



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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**April: Maternal and child health**

**Next meeting: 20 April back at Ferry Rd Tavern. See duty roster**



## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Thanks once again to PeterO who is rapidly earning himself the job of catering and venue director however his tenure may be short-lived as we will return to the tavern from next meeting, thanks to TonyS

Having the tavern as our regular meeting venue allows a measure of stability which gives us the opportunity to look at doing things we'd like to do as a Club. Please think about this and come up with ideas.

We have found a likely candidate for RYPEN so once that event has taken place we can expect a follow – up visit and we have some candidates for the Hobart scholarship and hopefully will select one soon.

Our next meeting is on the 20<sup>th</sup> at the Tavern, see you there.

**Andrew Middleton**

### Report on meeting 6 April 2021

Five members attended the club meeting at the Ashmore men's shed, the inclement weather deterring some who had intended to come. We gathered in the meeting room used by Ashmore Rotary and spent the night having a round table discussion about club matters.

**Peter Overell** did a great job of organising the catering with drinks for all and take away food he collected from a nearby cafe. Peter even topped the catering by offering all a chocolate covered icecream.

Once the meal was over **Pres Andrew** lead us in discussion of club matters. Tony Stenton had kindly offered to donate \$1000 to pay for room hire at Ferry Rd Tavern and the tavern had halved the asking price to \$50 per meeting. It was decided that we would return to the Tavern for the foreseeable future starting on our meeting of 20 April. The Tavern is to be notified of our intentions. It was suggested that we have some social nights with our partners during the year and possibly take advantage of the fifth Tuesdays for some socials .

Members felt that having a stable meeting place would benefit the club and make it easier for visitors to attend. The offer made by Tony Pritchett for a meeting at his his home is to be explored when he returns at the end of April and make it a social night with our partners.

The district secretary was asking to be notified when we will be having our changeover dinner but as the present executive is continuing in the role this event is not really necessary. More discussion will be held on this matter and the DG notified.

Our club needs a representative to vote at the conference in May on our behalf. It was suggested Michael Irving be approached and he subsequently accepted the role.

Pres Andrew told us he had been emailed by a year 10 student from St Hildas for the club to sponsor for RYPEN. Her CV was most impressive and the club approved Andrew asking her to attend a club meeting so we can meet her and that we agree to sponsor her.

Concern was expressed that a gathering of six or so members in not conducive to inviting a guest speaker. It was also suggested that we look to participate in projects of other clubs as we have nothing in the pipeline.

Once the discussion was over the washing up and tidy up was done and we were pleased to hear that Ashmore had waved the \$25 room fee in light of our financial contribution to the men's shed .

We packed up and headed home at 7.45pm.

**Tony G.**

Members:5	Club Guests:	Visiting Rotarians:	Partners:
Members Guests:	Visitors:		<b>Total: 5</b>
Fines: \$	Raffle: \$	Polio Plus: \$	Club Admin: \$
Billy: \$	Billy YTD: \$		

**Remember the District Conference at Twin Towns on Saturday 15 May. Deadline for booking is 1 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:**

20 April	Club meeting. Venue Ferry Rd Tavern
4 May	Club meeting Ferry Rd Tavern

DUTIES	20 April	4 May
Chair	Ian C	
Sergeant	Peter O	
Attendance/Trs	Lionel P	
Rotary Minute	Jim Scotte	
Vote of thanks		
Ups and Downs	Graham C	
Scribe	Tony G	
Meet and Greet	All	

**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> 2 April Greg D 10 April TonyG	<b>Anniversaries</b> 6 April Tony and Sally P 10 April Graham and Christine C
<b>Rotary induction</b>	<b>Spouse birthday</b>

## 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)

### Photos 6 April 2021



Ashmore meeting room



President and chair Andrew M



Members enjoy a pre dinner drink



Dinner is served

### Humour

**Darling is my wife's maiden name.**

**Does your wife pick your clothes? No only the pockets.**

**I have a clever wife. Mine finds out too!**

**What is your husband's average income? About midnight.**

**If your wife insists on learning to drive don't stand in her way!**

**There is no difference between a toilet seat and a wedding anniversary. Men usually miss them both.**

**Life is full of complications. Even when you are born there is a string attached.**

**Another candle on the cake  
Well that's no cause to pout.  
Be glad you still have wind enough  
To blow the damn thing out!**

**Doc, I am afraid I am going to die.**

**Nonsense, that is the last thing you will do.**

**They called it golf because all the other four letter words were taken.**

**Children- what a comfort in old age. And how soon do they bring it on!**

**Life begins at 40, but you could miss a lot if you wait till then.**



*Congratulations from all of us to Christine and Graham Cooper. 50 years married on 10 April.*

### **Nearby clubs for make-ups:**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Address</b>
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