within. I have always considered my role as president to be a facilitator. The board has made my job easy and I will be delighted to accept the Citation on behalf of our Club.

Registration for the District Conference closes for catering purposes on the 13<sup>th</sup> of April. Early indications would suggest that some members will be commuting rather than staying overnight. If you could let me know your intentions, perhaps we can organize some car pooling.

I hope you all enjoy your lunches for 8 on Sunday. This weekend I am training for an Australian skydiving record. Don't forget to take photos before, during and after lunch. I will be looking forward to some happy snaps from you to put on our website and Facebook page. Have fun!

Lea Rickwood  
President 2015/16

### TREASURER'S REPORT Merv Powell

**NOTE:** All members who fail to send in an apology for non-attendance will be charged as per our club policy, which was agreed by all members at previous club assemblies.

**Attendance; 26 members, 4 Visiting Rotarians, 2 partners, 7 Rotaractors. Total 39.**

**Polio Plus \$60, Fines\$57.70.**

### BIRTHDAYS

**22 April Gary W**

ROTARY Induction

### ANNIVERSARIES

Spouse Birthday

### Rotary Carousel Funds

Year 1/7/15 to 30/6/16

*Last Year*

<i>Week Ending</i>	<i>Weekly</i>	<i>Qtr</i>	<i>YTD</i>	<i>2014-15</i>
3/04/2016	\$2,957.50	\$2,957.50	\$100,391.55	
	1st Qtr		\$31,775.75	\$29,666.25
	2nd Qtr		\$33,588.20	\$38,437.35
	3rd Qtr		\$32,070.10	\$32,251.90
	4th Qtr		\$2,957.50	\$26,272.75
	YTD		<u>\$100,391.55</u>	<u>\$126,628.25</u>

## ROTARY GRACE & FOUR WAY TEST

### ROTARY GRACE

Oh Lord and giver of all good  
We thank Thee for our daily food  
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways  
Help us to serve thee all our days

### FOUR WAY TEST

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

**Rotary Club of Southport**  
**Scribes Report: Meeting 5th April, 2016**

Chairman **Leanda Cooper** opened the meeting at 6:20pm and led reciting the 4-way Test; she then proposed a toast to the Queen and people of Australia.

**Elisabeth Schuehle** presented the Rotary “Minute” detailing the history of the Rotary Foundation. Proposed by RI President Arch Klumph in 1917 with a single donation of US\$26.50, the endowment fund was renamed Rotary Foundation in 1928. RF has since received contributions totalling more than \$1Billion; more than 1 million individuals have been recognised as Paul Harris Fellows, meaning US\$1,000 has been contributed to RF for each one.

President **Lea Rickwood** welcomed guests and visitors: DGE Michael and Roz Irving, visiting Rotarians and members of the Griffith Satellite Club and Southport Rotaractors.

President Lea reported that Terry Brown from RC Lismore has been nominated for District Governor 2018-19. The period for objections has expired.

Lunches for Eight is scheduled for 10 April with numbers finalised.

Registration for District Conference closes 13 April.

Carousel operators are urged to promote its FaceBook page. Alissa Lean won the prize for March with 40 likes.

**PDG Graham Jones** presented a motion that RC Southport endorse the District Budget. DGE Michael mentioned key points: A modest \$1 increase per Rotarian; focus on Training for office bearers and leaders; and improved Public Relations. **CARRIED**

Marion Jones has tickets for movie premier for PolioPlus on 14<sup>th</sup> April: “Eddie the Eagle” \$20/head.

Peter Overell sought help to fill a couple of shifts for Carousel duties.

Leanda announced the “Aunts & Uncles” picnic organisation is well in hand with Rotaractors overseeing the games.

Leanda read a Thank you Card from Angels Kitchen thanking the Club for donating \$1,000 in memorium of Joan Cronin.

**Secretary Andrew** reported that in attendance were: 26 members, 2 partners, 2 visiting Rotarians, 2 club guests and 7 Rotaractors; a total of 39.

Drole as ever, Sergeant **Duncan Plastow** imposed a flurry of fines on everyone present. Sport fans and those almost named in the Panama financial scandal were particularly targeted. Heads & Tails went to Tony Pritchett; and the raffle was won by Tony Gardner.

**DGE Michael Irving** presented his District Goals for 2017-18. He wore a specially printed high-vis vest boldly emblazoned with “Rotarian at Work” on the back. So far, District sales have exceeded 600. Four clubs, including RC Southport, will receive a Presidential Citation this year.

#### **DISTRICT GOALS**

1. **DONATE LIFE** Organs from one donor benefit 10 others. Australian Organ Donation Registry is administered by Commonwealth Government Department of Human Services and quickly connects to patients awaiting organ transfers. Every club will receive a promotional pack with the aim of registering minimum **10 Donors** per club.

#### **DONATE LIFE — TRANSFORM LIFE**

2. **MEMBERSHIP** “Nobody ever asked me to join Rotary.” WHY NOT? Aim: Every Rotarian to invite one person to attend a meeting.
3. **MENTORING YOUTH** Encourage young people to offer their ideas and feelings. Show that Rotary cares. Potential benefits: RYLarians; Satellite Clubs; Rotaractors.
4. **AUSTRALIAN HUMANITARIAN PROJECTS** Every club is challenged to undertake a Humanitarian Project in Australia; and to donate \$500 to Outback Links Safari, a District initiative to send tradesmen, apprentices, Rotarians and helpers to Charleville in September, 2016 to provide repairs, maintenance and social interaction to farmers and outback residents suffering

from four years of drought. It is envisaged that minimum 8 -10 properties will be offered help over 5 days. Rotarians are urged to aid with cash or hands-on assistance. A video depicted the objectives for this project.

5. **ROTARY FOUNDATION** All Rotarians are implored to donate US\$26.50 (i.e. AU\$2/week from July – November) honouring the initial donation of US\$26.50 that setup RF in 1917. November is Rotary Foundation Month. Clubs are also requested to run “Purple Pinkie Days” to raise money for PolioPlus. World Polio Day is 24 October.

**DG’S PARTNER’S PROJECT:** Roz Irving presented an insightful overview of her support for the Fred Hollows Foundation whose goal is to eradicate Trachoma in Australia by 2020. Fred Hollows was awarded Rotary Prize for World Peace in 1993, receiving \$100,000 has enabled the FHF to operate for more than 20 years in many countries treating Trachoma and Cataracts, training local doctors and staff to do the operations and to establish localised factories making inter-ocular lenses for as little as \$8. FHF aims to eliminate preventable blindness. To date, 20 million people have had sight restored. Preventable Blindness is TOO BIG to ignore. Roz pointed out that her project is perfectly in tune with RI theme for 2016-17: *Rotary Serving Humanity*. A video highlighted the plight of many people inflicted with eye disease.

Andrew Middleton thanked Michael and Roz for their absorbing presentations.  
President Lea closed the meeting at 8:05  
Tony P.

Guest Speaker this week is Andrea Simmons anti ice campaigner.



#### Date Claimer

19 April Joachim Ulrich  
6,7,8 May District Conference  
4 June Rotary race day  
28 June Change over dinner

#### Apologies to Marion Jones Club Service Director

Apologies must be received before noon on the Monday prior to Tuesday’s meeting. There are three ways to apologise if you cannot attend a meeting. Fill in the apologies book on the attendance table.

Email [marion.r.jones@gmail.com](mailto:marion.r.jones@gmail.com)

Telephone or text 0406 040 039

The board has ruled that the cost of a meal will have to be paid for by the member if an apology is not received

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.

#### Have you registered yet to be part of the First Light Conference?

*The speaker line up is impressive: Australian of the Year 2016, David Morrison; Young Australians of the Year 2016, Orange Sky; the motivational Keith Abrahams plus more inspiring and informative individuals.*

*Enjoy Friday night’s giant pool side party. Let your hair down at Saturday night’s Age of Aquarius dinner and dance. Relive the days of flower power, peace symbols and great music.*

For program details click on this link:

<http://www.rotary9640.org/SitePage/district-conference-2016/friday-sunday>

To register click on this link: <http://e.mybookingmanager.com/D9640Conference2016>

Registrations for all events and services close 13 April 2016.

After that Friday night's dinner plus Saturday's morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea WILL NOT be available.

**“A FEEL-GOOD, CROWD-PLEASING TRIUMPH”**  
★★★★★  
TARON EGERTON AND HUGH JACKMAN  
WIN OR LOSE, ALWAYS AIM HIGH  
**EDDIE** *the* **EAGLE**  
LANDING IN CINEMAS APRIL 1  
PREVIEWS FROM EASTER MONDAY MARCH 28

**END POLIO NOW**

Inspired by true events, Eddie the Eagle is a feel-good story about an unlikely but courageous British ski-jumper who never stopped believing in himself >> **DATE** 6:30 Thursday 14 April. >> **VENUE** Gold Coast Arts Centre. >> **TICKETS** \$20 in advance from Brian Pearson m 0408 758 399 e pearson8@tpg.com.au



#### Days for Girls Update

The photo is of 130 shields I have sewn over the last month. Yvonne Perry kindly donated some of the fabrics. Sally Pritchett also raided her fabric stash & made over 80 bags. The bags themselves are not just confined to use once a month but are used all year by the girls as they can carry school gear in them.

These kits make it possible for girls to continue to go to school rather than miss out on vital education. The funds that Southport Rotary donated were used to purchase the waterproof material, and the donations of fabric from friends have enabled my small team to sew over 800 shields & bags for the Days for Girls' Project over the past year.

During the last year Days for Girls sanitary kits have been sent to Nepal, Kenya, Sierra Leone, the Solomons & Cambodia, with the latest batch being delivered to Kenya.

The Financial contribution from Southport Rotary & assistance from my Rotaryanne friends is very much appreciated.

Roz Irving



## You don't have to be famous to enjoy a fun night out! And it's now cheaper!



The tickets are cheaper, a tasty selection of optional food is available and the fun gets better every year. Enjoy the humorous photos that accompany the questions, the camaraderie and, of course, that you're helping to save and change deserving children's lives.

Show everyone that your team is the smartest and accept this lighthearted challenge.

Bring your partners, friends and potential new members (before someone else invites them!) to the friendliest, most fun night out you've had ever since... well, you'll know the answer to that one too!

**Date:** 6:15 for 7:30pm, Friday 27th May 2016.

**Venue:** Paradise Showroom, Arts Centre Gold Coast.

**Cost:** \$35 p/p. Payment in advance to your club's coordinator please.

**Dinner:** A tasty selection of moderately-priced dishes are available from the counter on the night. Ensure you arrive early to relax, eat and enjoy with friends.

**RSVP:** To your club's on-to-trivia coordinator, or contact Phil Rosenberg on 0412 374 363 or philfini@hotmail.com

**A request:** Please consider helping Rotarian volunteers continue saving children's lives with your club donation: \$1,000, \$1,500, \$2,500, \$5,000 or whatever you can. If possible please bring your cheque, payable to ROMAC.

**On behalf of the children whose lives you'll save, thank you.**



**Michael and Graham with Prof Peter Silburn at the Charity Dinner last Saturday night to raise funds for the District Human Brain Research Project which provides a PHD scholarship for a researcher to work on Prof Silburn's team**

DUTIES	12 April	19 April	26 April	3 May
Chair	Tony P	Steve P	Jim S	Graham J
Sergeant	Peter O	Gary W	Duncan P	David R
Attendance	Allan T	Michelle W	Ian C	Neil R
Treasurer	Sahlee O	Bill C	Lionel P	Tony S
Rotary Minute	Michelle W	Michael L	Tracy N	Marion J
Vote of thanks	Ian C	Gail R	Elisabeth S	Michael L
Ups and Downs	Neil R	Allan T	Gary W	Lionel P
Scribe	Steve P	David R	Hugh S	Michelle W
Meet & Greet	All members	All members	All members	All members

## GUEST SPEAKERS & CALENDAR 2016

Partners are welcome at all meetings and vocational visits.

12 April	Anti Ice Campaigner <b>Andrea Simmons</b>
19 April	<b>Joachim Ulrich     Consul General for Costa Rica</b>
26 April	<b>WW11 Remembered</b>
3 May	<b>Bairo Pite Clinic</b>

Contributions to The Rotator are most welcome, please e-mail [tonyandmira@optusnet.com.au](mailto:tonyandmira@optusnet.com.au) before 6.00pm Thursday.  
Copies to Sue Dux [suedux@hotmail.com](mailto:suedux@hotmail.com).

## CAROUSEL ROSTER COMING DAYS

8 Apr	Fri	Tony P	Robert Allen	Lionel	Susan McP
9 Apr	Sat	Michael I	Lambert	Robina	Susan McP
10 Apr	Sun	Rotaract	Paul Fitzmaurice	Have a Feed	Susan McP
<b>Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>9-12</b>	<b>12-3pm</b>	<b>3-6pm</b>	<b>6-9pm</b>
11 Apr	Mon	Robert Allen	Robert Allen	Ken Cowan	Have a Feed
12 Apr	Tue	Dot & Ken	Robert Allen	Dave & Pam	??
13 Apr	Wed	Have a Feed	Have a Feed	Have a Feed	Have a Feed
14 Apr	Thu	Ashmore	Ashmore	Ashmore	Robina
15 Apr	Fri		Robert Allen	Lionel	Susan McP
16 Apr	Sat	Leanda	Lambert	Robina	Susan McP
17 Apr	Sun	Rotaract	Dot & Ken	Bill Connelly	Susan McP
<b>Date</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>9-12</b>	<b>12-3pm</b>	<b>3-6pm</b>	<b>6-9pm</b>
18 Apr	Mon	Tony Stenton	Robert Allen		
19 Apr	Tue	Dot & Ken	Hugh Smith	Dave & Pam	
20 Apr	Wed	Have a Feed	Have a Feed	Have a Feed	Have a Feed



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Elisabeth S Rotary minute



Welcome from Pres Lea



Marion brings us up to date



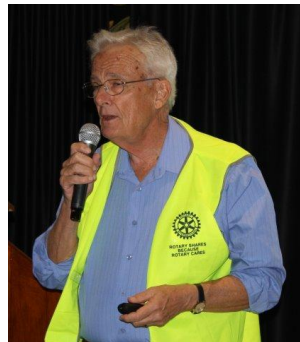
Duncan sergeants



As does Troy from Rotaract



A Rotaractor pays up



DGE Michael I

**Goal 1-Donate Life**

- People who need an organ transplant are usually very ill or dying because an organ is failing
- One organ donor can transform the lives of 10 people
- The Australian Organ Donor Register is the only national register for people to record their decision about becoming an organ donor
- The Australian Organ Donor Registry is administered by the Commonwealth Department of Human services, and the register ensures that a person's donation decision can be verified at any time by authorized personnel anywhere in Australia

**Goal 4 Australian humanitarian projects**

Clubs and District will work together to raise funds for humanitarian projects to be undertaken specifically in Australia.

How?

- Each club to undertake a humanitarian project in Australia.
- Each club to contribute \$500 to the D9640 Outback Links D9640 Safari to Charleville in September 2016.

**Outback LINKS**



Roz I has a project also

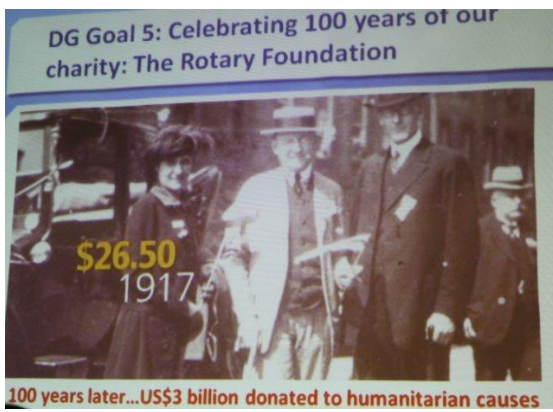
**Involve your club**

**HELP FRED'S WORK LIVE ON**

The Fred Hollow Foundation

Your gift will help end avoidable blindness





Mohit Tolani Rotaract



Allan's purple pinkie



Lea with Roz and Michael

### Thoughts for the week.

**Winston Churchill and Mark Twain met for the first time in 1900, when Churchill was just coming into prominence as a young statesman. The meeting took place at a dinner in London. During the dinner, they decided to step outside for a smoke.**

**An observer, Sir William Harcourt, speculated that since both men tended to dominate conversations, the one who got the floor first would keep it. He told others at his table that since Twain was older and more experienced, Churchill's voice would get the first rest it had had in a long time.**

**When the two return, Harcourt asked the young Churchill if he had enjoyed talking to Twain. Churchill replied with an enthusiastic "Yes." Harcourt then asked Twain if he had a good chat with Churchill. Twain paused, then said, "I had a good smoke."**

**So if you are having a problem with people you are not alone. President Clinton once said running a country is a lot like running a cemetery; you've got a lot of people under you and nobody's listening.**

**When Harry was a young boy in Roma, he was always getting into trouble. One morning while waiting for the school bus, he pushed the outhouse into the river and went off for school as if nothing had happened. When he returned, his father was waiting for him. He said, "Son, did you push the outhouse into the river?" "Yes, father," said Harry, "like George Washington, I cannot tell a lie." Harry's father took off his belt and said, "All right, son, bend over. I'm going to have to whip you." Harry tried to explain that Mr. Washington didn't spank George when he admitted chopping down the cherry tree. "Yes, son," said Harry's father, "but George's father wasn't in the tree."**

Leadership may be like poetry. You can improve language skills, build vocabulary, learn about rhythm and rhyme and read great poets and in that way enable the inner poet to shine; if there is a poet already inside

Q: If April showers bring may flowers, what do mayflowers bring?

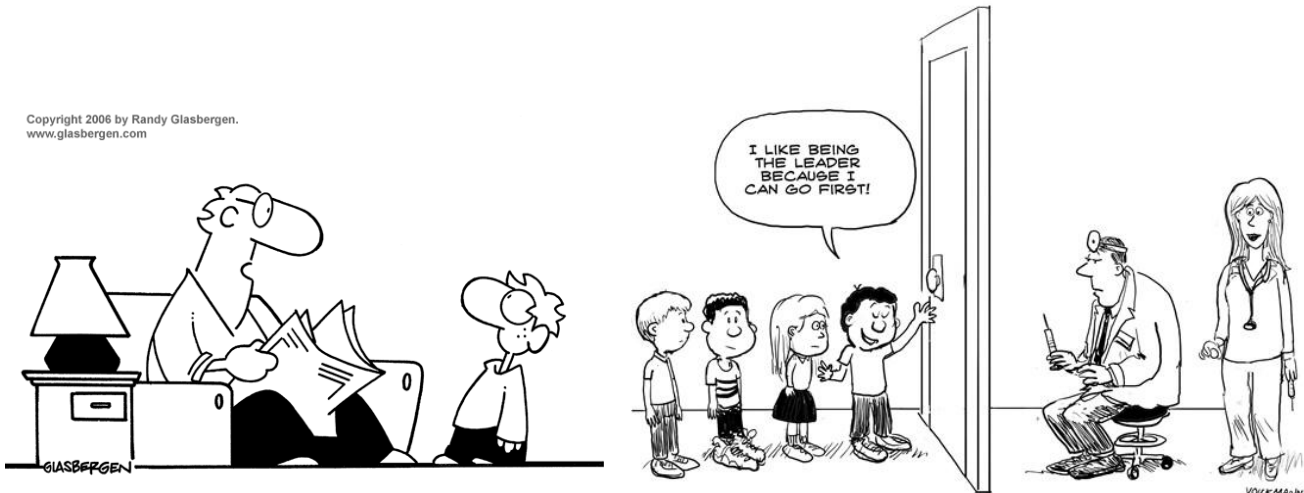
A: Pilgrims!

"I said to the Gym instructor "Can you teach me to do the splits?" He said, "How flexible are you?" I said, "I can't make Tuesdays"



**A Good Leader Can Work Miracles**

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**“Great leaders are not born, they are made.  
Which explains why so many have a screw loose.”**

### **NEARBY CLUBS FOR "MAKE-UPS"**

Further information can be found in the District Directory

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Address</b>
Monday	6.30pm	Surfers Paradise	Mantra Legends	Gold Coast Hwy and Laycock St Surfers Paradise
	6.30pm	Coomera Valley	Arundel Tavern	226 Napper Rd Parkwood
	6.30pm	Runaway Bay	Arundel Tavern	226 Napper Rd Arundel
Tuesday	6.30pm	Parkwood	Arundel Tavern	226 Napper Rd. Arundel
Wednesday	7.00am	Surfers Sunrise	Southport Yacht Club	Main Beach
	7.15am	Hope Is	Sanctuary Cove Country Club	Sanctuary Cove
	12.30pm	Mermaid Beach	Quality Inn	Markeri St. Mermaid Beach
	6.30pm	Ashmore	Ashmore Steak and Seafood	Cnr Ashmore Rd and Reed St.
Thursday	7.00am	Burleigh Hds	Burleigh Hds Surf Club	Goodwin Tce. Burleigh Hds
2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> 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