

The Rotator

District 9640
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Rotary Club of Southport Chartered 20 August 1945. Club No. 17905

Service above self

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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

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July:- Start of new Rotary year

Next meeting: 6 July Ferry Rd Tavern.



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our changeover was a little different but it was lovely to have our partners with us. Sadly our lives all are all a little poorer with the passing of Greg. He was a true friend to me and well respected by many in our community as well as an outstanding Rotarian.

The recipient for the Jack Cronin award has been selected, Kyle Jeffery-Prestwich, hopefully he will be able to attend one of our meetings soon.

Please remember to confirm whether you are coming to Ocean Shores for our Sunday outing.

'Serve to Change Lives' is the logo for the new Rotary year, let us continue to do just that.

Andrew Middleton

Scribes Report 15 June 2021

Chair Michael I opened the meeting at 6.16PM with the four way test and toast to the Queen and Australia

He then gave a short talk on Greg Dux who Michael had invited to join Rotary. Greg was a descendant of a Germanic family who were pioneers in the area famous for farming oysters Greg's father was a policeman and he was a student at Marist Ashgrove and excelled in cricket and rugby and was a very good student. Greg played A grade cricket and was a front row forward in rugby. He studied chemistry and theology at UQ but then became a teacher. This is how he met Sue who was also a teacher and who had to quit when she got married. Greg taught at Charters Towers , was head master at Bamaga and then moved to the Gold Coast to lead Southport High and Nerang High school. He taught chemistry at Bond University where he was highly regarded. He joined Southport Club and was involved with the Science Summer School and assisted the club with the Hobart and Cronin

scholarships. He was a man of few well chosen words and highly regarded by all who knew him.

A minutes silence was observed.

President Andrew then spoke what a good friend Greg was and that he was secretary to Greg when he was president in 2011-12. He has been unwell for the last two years. We hope to see the winners of the Hobart and Cronin scholarships at our club soon. Andrew then welcomed members, partners and ADG Eric Lewis. He gave special thanks to our partners who are their backbone of Southport Club.

Chair Michael then invited **Eric Lewis** to speak. Eric passed on DG Andy's apologies for not being able to attend. There are 35,000 clubs in the world and told us that RI is us. Rotary is known by its results. Eric said he realised our club was going through a difficult time but the district is flourishing. We have welcomed 347 new members and lost some this year. Our net gain was 240 members. 38 clubs have had an increase in membership and Ballina on Richmond has gained 38 members and now has a total of 75 members, the largest in the district.. There have been 5 new clubs and 2 satellite clubs. We have 527 ladies as members - 38% of membership. RYTS and RYLA and other similar organisations have done well and the district has donated \$300,000 to RI. Clubs have received \$79,000 in matching grants. The 100 year anniversary of Rotary in Australia was well celebrated in the district. He thanked all club members for their support.

Michael thanked Eric for his address and introduced Peter O for a toast to RI.

Peter told us Rotary was 110 years old starting with Paul Harris and has done huge amounts for humanity, survived two world wars and been responsible for UNESCO which went on to become the UN. Rotary has spent large amounts in assisting the needy of the world. Polio Plus was a world changer and it was realised that after Covid funds must be used wisely.

Peter proposed a toast to RI.

As members enjoyed the free champagne being handed around Michael claimed the plimsoll line in Tony P's boat in France was hidden due to the weight of champagne corks!

Graham C was the introduced to propose a toast to the Rotaryannes of our club. He mentioned that Paul Harris' wife , Jean, assisted him greatly and was responsible for founding Inner Wheel.. Women were finally allowed into Rotary in 1977 after a US court case. To be effective Rotarians need the support of their wives who have helped us in many Rotary projects.

A toast was proposed to the Annes.

Pres Andrew the gave a report on the year saying what a great occasion was our 75th anniversary. We have founded many clubs and award the Hobart and Cronin scholarships each year to students at Griffith Uni. We have funds in our accounts that we will find projects for this year. He then congratulated Merv P on the great job he has done as treasurer and asked him to join him. Glenda was then asked to join them and was awarded a PHF for all the assistance she gave Merv and the work with the Annes. Merv pinned on the badge and all applauded. Andrew announced that he is staying on as president and Merv will remain as treasurer and Tony G as secretary. All members are on the board.

He mentioned the rise of Polio in the Phillipines and said it may take decades to now reach a nil situation. Tony S contribution to room hire at the Tavern was greatly appreciated. Fellowship in the club is most important and Peter O is taking numbers for our Sunday lunch at Ocean Shores golf club on 27 June. where we will catch up with Murray Bertram.

Heads and tails Glenda P. **Raffle** Chris C

Duty roster for 6 July was read. Andrew thanked Eric for his attendance and Lionel P told us that Meals on Wheels was 50 years old this year.

Meeting closed at 8.00PM.

TonyG.

Members:8	Club Guests:	Visiting Rotarians: 1	Partners:6
Members Guests:	Visitors:		Total: 15
Fines: \$	Raffle: \$65	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:

27 June	Social lunch gathering at Ocean Shores Golf Club
6 July	Club meeting Ferry Rd tavern
20 July	Club Meeting Ferry Rd Tavern

DUTIES	6 July	
Chair	Merv P	
Sergeant		
Attendance/Trs	Lionel P	
Rotary Minute	Andrew M	
Vote of thanks		
Ups and Downs	Michael I	
Scribe	Graham C	
Meet and Greet	All	

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Celebrations

Birthdays 25 July Murray Bertram 29 July Duncan P	Anniversaries
Rotary induction	Spouse birthday
1 July 01 Andrew M	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



Greg Dux Died 11 June 2021



RIP









Dear Presidents & Secretaries, please see the attached letter from Lesley Turton of the RC of Beaudesert seeking your assistance with funds to support the Rotary Wildlife Hospital. Should you have any funds left over before you hand over to your successor, they would be gratefully received.

Please direct any enquiries to either Lesley or Michelle whose details appear at the bottom of the letter.

YIR, Sue Randel cc: Lesley Turton Michelle Mitchell

The social lunch day lunch is at Ocean Shores Golf Club at 12 noon on Sunday 27 June.

113A Orana Road
Ocean Shores
Contact Peter O if you are coming.

Good morning Rotary Annes,

Time for another Sewing day as we have some bags to thread and another little job to be done for our Days for Girls project.

Monday June 28th. 9.30am at Nancy's house in Yunga Crescent with a small plate for morning tea if possible.

Looking forward to seeing you all,

Cheers, Sally Pritchett.

Photos 15 June



Four of our lovely Annes



Michael I and ADG Eric



Merv and Lionel swap yarns



Chair Michael I



President Andrew



ADG Eric Lewis



Graham C shares champagne



Toast to RI Peter O



Graham C toasts the Annes Merv reads the PHF



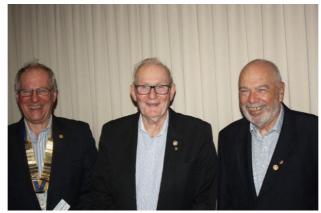
And pins it on Glenda



Glenda thanks the club



Pres Andrew, Merv and Glenda



President Andrew, secretary Tony G and Treasurer Merv

"A non executive director was a bit like a bidet - no one knows what it does, but it adds a bit of class"

A supervisor's comment on an employee evaluation. He's never been very successful. When opportunity knocks, he complains about the noise

Definition of a power struggle: When your boss has the power and you have the struggle

How did you get this big executive job?" asked the secretary. "You've only been here three months." The young man shrugged modestly and explained, "I ran into my father and he took a liking to me."

I would call in sick a lot. I would say I had female problems. My boss didn't know I meant her.

Money can't buy happiness, but it helps you look for it in more places."

Why did the surgeon not like the movie? It was the uncut version

What do people like to wear in England? Tea-shirts

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.'

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

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

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