



THE ROTARWAVE



THE ROTARY CLUB OF SURFERS PARADISE
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Meetings – Ferry Road Tavern

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5.45pm for 6.15pm



RIP Holger Knaack



President Donna



DG Andy Rajapaske

Date	10.05.21	24.05.21	07.06.21
Chair	Jeff Bignell	Stuart Fairley	Kirk Mason
Door	Bill Crouch	Alan Guignon	John Lenehan
Toast	Secretary Sue	Treasurer Bill	Sgt Peter
Thanks	Phil Dunsford	Don Kissell	Alan Midwood
	Board Meeting		Board Meeting

after or a drink will of course be at your own cost should you decide to eat or drink.

Again, please give it your urgent consideration, we are a small club but we can show Surfers Paradise what we are but we need more than 6 people to do that.

We will be asking again at Monday night's meeting and I hope more of you say you will join in.

Regards

Donna

Guest Speaker: Dr Graham Sivyer

Forthcoming program

Date	Speaker	Topic
19 Apr	Graham Sivyer	Pentecost Island Project
10 May	Yasin Yazdi	Griffith University Student
24 May	Wayne Litherland	Romac
7 Jun	t.b.a.	

Note from President Donna
 Hello All,

Please give consideration to joining in the Q1 Baton climb on Wednesday, 12 May..
 Not only has Sheila gone to a lot of trouble to organise it on our behalf but other clubs have made it an event that shows Rotary 100 years in Australia to the in general community.

Sheila is sure she has arranged it that we do not have to pay to go up Q1 but only pay the \$97 for Daren Taylor to climb to the very top with the baton. Therefore, it will cost you nothing except an hour of your time. The diner



Bill White moving the Vote of Thanks to Dr Graham Sivyer for his talk on health in the Pacific Islands.

Graham spoke of Oceania having a population of 41M. Australia and New Zealand have a population of 25M and 5M. Papua and New Guinea have 9M.

The remaining 2M people populate the many islands of this part of the Pacific. Distance is the greatest problem to overcome and the fact that the small populations are spread out.

The Maori populated the island over 800 years ago.

Further during the years 1946 to 1996 over 300 atomic bombs were test fired on a number of these islands.

Infant mortality on these islands is 28/1000 births compared to Australia where the rate is 3/1000 births.

33% of children are malnourished.

30% of the women are obese – due mostly to modern cuisine.

Vanuatu is one of the Island Groups. Consisting of 80 islands stretching over 1,300km with a population of 300,000, it lies 1770km east of Australia and 800km west of Fiji. That equate to the distance between Gold Coast and Cairns with a population of 300,000

To give some indication of the difficulty in maintaining a health system over the entire area, the budget for Health is \$15M.

So the efforts of Graham and his group in providing health services to a village achieves a great deal. Congratulations Graham for your efforts and for our Presentation.



DG Andy presenting an award recognising our club as a Major Donor to Rotary Foundation.



Information

Phil Dunsford

Phil Advised that he would be attending the Surfers Paradise Dawn Service on Anzac Day representing our Club. President donna indicated that she would be attending as well.

President Donna

President Donna advised that Kirk Mason has accepted the position of **Club President** for the year 2021/2022.

Congratulations Kirk and many thanks for your further contribution.

District Conference – Saturday 15 May 2021
Twin Towns Conference Centre
Registrations Close 10 May 2021

Book in now.

Race Day

Saturday 23 October – 3 tables booked so far.

Alan Guignon

GWV Repairs and Maintenance
Should be finished in the next couple of weeks

Surfers Paradise State School

Two children sponsored to camp
Thank you letters below.

Thank You Rotary Club
Thank you so much for allowing me and my brother to go to camp. We did lots of fun things at camp like the mud run, creek rumble and fossicking. All of my friends were so happy to see me at camp. When Miss Parker called us into the office we thought we were in trouble but Miss Parker said do you want to go to camp and we said yes. Miss Parker told us about you and we were so happy.
Thank you so much !!!!!!!!!!!
From Lizara.

Thank you Rotary Club.

Thanks for letting me go to camp. We did lots of fun things such as mud run, raft building, fossicking and my favourite the creek walk. The creek walk was the most fun for me because we had to climb over ricks and sticks/branches. At the end we go to the jump of really really big xx that happened because of me and Mr Shell. Me and my two friends that are in my group called Jasper Holliday and Zane were doing jumps off the rocks and the water was freezing, but thank you and appreciate it to Rotary club.

From Tyreese.

Further projects:

30 copies of Australian dictionary approved

Tuckshop - to provide lunch on Mondays for 7 children in crisis.

TIME DIFFERENCES

One of the Russian Ambassadors comes to President Putin and tells him he'd like to resign.

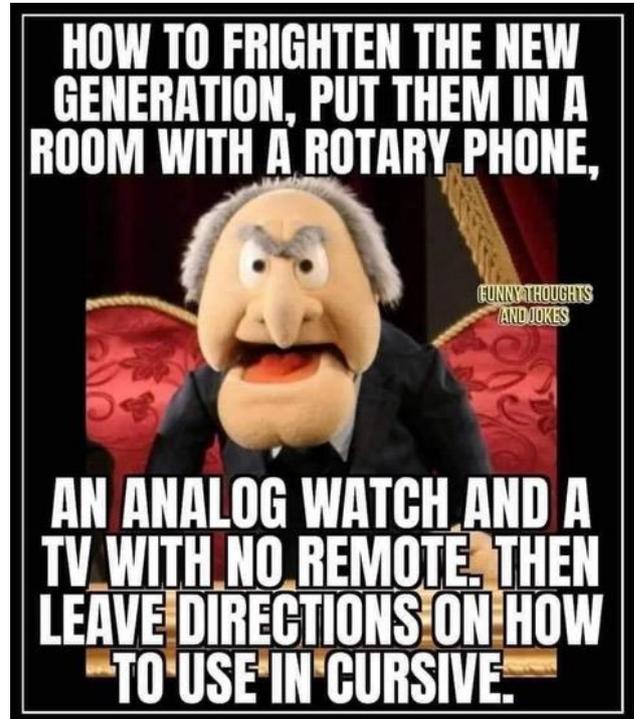
"Why?" Putin asks him.

"Ah, Mr. President, I can't take these time differences! I fly to another city, call home and everyone is asleep,

I last woke you up at 4 in the morning, but I thought it was only evening, I call Angela Merkel to congratulate her on her birthday and she tells me she had it yesterday,

I wish the Chinese President a happy New Year, and he says it will be tomorrow."

"Well, these are just minor inconveniences," says Putin. "Do you remember when that Polish plane crashed, killing their president? I called them to express my condolences, but the plane hadn't yet taken off!"



Shocked, just SHOCKED

Michigan State Police announced the discovery of an arms cache of 200 semi-automatic rifles,

Along with 250,000 rounds of ammunition, 10 anti-tank missiles, 4 grenade launchers,

Two tons of heroin,
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\$12 million in cash, and a ring of 14 prostitutes,

All in a housing project behind the Detroit Public Library.

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Detroit folks were stunned.

A community organizer said, "We is shocked"

"We never knew we had a library."