



District 9640  
District Governor  
Andy Rajapakse

# The Rotator

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: 16 March. Venue Pete and Barb Overell's home Ashmore. 6.00 for 6.15PM**



## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is difficult to arrange a speaker for a meeting if we don't have sufficient numbers attending and more importantly if Tony doesn't know in advance how many people will attend. This and the fact that the Tavern intends to charge us \$100.00 per meeting means it is time we explore alternatives.

To this end we will have our next meeting at Peter's house and Tony will send out the details.

If members have any suggestions or ideas about meetings please contact me at any time.

See you at the Overell's

**Andrew Middleton**

## Scribes Report 2 March

**Chair Ian** opened the meeting with the four way test and toast to the Queen and Australia. Pres Andrew welcomed all pointing out that tonight we did have a quorum with eight members present. He also welcomed ADG Eric Lewis.

**Eric** said he supported whatever decision the club made about its future. He said that PETS was on this weekend and Southport Club is the only one not attending.

**Sergeant Graham Cooper** conducted the fines session with Rotary questions about Australian RI presidents and heads and tails was won by Ian C and the raffle by Graham Cooper.

**Pres Andrew** gave a report on our visit to Broadwater Club saying the venue was very noisy with the rain and their pa system was not working making it hard to hear what was said. He made comment on the apparent age of most members, somewhat like our club. He spoke of some of their projects saying we could be involved with assisting Southport High school set up workshops for handcrafts. The mens' shed may have tools they do not need. He spoke of our two local politicians having us organise a public function for them with us keeping the profits. There is the zoom meeting with Dr. Teo coming up .

We had our meal and then Pres Andrew pointed out that of our 18 members only nine are attendees. Members are having extended periods away. We cannot have just three people doing all the work of the club and handing in our charter and maybe members joining other clubs could be the future. We do enjoy socialising but we do have an old age demographic. He asked should we become a satellite club of Broadwater. We need commitment from members for this to happen.

**PDG Michael I** said that a satellite club does not require the same commitment as Rotary and we can have social events with our partners involved. We will not have to pay \$100 for a room each gathering. It could give us time to regroup and see if Southport Rotary could be reborn.

Pres Andrew said Brooke Patterson may join such a club and attract similar age group folk. We are handing in our charter at the end of June. Broadwater club has fees of \$350 per member and an extra \$100 if you wish to donate to RF. In addition we would decide our own fees as a satellite club and would attend some of their meetings. One of our members would be on their board and they would have a member on our board.

Peter O asked how each member felt about being in a satellite club and as each member was asked their views many were not in favour of progressing to a satellite club. Andrew said it was sad when we lost seven members when Griffith club was formed and Graham C said he would not pay \$350 to be a pseudo Rotarian. Other clubs may appeal more to members.

Andrew said Southport was a growth area of Gold Coast. We have to accept the vote of all members and have a clear majority if we are to move to a satellite club. It was decided to send a voting slip to all members so the entire club may have input in the decision. Several present made it clear that they would not be part of a satellite club.

Peter O offered his home as the site for our next club meeting on 16 March with takeaway food and drinks provided at a fixed cost.

The meeting closed at 8.25PM

**TonyG.**

Members:8	Club Guests:	Visiting Rotarians: 1	Partners:
Members Guests:	Visitors:		<b>Total: 9</b>
Fines: \$ 7.60	Raffle: \$35	Polio Plus: \$	Club Admin: \$
Billy: \$	Billy YTD: \$		

## **An Invitation from Broadwater Club to a special event.**

Here's a bit of background on the Charlie Teo meeting – taken from an update to members. It would be great if your members could join us on the day – when you know the numbers, can you please let me know so we can organise things from our end

*Most members will recall that a couple of years ago, the Frizelles Motor Group organised a major car raffle to raise \$100,000 to pay for the costs of Prof. Charlie Teo to perform a brain operation on the partner of one of their staff members. The Club assisted Frizelles by agreeing to be the custodian of the funds raised and the eventual distribution of those funds for the cost of the operation and any subsequent medical treatment.*

*As it turned out, the costs involved did not reach the \$100,000 and the Club still retains just over \$14,000. We have now gained the agreement of Frizelles that these remaining funds should be released and donated to the Charlie Teo Foundation. Despite his busy schedule, we are very fortunate that Charlie will join us via a Zoom meeting on **Friday 19 March 2021** – don't miss this meeting.*

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### **Answers to last Rotator quiz.**

Sergeants Quiz 16 February

1. When and where is this year's district conference?  
.....Twin Towns 15 May
2. 100 years 100 stories. How many stories has Southport contributed?  
.....Three
3. What was the theme for the jokes in the last Rotator?  
.....Valentines day
4. Who is our next DG in 2021-22?  
.....Jeff Eagen
5. Name our newest Rotary club in 9640.  
.....Evans Head Rotary Club
6. How many members in 9640 on 2/2/21 ?  
..... 1301
- 7 Which is the largest Rotary Club in 9640?  
.....Hope Island
8. Who was our first president?  
.....Ces Carey 1945-46
9. Who is our longest serving Rotarian still a member?  
.....Lionel Perry
10. Which member has his photo on Southport club runner front page?  
.....Peter O with Dawn Crichlow

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## **NEWSLETTER February 2021**

The Donations in Kind Facility at 23 Mary Street Kingston is receiving and sorting goods every Thursday from 8:00 am until 12 noon.

If you are delivering goods, PLEASE be there no later than 11:30 am to ensure that there are volunteers to help unload.

Please call about deliveries before hand

The Volunteers give their time freely and the average number is about 15 per Thursday. Many Books, Hospital Equipment Desks and chairs and numerous other items are delivered. If you have a spare morning you would be most welcome to assist.

Checkout our FACEBOOK

<https://www.facebook.com/Donations-in-Kind-Northern-Region-104607238021229>

Clubs are asked if they are available for packing and given a date, if your club is unable

to send some members to assist on that particular day could a reply been sent to this effect

as soon as you know. That is quite OK but PETER COLLINS who does the roster needs to know sooner than later.

DIK thanks all the members who attend on a packing or sorting day. With all the donated

goods that are arriving all assistance is greatly appreciated.

**Next Packing day 13<sup>th</sup> March Start time 8:00am**



Currumbin-Coolangatta-Tweed are conducting a Charity Golf Day on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> May prior to conference. **More details can be found on the District Web page, directly under the Conference registration.** So if you are a golfer and wish to participate, please consider and register accordingly.

YIR, Sue Randel

cc: Pres. John Giuricin - CCT

Sec Bob Anley-CCT



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# DISTRICT CONFERENCE

## 15 MAY 2021

Twin Towns, Tweed Heads NSW

**CLICK TO BOOK NOW**

or visit [www.trybooking.com/BOTGX](http://www.trybooking.com/BOTGX)



Whether you catch a wave, walk, run, cycle or drive, we invite you to join us at this historic conference, celebrating 100 years of Rotary in Australia

### Where?

Twin Towns Resort  
2 Wharf St  
Tweed Heads NSW

### When?

Saturday, 15 May 2021  
9:00am – 4:30pm

### How Much?

\$60 per person\*  
(includes MT & Lunch)

\* Discounts apply for Rotaractors & Interactors

**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:**

16 March	Club meeting at the Overells
4 April	Club meeting Ferry Rd Tavern

DUTIES	16 March	
Chair		
Sergeant		
Attendance/Trs		
Rotary Minute		
Vote of thanks		
Ups and Downs		
Scribe		
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**

<b>Birthdays</b>	<b>Anniversaries</b> 6 March Nancy and Tony S
<b>Rotary induction</b> 3 March 03 Greg D 8 March 83 Tony P 14 March 92 Michael I	<b>Spouse birthday</b> 27 March Nancy S



## 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](mailto:tonyandmira@optusnet.com.au) before 6.00pm Thursday.

Copies to Sue Dux [suedux@hotmail.com](mailto:suedux@hotmail.com)

I wanted to give you a heads-up to the new date for Charity Car Rally we are hosting now on March 14th. The event will raise funds to support local initiatives of our club and participation is open to members & friends of all of the Rotary Clubs in our district.



I would be most appreciative if you could share the attached information with your members. Bookings for the event can be made on our facebook page [Cars 'n clues Charity Rally | Facebook](#)

We are looking forward to seeing you there.

Thanks in advance!!!

Yours in Rotary

Graham T. Jones  
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Dear Presidents, Secretaries & AG's (FYI)

Sorry to bombard you with emails, but there is an urgent need for funds to assist the shipping of the packed and completed container to go to Dili. Please see Bren's email below and if you are able to assist, please contact Bren direct - his details appear at the bottom of this email.

“A Container for Guido Valadares National Hospital is now Sealed and ready to go – we just need to find the funds to ship it.

Here is the story of this container.

- The 20 foot Container was originally commenced as a container of medical equipment and supplies for another destination.
- Freight costs to that destination made the project impossible for the original Rotary Sponsor. The container remained unfinished at the RAWCS Northern Depot.
- In September 2020 Dili Rotary Club President - Mario De Jesus requested that the National Hospital urgently needed operating theatre lights. Also Hospital Beds and Mattresses. Four sets of theatre lights are in this container.
- Our Rotary Club of Burleigh Heads supported me in taking over responsibility for the container and repacking and tallying the contents to be directed to the Guido Valadares National Hospital in Dili.
- The container has now been completely filled and packed with additional medical supplies and equipment, together with three very modern Dialysis machines after Eddie Da Pina (whom anyone involved in RAWCS projects in Timor will know) spoke with Dr Nilton.
- These machines are worth \$15, 000 – each.
- The container is sealed and ready to go. RAWCS Project Registration is being finalised and then I must raise the funds for freight. (Estimated around \$8000)
- I will also ensure that funds are available for the landed costs in Timor for “Rotarians Helping Timor” to clear the Container to the National Hospital.
- I am hoping the sale of the 20 foot container may assist with the funds needed.

Attached is the raw tally sheet of the goods in the Container. There are three modern Fresenius Dialysis Machines, together with 4 banks of operating theatre lights, six beds and mattresses and sundry smaller hospital tables, cabinets, and equipment together with a large amount of linen. I am sincerely hoping you may be able to assist me in raising the funds towards getting this container away.

The Latest RAWCS/DIK Newsletter for February is also attached. More help from D 9640 is urgently needed by way of volunteers and donations for freight to help get containers away.

Yours in Rotary Service,

Bren Milsom - RAWCS Northern Representative D 9640

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Photos meeting 2 March



Chair Ian C



Welcome from pres Andrew



ADG Eric Lewis



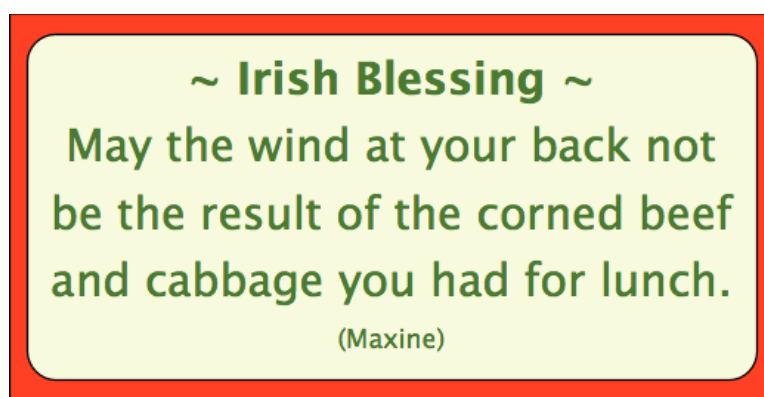
Sgt Graham C

St Patrick day jokes



1. **Why did the leprechaun climb over the rainbow? To get to the other side!**
2. **How can you spot a jealous shamrock? It will be green with envy!**
3. **What do you call a big Irish spider? Paddy long legs!**
4. **Why do leprechauns prefer dollar bills to coins? Because they're green!**
5. **Why did the leprechaun turn down a bowl of soup? Because he already had a pot of gold!**
6. **Why did the leprechaun walk out of the house? He wanted to sit on the Paddy O'!**
7. **Why do leprechauns hate running? They'd rather jig than jog!**
8. **Why are so many leprechauns florists? They have green thumbs!**
9. **Why do leprechauns recycle? They like to go green!**

- 10. What's a leprechaun's favorite cereal? Lucky Charms!**
- 11. What happens if you cross poison ivy with a four-leaf clover? You get a rash of good luck!**
- 12. What do you call a leprechaun who gets sent to jail? A lepre-con!**
- 13. What happens when a leprechaun falls into a river? He gets wet!**
- 14. How is a good friend like a four-leaf clover? They're hard to find!**
- 15. What kind of bow can't be tied? A rainbow!**
- 16. Why do people wear shamrocks on St. Patrick's Day? Regular rocks are too heavy.**
- 17. What's big and purple and lies next to Ireland? Grape Britain!**
- 18. What would you get if you crossed a leprechaun with a Texan? A pot of chili at the end of the rainbow!**
- 19. Knock-knock! Who's there? Irish. Irish who? Irish you a happy St. Patrick's Day!**
- 20. Knock-knock! Who's there? Warren. Warren who? Warren anything green for St. Patrick's Day?**



### 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 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> 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.
Second and fourth Thursdays	7.00 for 7.15 AM	Griffith University Club	G's restaurant	Griffith University
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