



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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Rotaryannes lunch Southport pool café 16 July 12.00 noon. Contact Sally P.

Next meeting 21 July club assembly Ferry Rd Tavern.



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

:
What a great way to start the new Rotary year - good fellowship, a decent meal cooked and served by someone else. Something we haven't had for a while now due to the pandemic. This year is going to be one of celebration for our Club as we reach seventy five and to start the year in a normal fashion after all those Zoom meetings is a good omen. Not that our Zoom meetings weren't fun but people need human contact and that contact is something that has made our Club so special over the years. I think that our project to build a community park on the old youth centre grounds is going to be a success and will provide something essential to the community of Southport.

The old normal is no longer and we will have to contend with the new ever-changing world around us but that's what Rotarians are good at so let's get on with it and have fun doing it. Our next meeting is an assembly so please put some thought into how we plan the future.

Andrew Middleton

SCRIBE'S REPORT – 7th July 2020

Chairman Graham Cooper opened the meeting at 6.20 pm. and invited everyone to recite the 4 Way Test. Chair Graham then proposed a toast the Queen and the people of Australia.

Graham

Then invited Pres. Tony to welcome all members and guests especially DG Andy Rajapakse.

Pres. Tony present his annual report, thanked retiring Board members and invited President Elect Andrew to receive the Chain Of Office and introduce the new board as follows:

President.....Andrew Middleton

Vice President.....Tony Gardner

Secretary.....Tony Gardner

Treasurer.....Merv Powell

Chairman Graham then invited PDG Michael Irving to propose a toast to Rotary International.

Michael reminded that the motto of Rotary is 'Service above self' and went on to tell us Rotarians are people of action who are problem solvers. We create opportunities for people and we are community builders. He reminded us thar Rotary in Australia id 100 years old this year and our club celebrates its 75th anniversary in August of this year.

DG Andy Rajapakse responded to the toast to Rotary International and inducted President Andrew. In his response DG Andy gave a brief review of the significant global involvement of Rotary International around the world including the fight to eradicate polio. Many other programs have recently been introduced for the benefit of mankind. The new Rotary banner with this year's logo was presented to Pres Andrew.

Toast to Wives/Partners.

Rtn Peter Overall raised a Toast to our wives and partners who have supported our club for 40 plus years. The ladies have been involved in many projects including the current Days for Girls Project.

Chair Graham responded on behalf of the ladies saying what great fellowship is enjoyed by the ladies.

PP Tony P played a video about the Ashmore mens' shed with excellent shots of the building and contents.

<u>Attendance:</u>	1 District Governor.	
	12 Members	
	11 Guests	Total 24

Sergeant:

Rtn Duncan then proceeded to highlight our aging Rotary population by fining those who have experienced unwelcome junior assistance. Following are a couple that stuck in the memory.

Not having an option for colour of coffee (with or without cream)

Having the door opened for you by a young person.

He then invited those present to tell their own stories and pay for the privilege.

Raffle Tony Stenton

Heads & Tails Jim Scotte

Next Club Meeting 21st July 2020. This will be a club assembly.

Meeting closed at 8:30pm

Jim S.

Letter about bushfire donation

Hi Tony,

Thanks for your email last week concerning the East Gippsland Rotary Fire Aid Fund.

The EGRFA committee certainly appreciated the generous donation of \$3,500 from the Rotary Club of Southport. Your donation, along with those from other Rotary Clubs, from other organisations and from individuals has resulted in a really remarkably fund raising response, with well over half a million dollars having been received.

Much of this fund has been distributed to people directly impacted by the bushfires of 2019 / 2020 -

- Over \$100,000 has been used for the purchase of fodder and fencing, especially in the farming areas around Buchan, Bairnsdale, Orbost, Cann River and Mallacoota, in East Gippsland,
- Over \$200,000 has been distributed in the form of cash vouchers for use in the main local towns, or as cash transfers to people in more remote areas who lost property,
- A similar amount has been used for emergency provision of firewood, community equipment, fuel cards, machinery and shipping containers for use as storage facilities to replace burnt shedding. A number of caravans have been provided as temporary accommodation for people who have lost homes.
- A number of community events (BBQs) have been conducted for fire affected communities.
- \$10,000 has been set aside for revegetation projects in fire affected communities.

The EGRFA committee is still working on distributing assistance to many requests which have yet to be met, which hopefully can be achieved as the fund is yet to be exhausted and donations keep coming in.

From personal contact with some of the fire victims, I can assure you that the assistance provided through EGRFA 's distribution of donated funds is very greatly appreciated.

Thanks again for the donation from the Rotary Club of Southport. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and is making a real difference to the lives of people affected by the 2019 /2020 bushfires in East Gippsland.

Best wishes,
Don Osborne.

Members:12	Club Guests:	Visiting Rotarians: 1	Partners:11
Members Guests:	Visitors:		Total: 24
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:

16 July	Rotaryannes lunch Southport pool café 12.00 noon
21 July	Club assembly Ferry Rd Tavern 615PM

DUTIES	21 July	4 August
Chair	Peter O	
Sergeant	Tony S	
Attendance/Trs	Jim S	
Rotary Minute	Merv P	
Vote of thanks		
Ups and Downs	Graham C	
Scribe	Michael I	
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 1 July Neil R 25 July Murray B 25 July Duncan P	Anniversaries
Rotary induction 1 July 01 Andrew M	Spouse birthday 9 July Sally 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

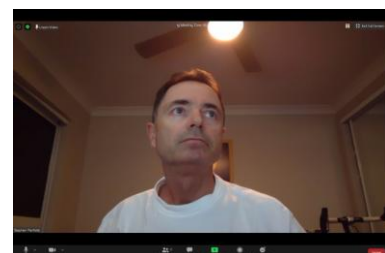
March: Water & Sanitation

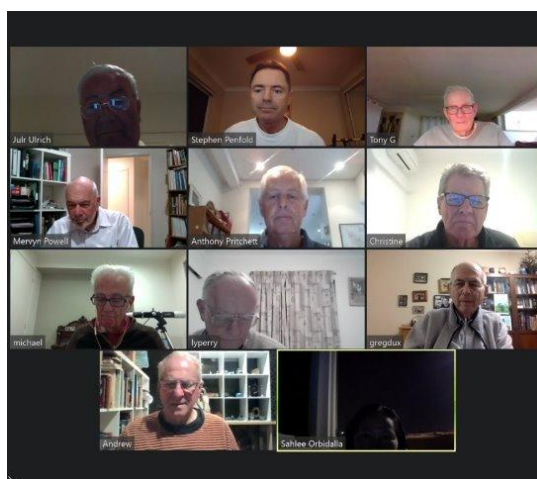
May: Youth Services

Contributions to The Rotator are most welcome, please e-mail tonyandmira@optusnet.com.au before 6.00pm Thursday.

Copies to Sue Dux suedux@hotmail.com

Photos Zoom meeting 30 June courtesy Steve P.





At Rotary Park:



Photos Changeover 7 July.



Updated honour board

Tony P and DG Andy

Some lovely ladies



Chair Graham C

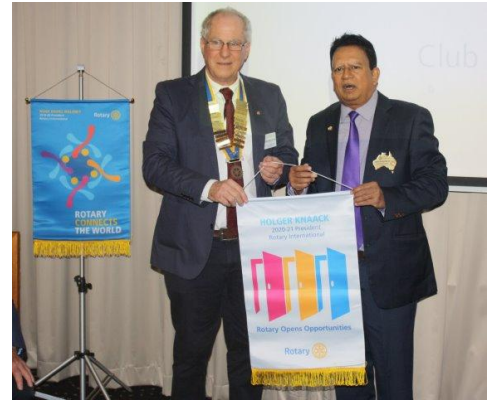
Pres Andrew gets the chain Tony G, Merv and Pres Andrew the club board



PDG Michael I toast to RI



DG Andy responds



Andrew gets the new RI banner



Peter O toasts the ladies



Sgt Duncan gathers fines



Julia Craig had a story



From Mens' shed video



Pres Andrew and DG Andy Rajapakse

Some July Humour

Why do French people eat snails so much. Because they can't stand fast food

A guest called the waiter and asked," How come there are no chairs at our table?"

He replied," You only booked a table."

I asked my daughter if she had seen my paper. She told me that papers are old hat and handed me her ipad. The fly stood no chance.

A recent study showed that out of 299,365,876,980 people 94% are too lazy to read the number.

Is Google male or female?

A: Female, because it doesn't let you finish a sentence before making a suggestion.

The Rotator editor is said to be only one eyed this week after surgery. He is also called a great wit . These are only half true.

Can a kangaroo jump higher than the Empire State Building?

A: Of course. The Empire State Building can't jump.

Instead of "the John," I call my toilet "the Jim." That way it sounds better when I say I go to the Jim first thing every morning.

Our next meeting at Ferry Rd Tavern on 21 July will have the normal meal format where you order at the downstairs bar and pay \$5 to attendance duty member.

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