



The Rotary Club of Kwinana

Rotary  District 9423 Western Australia
Chartered: 22 April 1971 

Team 2023-24

President
Bob Cooper

Secretary
Genevieve Carr

Treasurer
Karen Zabiela



President Bob

Bulletin

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Rotary Club of Kwinana is 52 years' old 1971/2023

Facts & Figures

Attendance this week

Total Members 27
Apologies
Make-up 5
Attended 14
Hon. Member 1
LOA 2
Guests
Visitors 2
Partners

70%

Raffle
Stephen & Bevan

Heads & Tails
Bob T

Numbers a bit light-on tonight, only 14 members plus two visitors. Othilie and visiting Rotarian Dennis Makofi originally from RC Msasa, Zimbabwe. The RC was chartered on 10th November 1995, the 7th club in Harare. The name Msasa comes from the name of an indigenous tree in Zimbabwe called Msasa. It was chosen because there was a strong belief at the club that the preservation and protection of the environment was as important as the support of human development. <https://rotaryclubofmsasa.org/>
We recently had past member Bob Evans pay us a visit.

Guest Speaker tonight was our own PP Bevan Piper who told us a little history pertaining to his 95 years on this planet, very interesting account.

PP Bob Thompson gave us an update on the health and wellbeing of PP John Wallhead who has been unable to attend meetings for quite some time, John is presently taking part in an international trial to combat a particular blood disorder he is suffering from, we send John our very best wishes for a speedy and successful recovery and hope to see him at our meetings soon.

Our Bunnings BBQ this coming Sunday, Tony has our team of volunteers lined-up, should be another successful fund-raiser for our club, many thanks to all those taking part. Preparing onions from 3pm at Rotary Hall, can always do with assistance.



Rotary International President
2023/24
Gordon McNally
Rotary Club of South Queenferry
Lothian Scotland

District Governor
9423
2023/24
Ineke Oliver



April 2024 Maternal and Child health Month

April 2024

Mon. 1st	No Meeting	
Mon. 8 th	Club Meeting	Edd Samut: Know your Tyres.
Sat. 13 th	Rotary Action Day	
Mon. 15 th	Club Meeting	Bevan Piper A little history.
Sun. 21 st	Bunnings BBQ	
Mon. 22 nd	Club Meeting	Peter Faulkner/Disaster Aid Australia
Mon. 29 th	Club Meeting	Pat Barrallon Hon. Consul for WA (Seychelles)

Attendance Officer: **Kertrina** 0401 632 749



Meets Monday
6 for 6.30pm
At Rotary Hall
Brownell Crescent,
Medina

Visitors welcome
contact us
0417 904 419



President's Pen



15th April 2024

Bob Cooper
President 2023/24

CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD



Unfortunately, from time to time we need to be reminded of the four-way test. With the recent event it's time to consider our fellow Rotarians when it comes to having a joke what may seem a harmless prank to one person could be insulting and unappreciated by another.

I have missed a few meetings of late however a quick trip to Longford in Tasmania and a meeting specially arranged on a weekend with the Rotary Club of Longford to meet and greet their members along with a visit to their fundraiser.

The Rotary Club of Longford operates an opportunity shop similar to our Vinnies or Salvos. The shop is very successful, and I was informed that the top seller was women's clothing.

I am also an advocate of Family before Rotary and as my Stepdaughter and children visited from Victoria that was my first priority so a meeting or two fell by the wayside.

So, after travel, birthday celebrations and visiting relatives are now done and dusted I will get back to normality.

PP Bob Thompson has organised a great selection of guest speakers and topics including from our membership so interesting time ahead, thanks Bob.

Meeting at Rotary Hall, Monday 15th April 2024





President 2024/25

Terry Evans



15th April 2024

1. Have had one expression of interest for Rotary Community Leader
2. Received information regarding insurance; need to keep register of Friends of Rotary to ensure are covered by Rotary Insurance.
3. To commence planning Club Changeover: Plan to hold the event at Kwinana Bowling Club on Saturday 6th July 2024

PE Terry Evans



2023/24

PP Genevieve Carr

15th April 2024



Inward Correspondence.

- Correspondence from potential guest speaker
- Completed RYPEN application form.
- Invitation to meet and hear Bethlehem Rotary President
- Rotary WA District Newsletter #39
- RDU Supplies promotion.
- Acceptance of RYPEN applicant

Outward Correspondence

- RYPEN application sent to District Committee; subsequently accepted.

The fear of long words is called Hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia. The 36-letter word was first used by the Roman poet Horace in the first century BCE to criticise those writers with an unreasonable penchant for long words. It was American poet Aimee Nezhukumatathil, possibly afraid of their own surname, who coined the term how we know it in 2000.



2023/24

PP Genevieve Carr



Youth Services Report

15th April 2024

Have received completed application form from one participant which has been accepted by the District Committee.



2023/24

Rtn. Karen Zabiela



Bills paid, money in the bank.

Bring your empty drink containers, we have collection bins.
When buying drinks from the fridge, foreign money not accepted.

President Bob with PP Bevan Piper, displayed are the service medals and awards Bevan received.





Projects Director
Rtn. Tony Miller



PP Max Bird
Foundation Dir.



PP Edd Samut
Membership Dir.



PDG John Iriks
Events Manager

Project Director's Report:

Furniture-On-Line, going exceptionally well, Mike wishes to thank everybody for their ongoing assistance.

21st April (Sunday) This year's first sausage sizzle at Bunnings.

Reconciliation Day BBQ, 29th May

On Saturday 13th April 2024, at The Rise, Maylands, District held, Rotary Action Day. AG James Sharkey and Rtn. Tony Miller attended.

AG James and Cathy attended the Gala Dinner.

Mental Health Walk, Sunday May 5th, 2024

Tony was on IPL radio recently.

Video is on YouTube. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= XIiqta0b6I](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XIiqta0b6I)



Kertrina Riordan
Community



Peter Schulz
Vocational

Public Relations:

Kim will continue to assist in this role, thank you Kim.

Membership:

PP Ed Samut takes on the role for 2023/24



PP. Max Bird
International

Community:

Bread Program, helpers welcome.

Breakfast Club always in need of more assistance.

International:

Youth:

Report above.



PP Genevieve Carr
Youth

Visit your club webpage.

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx?accountid=8106>

or type Kwinana Rotary into 'Search'



Fine Session: Sergeant Cyril Bennett



Stand-in: Norm



Deputy Bill Rowe



PP Stephen Castelli & PP Greg Williams stand-in when required.



Dockers for being 'robbed' (Just missing out) again.

Eagles for having a great win at last.

James: Arrived 'Late'

Chris O: Makes a successful 'home brew' and according to Bill Rowe. Since retirement never stops bragging about it!

Sam: No badge.

John I: Managed to cut his finger on broken glass.

Anzac Day Gunfire Breakfast at Medina Hall 2019
A tradition that sadly, is no longer supported in Kwinana.





Guest Speaker: PP Bevan Piper.
A life story.



It all started on 7th March 1929, Bevan is the last of 7 children, 2 sisters and 4 brothers, 1 brother was lost at 7 weeks with diphtheria, in those days if a child contracted diphtheria they died. The older boys all served in WWII, one of the sisters spent time in London during the Blitz, comment later, it was the worst time of her life. Everyone survived the war.

Bevan's Mother died when he was 12 years old, his father died when he was just 16.

Bevan's first job was in a Wine Saloon, he was told all the money you find on the floor you can keep, money left on the tables is mine. The wine sold in the saloon was all bottled and labelled differently from the same vat in the cellar.

Bevan wanted to go farming, he worked on farms across WA, from Quairading to Geraldton to a place called Yuna, 62km northeast of Geraldton, went a little further North to Wyndham, where he rode horses and became a 'Musterer' which lasted all of 6 months, because of the heat, the flies and the way the horses used to bite and kick at every opportunity.

Bevan learned to fight, mainly with fists, but also with knees and elbows which proved to be best way to win a fight, his brother taught him that.

He then came back to Perth, a little wiser and more mature as a 20-year-old, met this lovely girl and married her, we were both 21. We went on to have 3 children, this was the time Bevan joined the Australian Army, after 6 weeks brutal training became a 'recruit'. After 20 years' service doing all sorts of things the military do, to spending 2 years in an inhospitable place, living in a tent, where it was very hot during the summer and freezing during winter.

Finally came back to Australia and in 1967 decided to come to WA where Bevan's wife wanted her children to be educated. Bevan asked his Army commander if a posting to WA was available, he was told "No way" you'll be better off joining the Police Force. So, Bevan quit the Army and with his family came to WA.

Bevan then went through five different jobs none of which suited the training and lifestyle he was used to after 20 odd years Army service. He did then secure a position with Ansett Airlines, after spending 16 years with them, in 1987 finished with the airline and started a 'Cleaning Business' Cleaning offices and the like, thoroughly enjoyed running my own business, had twelve people working for him, all women. At the time living in Collie and working from there at places like the Worsley Alumina. He came home one morning and Trish, Bevan's 2nd wife sat him down and told him, I've put the house on to the market!!! Ok said Bevan, "tell me why" Trish informed him they were going to downsize, but first we are going to 'Travel' "OK with me," said Bevan.

They travelled the world probably twice over, crossed Australia a few times, one of the highlights was the River Trip from Budapest to Amsterdam, wonderful trip.

Bevan then met with a couple of Rotarians from Harvey RC, who asked him if he would like to join Rotary, joined the Harvey RC, became President, Treasurer, held other club positions before leaving to downsize in Parmelia. Bevan joined Kwinana Rotary Club in June 2003.

Bevan said he has had a great time being in Rotary and is still having it because he has all of us in the Kwinana RC as friends.

Bevan said he has made 95 years, "still more to come, very satisfied with my life, never wish I could have done anything better."

Bevan past around his service medals and awards earned during his time in the ADF, a very impressive recognition of a brilliant career.

Birthdays and Anniversaries April 2024

Birthday Congratulations:

Ann Samut 2nd
Stephen Castelli: 6th
Cyril Bennett 10th
Natalie Rowe 10th
Marge Williams 25th
Karen Zabiela 28th

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Wedding Anniversaries

Norm & Karen 1st 33 years
Cyril & Lynne 6th 28 years



Club Anniversaries:

Pam Brookes 10th 1 year

Congratulations!

Polio this week

15th April 2024

Six months after I was born in Bombay, India, I contracted polio, which left me paralyzed from the hips down. At the time, polio vaccines weren't widely available in India, and as a result, I never received the life-saving drops that could have protected me from this crippling disease...read more of [Minda Dentler's story](#) on how she survived polio and why we must bring an end to this deadly disease.



Summary of new poliovirus this week

- Afghanistan: one WPV1 case and five positive environmental samples
- Pakistan: 12 WPV1-positive environmental samples
- Liberia: one cVDPV2 positive environmental sample
- Madagascar: five cVDPV1 positive environmental samples



Fish form orderly queues in emergencies. When evacuating through narrow spaces in sketchy situations, schools of neon tetra fish queue so that they don't collide or clog up the line. Scientists interpreted this behaviour as showing that fish can respect social rules even in emergency situations, unlike us humans.

There are more bacterial cells in your body than human cells. The average human is around 56 per cent bacteria. This was discovered in a 2016 study and is far less than the earlier estimates of 90 per cent. As bacteria are so light, however, by weight, each person is over 99.7 per cent human.

1950 – 1953

A brief history into Australia's commitment to the Korean War

Served: 17,164

Died: 339

Wounded: 1,216

The crisis in Korea originated in the closing phases of the Second World War, when control of the Korean peninsula, formerly occupied by Japan, was entrusted to the Allies.

The United States and the Soviet Union divided responsibility for the country between them at the 38th parallel. By mid-1950, tensions between the two zones had escalated. On 25 June a North Korean army crossed into the southern zone and advanced towards the capital, Seoul. The city fell in less than a week, and North Korean forces continued their southward drive towards the strategically important port of Pusan.

Within two days, the US offered air and sea support to South Korea, and the United Nations Security Council asked all its members to assist in repelling the North Korean attack. 21 nations responded. Australia's contribution included 77 Squadron of the RAAF and the 3rd Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment (3 RAR).

When 3 RAR arrived in Pusan, the North Korean advance had been halted and their army was in full retreat. The UN forces commander, General MacArthur, was given permission to pursue them into North Korea. 3 RAR moved north as part of the invasion force and fought their first major action near the North Korean capital, Pyongyang. As the UN forces continued their advance, a series of successes led many to believe that the UN forces would soon bring the war to an end.

At this point, China entered the war and moved 18 divisions into North Korea, attacking the UN forces, inflicting defeats on the UN forces and forcing them into retreat towards the 38th parallel. The Chinese halted their offensive in January 1951, Seoul once again having fallen. At the UN, efforts were made to conclude a ceasefire without success. By the end of February, Chinese resistance collapsed south of the Han River near Seoul, and the city was recaptured by UN forces in mid-March, the line of war remained around the 38th parallel – where it had started.

Australian troops participated in two major battles in 1951. On the evening of 22 April, Chinese forces attacked the Kapyong valley and forced South Korean and New Zealand troops into retreat; other UN troops, including Australians, were ordered to halt the attack. After a night of fierce fighting, during which their positions were overrun, the Australians recaptured their positions and stalled the Chinese advance, at a cost of only 32 men killed and 53 wounded. For their contribution to this action, 3 RAR was awarded a US Presidential Citation.

The second major battle for the Australians was Operation Commando, an attack against a Chinese-held salient in a bend of the Imjin, a river running north-south that crosses the 38th parallel just above Seoul. Here the Commonwealth Division, including the Australians, had two key objectives: Hills 355 and 317. The attack began on 3 October, and after five days of heavy fighting the Chinese withdrew. 20 Australians were killed in the battle and 89 were wounded.

From 1951 on, both sides found themselves engaged in a war of attrition reminiscent of the Western Front, where men lived in tunnels, redoubts and sandbagged forts behind barbed wire defences. The war was generally fought with artillery and mines and in set-piece battles; at night, patrols ventured into no man's land to raid enemy positions.

As the war settled into stalemate it became apparent that a negotiated truce was the only solution. The UN and North Korean leaderships signed an agreement on 27 July 1953. This agreement technically brought the war to an end, but a state of suspended hostilities continued to exist between North and South Korea.



What happened this week in history?



April 14th to April 20th



14th

43BC: Assassination of Julius Caesar
1828: First American Dictionary: its author Noah Webster registers its copyright for publication
1860: 1st Pony Express rider arrives in San Francisco from St Joseph, Missouri
1912: RMS Titanic, the world's largest ocean liner, hits an iceberg at 11.40pm off Newfoundland

15th

1755: Samuel Johnson's "A Dictionary of the English Language" published in London
1793: Bank of England issues first £5 note
1870: Last day US silver coins allow to circulate in Canada
1923: 1st sound on film public performance shown at Rialto Theatre (NYC)

16th

1746: Jacobite Rising 1745: Battle of Culloden, the last battle on British soil:
1789: George Washington heads for 1st presidential inauguration
1922: Annie Oakley sets women's record by breaking 100 clay targets in a row
1953: British royal yacht Britannia launched by Queen Elizabeth II

17th

1492: Christopher Columbus signs a contract with the Spanish monarchs to find the "Indies".
1534: Thomas More confined in the Tower of London
1875: Modern Snooker invented by Sir Neville Chamberlain, a bored British officer in India
1964: Ford Mustang formally introduced (\$2,368 base)

18th

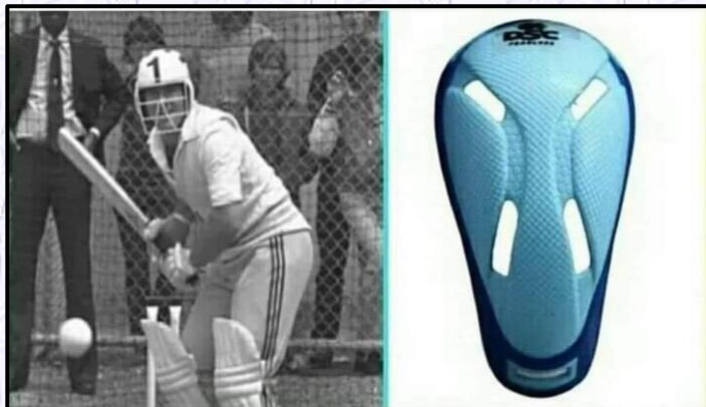
1506: The cornerstone of the current St. Peter's Basilica is laid in the Vatican by Pope Julius II
1809: First run of 2,000 guineas horse race at Newmarket, England
1874: David Livingstone, African explorer, buried in Westminster Abbey
1906: San Francisco earthquake and fire kills nearly 4,000 while destroying 75% of the city

19th

1770: British explorer Captain James Cook first sights Australia.
1839: Treaty of London constitutes Belgium an independent kingdom
1904: Much of Toronto destroyed by fire
1948: Chiang Kai-shek elected President of Nationalist China

20th

1611: First known performance of Shakespeare's tragedy Macbeth at the Globe Theatre, London
1770: Captain James Cook arrives in, what is now New South Wales
1862: First pasteurization test completed by Frenchmen Louis Pasteur and Claude Bernard
1887: Georges Bouton wins the world's 1st motor race on a steam-powered quadricycle

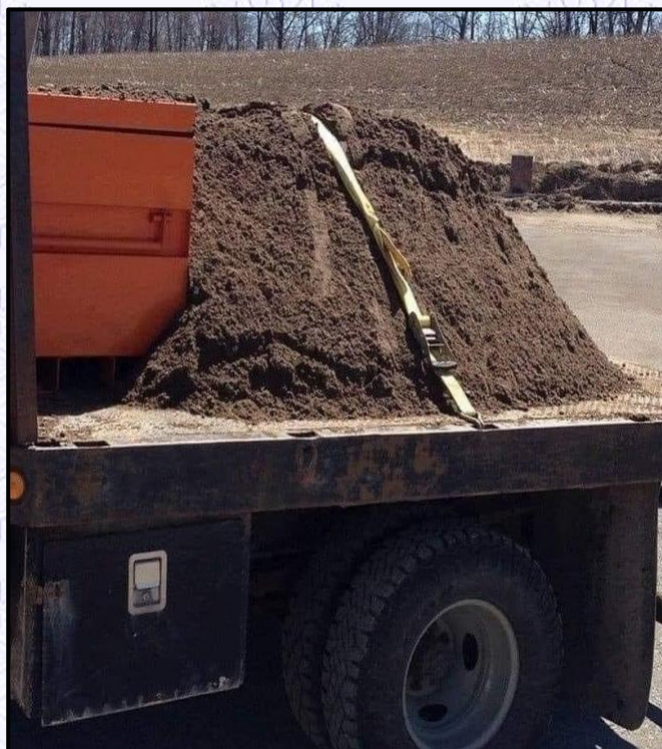


The **first testicular guard** was used in cricket in 1874. And the first helmet was used in 1974. It took 100 years for men to realize that the brain is also important.

Oliver was raised by owls with almost no side effects



Who thought that was good idea???



Group 9 Rotary Clubs, Meeting Times

Rockingham
Palm beach
Baldvis
Cockburn

Monday 6pm
Wednesday 6.30pm
Tuesday 6.30pm
Wednesday 6pm

Armadale
Mandurah Districts
Pinjarra
Byford & Districts

Tuesday 7pm
Tuesday 6pm
Thursday 6.45pm
Monday 7pm

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