



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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September:- Basic education and Literacy

Next meeting: 7 September Ferry Rd Tavern



A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Well it was nice to have a good turnout, especially as we had a visit from our AG. Following our discussion about possible projects to fund, Michael and I will pursue some possible proposals and hopefully be able to report back to the Club by next meeting.

Restrictions and lockdowns seem to be the norm but hopefully we will be able to get the scholarship recipients to the next meeting.

The next meeting is on the 7th September. Spring is in the air and hope springs eternal, our family of ducks have increased by 7 ducklings, they're not concerned about Covid or foreign affairs, maybe we should be more like them and enjoy the moment.

Keep a spare mask in your pocket and see you next month.

Andrew Middleton

SCRIBES REPORT – TUESDAY AUGUST 17

Chair – Jim Scotte

Jim opened the meeting and asked members to join in reciting Rotary Grace and in proposing the Loyal Toast.

Pres. Andrew

Welcomed all members and in particular A.G. Eric Lewis. Andrew reported on a harrowing home invasion at his home where teenagers broke in, stole their 2 cars, badly damaging

one, stole wallets, phones, I pads. An arrest had been made of a teenage girl and it is believed 2 others were involved.

Rotary Minute – Tony Pritchett

Noted that many Youth Programmes had been cancelled or put on hold, but that he saw in RDU that a Training program involving Tall Ships was available varying periods of time where young people could learn things such as climbing the rigging and gain nautical skills. Ages for participants were 18-28.

Heads and Tails – Michael I

Raffle – Tony P

General Business considering supporting the Vanuatu project. After some debate it was decided that we would not support this project.

Michael I suggested that we investigate a supporting scholarship to Pres Andrew opened discussion that we could offer a scholarship to Griffith Uni for a student in the Asia Pacific Area who may be struggling financially of an amount of \$500 per year to assist in paying for books. We would use funds in the Cyril Richarde fund to pay for it. It was agreed we investigate this proposal further.

A.D.G.Eric proposed that we consider a Joint Meeting with perhaps Hope Island and others.

Chair Jim read the duty roster for our next meeting on 7 September and then Andrew thanked Eric and members for attending the meeting and closed it at 8.00PM.

Peter O.

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

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7 September	Club meeting Ferry Rd Tavern
21 September	Club meeting Ferry Rd Tavern
19 October	DG Jeff Egan visit to club with partner Kaileen Casey. Partners night

DUTIES	7 September
Chair	Graham C
Sergeant	
Attendance/Trs	Peter O
Rotary Minute	Merv P
Vote of thanks	
Ups and Downs	Lionel P
Scribe	Tony P
Meet and Greet	All

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

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Celebrations

Birthdays 26 August Lambert W 25 August Lionel P	Anniversaries 12 Sept Merv and Glenda P 16 Sept Jim and Ev Scott
Rotary induction	Spouse birthday 16 Sept Ev Scotte

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.

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DG's Visit to Southport

DG Jeff Egan and Partner Kaileen Casey will visit Southport Club on Tuesday 19 October and this will be a partners' night.

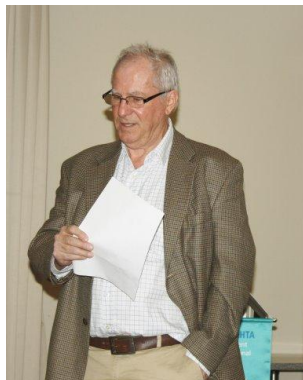


Dr Steve Withers died on 7 August 2021. Steve joined Southport Rotary in February 2006 and was a member for over a decade. He was a highly respected pediatrician and was 58 years old when he died from pancreatic cancer. Two weeks before his death he walked his daughter ,Caitlyn, down the aisle. She was one of three children. Steven was born on the Gold Coast and grew up at Tamborine. He was three when his mother died. His father later remarried and went on to have more children. His father sent him to work after grade ten and he spent six months making stairs. He then went back to his father and begged to be allowed to return to school. He went to live with his grandparents and put himself through university. He graduated from UQ in 1987 and two years later went on to study Pediatrics. He met his wife , Teresa, at uni and she went on to become a neurosurgeon and together they had three children. He was greatly admired at Pindara Hospital and won the respect of all who knew him in his lifetime.

Photos 17 August 2021



Jim S Chair



Pres Andrew



ADG Eric Lewis



Rotary minute Tony P



PDG Michael

Rotator chuckles.

I used to breed rabbits. Then I realized they can handle it themselves.

My dog is an awesome fashion adviser. Every time I ask him what I look like in my clothes, he says "WOW!"

What do you get when you cross-breed a cow and a shark?

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I don't know, but I wouldn't enjoy milking it.

Interesting musings:

I had amnesia once - or twice.

All I ask is a chance to prove that money can't make me happy.

I'd give my right arm to be ambidextrous.

If the world was a logical place, men would ride horses sidesaddle.

What is a "free" gift? Aren't all gifts free?

They told me I was gullible .. and I believed them.

Two can live as cheaply as one, for half as long.

Experience is the thing you have left when everything else is gone.

What if there were no hypothetical questions?

One nice thing about egotists: They don't talk about other people.

Q: How can you tell if a calendar is popular?

A: It has a lot of dates!



Make a note in your diary:- Our next meeting is on Tuesday 7 September when spring will have sprung.

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