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The Rotator

Rotary Club of Southport
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Service above self

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October : Economic and community development.

Tuesday 29 September social BYO lunch 12 PM Overells home.

6 October DG Andy club visit . Partners night Ferry Rd Tavern



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's always pleasant to hear members give a 'behind the badge' talk as we meet so regularly and enjoy external speakers but we often forget how interesting the lives of our members are. Jonathan also raised an important aspect of life in Australia - this is a country far away from Europe, young enough and vast enough to let all immigrants feel that they can settle down and make a go of it. So many of Europe's ex-colonies were settled in by people who still owed allegiance to the countries of their birth. Those kind of people are always putting something aside for when they go back or in case they have to leave. That doesn't happen here and so we have a sense of permanence which is very re-assuring. Rotary Clubs play an important role in this process by making people feel part of the community and also allowing them to give back to society.

Next meeting will be the DG's visit and we will also welcome Jonathan formally into our Club as a member, please let Tony know of your attendance as soon as possible.

Hopefully the new relaxation of Covid restrictions will continue

Andrew Middleton

Rotary Club of Southport SCRIBE'S REPORT 15 SEPTEMBER, 2020

Sergeant Jim Scotte called the meeting to order at 6:14pm. At the behest of chairman, Tony Stenton, members recited the 4-way test and toasted the Queen and people of Australia.

President Andrew Middleton welcomed everyone with especial greetings to soon-to-become member, **Jonathon Zervis** from Rotary Club of Epping, NSW.

President Andrew advised members of a notice received concerning a change to voting entitlements for RI Council of Legislation. **PDG Michael Irving** explained the reasons for the new motion that would in effect reverse a motion passed last year to restrict the number of Past RI Presidents and others from being eligible to receive expenses-paid travel and accommodation to attend meetings which are held in USA. Southport members unanimously favoured retaining the existing quota as passed in 2019.

The recent capsizing of a live-cattle freighter in a typhoon off the coast of Japan brought to mind an experience for **Ian Craig**. He regaled everyone with another adventuresome tale of his time afloat as a marine engineer, explaining how he once helped the crew seal up a leaking stern gland around a propeller shaft almost 1.5m in diameter in the midst of a frightening storm in the Pacific.

Secretary Tony Gardner reported attendance of 10 members and 1 visiting Rotarian. Tony advised numbers for DG's visit on 6 October must be advised to FRT soon and passed around a form for members to indicate their intention to attend, plus partners. Dress code: GC casual.

Sergeant Jim fined the 8 members wearing their name badge, exempting 2 who weren't. Several members attempted to recount jokes but seemed to raise more groans than laughter and were thus deemed not worthy of recording. **H&T** was won by **Andrew**; the **raffle** was won by **Peter Overell**.

"Man behind the Badge," **Jonathon Zervis** explained he was very pleased to be transferring to Southport. Of Greek/Australian heritage, he was born in Athens but spent most of his young life in South Africa after his parents moved there when he was two years old. He returned to Greece at age 12 but felt he didn't fit in. At 18 he returned to SA and studied South African politics at university. He then returned again to Greece and fulfilled his military service commitment, then moved to Australia to undertake post-graduate study at Macquarie University. He entered business, first in property management and later in hair products before succumbing to the financial storm aroused by the GFC. Jonathon's application for Australian Citizenship was approved, finally, after he had once more returned to Europe.

After successfully renewing his Australian passport he immigrated permanently to Sydney in 2019 where he joined Rotary Club of Epping. He has enjoyed the warmth of friendship in Rotary and is looking forward to joining the members of Southport Rotary. Jonathon's partner is Helen, a registered nurse and also of Greek/Australian heritage. Helen grew up in the Northern Territory.

In closing the meeting President Andrew reminded everyone to be vigilant about remaining COVID safe. He implored all to try to attend the next meeting on 6 October when DG Andy Rajapakse will officially visit our club.

A lunch (BYO everything) is planned for noon Tuesday 29th September at Overells' place. If numbers are still restricted to 10 due to Covid-19 regulations then a second venue will be advised with half the number allotted to each property.

Tony P.



Social BYO lunch at Pete and Barb Overells on Tuesday 29 September at 12 noon.

Numbers are needed by Friday 25 September at the latest.

Please contact Pete Overell on peteandbarb@bigpond.com or ring 5539 3241.

If the limit of 10 people at a home is still applying at that date a second member will offer his home so all can still attend the BYO everything social lunch.

Members:10	Club Guests:	Visiting Rotarians: 1	Partners:
Members Guests:	Visitors:		Total: 11
Fines: \$ 21.05	Raffle: \$50	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:

6 October	DG Andy official visit to club Partners night
29 September	Proposed lunch at the Overells social day
20 October	Club meeting Ferry Rd Tavern
17 November	Brooke Patterson is guest speaker

DUTIES	6 October		
Chair	Graham C		
Sergeant	Duncan P		

Attendance/Trs	Jim S		
Rotary Minute			
Vote of thanks	Andrew M		
Ups and Downs	Peter O		
Scribe	Ian C		
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.



DG Andy's visit to Southport Club 6 October.

Dress is smart casual and it is a partners night commencing at 6.15PM Cost is \$30 pp for a main course with alternate drops.

Ferry Rd Tavern needs numbers by **29 September**. Please book on the club website or email me your intention to attend.

Payment can be made into the club account:

BSB 124 065

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We will be inducting our new member Jonathan Zervis.

Celebrations

Birthdays 19 Sept Ian C 18 Oct Michael I	Anniversaries 16 Sept Jim and Ev S
Rotary induction 10 Oct 72 Lionel P	Spouse birthday 16 Sept Ev S 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 before 6.00pm Thursday.

Copies to Sue Dux suedux@hotmail.com

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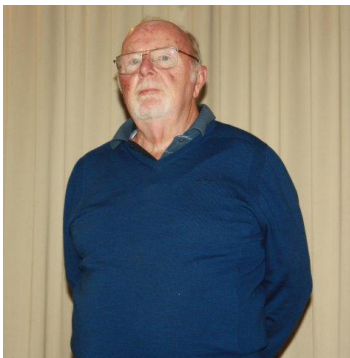
Chair Tony S



Welcome from Andrew



PDG Michael explains RI



Ilan C talks leaky ships



Sergeant Jim S



Jonathan Zervis

During the COVID-19 crisis,
continuing research into mental health
is more important than ever.
DONATE NOW.



Australian Rotary Health Latest News

Less Than 4 Weeks Until Hat Day!



[Hat Day](#), Australian Rotary Health's annual national mental health research fundraising event is now less than 4 weeks away.

Even though COVID-19 may have disrupted many events this year, there are still some ways you can get involved in Hat Day this October to help

#Liffthelidonmentalillness

Greek Mythology Jokes

What game did the Greek Gods play?
Hydra and go seek.

What did the Ancient Greeks wear on their feet?
Tennis Zeus.

How do Greek women get ready for a toga party?

With A Hera appointment.

Have you seen the movies about Greek Mythology?

No?, well you odyssey them.

What do you call a movie about eating healthy?

My Big Fat Greek Yogurt.

What is Apollo's favorite indie rock band?

Walk The Moon.

What are Greek houses made out of?

Greeks and con-Crete!

What do you call the Arnold Schwarzenegger action movie about the Greek Bailouts?

The Last Action Gyro.

What breed of horse was the Trojan horse?

A nightmare.

I broke my finger last week. On the other hand I am OK.

Why should you never date a tennis player? Because love means nothing to them!

Covid and Australia are like the Spice Girls. Everyone is trying hard but Victoria ruins it for all.

Why did the Pope cross the road?

He crosses everything!

The quickest way to double your money is to fold it in half and put it back in your wallet.

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
First and third Thursdays	7.15AM	Griffith Gold Coast	G's Restaurant Griffith Uni	Griffith University