

Rotary Month: April :- Maternal and Child Health

Tuesday 26 March:- Visit to McArthur Museum Brisbane

Next Club meeting: Tuesday 2 April Ferry Rd Tavern speaker Laura Irving Brown



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Last night's meeting was a classic illustration of the reluctance of Rotarians to embrace change. But change we must. In the next two months we must make some defining decisions about the future of Southport Rotary. I am dismayed and disappointed by the apathy and negativity that pervades our club. Members constantly complain that we have no projects but no one seems able to offer ideas to resolve this. I disagree that we don't have projects. Here are some of the projects that Southport Rotary has been involved-in over the past two years;

- In conjunction with RC Ashmore, Southport Rotarians secured the land and built the Ashmore Mens Shed. This was opened this year.
- A group of Southport Rotarians and partners spent a week in the searing heat at Charleville, working their butts off to help drought affected families.
- Southport Rotarians, with Rotarians from (now) Griffith Rotary instigated a fund-raising venture for Malaria Vaccination Research.
- Southport Rotarians selected and sponsored youth to attend RYTS and RYLA and NYSF as well as university scholarships (Cronin and Hobart) worth \$2,000 each.
- Southport Rotarians have promoted and organised Uncles and Aunties picnics for disadvantaged children. (Last year was cancelled due to bad weather). This year's event is on 30th April. Please volunteer to help Leanda.
- Many Southport Rotarians spent three hours or more each week operating the Carousel and raised thousands of dollars for the benefit of local charities.
- For more than 50 years Southport Rotary has managed a project to support the education of children in Salvation Army Homes in Indonesia, raising more than \$20,000 Australia-wide each year. A four-year scholarship has been awarded to a student to study at university for an accounting degree, \$2,500.
- Southport Rotary is currently working with a Rotary Club in the Philippines to provide sewing machines to enable financially disadvantaged women to earn an income.

- Dozens of Literacy Kits have been sent to Tanzania.
- Southport Rotary has funded refugee children to attend high school.
- Southport Rotary has supported an initiative to provide a ROTEM machine to Robina Hospital (\$5,000).
- Southport Rotarians' partners have sewn bags and kits for "Days for Girls".
- Southport Rotarians have hosted a Rotary Vocational Exchange Team from the Philippines and organised 4 days of vocational and cultural experiences.
- Southport Rotary supports Rotary International initiatives such as PolioPlus and Rotary Peace Scholars.

These are just the ones that spring to mind. There are probably many others I've missed. Are all these not "Projects"? Southport Rotary cannot claim ownership of many of them, but is that important? I am proud to tell friends about the achievements of Southport Rotary. I know several young people who would like to join Rotary and be of service to the community. They first-of-all are seeking a club that has fun and partakes in entertaining social activities as well as "projects." Are we that club?

The visit to OzHarvest last week was a startling revelation to everyone who turned up to hear Brenda Tripp describe what the organisation does. Every year in Australia 5 million tonnes of food goes to landfill at a cost to the nation of \$20Bn. 1 in 5 shopping bags might as well be tossed straight into the bin instead of the pantry. Before we shop, OzHarvest promotes: *LOOK, BUY, STORE, COOK*. Salt Meats Cheese, a delightful café next door provided a substantial and tasty meal afterwards. I am sure everyone agreed it was a great event.

And please check our Events Program on the website for other upcoming events:

- Visit to Gen MacArthur Museum, Brisbane 11:30am 26th March
Due to poor response from members, this event has now been turned into a PROJECT! We have invited folk from an Aged People's Home to join us for an escorted day's outing.
- Movie Premiere: *Romantic Road*, Coolangatta 10am 9th April
- <https://southportrotary.com.au/>

Tony Pritchett, President.

Rotary Club of Southport: SCRIBE'S REPORT Meeting 19th March 2019 at Ferry Road Tavern

Chairman Greg Dux opened the meeting by inviting all present to recite the Four Way Test, followed by the Loyal Toast. He then presented a Rotary moment focusing on the people of Christchurch following the terrorist attack and the history of Rotary in New Zealand and in particular Christchurch where there are seven Rotary clubs.

Chairman Greg then invited **President Tony Pritchett** to welcome all to this club meeting. Tony welcomed all present and in particular former Southport Rotarian Gary Wachter who now works for QANTAS flight simulators in Sydney, and congratulated Steve Penfold on establishing a new company. President Tony indicated that in the first part of the evening, the Board would meet, whilst the remainder of the members and guests enjoyed fellowship. After the evening meal there would be an open discussion of reports from Directors and seeking nominations for President-Elect for the 2019-2020 Rotary Year.

BOARD MEETING:

The minutes of the Board meeting held on January 22 were approved. We need to arrange to meet with the Southport Chamber of Commerce and to set a date for MP Rob Molhoek to attend our Rotary meeting. There will be a Public Relations Seminar on May 26 at the Quality Inn. Leave of absence was granted to Lionel Perry for the period March to May. Resignations

from Leanda Cooper (30th April) and Sahlee Hamblen (17th March) were noted with regret. A donation to the Townsville Flood appeal of \$2000 was approved, but a motion to donate funds to the North Queensland Farmer's Flood Appeal was withdrawn.

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS (Attached)

After dinner the Directors reports were presented and the Directors spoke to their reports: President Tony again reiterated that if we don't have a President-Elect nominated by May 21st, then the club would need to merge with another club, or hand in its charter. He noted that there was greater use of Clubrunner for Rotary communications, and that the visit to OzHarvest was very informative with wonderful food.

Secretary Marion reported that there were 19 Rotarians, 1 Visiting Rotarian, 1 Club guest and 2 partners present. She also reported that the Group Vocational Exchange visit from Philippine Rotarians had been very successful thanks to the support from Rotarians hosting the visitors, organizing vocational visits and Peter and Barbara Overell for hospitality on Saturday night.

President Tony thanked Marion who had organized the program that included visits to Griffith University, the Gold Coast University hospital, Griffith University in Brisbane, TAFE in Brisbane, Gold Coast City Council. SeaWorld and a joint Rotary club meeting at Griffith University where the Federal Minister for Science was the guest speaker.

Treasurer Mervyn presented his report. He noted that donations to Cyril's Billy were greatly decreased.

Rhonda's report on Public Relations was noted.

Elizabeth (Membership), reported that many people she had approached to join Southport Rotary were "too busy". We need to develop strategies to network with professions. Lambert (Club Administration), reported that he had arranged speakers for all meetings in April

Greg (Youth) reported that he had interviewed an outstanding NYSF applicant, and that the closing date was 31st May. Southport Rotary sponsored 2.5 young people to attend RYLA. Applications for the Hobart Scholarship had been readvertised.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

President Tony called for nominations for the positions of President-Elect for the 2019-2020 Rotary Year. There were no nominations.

Considerable discussion ensued about the future of Southport Rotary. Topics discussed were is Southport Rotary functioning as a Probus Club, the lack of service projects initiated by Southport Rotary, the advantages and disadvantages of merging, and should we consider operating as a Passport Club.

President Tony then proposed a motion that a sub-committee investigates merging with Parkwood Rotary: **Motion carried.**

OTHER BUSINESS:

Leanda sought assistance for running the Aunties and Uncles picnic on April 24. Tony Pritchett and Jim Scotte were the raffle winners.

President Tony reminded all about the excursion to General MacArthur's war-time headquarters in Brisbane on Tuesday March 26, and then closed the meeting at 8:15pm

Michael I

Rotary Club of Southport

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 19 MARCH, 2019

1. **FOCUS PRIORITY. New Members 40 – 60 age group.**

Immediate priority to find President and Board for 2019-20. All members have responsibility.

Focus on Family, neighbours, friends.

If a President and Board are not nominated and elected before the Meeting of May 21st then the Club must adopt a motion to either:

- a. Merge with another rotary Club. RC Parkwood have voted to enter merger talks; or
- b. Hand in its Charter and Wind-up (and liquidate its assets.)

2. **BUSINESS NETWORKING EVENING:** Southport Rotary should combine with Southport Chamber of Commerce, and perhaps another Rotary Club to host a Business Networking Evening for local business owners and professionals. (Refer to article re RC Varsity Lakes in Feb2019 Rotary Down Under.) Sub-committee to be appointed. New members may come from this initiative.

3. **MEETINGS:** A Motion to revert to holding weekly events was passed by Members at meeting 5th February.

- i. Normal Meetings 1st and 3rd Tuesdays
- ii. 2nd 4th 5th Tuesdays alternative events. These have been reasonably well attended. It seems evening times are preferred as some members are unable to attend events during the day.
- iii. Board Meetings at a Normal Meeting; this meeting (19 March) is the first trial.

4. **WEBSITE and CLUBRUNNER:**

- i. Program of Meetings: under "EVENTS". This appears to be working satisfactorily.
- ii. Rotator to be published via CR; email with link. This is yet to be implemented. Rotator will continue to be circulated in present format for time being.
- iii. All communications via CR. Some members continue to resist change and persist sending emails to the Secretary despite requests not to. Some members have forgotten their Username or Password and can't be bothered requesting a reset.
- iv. All members urged to load CR app to phones and visit website regularly.
- v. Facebook: continue and extend regular postings.

5. **DONATION TO TOWNSVILLE FLOOD APPEAL:**

MOTION: That Rotary Club of Southport donate \$2,000 to Townsville Flood appeal (RAWCS Project managed by Rotary Club of Townsville South West (District 9550))

6. **DONATION TO NORTH QUEENSLAND FARMERS FLOOD APPEAL:**

MOTION: That Rotary Club of Southport donate \$1,000 to Far North Queensland Farmers Flood Appeal.

Tony Pritchett, President

SECRETARY'S REPORT MARCH 19, 2019

Attendances have been down at meetings for quite a long time. There were 11 at our February 5 meeting, 10 at the joint Parkwood meeting March 5. Without partners and guests, the numbers would be much less.

There was a small attendance at the social lunch at Broadwater Parklands. The Oz Harvest meeting Thursday 7th March was well attended by 20 people that included partners and 4 of our 5 Philippine visitors.

Grateful thanks to our hosts for the Philippine Vocational Exchange team, Paul and Liz Fitzmaurice, Tony and Sally Pritchett, Peter and Barbara Overell, Sahlee and Fred Hamblen and Marion and Graham Jones.

It was a busy schedule for the 4 days but our visitors had several vocational visits for all of their work interests. Thanks to Lionel and Tatiana and David Randall for all their help with the vocational visits.

The visit was very successful and good friendships were made. We look forward to seeing our Philippine friends at the District Conference next.

Marion.

PR & FOUNDATION REPORT

Unfortunately, there's not much to report for this Board meeting. The Club has focussed on social events this year and social events are not conducive to generating PR for the Club. As well, the uncertainty surrounding the Club's future, due to not having a PE and incoming Board, suggest it's not an appropriate time to promote the Club.

A couple of positives...RDU will be publishing a story on our refugee program in the April issue and the Club has submitted two applications for District awards.

Nothing to report for the Foundation.

Please note that I am interstate and unable to attend the meeting, however I have given Marion my proxy for voting on decisions at the meeting.

Rhonda Whitton

3:31 PM

16/03/19

Accrual Basis

Rotary Club of Southport Inc
Profit & Loss by Class
July 1, 2018 through March 16, 2019

	Carousel	Club	Community	TOTAL
Income				
Control Account				
Meal Payments Received	0.00	187.50	0.00	187.50
Sergeants Fine	0.00	471.95	0.00	471.95
Total Control Account	0.00	659.45	0.00	659.45
Donations Received				
Cyril's Billy	0.00	0.00	305.60	305.60
Drought Appeal	0.00	0.00	2,518.40	2,518.40
Total Donations Received	0.00	0.00	2,824.00	2,824.00
Interest Received	232.97	30.97	357.34	621.28
Rides Income	28,101.35	0.00	0.00	28,101.35
Subscriptions & Donations				
EREY	0.00	-350.00	0.00	-350.00
Subs	0.00	160.00	40.00	200.00
Subscription	0.00	0.00	120.00	120.00
Total Subscriptions & Donations	0.00	-190.00	160.00	-30.00
Total Income	28,334.32	500.42	3,341.34	32,176.08
Expense				
Advertising	0.00	0.00	247.50	247.50
Audit Fees	0.00	0.00	990.00	990.00
Bank Fees & Charges	-2.00	0.00	30.00	28.00
Gifts & Donations				
A.R.F.T -Annual Program Fund	0.00	2,050.00	0.00	2,050.00
Ashmore Men's Shed Inc	8,675.90	0.00	0.00	8,675.90
Drought Relief Fund	0.00	0.00	3,518.40	3,518.40
Fillappine Cultural Exchange	0.00	0.00	600.00	600.00
Human Brain Research	0.00	0.00	500.00	500.00
Indonesian Student Scholarship	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Indonesian Students	0.00	0.00	330.00	330.00
Malaria Vaccine Project	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
Meals on Wheels Southport	7,000.00	0.00	0.00	7,000.00
Refugee Student	3,877.88	0.00	440.00	4,317.88
Rotary Club of Ashmore	7,431.95	0.00	0.00	7,431.95
Rotary Club of Broadbeach	543.80	0.00	0.00	543.80
Rotary Club of Griffith Uni	2,719.00	0.00	0.00	2,719.00
Rotary Club of Robina	4,277.90	0.00	0.00	4,277.90
Gifts & Donations - Other	0.00	0.00	-22.21	-22.21
Total Gifts & Donations	39,526.43	2,050.00	5,366.19	46,942.62
Meal Expenses				
Club Guests	0.00	306.80	0.00	306.80
Total Meal Expenses	0.00	306.80	0.00	306.80
Postage	0.00	15.80	0.00	15.80
Raffle Prizes	0.00	279.99	0.00	279.99
Repairs & Replacements	0.00	297.00	0.00	297.00
Rotary Dues				
District Dues	0.00	2,296.00	960.00	3,256.00
RDU Magazine	0.00	1,213.30	0.00	1,213.30
Semi Annual Dues	0.00	3,050.08	0.00	3,050.08
Total Rotary Dues	0.00	6,559.38	960.00	7,519.38
Rotary Supplies	0.00	102.05	0.00	102.05
Sundry Expenses	73.92	102.30	110.00	286.22
Youth Programs				
Cronin Scholarship	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Hobart Bursary	0.00	0.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
RYLA	0.00	0.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
RYTS	0.00	0.00	1,180.00	1,180.00
Total Youth Programs	0.00	0.00	4,680.00	4,680.00
Total Expense	39,598.35	9,713.32	12,383.69	61,695.36
Net Income	-11,264.03	-9,212.90	-9,042.35	-29,519.28

17 March 2019

To All Presidents and Secretaries

Notification of Nominee for District 9620 Governor 2021-22

The District Nominating Committee for the District Governor for Rotary District 9620 interviewed eligible candidates for the position of District Governor of our new District 9620 on Saturday 16 March 2019.

The decision reached at the meeting is that DG Wendy Protheroe of the Rotary Club of Brisbane High Rise has been selected as our Governor for the Rotary Year 2021-22 and as per Rotary International Bylaw 14:020:6 in the Manual of Procedure, I hereby advise all clubs in our District of the selected candidate.

I confirm that prior to our decision we obtained confirmation from the Rotary International South Pacific and Philippines Office that 'there is no statement in the RI Bylaws or the Code of Policy excluding a PDG or sitting DG to be nominated or selected as a DG again'

Bylaw 14.020.8 provides for "Challenging Candidates" who must have been duly suggested to the Nominating Committee. Accordingly I advise that any challenge must be received by the Chair DG Nominating Committee P O Box 810 North Lakes Qld 4509 or email jnblane@bigpond.net.au no later than 17.00 (5.00pm) on Tuesday 2 April 2019, and must comply with the procedural requirements specified in the Rotary International Bylaws.

If there is no Challenging Candidate Wendy Protheroe shall be declared to be our District 9620 Governor for 2021-22.

Yours in Rotary Service
Terry Brown

District Governor
Rotary District 9640 2018-19

Treasurer's Report: Merv Powell

Members: 19	Club Guests:1	Visiting Rotarians: 1	Partners: 2
Members Guests:	Visitors:		Total: 23
Fines: \$	Raffle: \$	Polio Plus: \$	Club Admin: \$
Billy: \$	Billy YTD: \$		

Rotary Friendship Exchange (RFE) to District 4640 Brazil – 4/17 March 2020 (tbc)

Rotary Friendship Exchange is open to all Rotarians and partners. The exchange is for 2 weeks, with the team members being hosted with Rotarians from Parana, Brazil.

You can apply to be part of a team of up to twelve, to participate in this great Rotary experience of culture, friendship and hospitality from 4th – 17th March 2020 in District 4640. Exact dates to be confirmed. This area is in western and central part of Parana state in Brazil and is a very popular spot for tourists as it includes **Iguassu Falls**.

The exchange could provide a great opportunity to visit other parts of South America either before or after the exchange.

Rotary travel insurance will cover the exchange plus up to 60 days private travel.

The incoming visit to our District by Rotarians from District 4640 is planned to occur **5th – 17th October 2019** and outbound team members' clubs are expected to host the inbound team, during their 14 - 15 days experience within District 9640. Please discuss your desire to be part of the team with the club to obtain agreement to possibly host the inbound team from Brazil.

Requests for a Team Membership Application/other queries should be directed to

RFE Chair Wendy Scarlett on 07 5524 4368 or 0407 130449 or email:

wendy.scarlett51@gmail.com

Completed Applications are to be submitted to the District Rotary Friendship Committee by **Sunday 31st March 2019**



You are invited to the *Movie: Romantic Road, BCC Coolangatta*. This is an Australian Premiere and a feature of the Gold Coast Film Festival. Please click on the link below to attend or decline. You can also book family and friends. You will enjoy this film. Relax, take the tram and 700 bus (allow 1 hour); meet for coffee before the movie (film starts 10:30am).

Although you can book your tickets online it is preferred that you allow Southport Rotary to make a block booking. It is important you let me know whether or not you wish to attend before Wednesday 13th March.

Event: Movie: Romantic Road, BCC Coolangatta

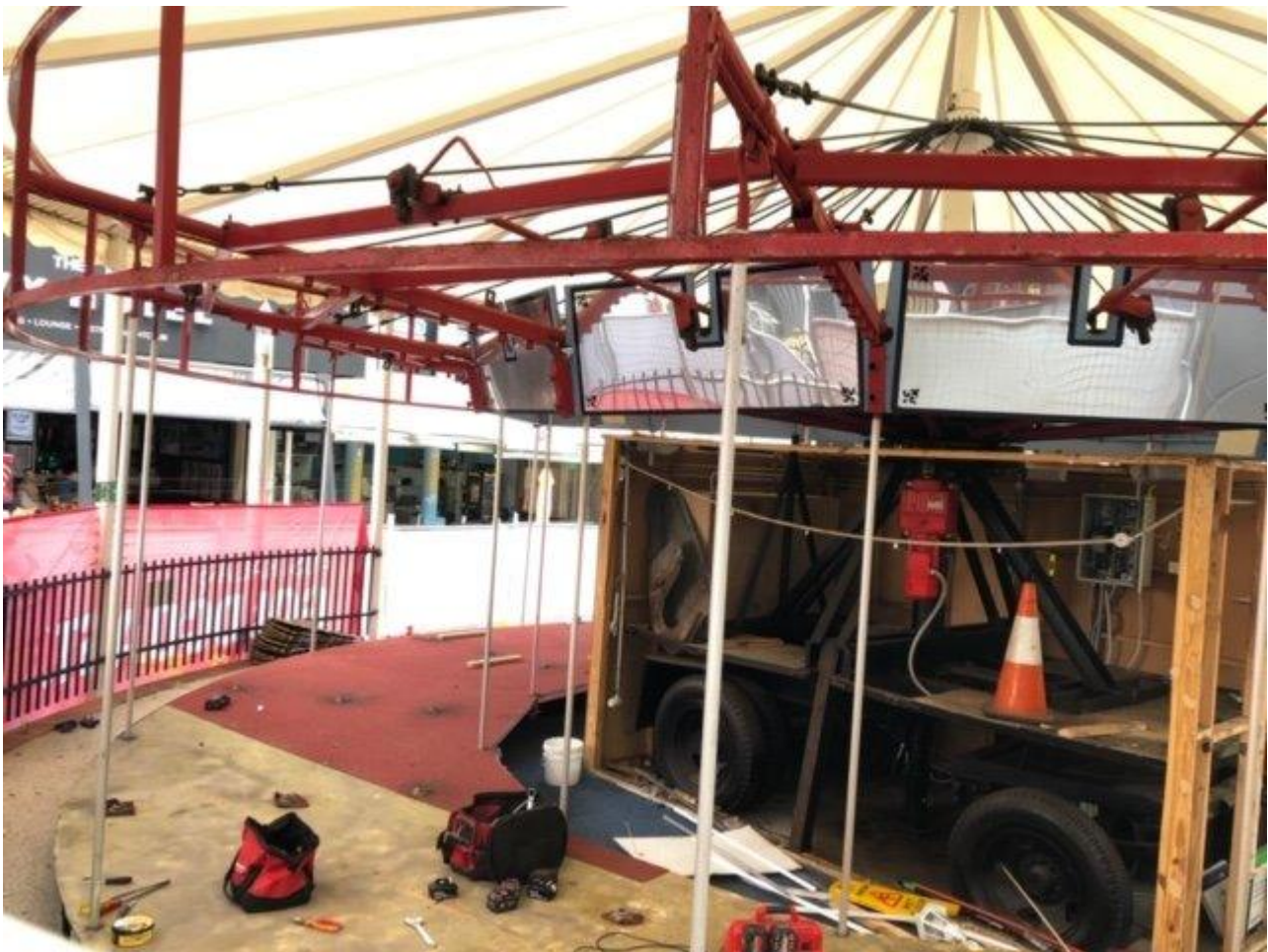
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Fee: \$14.00

Birch Carrol & Coyle Cinema
Level 2 The Strand Shopping Centre

Location: 76 Marine Parade
Coolangatta, QLD Australia
4225

Contact Tony P.



Carousel Broadbeach Mall 19 March 2019

Visit to 9640 from the Vocational Exchange Team from the Phillipines.

VOCATIONAL EXCHANGE SOUTHPORT AND GRIFFITH GC ROTARY MARCH 13-17

The Vocational Exchange visit with five Philippine visitors including team leader and Rotarian Grace Vinarao from District 3780 went very well. The team was kept busy with vocational visits each day starting on **Wednesday** afternoon with a tour of the GC University Hospital conducted by Joe Hanlon from the Hospital Foundation.

Joyce visited and toured Versace Hotel for their hospitality and events management. Jam and hosts the Pritchetts attended a screening at HOTA of an archival film of the O'Reilly family that accompanied the exhibition of photographic Portraits from the National Portrait Gallery.

Thursday started early with the breakfast meeting with the Griffith GC Rotary Club on the campus. This was a special meeting with guest the Hon Karen Andrews, Minister for Industry, Science and Technology speaking to the 50 people present. It was a delight to welcome the

new Vice Chancellor of Griffith University, Professor Carolyn Evans who spoke about grand challenges of the University focusing on the Malaria Vaccine Project and Rotary's partnership. Following the breakfast meeting, the group of Philippine visitors and hosts were given a tour of the Engineering Department on Campus and shown the latest projects and equipment- all of which is very impressive. Mike and Bey were especially pleased with what they saw and heard. They later visited the Gold Coast City Council Clean Energy Department since they are both interested in that.

More Southport Rotary members joined in a visit to Oz Harvest and dinner in Surfers Paradise, **Thursday** night.

Friday involved a day at Southbank in Brisbane where Jam was able to meet with a lecturer at Southbank TAFE who also teaches photography and multi media. Mike was informed about the Solar Buddy project by their manager and a Rotarian who supports the project. Others visited QLD Museum, QAG and GOMA.

Saturday included a visit to Seaworld and a meeting with staff from their marine sciences department.

A farewell potluck dinner was held at Overells on **Saturday** night with much fun and games. Banners were given and videos shared.

Overells and Graham Jones provided transport to Bangalow Showgrounds for the Changeover with Lismore Club on **Sunday** morning.



Vocational Exchange Team



In and out teams with DG Terry



Saturday at the Overells



Jam and Pres Tony P



The selfie group

Oz Harvest visit 12 March.



Jam Ramos with Pres Tony P



Brenda Tripp



Bay De Castro, Michael Torres, Jam Ramos



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

District 9640 Conference 29-31 March 2019

District 9640 Conference

Lismore 29th - 31st March, 2019
heart of the northern rivers

Remember the District Conference in Lismore on 29, 30 and 31 March. Book on line now for a weekend of great speakers and wonderful fellowship.

Dress code for all the conference is the usual for Rotary, smart casual

The days of parading old penguins in dinner suits has long gone – although the Workers Club might balk at your singlet, stubbies and thongs!!!



The poster for 'The Rotary Ball' features a large diamond graphic at the top center, flanked by a string of pearls on the left and the Rotary logo on the right. The title 'The Rotary Ball' is written in a large, elegant script font, with 'Diamonds are Forever' in a smaller script below it. A horizontal line separates the title from the event details. The text 'Supporting The Community' is centered below the line. The event date and time are listed: 'Date: 13th April, 2019' and '6:30pm - 12:00am'. The hosts are 'Rotary Gold Coast and Burleigh Heads'. The venue is 'Aqua Park, Esplanade Drive, Surfers Paradise Q'. The ticket and table sponsorship information is listed: 'Tickets and Table Sponsorships: Tickets \$175 per person, Sapphire Tables (10 Guests): \$2000, Emerald Tables (10 Guests): \$2500, Diamond Tables (10 Guests): \$4000'. The dress code is 'Dress: Black Tie'. The entertainment is 'Fabulous DJ Music for Dancing, Dancing Exhibition'. The activities are 'Live/Client Auctions and Great Raffle'. The food and drink package is '5 hour drinks package, 3 course sit down meal'. The booking and payment information is 'Bookings & Payments online: trybooking.com/461806'. The contact information is 'Contact: John Clark - 0409 756 576, linpriority@westnet.com.au'.

The Rotary Ball
Diamonds are Forever

Supporting The Community

Date: 13th April, 2019
6:30pm - 12:00am

Hosts: Rotary Gold Coast and Burleigh Heads

Venue: Aqua Park,
Esplanade Drive
Surfers Paradise Q

Tickets and Table Sponsorships:
Tickets \$175 per person
Sapphire Tables (10 Guests): \$2000
Emerald Tables (10 Guests): \$2500
Diamond Tables (10 Guests): \$4000

Dress: Black Tie

**Fabulous DJ Music for Dancing
Dancing Exhibition**

Live/Client Auctions and Great Raffle

**5 hour drinks package
3 course sit down meal**

Bookings & Payments online:
trybooking.com/461806

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MARCH 2019

Dear President & Rotarians,

PLEASE HELP YOUR FELLOW ROTARIANS CONTINUE SAVING AND CHANGING CHILDREN'S LIVES

Imagine if your child was ill and you could do nothing to help. What if your child was disfigured and ostracised by the local community? Sadly they are real situations that are often faced by the parents of the children that ROMAC organises medical treatment for.

A few months ago, we proudly welcomed and successfully treated our 500th patient, and have treated our 100th patient from Timor Leste.\

We believe this is a truly amazing record that has changed lives immensely. The Rotary year is fast coming to an end and we are pleased to advise that by the time it ends on 30 June, ROMAC will have treated nearly 45 children in this Rotary year. That's one child almost every week!

As Rotarians we are proud that we could make a difference to the lives of not only 45 children this year but also to their siblings, their parents and invariably the villages and towns from which they originate. In addition, our New Zealand colleagues have also hosted a training program for visiting doctors and nurses that will prove to be an invaluable resource when required in their country of origin.

Unfortunately our humanitarian work comes at a price; each child we treat costs on average \$25,000. Whilst that's a lot of money I'm sure you'll agree that it's a bargain for saving a child's life.

We appreciate that you and your club supports many excellent projects but would respectfully request that as the Rotary year comes closer to an end you give consideration to making a donation to ROMAC, a Rotary multi-district programme run exclusively by Rotarian volunteers, just like you, with minimal overheads - no paid staff, no office - that ensure every dollar you donate goes towards saving children's lives.

Mission: To provide medical treatment for children from developing countries in the form of life saving and/or dignity restoring surgery not accessible to them in their home country.

Objectives: To provide hope when there is no hope > To restore dignity to human life > To transform a child's life > To provide the best medical and surgical expertise

As Rotarians we know clubs often wait to the last couple of months of the Rotary year to determine who to make donations to, and we would ask you to have ROMAC foremost in your mind as a suitable recipient. It's also comforting to know that whilst we treat children from overseas, the money you donate* is spent in your country supporting our local businesses. If you would like to have one of our colleagues as a guest speaker at your club to inform you and show you what we do as an organisation we would be delighted to arrange this. Please feel free to contact your ROMAC district or regional chair, or our board members - including myself - and we will make sure that this happens.

Thank you all for contributing last year to ROMAC 9640 every club made a donation, so far this year we only have had 4 clubs make a donation.

Please can we ask for consideration for this year, and we wish you a successful conclusion to 2018 and a fantastic 2019 Rotary year.

Yours Faithfully,
Hilli Reaburn Chair 9640

hilda.reaburn@ipnet.com.au
M: 0407762326

Rotary Club of Parkwood

**Please donate on our website or fill in the attached form. Thank you.*

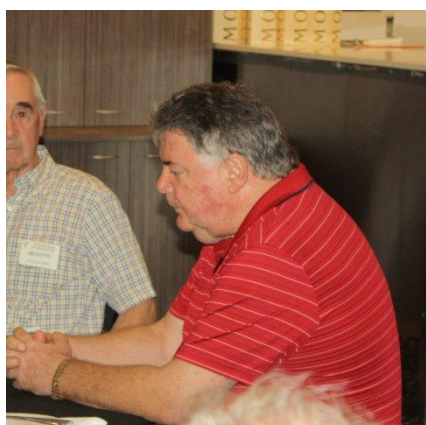
Photos meeting 19 March



Chair and Rotary Minute Greg



Gary W and Steve P were at our meeting



Duncan P was there



Pres Tony P



Secretary Marion



The Board meeting



Elisabeth S



Treasurer Merv



PDG Michael



Leanda bids farewell



Tony P with some banners

Lambert Wang Club Service Director

- Email lambert988@gmail.com
- Telephone or text 0412 755 103

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

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.

Duties:

DUTIES	2 April	16 April	
Chair	Tam L	Elisabeth S	
Sergeant	Michael L	Lea R	
Attendance/Trs	Andrew M	Jim S	
Rotary Minute	Peter O	Tony S	
Vote of thanks	Lionel P	Rhonda W	
Ups and Downs	Duncan P	Lambert W	
Scribe	Merv P	Judy C	
Meet & Greet	Neil R	Graham C	

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

Guest speakers, events and meeting calendar

March 26	Visit to McArthur Museum Brisbane 11.30
2 April	Club meeting Ferry Rd Tavern speaker Laura Irving Brown
9 April	Movie Romantic Road Coolangatta
16 April	Club meeting Ferry Rd Tavern RYLA awardees
25 April	Anzac Day Picnic Mt Tamborine
April 28	Aunties and Uncles picnic McIntosh Park

Celebrations

Birthdays 2 April Greg D 9 April David R 10 April Tony G	Anniversaries 6 April Tony and Sally P 10 April Graham and Chris C
Rotary induction 31 March 15 Elisabeth S	Spouse birthday 27 Mar Nancy S 29 March Reiner 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

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The passing of the years.

We all get heavier as we get older because there's a lot more information in our heads. I'm just really intelligent and my head couldn't hold any more, so I started filling up the rest of my body.

Did you hear about the 83 year old woman who talked herself out of a speeding ticket by telling the young officer that she had to get there before she forgot where she was going

A man has reached middle age when he is cautioned to slow down by his doctor instead of by the police

The nicest thing about the future is that it always starts tomorrow.

Money will buy a fine dog but only kindness will make him wag his tail.

If you don't have a sense of humour you probably don't have any sense at all.

Do you realize that, in about 40 years, we'll have thousands of old ladies running around with tattoos?

Money can't buy happiness but somehow it's more comfortable to cry in a Cadillac than in a Ford.

After 70, if you don't wake up aching in every joint, you're probably dead.

Nearby clubs for make-ups

Day	Time	Club	Venue	Address
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
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
First and third Thursdays	7.15AM	Griffith Gold Coast	G's Restaurant Griffith Uni	Griffith University