



# THE ROTARWAVE



THE ROTARY CLUB OF SURFERS PARADISE

<http://surfersparadiserotary.org>

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

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President Adrian

Date	10.09.18	17.09.18	24.08.18
Chair	Kiah Bastian	Stuart Fairley	Kirk Mason
Door	Stephen Beckett	Donna Gillett-Shaw	Catherine Palin-Brinkworth
Fellowship	Bill Crouch	Don Kissell	Sheila Ponting
Toast	Treasurer Sheila	Sgt. Peter	Secretary Sue
Thanks	Philip Dunsford	Alan Guignon	Bert Shenko

Guest Speaker – Father Peter Dillon



Fr Peter Dillon being thanked by Bill White

### Forthcoming program

Date	Speaker	Topic
10 Sept	Scott Morrison	Red Cross Community Health Services
17.Sept	T.B.C.	
24 Sept	T.B.C	

### THE ROTARY FOUR WAY TEST

Of the things we say and do:

Is it the TRUTH?

Is it fair to ALL CONCERNED?

Will it build GOODWILL, and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Fr Dillon gave a very interesting and enlightening speech based on his observation over 40 years as a priest.

He gave a breakdown of the various roles he has held in the church. Many of these roles were in the management field. He is currently in charge of the Surfers Paradise Parish.

Fr Dillon spent 10 years in the Centre Care where there were 60 staff. That number has now grown to 1,000 Staff.

People today have to deal with the draining pressures of life as it is today and many can't cope.

Fr Peter spoke of real life situations and how much more difficult it is now becoming when people grow with expectations but do not have the support in the family and in the community to provide the model on how to work towards achieving these expectations.

Fr Peter has six Learnings that people need:

Learn to Spell and Count

Learn how things work and how I can participate.

Cook for Someone

Keeping Face – with all of its imperfections

Honour Age

Have something to die for.

Friends at the meeting:



Wonderful to have Gordan here with Phil and Catherine.



Very happy to have Secretary Sue chatting with former Secretary Sue. Welcome back.



Congratulations Steve on making 75 donations at the Blood Bank. That's a great achievement.

A message from Glencoe in the Highlands of Scotland



Alan and Barbara enjoying a sunny day. It's Autumn but I don't think it's toasty warm. They do look well.

## **Announcements:**

### **Donna Gillett-Shaw**

Donna thanked members for the stamps.

Donne also mentioned a number of Qantas blankets that she delivered to Rosies after one of our meetings. Rosies were very appreciative as they has just run out.

### **Bill White**

#### Golden Wheel Villas

Unit 2 at GWV is now vacant and we are in urgent need of a needy Aged Pensioner Couple to apply.

GWV working Bee for **Saturday 22nd September. 9.00am to 11.00am.** Tree planting and a little bit of Mulch spreading. All welcome

### Race Day

Race day booking monies are required ASAP as the interest is such that First come first served. Normally we would have plenty of time to book and settle but if all bookings, as advised both verbally and in writing were realised we would not have enough tables.

### Rotary Youth

We should be seeking applications for RYLA, 18 to 28 years old and RYTS students from year 11 and year 12.

### **Alan Guignon**

GWV – Stage 4

Our meeting was a good one, albeit, perhaps with a different outcome from what we expected.

Council acknowledged the fact that the Rotary site designation had changed since the land was granted to the club (Lot 16 being in 2003) and that they understood that the club could feel that it was being treated unfairly, given no other site in the whole Community precinct was being treated this way

The discussion then moved to whether the club could utilise their land better or if other land was able to be utilised. Council indicated that it would support an expansion of the site northwards to abut Allied Drive and the closure of Rotary Place to be included in Lot 14 would not only be supported but would be undertaken by Council's property branch. It was felt around the table that this option would enable the club to expand the existing village by a reasonable number of units and would rule a line in the sand to prevent future creep southwards into Lot 16. Council also affirmed that they would accept any proposal to return the unusable portion of Lot 16 to Council ownership so that Rotary's liability to the land would be removed.

### Drought Relief

Alan had spoken with District 9630's Drought Relief Chairman. Alan advised him that our Club was wanting to donate a further \$5,000 making a total of \$10,000 through the Rotary Club of Charleville.

A Global Project with the Rotary Club of Villa Real – Versailles, Argentina to provide equipment to the emergency ward in a Public hospital in Buenos Aires. Our club will donate \$2,500 towards this project.

### **Kirk Mason**

Kirk advised that there was a membership seminar at the Burleigh Heads Surf Club on Sunday, 4 November

### **A Circus Family**

A husband and his wife who worked at a circus went to an adoption agency.

The social workers there raised doubts about their suitability.

The couple then produced photos of their 50-foot motor home, which was clean and well maintained and equipped with a beautiful nursery.

The social workers then raised concerns about the education a child would receive while in the couple's care.

“We've arranged for a full-time tutor who will teach the child all the usual subjects along with French, Mandarin, and computer skills”

Then the social workers expressed concern about a child being raised in a circus environment.

“Our nanny will be a certified expert in paediatric care, welfare, and diet.”

The social workers were finally satisfied. They asked, “What age child are you hoping to adopt?”

“It doesn't really matter .... As long as the kid fits in the cannon”