



RC Mandurah City Bulletin F.19.

Bulletin Editor: Rob West

**NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December:**

**Programme: Open Air Cinemas Event, Jan 2013**

**REPORT OF LAST WEEK 27th November: Guest Speakers – Lee & Peta –  
Breast Cancer Network Australia**

### **WELCOME and TOASTS**

Sergeant Gareth called the meeting to order, welcomed everyone and introduced President Sue who proposed Toasts to Australia and Peru, met by members with gusto. After Rotary Invocation introductions and welcomes followed for our Guest Speakers Lee and Peta, also a number of visiting exchange students for Mandurah Week-

Stephanie from Peru (RC of Mandurah City)

Matild from France (RC of Collie)

Julia from Brazil (RC of Wagin)

Vanessa from Italy (RC of Fremantle)

Andrew followed with introductions for family members Tania and Alyce.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Barbara announced that she has enough helpers for the Exchange Student day at the Mandurah Surf Club. She extended thanks to all who volunteered.
- Barbara announced that she attended John Tonkin College Graduation and that Glencoe Primary School will receive their donation of microscopes next week.
- Barbara requested a volunteer for club coordinator for the 2014 Exchange Student Programme. Andrew Ralph immediately volunteered – well done Andrew!
- Barbara requested volunteers for attending graduation ceremonies at Halls Head and Dudley Park Primary Schools. Sue Kirke immediately volunteered – well done Sue!
- Darren announced the success of the golf day last week. Thanks to all involved, especially on our club's betting hole where \$550 was raised – helped muchly by Steph's charms. Final figures are yet to come.
- Gareth reported on the proposed international project with the Rotary Club of Machu Picchu in Peru, where Steph and her father will be involved "on the ground". The project will purchase a bus to transport child cancer patients and parents. Gareth is currently looking at the various grants that are available.
- Sue announced the donation of US\$500 from Alcoa and expressed thanks to those employees of Alcoa who applied for the grants through the company's "Bravo" programme with the "Alcoa Foundation".

## GUEST SPEAKERS Lee and Peta of Breast Cancer Network Australia (BCNA)



Lee was diagnosed with breast cancer in 2007 and at the time she had a 1 year old and a 3 year old. She endured operations, chemotherapy and radiotherapy all through 2007. All through that process she needed information and needed to talk to others about what was happening. BCNA filled that gap and now she helps others as a “Community Liaison” as part of that organization.

The BCNA was a huge help to her. She displayed a “Journey Kit” containing information, advice, recommended resources, a record book, a CD for husbands, and a brochure on helping a friend who is going through it all. The BCNA has 75,000 members.

BCNA’s goals are to INFORM, EMPOWER, REPRESENT, and LINK TOGETHER.

Depression is a common problem for cancer survivors and Lee suffered from that. Becoming a Community Liaison helped her as it involved a lot of training and access to support. It is noteworthy that the BCNA is closely associated with “Beyond Blue”.

BCNA publications are “The Beacon” magazine, “The Inside Story” for Community Liaisons, the “BCNA eBULLETIN”, an on-line social network, and a website [www.bna.org.au](http://www.bna.org.au), which includes a local directory for those seeking assistance.

BCNA events are “The Field of Women Live” where a huge pink coloured outline of a woman can be photographed from the air, the “Mini Fields of Women”, BCNA Forums, the “Pink Bun” campaign (with the support of Bakers Delight), Pink Sports Days, as well as fundraising events.

Peta then told us about their “Pink Pedal Challenge 2014” where a group of survivors (and some current sufferers) will pedal from Ho Chi Ming City in Vietnam to Siem Reap in Cambodia. There will be 25 riders from around Australia, 8 from WA (mostly from Peel). The ride will involve 40 to 65 kms per day and the trip lasts for 14 days. Bikes are provided by an organisation in Vietnam. Minimum fundraising each is \$3,000 and the WA folks so far have raised \$35,000. Through Australia, the whole group has so far raised \$110,000. Travel costs for each person will be \$3,830.

INTRO by Barbara, and THANKS by Andrew.

### COME IN SPINNER;

Darren did a fine job of spinning tonight – although you’d think he could have cheated to help the Bulletin Editor?! For the first round Frank won but could not find the joker with the \$80 and for the second round Carol took home a bottle of wine.

### SERGEANT’S \$E\$SION

This week we heard members’ favourite stories about overseas travel:

- Pat in Crete
- Rob – Orvieto in Italy
- Sue – Mont Saint Michel in France
- Andrew – USA- New York, Washington, Niagra Falls
- Carol – Phuket Thailand

- Peta – camping in Fortescue River, then floods!
- Lee- Canada camping/hiking in British Columbia
- Marg – Malaysia – she’s famous for her hair colour
- Frank – 14 day cruise just to find neighbours on board

After a couple of happy/sad dollars the session was closed to a hearty cheer!

**AN APOLOGY FROM THE “GUEST” BULLETIN EDITOR- Lost Bulletin notes!**



Notes were taken during the meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> November but the guest editor has placed them somewhere very secure, so secure they cannot be found. Hence, the editor makes a very humble apology for the lack of bulletin last week!

The photo shows our young guest speaker from 20<sup>th</sup> November, Haley Hovingh from the Mandurah Surf Club. Bill was thanking her for a great speech about her experiences on the RYPEN camp. Haley was extremely enthused by the camp and expressed her desire to become a camp leader.

**Exchange Students at Mandurah Surf Club on 29<sup>th</sup> November!**

**Surfboard learning and Rescue Instruction**



**CLOSURE**

President Sue made a club donation of \$200 towards Peta and Lee’s bike ride, which was gratefully received. Thanks were offered to the group of exchange students and to Tania and Alyce. Members are reminded that the club AGM will held on Weds 11<sup>th</sup> December at RAAFA, that being the last normal meeting for 2013.

President Sue closed the meeting at 8.28pm as we all sang the National Anthem.

## DUTIES FOR THE NEXT THREE WEEKS

Coming Weeks ~			
	WEDNESDAY	WEDNESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Host.			?
Intro			?
Thanks			?
Attendance			?
Bulletin Editor			
Corporal			?
Raffle- Heads and Tails			?
GUEST SPEAKER			?
Rotary Theme for the Month			

## FACTS AND FIGURES

Meeting Statistics ( ?.00%)			Upcoming Celebrations	
<b>Total Members</b>	21	20 for %age calculation	<b>Birthdays</b>	
Present Rotarians	11			
Make-ups	0			
<b>Total Attendance</b>	11		<b>Partner's Birthdays</b>	
Apologies and Excused Attendance	?	LOA: John, Rule 85: Colin, Di		
Visiting Rotarians	0		<b>Wedding Anniversaries</b>	
Exch. Student	4	Stephanie		
Guests	6			

## 2013/14 CLUB DETAILS

~ Mandurah City Rotary Club ~

<b>Meeting Place</b>	RAAFA Club Meadow Springs	<b>Apologies to</b>	<b>ATTENDANCE OFFICER</b> <b>David Oxley ( Acting )</b> <b>9582 5202</b> <b>davelox@msvillage.com.au</b>
<b>Time</b>	Wednesdays 6.30 for 700pm		
<b>Postal Address</b>	P.O.Box 1135, Mandurah 6210		

### Positions for 2013/14

<i>President</i>	Sue Kirke	<i>Secretary</i>	Jean Campbell
<i>Vice President</i>	Colin Gilbert	<i>Treasurer</i>	Mike Kirke
<i>President Elect</i> <i>Club/Membership/Publicity</i>	Pat Schraven	<i>Sergeant</i>	Gareth Talbot
<i>Community/Vocational</i>	Carol Sawyer	<i>Corporal</i>	As Rostered
<i>International</i> <i>-Foundation</i>	Gareth Talbot	<i>Rotary Information and</i> <i>Bulletin Editor</i>	David Oxley
<i>New Generations</i>	Barbara Rowe	<i>Fundraising</i>	Frank Wheel
<i>Web Master</i>	Colin Gilbert	<i>Raffle Master</i>	Darren Carter
<i>Attendance Officer</i>		<i>Programs</i>	Andrew Ralph

### MAKE-UP VENUES

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<b><u>Mandurah</u></b> Mandurah O F and S Club 6.15 for 6.45 pm <b><u>Rockingham</u></b> Ocean Clipper Inn 20-30 Patterson Road 6.00 for 6.30 pm	<b><u>Mandurah Districts</u></b> Mandurah Country Club Marsh Place Halls Head .00 for 6.30 pm	<b><u>Palm Beach</u></b> Ocean Clipper Inn 20-30 Patterson Road 6.00 for 6.30 pm	<b><u>Pinjarra</u></b> Pinjarra Golf Club Pinjarra Road 6.15 for 6.45 pm