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# Rotary The Rotator

District 9640  
District Governor Harry Bolton

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

**Service above self**

**Club President: Tony Pritchett**



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**Rotary Month: December:- Disease Prevention and Treatment**

**Next Club meeting: Tuesday 3 December . Evolve Night . \$20pp 5.30PM Ferry Rd Tavern.**



## **A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

Our number might have been small but our meeting last night was a busy one. Guest speaker, Keir Tierney, held everyone's attention as he updated us about progress of the installation of nbn to our region. Eventually every home will have to connect to nbn so it was a timely and informative presentation.

It was a pleasure to welcome visiting Rotarian, Simone Pili, from RC Cagliari Est, Sardinia, Italy and exchange banners with him. We look forward to seeing more of Simone when he and his family move permanently to Gold Coast to live.

The Board met over dinner and efficiently dealt with numerous items of business. Importantly, the Board passed a motion to instigate setting up a satellite Rotary Club. It is envisaged that, once established, the proposed satellite club will absorb our current club and become the revitalised Rotary Club of Southport, thus preserving the history and continuance of our club for the future. The Board also reinstated our commitment to send literacy kits to a school in Tanzania as a way of thanking guest speakers. This scheme had inexplicably lapsed for no apparent reason. Regrettably, the Board resolved that it will be necessary to reimpose a \$5 door fee at normal club meetings from the beginning of 2020 to offset the cost of guest speaker meals and prizes for H&T and raffle.

Southport Rotary's fundraising project for **END POLIO NOW**, a High Tea on Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> October was most successful, raising \$1,110. Thirty four people attended and everyone commended our Rotaryannes on the delicious sandwiches, savouries and cakes that they provided. Thank you, ladies. As their reward, seven Rotarians treated their wives to a gourmet feast at Little Truffle, Mermaid Beach on 6<sup>th</sup> November.

The AGM last night failed to receive nominations for President or Board for 2020-21. This is a serious concern. These positions must be filled in the near future.

There was insufficient time last night to reflect on the fact that yesterday, 19<sup>th</sup> November, was World Toilet Day. I had hoped to speak about this very important commodity that we so casually take for granted; but I commend to everyone the excellent articles in the latest edition of *Rotary Down Under*. If you have Netflix, check out the first episode of “*Inside Bill’s Brain: Decoding Bill Gates*.”

Southport Rotary is hosting its third Evolve Business Networking event on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. An information session about setting up a satellite Rotary Club will be incorporated into this meeting for the benefit of prospective new members. I know a number of our members are unavailable that night but a full turnout of everyone who can make this meeting is needed to ensure all the visitors are warmly greeted. As previously, a first glass of beer, wine or soft drink will be complimentary and tasty canapes served. \$20pp; please register: <https://southportrotary.com.au/event/evolve-business-networking-event/> and pre-pay Southport Club a/c.

Le Café Gourmand, Mermaid Beach has been booked for 17<sup>th</sup> December, 7pm, for the club’s Christmas Party. A minimum 14 are required. Please ensure you have registered: <https://southportrotary.com.au/event/christmas-party/>

In a departure from the norm, The Board has decided that following the Christmas break our first meeting in the New Year will be Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January. (Note: this is the second Tuesday in January). On Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> January an Aussie BBQ lunch is proposed. Details and venue will be advised in due course.

Check our full program of events in CR or on our website:

- <https://southportrotary.com.au/>

Tony Pritchett



### ***Scribes Report 19 November***

Club meeting and AGM 19/11/19

**Chair Michael I** opened the meeting at 6.15pm with the four way test and toast to the queen and Australia..

Attendance: 1 visitors, 1 visiting Rotarian and 10 members Total 12.

**Graham Cooper** in his Rotary minute spoke about the battle to rid the world of Trachoma and of Rotary’s efforts in eradicating it in Australia where it is still present in the indigenous communities. The goal is to eradicate by 2021.

President Tony P welcomed all to the meeting especially guest speaker Keir Tierney and visiting Rotarian from Italy Simone Pipi. Tony mentioned our next meeting was an Evolve night on 3 December at Ferry Rd Tavern.

Simone gave a short talk about himself and said he is planning to move to Australia to live permanently. He then present the club with a banner from his home club and Chair Michael responded presenting him one of our club banners.

While the table including the visitors were entertained greatly by stories of snakes appearing in strange places, which provided Duncan much ammunition in his role as sergeant, the other table conducted a Club board meeting.

Following the board meeting the AGM was started and President Tony gave his report . He called for nominations for president and board members for the coming year but none were forthcoming except for Merv P offering to stay on as treasurer. Pres Tony said that our January meeting would be the deadline for nominations for president and board as he is going away early in the new year.

Treasurer Mervyn filed his report. These were approved by the Club.


**Duncan** extracted a lot of money with his normal humour. Heads and Tails won by Andrew, raffle won by Michael.

A board decision which will take effect next year is that the Club will levy a \$5 fee at every meeting to cover the cost of the wine.

Chairman Michael then introduced **Keir Tierney** from NBN who proceeded to explain how the NBN works and how we may get the benefit of the different processes available, whilst warning us of the various scams surrounding the changes. **Jim Scotte** gave a vote of thanks.

The president then closed the meeting with a reminder that the Christmas function is on the 17/12/19 and members need to book .Our first meeting of the new year will be on 14 January.

**Andrew M**



A promotional poster for a networking event titled 'EVOLVE'. The background is a blurred photo of people at a social gathering. The text is overlaid in white and yellow. At the top, it lists 'GUEST SPEAKERS | DRINK ON ARRIVAL | CANAPES | COCKTAIL HOUR'. Below that is the date 'TUESDAY 3RD DECEMBER'. The word 'EVOLVE' is in large, bold, white letters. Underneath is a yellow banner with 'NETWORKING FOR BUSINESS'. Then, a clock icon followed by '5:30PM | FERRY RD TAVERN'. Below that is a ticket icon followed by 'TICKETS AVAILABLE: BIT.LY/2WPBKXQ'. At the bottom, there is contact information: an email icon followed by 'southportrotaryqld@gmail.com', a phone icon followed by '0455 161 626', a Facebook icon followed by 'Sponsored by:', and the Rotary Club of Southport logo.

GUEST SPEAKERS | DRINK ON ARRIVAL | CANAPES | COCKTAIL HOUR

TUESDAY 3RD DECEMBER

**EVOLVE**

NETWORKING FOR BUSINESS

🕒 5:30PM | FERRY RD TAVERN

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## HIGH TEA RIVAGE ROYAL



## CHRISTMAS NEWSLETTER 2019

### "Empowering Indonesian Children for a Brighter Future"

Dear Donor

I am pleased to forward a Christmas Newsletter from Salvation Army, Indonesia. Please share this with your Rotary Club members and friends. Please publish this Newsletter in your Club's Bulletin. This Newsletter will be posted on our website for future reference:

<https://southportrotary.com.au/sitepage/project-36-2009-10-indonesia/>

Thank you for your generous support for this project.

Yours in Rotary

*Tony Pritchett, Manager Project 36-2009-10 # Indonesia*

Please check for updates and share this link with your Rotary Club members.

**CLICK ON THIS LINK TO VIEW THE LATEST NEWSLETTER:**

<https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000007970/en-au/files/homepage/newsletter-may-2019/Newsletter->



May-2019.pdf

We welcome your feedback. Please email us at: [southportrotaryqld@gmail.com](mailto:southportrotaryqld@gmail.com)



### **Information about our Evolve night.**

The gathering will start at 6.00PM and the guest speaker will be Jacob Kay talking about Vaccine Hesitation. An information session on satellite clubs will be lead by Leigh Watson.

The \$20 admission fee will provide one free drink and nibbles during the evening. It is important that all members indicate if they are attending and of course invite friends and business associates. Members may pre pay the fee by electronic transfer to the club account:- BSB 124 085 Acc No. 21863837. Visitors can do this on the web site.

The next club meeting will be on the 14<sup>th</sup> the second Tuesday of January 2020 at Ferry Rd Tavern. This will be the only club meeting for January..



Health Care should be Universal

Rotary  
Northern Region  
**RAWCS Northern Region**  
**Donations in Kind Newsletter**

23 Mary Street Kingston  
Mobile: 0488 568 042 Email: [dik.rawcsnorthern@gmail.com](mailto:dik.rawcsnorthern@gmail.com)  
October 2019 Edition No. 33



Every Child Deserves a Good Education

**DONATIONS IN KIND NORTHERN REGION FACTS & FIGURES**

**Facts and Figures as at 31/10/2019**

**Summary of Consignments**

**Total Number of Containers: 978**

**Estimated Value of Donations: \$57.5 million Total Cost of Freight: \$3.0 million**

**Summary of Common Donations Consigned**

Hospital Beds	8,701	Mattresses	5,540	Patient Trolleys	439	Bedside Cabinets	1,422
Wheelchairs	3,877	Hospital Linen (bags)	17,478	Hospital Medical Supplies (cartons)	48,250		
		School Desks	32,662	Books (cartons)	91,136		



Donations in Kind has recently been the recipient of a large quantity of Hospital Beds with approximately 150 being received at the store in the last couple of months. This number is about to increase rapidly with the Mater Hospital finally about to take receipt of the first batch of new beds.

**Consignments**

To date, a total of equivalent to 11 x 20' containers has been sent to various destinations by Donations in Kind Northern Region during this 2018-19 Rotary year.  
Destinations included Sri Lanka, Timor Leste, and Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands.

1 x 20' to the Rotary Club of Gizo in the Solomon Islands – a project of the Rotary Club of Mooloolaba in District 9600

3 x 40' containers of hospital equipment to the Ministry of Health in Sri Lanka – a project of Ajit Abeyewardene and the Federation of Sri Lankan Organisations in Queensland.

1 X 20' container to the Kavieng General Hospital in PNG – a project of the Rotary Club of Brisbane in District 9600

1 x 20' container to Dili in Timor Leste – a project of Brendan Ryan and the Rotary Club of Toowoomba South in District 9630

21 x 40' container to the Rotary Club of Port Moresby – a project of Donations in Kind Northern Region

**Future Planned Consignments**

The following containers are in the planning stage and will happen over the next couple of months:

1 x 20' container for Mogulu in PNG – this container has been packed and is waiting on the finalisation of funding

1 x 40' container for Kimbe in PNG – this container is packed with educational equipment and waiting on the finalisation of funding

1 x 20' container for Kiaunga in PNG – this is a project of the Rotary club of Cleveland and is presently being packed

2 x 20' containers for Christmas Island in Kiribatti – this is a project of the Rotary Club of Goolabalah in District 9640 and volunteers from this Club will be packing the containers this coming weekend

1 x 40' container for Fiji – this is a project of the Rotary Club of Stanthorpe in District 9640. The container is presently in Stanthorpe being packed  
1 x 20' container for Fiji – this is a project of the Rotary Club of Archerfield in District 9630 and the Dean Brothers. We are waiting on instructions to proceed with the booking of this container.

1 x 40' container for Rabaul in PNG – this is a project of the East New Britain Queensland Association

1 x 40' container for Dili in Timor Leste – this is a project of Bren Milson of District 9640



Gone are the days when school desks were placed in a line with the students facing the blackboard. Schools are now changing to use Flexible Learning Furniture that can be arranged in various configurations allowing the students to work in groups or individually.  
As a result of the above, Donations in Kind continues to be the recipient of a large quantity of school furniture.

Members: 10	Club Guests: 1	Visiting Rotarians: 1	Partners:
Members Guests:	Visitors:		<b>Total: 12</b>
Fines: \$ 44.30	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:**

<b>3 December</b>	Evolve night ferry Rd tavern
<b>5 December</b>	Partners lunch Emerald Lakes Golf Course
<b>17 December</b>	Christmas party le Café Gourmond
<b>14 January</b>	Club meeting Ferry Rd Tavern
<b>26 January</b>	Australia Day BBQ
<b>4 February</b>	Club meeting . Board meeting Ferry Rd Tavern

DUTIES	3 December	
Chair	Evolve night	
Sergeant	NA	
Attendance/Trs	Ian C	
Rotary Minute	NA	
Vote of thanks	NA	
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> 22 November Elisabeth S 16 December Tony P	<b>Anniversaries</b> 22 November Greg and Sue D 13 Dec Andrew and Vivienne M 15 December Tony and Mira G
<b>Rotary induction</b>	<b>Spouse birthday</b> 22 November Sue D 5 Dec Vivienne M

## 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

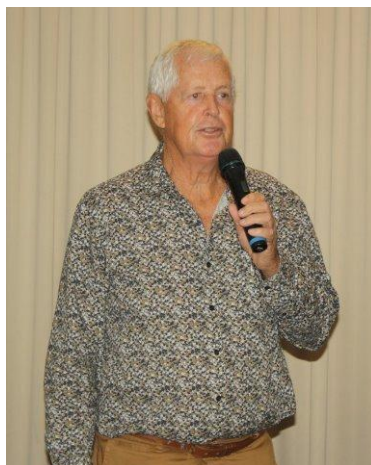
Contributions to The Rotator are most welcome, please e-mail [tonyandmira@optusnet.com.au](mailto:tonyandmira@optusnet.com.au) before 6.00pm Thursday.

Copies to Sue Dux [suedux@hotmail.com](mailto:suedux@hotmail.com)

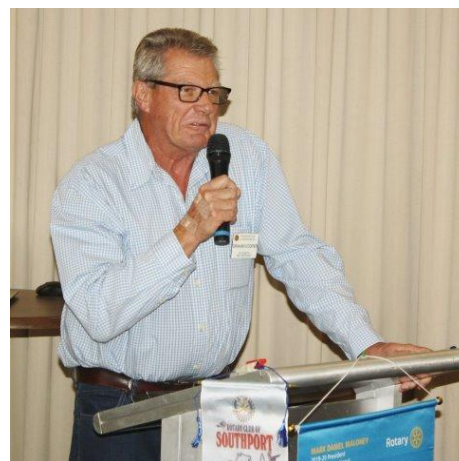
## Photos meeting 19 November



**Chair Michael I**



**Pres Tony P**



**Rotary minute Graham C**





**Simome Pipi**



**Exchange of banners**



**Sgt Duncan P**



**Keir Tierney**



**Vote of thanks Jim S**



**Pres Tony and Kier**

## **Blame the internet**

**I thought I won an argument with my wife about how to rearrange our furniture, but when I got home, the tables were turned**

**My wife just opened the car door for me..It would have been a nice gesture had we not been driving at 60 mph**

**A weasel walks into a bar. The bartender says, “Wow, I’ve never served a weasel before.What can I get for you?”“Pop”, goes the weasel.**

**What’s the fastest liquid on Earth?Milk. It’s pasteurized before you see it.**

**I asked my wife what she wanted for her birthday.She said “Nothing would make me happier than a pair of diamond earrings”, so I got her nothing.**

**What do you call a boat full of polite football players?A good sportsman ship.**

**I once dated a girl with a lazy eye.It turns out she was seeing someone else on the side.**

**Where did Captain Hook buy his hook at?The second hand store.**

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

<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Club</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Address</b>
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 <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
First and third Thursdays	7.15AM	Griffith Gold Coast	G’s Restaurant Griffith Uni	Griffith University