



District 9640  
District Governor  
Andy Rajapakse

# The Rotator

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



Service above self

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**October : Economic and community development.**

**Next meeting 20 October Ferry Rd Tavern**



## A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

The DG's visit is always a special occasion and it was great to return to some sort of normality with partners attending. DG Andy is an inspiring man with an extraordinary knowledge of Rotary's history.

We inducted our newest member, Jonathan Zervis and welcome him into our midst, I'm sure he will make a valuable contribution to our Club. Jonathan was a Rotarian in Greece as well as Sydney so it will be interesting to hear about the way his old Clubs conducted affairs.

Next meeting, we hope to have the recipients of the Hobart scholarship (there are two this year) come and talk to us and tell us about their medical journey, please give Tony advance notice of your attendance on the 20<sup>th</sup> October.

Melbourne Cup day falls on the day we would normally meet so the following meeting will on the 17<sup>th</sup> November and councillor Brooke Patterson will be introducing herself to the Club and giving us some insight into her new role as councillor for Southport. This will be a partner's night as I'm sure our partners would like to meet Brooke as well.

Hopefully everyone who has suffered injuries and mishaps recently is on the mend and of course we're all here to help if help is needed.

**Andrew Middleton**

## **Scribes Report 6 October**

Chair **Graham C** got off to an early start with the four way test and toast to Queen and Australia.

**Pres Andrew** welcomed partners, DG Andy and ADG Eric. Roz I was back from Tasmania, treasurer Merv was back with us after another time in hospital and Jonathan Zervis and partner Helen. and Rotaractor Zara from Burleigh Heads.

**Secretary Tony G** reminded members that our next meeting was on 20 October but there will be no meeting on the first Tuesday of November as it is Melbourne Cup day. The third Tuesday will be a partners night with Brooke Patterson as speaker. Julia Craig is unwell as is Mira G..

**Jonathan Zervis** was then called forward. He is currently a member of Epping Club in NSW and was originally a member of Kokomakdoru club in Athens Greece. His classification is Disability Support. Andrew inducted him into Southport Club and gave him his badge. Jonathan thanked the club for welcoming him and said that Rotary is a significant part of his life.

Dinner was then served after which Graham C invited ADG Eric to speak. He told us he was a past president of Runaway Bay Club. He said there was a cluster muster this weekend but no one from Southport is attending.

**DG Andy** was then introduced and said this was the fifth time he has attended our club and asked what those present would like to ask the DG. Topics such as enjoyment of membership, gaining new members, exchange students in our district, and how Rotary survived Covid 19.

Sally P told of the continued contact she has had with Lynette Naido who is now a barrister in South Africa and is married. Eric asked how Andy copes with being a DG. Andy responded thanking Southport for being the backbone of Rotary on the Gold Coast. There have been 8 clubs chartered on the Gold Coast recently and Michael was thanked for his coaching. Because of covid he has spent more time in Qld and closer to home. Burleigh Heads club is the third biggest in Australia and clubs must go out to find new members and mentors for them. Ballina on Richmond is 20th largest club in NSW and has been involved in a walk against domestic violence and cooking meals for the homeless. Rotary has survived the great depression of the 30rs, WW1 and WW2. Rotary grows when Rotarians engage with the community. A corporate centre Rotary club is being established. Rotary creates friendships that last. Andy said we need to go over our basics. Welcome partners of members into the club. District 9640 has a 34% female membership--- the average for Australia is 24%.. All clubs need to engage with the community and he thanked Southport for 75 years of service.

Open for questions Roz asked Andy the impact of a female RI president in two years. Andy said more woman will become Rotary leaders and more women will be attracted to join with a female membership becoming stronger.

Andrew thanked Andy and commented how our Rotaryannes are the backbone of our club and reminded members of Brooke Pattersons visit on 17 November.

The raffle was won by Chris C and the **Heads and tails** by ADG Eric Lewis.

Andrew thanked the Overells for hosting the lunch for 14 people and then Gram C read the duty roster for 20 October.

In closing the meeting Andrew thanked all for attending especially DG Andy and ADG Eric and once again welcomed Jonathan into Southport club.

**Michael I.**

Members:9	Club Guests:	Visiting Rotarians: 3	Partners:8
Members Guests:	Visitors: 2		<b>Total: 22</b>
Fines: \$	Raffle: \$	Polio Plus: \$	Club Admin: \$
Billy: \$	Billy YTD: \$		

**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 October	Club meeting Ferry Rd Tavern
3 November	No meeting . Melbourne Cup day
17 November	Brooke Patterson is guest speaker partners night Ferry Rd tavern

DUTIES	20 October	3 November	17 November
Chair	Peter O	No meeting	Brooke Patterson guest speaker
Sergeant	Merv P		Partners night
Attendance/Trs	Jim S		
Rotary Minute	Tony S		
Vote of thanks	Ian C		
Ups and Downs	Graham C		
Scribe	Tony P		
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> 18 Oct Michael I	<b>Anniversaries</b>
<b>Rotary induction</b> 10 Oct 72 Lionel P	<b>Spouse birthday</b> 12 Oct Yvonne P

## 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)

District secretary is calling for nominations for DG for 2023-24. We will be happy to hear from any members who wish to nominate.

### Lunch at Overells.





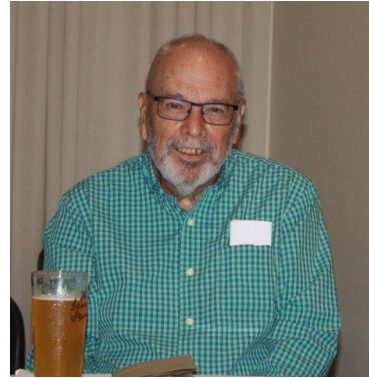
**Photos meeting 6 October**



**Chair Graham C**



**Welcome from Andrew**



**Merv back with us**



**Zara Rotaractor**



**Induction of Jonathan**



**Partner Helen**



**Jonathan responds**



**Vivienne, Andrew, Andy, Jonathan and Helen**



ADG Eric



DG Andy

October Humour

**Have you played the updated kids' game? I Spy With My Little Eye . . . Phone.**

**Don't you hate it when someone answers their own questions? I do.**

**I know they say that money talks, but all mine says is 'Goodbye.**

**I can't believe I got fired from the calendar factory. All I did was take a day off.**

**Never trust atoms; they make up everything.**

**My wife just found out I replaced our bed with a trampoline. She hit the ceiling!**

**The easiest time to add insult to injury is when you're signing someone's cast.**

**Light travels faster than sound, which is the reason that some people appear bright before you hear them speak**

**People who use selfie sticks really need to have a good, long look at themselves.**

**I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. It's impossible to put down**

**Two options for keeping a budget that always has money.**

**Add a zero or move the decimal point.**

**In the Store with my wife I saw a box of beer on offer for half price so I said can I have them? she said no, budget is tight, I said well you just bought lots of makeup, she replied, that is to make me look beautiful, I replied..**

**That is what the beer was for.**

**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
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