



District 9640
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The Rotator

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



Service above self

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May:- Youth Services

Next meeting: 18th May Ferry Rd Tavern



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

This last year has changed the way we look at everything, but it is hard to believe that we are already close to the end of another Rotary year.

We celebrated our 75th anniversary and Rotary in Australia is 100 years old. Quite an achievement.

On the 15th May the district conference takes place at Twin Towns. If you haven't booked you might be able to pitch up on the day, it promises to be an interesting day.

See you on the 18th.

Andrew Middleton

Rotary Scribes Report 4 /5/ 21

Chair Jim Scott opened the meeting inviting all to join him in reciting the 4-Way followed by a Toast to the Queen and the People of Australia before introducing President Andrew.

President Andrew moved to formally accept the resignation of Ian Craig, carried with regret. He then opened a discussion on our meeting format going forward. It was felt that once a month we should follow our traditional format with the other regular meeting being informal.

He tabled a letter from District Club Development Chair, David Baguley advising of training day to be held on the 23rd May at the Quality Hotel in Markeri Street, cost covered by District and canvassing if any of us wished to attend.

Our no change Changeover was set for Tuesday the 15th of June at the Ferry Road Tavern to which our partners are invited. Meals to be ordered at the bar as usual on arrival. Secretary Tony to advise District. The 29th of June being the third Tuesday of the month to be a casual dinner with partners at a restaurant to be arranged and advised by Peter O and Tony P.

Tony G gave a Rotary Minute recounting his Rotary experience following leaving Apex having reached the maximum allowable 40yrs of age and being invited by Lionel Perry to a Rotary Meeting. He reminisced on the process and formalities of membership invitation, acceptance and induction of the era and then his involvement in our Club over the years. This included being President 1992-93, hosting a number of exchange students and taking the job of Bulletin Editor following Vince Rehbein.

Sergeant Tony P gave a relaxed session fining all who had not had or were booked for the covid vaccine, those not having visited Ulladulla or Pambula and Broncos supporters for their win.

Heads and Tails was won by Peter O

Raffle won by Tony G

Chair Jim S introduced Andrew to talk on horses while advising that 73 people having been killed by horses in the last year made them the most deadly animal.

President Andrew gave a most interesting dissertation on the history of horses in South Africa and Australia. The first 7 horses in Australia arrived with the first fleet and came from South Africa which had prior first imported horses from Java in 1653 then Arabians to develop the Cape horse as a work horse. Australia then bred the Waler horse of which 140,000 were sent to India in WW1. The most successful cavalry charge was by allied forces largely Australians over 6km against the Turks and Germans, intimidating and overwhelming them at Beer Sheba.

In 1902 we were involved in the Boer war, Australia's first war, sending 43,000 horses to the battle that in total involved 519,000 horses 106,000 donkeys and mules that on average survived just 6 weeks. The Russians lost 179,000 horses in 2 months during one campaign. Andrew's forebear GM Middleton was a noted horse breeder in South Africa breeding Waler and Boerperd horses gaining him respect from English and Afrikaans alike. There is a Waler Horse Owners and Breeders Association in Australia being a very sought after breed as a stock horse playing major role in our exploration and livestock industry and featuring widely in our Brumby population.

Sadly worldwide there are only 4 statues in the world honouring the "War Horse"

The meeting showed appreciation by acclamation

President Andrew then closed the Meeting noting the next Meeting will be on the 18th

Graham C

Members:8	Club Guests:	Visiting Rotarians:	Partners:
Members Guests:	Visitors:		Total: 8
Fines: \$ 16.40	Raffle: \$	Polio Plus: \$	Club Admin: \$
Billy: \$	Billy YTD: \$		

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Remember the District Conference at Twin Towns on Saturday 15 May. Deadline for booking is 10 May. Cost is \$60

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:

18 May	Club meeting Ferry Rd Tavern
1 June	Club meeting Ferry Rd tavern
15 June	Partners night at Tavern celebrating the end of the Rotary year
29 June	Social night . Venue to be notified

DUTIES	18 May	18 May
Chair	TonyP	
Sergeant		
Attendance/Trs	Lionel P	
Rotary Minute	Merv P	
Vote of thanks		
Ups and Downs	Graham C	
Scribe	Peter O	
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	Anniversaries 2 May Roz and Michael I
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Rotary induction 19 May 1987 Merv P	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.

Copies to Sue Dux suedux@hotmail.com

Today - 21st April is a very significant day - the **Centenary of Rotary Australia in 1921** and **100 YEARS - 100 STORIES** has been placed in the hands of the printer today, for publication in April 2021. What a coincidence!

This email confirms that your two stories have been included in the 100 stories published in the book.

This book will be a limited edition, it will not be reprinted - 120 pages A4 landscape printed in colour throughout. To be sure you receive your copy/copies I suggest that you pre-order the number of books you wish to purchase by contacting our club treasurer as soon as possible.

The book will be launched at the District 9640 Conference at Twin Towns on the 15th May 2021. Your book order will be held at the conference for collection. If not personally attending the conference, your book/books could be collected by another club member, unless you make other arrangements to avoid the added cost of postage which can be quite expensive.

Payment with your order would be appreciated. Details for ordering are below -

100 YEARS - 100 STORIES

ORDER YOUR COPY NOW!!

Rotarians don't miss the opportunity to own your copy of this limited edition "**100 YEARS - 100 STORIES**"

to be released on the 15th May 2021 at the Rotary District Conference.

At **\$25 per copy** (Plus postage if applicable) the book will make a great gift for family, friends of Rotary, or maybe as a **"Thank You"** for Club guest speakers. A book of 100 diverse, interesting Rotary stories will provide a great and easy way to promote Rotary through many opportunities.

Reserve your copy / copies by sending your details and payment to -

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Books will be available at:

- * The launch on 15th May 2021 at the District Conference.
- * Books pre-ordered and not collected could be given to a member of your club in attendance at the District Conference.

The Broadbeach Club has been offered a pre screening of the movie 'Son of the South' at Robina Cinemas on Wednesday 19 May at 6.30pm. We thought it would be an excellent opportunity for a fund raising event for Polio Eradication.

We have to have minimum numbers to cover costs of at least 50, with entry at \$20pp. Every attendee over the minimum of 50 sees \$20 go towards Polio Eradication.

We are extending an invitation to your club members, friends and any guests.

Could I trouble you to please let me know by 5pm Monday 10 May of any attendees so a decision can be made and advice given to the Cinemas and other clubs as to whether the event is viable

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Les Bulluss
President
Broadbeach

Photos meeting 4 May 2021



Chair Jim S



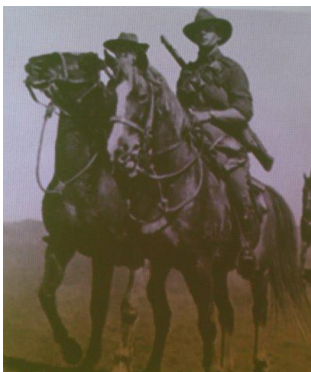
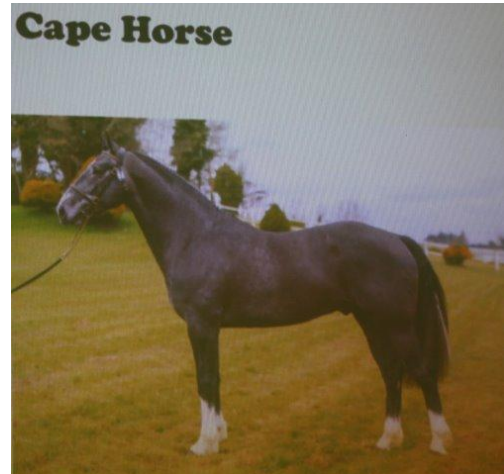
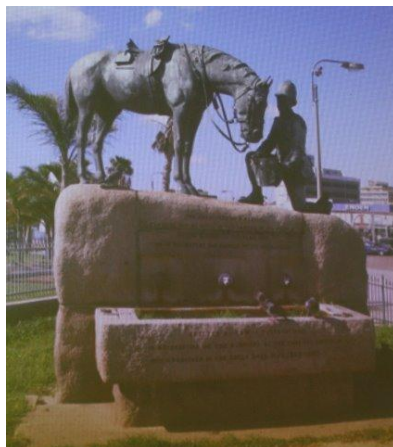
Sergeant Tony P



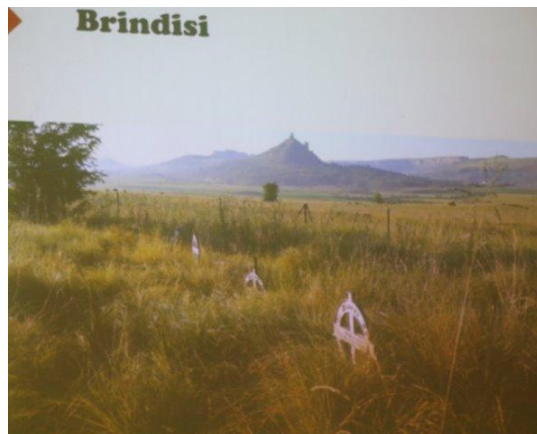
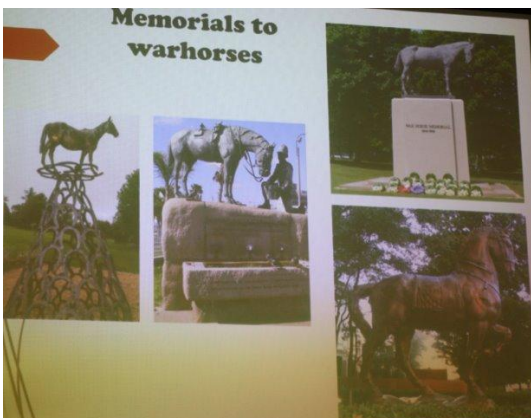
Members attending



Pres Andrew horses



4] The Middleton Horses: Mr. G. M. Middleton, born on 4/4/1889, testified that his father started breeding horses during the Anglo-Boer War. The British used the farm as a horse depot. A grey mare with a foal at foot was purchased. This colt, named Black, became the first breeding stallion of Brindisi. Horse traders used Brindisi as a thoroughfare to cross the Caledon River into Lesotho.



Q: Why is a computer so smart? A: It listens to its motherboard.

Q: What did the mother rope say to her child? A: "Don't be knotty."

Q: What did the digital clock say to its mother? A: "Look, Ma! No hands!"

Q: What do you call a mom who can't draw? A: Tracy.

Q: Why did the mother's day gift arrive the day after Mother's Day? A: It was chocoLATE.

Q: Why did the cookie cry? A: Because his mother was a wafer so long!

Q: Why did the mommy cat want to go bowling on Mother's Day? A: She was an alley cat.

Q: Why did the baby strawberry cry? A: Because his mom was in a jam!

Q: What did the mother broom say to the baby broom? A: It's time to go to sweep!

Q: Why is Mother's Day before Father's Day? A: So the kids can spend all their Christmas money on Mom.



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.
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 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