



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: 6 April. Venue:- meeting room next to Ashmore mens' shed. Cost \$25
6.00pm for 6.15pm



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

A big thanks to Barb and Peter for hosting us on Tuesday. DG Andy and DG-Elect Jeff were visitors and we had a very good meeting with decisions being made about our future. You have already received an update from me via email.

Our next meeting will be on the 6th April at the Men's shed in Ashmore. Catering arrangements will be made clearer closer to the time as many members are travelling or planning to travel now that restrictions are being lifted.

Tony or I will keep you informed but please feel free to contact me at any time. I hope you all have a joyful Easter with family if possible and don't eat too much chocolate or too many hot-cross buns.

Andrew Middleton

Report on meeting 16 March 2021.

Seven members and two visiting Rotarians met at the Overells for an informal meeting about the future of Southport Rotary. DG Andy and DG elect Jeff Egan came along to participate in the discussion .

Pres Andrew told us we can continue as a club with the present three executives and we can decide where and when we meet. The survey of members got 13 replies on the question of becoming a satellite club of Broadwater club. To be viable the satellite club needs 10 members and that support was not forthcoming from members. The thought of

handing back our charter was not a happy option so the idea that we continue as a Rotary club but with changes in our way of functioning met with support from the meeting. Andrew spoke of the support Broadwater offered if we had wished to join them as a satellite club and said he would promptly write to the president explaining our position and thanking the club for their support.

We may have a more social structure in the future but would be most happy to join with Broadwater in some of their projects.. We do have 18 members but often only have six attend a meeting. Several members never come , some due to health reasons and others due to work travel or excused attendance. The room cost of \$100 at the Tavern since the start of this year has been a matter of great concern and we will seek a new venue. The Ashmore mens shed was suggested as a possible venue as Southport Rotary put over \$70,000 into the project. There is a separate meeting room and kitchen that Ashmore club use for some of their meetings.

If we stay as a club our bank accounts can continue and the various funds we hold for Griffith scholarships and the gift from Cyril Richarde can all continue to be allowed to function as previously. Our membership fees are less than Broadwater Club and we can continue to reach out to other Rotary organisations to be allowed to participate in some of their projects. The fact that we are a club of senior citizens is a major part of our problem but we have existed for over 75 years and there is a strong desire among members that we should continue even in a more limited capacity.

We may be able to join in the mens shed projects activities in fund raising such as the Bunnings sausage sizzle. We plan to notify Ferry Rd Tavern immediately and Lionel and Merv offered to remove our material from the hotel and store it at Lionel's home. Pres Andrew will notify members as soon as possible of the decision made this evening and hoped most would continue their membership of the club.

There are many things still to be resolved but both the DG and DGN wished us all the best and offered full support for our path ahead.

Peter O went off and brought back pizzas for our meal together and these together with the very pleasant red wine offered made for a very pleasant evening of fellowship enjoying the kind hospitality of the Overells.

Our next meeting venue will be announced as soon as possible.

PS. The hotel offered to reduce the room hire charge to \$50 per meeting. We will consider this at our next meeting.

Members:7	Club Guests:	Visiting Rotarians: 2	Partners:
Members Guests:	Visitors:		Total: 9
Fines: \$	Raffle: \$	Polio Plus: \$	Club Admin: \$
Billy: \$	Billy YTD: \$		

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Currumbin-Coolangatta-Tweed are conducting a Charity Golf Day on Friday 14th May prior to conference. **More details can be found on the District Web page, directly under the Conference registration.** So if you are a golfer and wish to participate, please consider and register accordingly.

YIR, Sue Randel
cc: Pres. John Giuricin - CCT
Sec Bob Anley-CCT

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:

6 April	Club meeting Ashmore mens shed
20 April	Club meeting. Venue to be notified

DUTIES	16 March	
Chair		

Sergeant		
Attendance/Trs		
Rotary Minute		
Vote of thanks		
Ups and Downs		
Scribe		
Meet and Greet		

Note: It is the responsibility of members to arrange a replacement if they cannot fulfill a duty

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Celebrations

Birthdays 2 April Greg D 10 April TonyG	Anniversaries 6 April Tony and Sally P 10 April Graham and Christine C
Rotary induction	Spouse birthday

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 16 March 2021



Andrew waxed lyrical



Ian C liked the beer



Pete's pizza



DG Andy dined well



Treasurer Merv in deep discussion



DG elect Jeff enjoyed company and food

Easter Jokes

- **Christmas does come before Easter in one place—but where? The dictionary!**
- **What's the best way to make Easter easier? Put an "i" where the "t" is.**
- **How does Easter end? With an "R"!**
- **Where does Easter take place every year? Where eggs marks the spot!**
- **How can you make Easter preparations go faster? Use the eggs-press lane!**
- **What should you do to prepare for all the Easter treats? Eggs-ercise!**
- **What kind of jewelry is the best Easter gift? A 14-carrot gold necklace.**
- **What kind of bean can't grow in a garden? A jelly bean.**
- **What happens if you get married on Easter? You live hoppily ever after**
- **What do you call a rabbit with fleas? Bugs Bunny.**
- **What do you get when you pour hot water into a rabbit hole? Hot cross bunnies.**
- **What did the Easter Bunny say to the carrot? Nice gnawing you.**
- **What is Easter Bunny's favorite kind of music? Hip-hop!**
- **What do you get if you give an Easter Bunny a pair of socks? A sock hop!**
- **How does an Easter Bunny keep his fur looking so good? Hare spray.**
- **What's the Easter Bunny's favorite restaurant? IHOP.**
- **Why was the Easter Bunny so sad? He was having a bad hare day.**
- **How does the Easter Bunny stay in shape? He eggs-ercises.**
- **How does the Easter Bunny stay fit? Hare-obics.**
- **How does the Easter Bunny travel? By hare-plane.**
- **How do you write a letter to an Easter Bunny? Use hare-mail!**



"What a lucky break!
Not only do we FIND the Easter bunny...
BUT we catch him right when he's
making chocolate mini-eggs!"

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 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