



THE ROTARWAVE



THE ROTARY CLUB OF SURFERS PARADISE

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Meetings – Gold Coast Tavern

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5.45pm for 6. pm



RIP Shekhar Mehtak



President Kirk



DG Jeff Egan

Date	03.05.22	16.05.22	06.06.22
Chair	Tuesday! President Kirk	President Kirk	President Kirk
Door	Sheila Ponting	Bill White	Jeff Bignell
Toast	Treasurer Adrian	Secretary Donna	Sgt Peter
Thanks	Bert Shenko		
	Board Meeting		Board Meeting

Guest Speaker – Alan Midwood



What a wonderful presentation by Alan on our Joint Club meeting with Runaway Bay.

We continue to learn about our members through these presentations.

Alan's topic was about Christopher Skase. Now we have all heard about Christopher to varying degrees.

And then! We find out that Alan was working very closely with Christopher during his rise as a building developer. Alan was able to give a very detailed commentary on Christopher's businesses during the 1990's.

Alan was also able to explain that Christopher and many others were brought undone by the rise in interest rates at the end of the decade which reached 19%. Skase had large borrowings .

Thanks again Alan.

Forthcoming program

Date	Speaker	Topic
03 May	Clare Blake It's a Tuesday	QIMR Possible Southport Club visit
16 May	Dayana Winnall	Bone Health
06 June	tba	

New Membership Drive for 2021 – 2022

Let's get these goals on the board

New	
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New Members	

Welcome Our New Members:

TUESDAY NIGHT MEETING

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President Kirk with President Anita Whiteford of the Runaway Bay Rotary Club.



Ken Lister of Runaway Bay has been very involved in the Symposium the Club organized with Bond University. It seems as though the project might be taken over by Hope Island RC.

MAKING MEMBERSHIP MEMORABLE – Membership Seminar

MAKING MEMBERSHIP MEMORABLE was the title of a seminar organised by District Membership chair Dave Harmon. And as he has grown Ballina Club from 33 to 76 members in 2 years it was really worth attending.

We agreed that **RETAINING** existing members is more important than finding new ones, and the key to success is having a friendly atmosphere, interesting speakers and giving everyone a job to make them feel relevant.

RELEVANCE to our community is also important in gaining new members by answering their question ‘Why should I join your club?’ Golden Wheel Villas gains us high marks here, and there are many other ways we get involved in our community.

But **SUCCESSION PLANNING** needs working on as we all know we need to attract younger Rotarians to carry on after us. A young lady from Gold Coast Corporate Club invited me to address their next meeting last Wednesday and I took along Alan Guignon for support.

They now have 44 members and meet in the board rooms of their members once a month. Although quite different to us I believe there are synergies that can be developed with them. Race Day is an obvious example and we are also discussing possible finance for Stage 4 of GWV which may be only a couple of years away. They were most impressed with the contributions we have made to the community over our 77 years as they seek their own relevance.

The best way to find new members is still by **PERSONAL INVITATION**, so please be constantly looking out for prospects among your friends whose lives would benefit by joining Rotary.

Alan Midwood, Membership and PR Director.

Club Information

Alan Guignon

Alan spoke of the Membership Seminar on a Rydges Airport on Saturday 23 April from 9.30 to 3pm.

Alan Midwood attended and his Report is printed above.

Bill White

Bill advised the members that a Ukrainian couple in their 70’s had donated a bottle of scotch. The bottle was being raffled and raised \$120.

AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH

PDG Brian Heaton, District Chair of Australian Rotary Health thanked Alan Midwood for his donation of \$5,000 towards the fund.

Bill Crouch

Bill introduced a new attendance sheet along with a new procedure.

Only members pay \$10 room hire.

Partners and visitors do NOT pay. – Only list their names on the sheet.

Phil Dunsford

Jokers wild will be back in the club only once a month. The cost will be \$5 and only available to members only.

Half of the pool goes to the winner and the other half to the club.

Wait, wait... you're telling me...



If I pee in the yard, I get a TREAT?



Turning on your lights and siren after you lose a drag race is just poor sportsmanship.

What do we learn from hippopotamuses?



That it's impossible to reduce weight by eating green grass and salads and walking.