



THE ROTARWAVE



THE ROTARY CLUB OF SURFERS PARADISE

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Meetings – Monday 6.30pm – Fables Restaurant – Mantra Legends Hotel – Surfers Paradise



President Adrian

| Date | 10.06.19 | 17.06.19 | 24.06.19 |
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| Chair | Stephen Beckett | Donna Gillett-Shaw | Kiah Bastian |
| Door | Alan Giugnon | Kirk Mason | Bert Shenko |
| Fellowship | Stuart Fairley | Alan Midwood | Stephen Beckett |
| Toast | Sgt. Peter | Treasurer Sheila | Secretary Sue |
| Thanks | Don Kissell | John Lenehan | Jeff Bignell |
| | | | GWV Board 4.30pm |

Guest Speaker – Laura Irvine-Browne



Bill White moving the vote of thanks to Laura Irvine-Browne.

Laura spoke of her time on Manus Island. She arrived on Manus as a case manager with the Salvation Army in 2013 and left in 2014, so tired and with a sense of despair after completing a couple of terms.

Laura is an occupational therapist. She became interested in the plight of refugees after working with an Afghan family in Logan.

Arriving just after they opened, the experience was both tragic and rewarding

The camp environment had 150 men in 35degree heat and 100% humidity with Malaria and Dengue Fever. There was the stink of sewage and the reflected heat from the crushed white coral ground. All areas were under resourced.

Forthcoming program

| Date | Speaker | Topic |
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| 10 June | Bill White | Member Behind the Badge |
| 17.June | David Leitch | Gold Coast History Museum |
| 24 June | Rachael Vidler Emma Greenhalgh | Q Shelter |

Changeover Meeting

Monday, 1 July

Mantra Legends Hotel

Regular Meeting Room

When the government announced that Australia would not accept anyone coming by boat, the physical and mental health declined.

Many valued the family culture and worked to learn English.

Laura spoke of some of the people she came to know and work with. There was always a sense of despair.

Laura mentioned a Charity helping the groups. "Gifts for Manus and Nauru"

Check online. The charity started 5 years ago

Visitor to the meeting



Steven Coffey welcomed by John Lenehan. Steven is a member of the Burleigh Heads Rotaract Club.

Presentation



Kirk presented a Blank Cheque to President Adrian. Kirk, you forgot to sign in the appropriate place.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Adrian

Adrian reminded those members who brought guests to the Visitors' Night to follow up with their guests.

The District Governor will be making his club visit on Monday 29 July.

Adrian also mentioned that members needed to check that their "Blue Cards" were up to date.

The Club dues for next year will be \$195.00

Sue Montgomery

Christmas in July – 20 July

Venue – Bert and Rosi's

We will need to know numbers shortly.

CHANGEOVER – we will need numbers so the Hotel can set up the room.

The main will be alternate drops with members attending the buffet for sweets.

Donna Gillett-Shaw

Donna still has tickets - \$5.00 each in the Coolangatta - Tweed Heads Raffle "Save the Koala"

Drawn at District Changeover

Alan Guignon

Alan is surveying interest from members in attending the RI Convention in Honolulu,

6th to 10th June 2020. (7 acceptances so far)

The travel agent will have definitive costs after this year's convention.

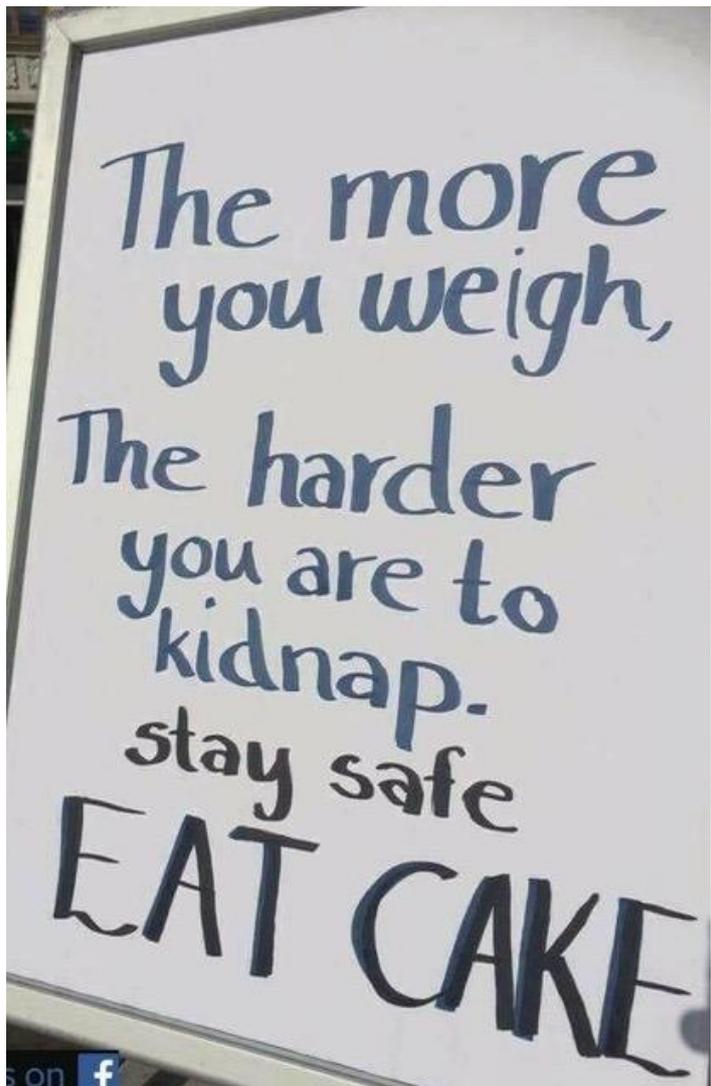
Steve Beckett and Sandy

Announced the marriage of their daughter, Aimee, in Darwin. She and her husband and very involved in Motor Sport in the Territory.

What do we learn from cow, buffaloes & elephants?



It's impossible to reduce weight by eating green grass and salads and walking



*These are actual comments made by 16 Police Officers.
The comments were taken off actual police car videos around the country:*

1. "You know, stop lights don't come any redder than the one you just went through."
 2. "Relax, the handcuffs are tight because they're new. They'll stretch after you wear them a while."
 3. "If you take your hands off the car, I'll make your birth certificate a worthless document."
 4. "If you run, you'll only go to jail tired."
 5. "Can you run faster than 1200 feet per second? Because that's the speed of the bullet that'll be chasing you." (LOVE IT)
 6. "You don't know how fast you were going? I guess that means I can write anything I want to on the ticket, huh?" (MY FAVORITE)
 7. "Yes, sir, you can talk to the shift supervisor, but I don't think it will help. Oh, did I mention that I'm the shift supervisor?"
 8. "Warning! You want a warning? O.K, I'm warning you not to do that again or I'll give you another ticket."
 9. "The answer to this last question will determine whether you are drunk or not. Was Mickey Mouse a cat or a dog?"
 10. "Fair? You want me to be fair? Listen, fair is a place where you go to ride on rides, eat cotton candy and corn dogs and step in monkey poop."
 11. "Yeah, we have a quota. Two more tickets and my wife gets a toaster oven."
 12. "In God we trust; all others we run through NCIC." (National Crime Information Center)
 13. "Just how big were those 'two beers' you say you had?"
 14. "No sir, we don't have quotas anymore. We used to, but now we're allowed to write as many tickets as we can"
 15. "I'm glad to hear that the Chief (of Police) is a personal friend of yours. So you know someone who can post your bail."
- AND THE WINNER IS....
16. "You didn't think we give pretty women tickets? You're right, we don't.. Sign here."