



Team 2016-2017

President
Max Bird
Secretary
Brian McCallum
Treasurer
Bob Cooper

Attendance this week

Total Members 24
Apologies 3
Make-up 5
Attended 17
Honorary Member LOA
Guests
Visitors 1
Partners 88 %

Facts & Figures
Raffle
Norm, Matt

Heads & Tails
Genevieve

Birthdays
Greg W 13th
Jo Thompson 25th
Damian Carr 27th

Anniversary
None this week

If you had any we hope
you had a good day



Meets Monday
6 for 6.30pm

At Rotary Hall

Brownell Crescent, Medina

Visitors always welcome



The Rotary Club of Kwinana Inc.

District 9465 Western Australia

Chartered: 22 April 1971



President Max

Bulletin

No 11 19 September



Greetings to all,
Sunday 18 September was a very special day, with the official re-naming of the lookout tower at the wildflower reserve to becoming known as the Rodger Hamilton Wildflower Reserve Lookout Tower. Given that Rodger was the driving force behind the establishment of the tower – from putting forward the initial proposal, arranging the supply of steel through his work contacts at BHP, and overseeing the construction of the tower – it was highly appropriate to have the tower named in his honour, and a great tribute to a very special and much-loved man. As Mayor Carol Adams said during her official presentation speech, Rodger was a quiet and humble man, yet had the ability to achieve extraordinary things. Carol Adams and Bob Thompson both did an excellent job with their respective speeches. It was wonderful to have several generations of Rodger's family present at the event, including wife Judy, children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and Rodger's brother-in-law and wife. It was also great to have Harry and Julie Tebbutt present as Harry was heavily involved with the wildflower reserve for many years. Photos and a video of the event can be seen on our club Facebook page. (The video took 2.5 hours to load!!!). Thanks to all members and partners who attended the ceremony to help make it such a special occasion. An article about the event should appear shortly in our local newspapers.

To round off Sunday's event, during Monday's meeting Eric showed an old video showing the construction of the tower. A few familiar could be seen!



Rotary International President
2016-2017
John F Germ

Rotary Club of Chattanooga

District Governor
9465
2016-2017

Linda McLerie



Coming Events

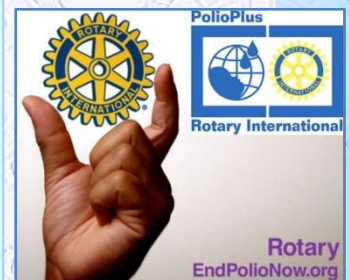
September – Basic Education & Literacy Month

Mon 19th Club Meeting – GS Michael Metcalf
Wed 21st Board Meeting
Mon 26th Public Holiday – no meeting

October – Vocational Month

Mon 3rd Oct Club Meeting
Sun 9th Oct Village Markets at Wellard
Mon 10th Oct Club Meeting

Attendance Officer: **Greg Williams 9419 5834**
Apologies by Saturday pm please



THE ROTARY 4 WAY TEST

of things that we think, say or do.

1. IS IT THE TRUTH?
2. IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?
3. WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

Club President 2016 – 2017 Max Bird



President's Pen



President's Report

President-Elect Michael Nella did the honours this week by standing in as President. His report as follows:

- A belated thanks to those members and partners who attended and supported our evening at Chawla's Indian Restaurant. By all accounts, a great night was had by all.
- I was "blown away" by the success at the Village Markets at Wellard last Sunday. Congratulations to John Iriks for successfully negotiating the change of venue. The Rotaract Club had a very successful barbeque session, and raised a total of \$888.88 profit.
- Congratulations to Bob Thompson and his team for a successful Bunnings barbeque last Thursday.
- Welcome to returning guests Cheryl d'Souza and Brian Thompson. Hopefully we shall have some inductions of new members in the near future.
- The Rotaract Club will be holding another garage sale at Mike Nella's house on Fri 30 Sept until Sunday 2 October. Funds raised will be going to the school in Indonesia. Please support!
- Past member Alwyn Britto has recently suffered a stroke and is currently an in-patient at Rockingham General Hospital. If any members are able to visit him and give him a morale boost, it would be greatly appreciated by his son Adrian.



International

By all reports, Max is working hard in Timor Leste. See photos at end of bulletin.

Max Bird

Club Service: PP Mike Nella



- Thanks to those helping with Gilmore College Breakfast Program – Brian McCallum, Ian and Gail Critchley, Marge Williams, and Chris Iriks. **Editor's note: sincere apologies to Chris for not previously including her involvement.*
- Any assistance with the bread project would be much appreciated!



Secretary: PP Brian McCallum



Inward Correspondence

- Letter from Western Power advising of scheduled maintenance in Brownell Cres on Sun 2 October 2016; power will be switched off from 7.30am until 3.30pm.
- Informational material from the Macular Disease Foundation
- Caritas newsletter
- Trading in Public Places licence
- Hat Day for Mental Health promotional information

Outward Correspondence

Would members please note that any correspondence received or posted by yourself, please ensure a copy is forwarded to your Secretary.



Treasurer: PDG Bob Cooper



No report

The Rodger Hamilton Wildflower Reserve Lookout Tower

A great joint project between the City of Kwinana and the Rotary Club of Kwinana



Our special member and friend, Rodger Hamilton



The official plaque



Hamilton family and Mayor Carol Adams



Club members and past member Harry Tebbutt



Judy Hamilton and other partners



PDG John Iriks
Club Projects Director

Club Projects Director PDG John Iriks



PP Ian Critchley
Foundation



PP Edd Samut
Membership



Michael Metcalf
Community

Project Director's Report Community

- The Bunnings sausage sizzle on Thursday 15 September raised a net profit of \$461. Many thanks to all helpers. The next sausage sizzle is scheduled for Thursday 13 October. Kim, the organizer of bookings for Bunnings sausage sizzles, is now taking bookings for 2017; we have asked for four weekend BBQs during the year, and the 2nd Thursday of each month.
- On Wed 28 September John Iriks will have a meeting with Colliers and Creating Communities to discuss last week's Wellard market; next market scheduled for Sunday 9 October.
- On Wednesday 5 October there will be a "sneak preview" of the Adventure Playground taking place between 5.30-6pm. Folks are asked to meet at the entrance of Walgreen Crescent.



PP Genevieve Carr
Vocational

Vocational

- October is Vocational Month. Planning to combine World Polio Day with vocational activity, including quiz, educational info about India.
- Organising (through Club Runner) for members and partners to attend combined dinner to meet Rotary Vocational Training Team from Sri Lanka on Wed 2 November.



Pres. Max Bird
International

Youth

- Have received two applications from Gilmore College for Andy and Rita Valk Foundation Scholarships.

Membership

- Welcome to guest Cheryl d'Souza who is attending for a second time.
- Brian Thompson has paid dues, which officially makes him a member!
- New members to be advised of informational material – including *Rotary Down Under*, weekly bulletin, *Rotary Out West*.



Lorraine Lucas
Youth

Foundation

- World Polio Day to be celebrated on Monday 24 October; planning to participate in World's Greatest Meal by having a partners' meeting at Chawla's Indian Restaurant in Medina. The cost will be \$35 per head (includes three raffle tickets!!!).

Public Relations

- In recent weeks the Club has had numerous mentions in *Rotary Out West*.
- To arrange coverage in the local newspapers of the launch of the Rodger Hamilton Wildflower Reserve Lookout Tower.
- Our Club Facebook page now has 395 "Likes"!



PP James Sharkey
Public Relations

Visit your club webpage.

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx?accountid=8106>
or type Kwinana Rotary Club into "Google"



Fine Session

Mike Nella: Why the keys around your neck???

Edd, Matt: Mobile phones ringing

Brian T: Thought Lee's boots were "pretty"!!!

Edd, Brian Mc & Sam: Moving name places around the room

Raffle winners

John Iriks: Adventures driving in Tasmania!

John Iriks: Sending Genevieve a text at 5.30am on Sunday morning (ok, so it was 7.30am in Tasmania)

Norm: Putting a place out for our absent Treasurer!!!



Personality of the Week

Michael Metcalf

Name: Mike Metcalf

Place of birth: Wyalkatchem, Western Australia

Favourite food: Anything called Food according to Ruth

Favourite movie/TV program: *NCIS* (original)

Hobbies: Designing and making stuff

Who I admire: Can't choose, there are so many; positive achievers

Best present ever received: My daughter, Laurel Cooper

What I dislike most in life: The mess our world is in

Most exciting/memorable day of life: Being in Times Square, New York, on Millennium Night with 2 million others just celebrating big time.

What I know now that I wish I knew at 16: That at 50 years later, the things that motivate a woman would still elude me!



Always has a huge smile for everyone!!!





Guest Speaker

Michael Metcalf – Thumbnail

At short notice, our very own Michael Metcalf agreed to give a thumbnail presentation about himself. His words are as follows ...

I'm from a pioneering family of the Dowerin district, and my grandfather and father were of farming stock so I consider myself to be a country boy.

Born in Wyalkatchem in 1950 and first attended school there at 5 years of age.

My father became a farm manager and we moved around a lot, but I completed most of my schooling at Quairading.

I started my working career in the Bank of New South Wales and was transferred around to several branches within the state.

Following the banking career I earned my living as a rouseabout, farmhand, truck driver, fruit salesman, service station attendant, airline baggage handler, accounts payable clerk, banker again, mechanic, welder and more. A year of that time was spent in beautiful Tasmania on a working holiday.

I entered business by running a country roadhouse for some years and then moved to the city to run a deli-lunch bar. That was followed by a 3-year stint as a police officer and then back into business of managing a landscape supply yard, owning a lawn-mowing business, and engaging in a professional tree-logging business.

I was then lured by the good life of being a tour leader of *Outback Safari Bus Tours*, covering a lot of outback Australia. A fantastic job, leading to lots of great adventures and situations, but it didn't pay well.

Following that I got into the Fly in Fly out mining industry. initially in Gold Mining, where I learnt to operate all of the mining machinery, from excavators to, dozers, loaders, graders, forklifts, dump trucks, and cranes etc. In my spare time I bought my own 45-seater bus, built a large camper trailer, and continued to run my own *Outback Bus Camping* tours in my holidays and time off. It was a great life but so, so busy.

In that period, at age 44, I was blessed with a beautiful daughter, and decided to quit the mining industry to share more of her life. Soon after I applied for, and got, a Green Card to live and work in the USA, so we moved over there and lived and worked in the beautiful mountains of Bristol Tennessee for about 5 years.

It was tough making a living over there. I had three jobs on the go and worked harder than I ever had to make ends meet. Finally I decided to return to Australia, driven by the belief that our family could be much better off in Australia, my personal health issues, and my mother being seriously ill. Also, the snow and ice of the winters were very trying when one worked out in it.

Back to Western Australia and back into the mining industry, moving from the gold industry to iron ore, and I soon become a safety professional. In that time I bought my Medina industrial property and began, bit by bit, setting up the self-storage units which have grown to now be able to support me with a modest semi-retirement income. In Jan of 2013 I opted for a redundancy payment from the mines, and now have the luxury of being involved in community, particularly Rotary which I so enjoy.

Much has been missed out in this exposé but I have had a busy and wonderful life ...mistakes made, and maybe a few regrets, but always positive and moving forward.

Thank you, and that is the thumbprint of Mike Metcalf.

The Adventures of President Max

We shall look forward to a detailed explanation upon Max's return



Some local support



About to install water tanks at the local school



Probably best not to think about this!!!



Good acknowledgement of Rotary and Lions

Makeup opportunities

Rockingham:	Monday	6pm for 6.30	Ocean Clipper Inn
Palm beach:	Wednesday	6pm for 6.30	Ocean Clipper Inn
Cockburn	Thursday	7.15am for 7.30	Cockburn Seniors Centre
Fremantle	Wednesday	6pm for 6.30	Villa Roma 12 High Street Fremantle
Byford & Districts	Monday	6.15pm for 6.45	Byford Tavern, South W Hwy

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