



THE ROTARWAVE



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Surfers Paradise



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Meetings – 1st & 3rd Mondays 5:45 for 6:15
Gold Coast Tavern, Holden Place, Bundall

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Francesco Arezzo



Club President
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John Ooman

GUEST SPEAKER PROGRAM

Date	Speaker	Topic	Comment
18 May Board Meeting	Natalie Lidgerwood	"Seed the ground – Saving waste"	
01 June	Jackson Potter	Kingse Safaris	
15 June	TBA		
29 June	Club Changeover	Pres Helen Derrick to	Rtn Adrian Smallacombe

DUTY ROSTER

Date	Door	Toast	Thanks	Chair
18 May	Stuart Fairley	Ron Derrick	Phil Dunsford	Alan Guignon
01.June	Cheryl Gibbons	Donna Gillett-Shaw	Peter Kumnick	Alan Guignon

The Four-Way Test of the things we think, say or do is a test used by [Rotarians](#) world-wide as a [moral code](#) for personal and business relationships. The test can be applied to almost any aspect of life.!

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Guest Speaker – Mattias Steljic

Topic – Rotary Youth Science Forum

2026 NYSF Core Programs

The flagship **NYSF Year 12 Program** took place across two locations in January 2026. These highly immersive residential sessions were designed to broaden students' understandings of STEM career and study options:

- Hosted at The University of Queensland (UQ) in Brisbane (13–21 January 2026).

Mattias attended the University of Queensland session



Mattias was thanked for his very comprehensive talk about his experiences by Rtn Bill Crouch.

Besides the exposure to many forms of science during the session that opened many fields that the students hadn't experienced, the students made many friendships that continue after the camp closed.

Mattias attends The Queensland Academy of Health Sciences. In 2025, Mattias was Named the

Gold Coast Mayor's Student Ambassador as well as being named the Youth Lifesaver of the Year by the Mermaid Beach SLS Club.

Mattias is a young man that I believe we will hear a lot more of.

Golden Wheel Villas

On Friday 1 May we met at the villas with

Sam O'Connor, the Minister for Housing.

Sam inspected parts of the Village and presented a certificate for the Grant of \$14,900 to assist with drainage and light bollards.



John Monks mentioned that our Building Application was moving forward with 7 consultants checking out their areas of expertise.

**Why must I prove
that I am me to pay my
bills over the phone?
Do strangers call to
pay my Bills? And if
they do, why don't
you let them?**

Condolences and Funnies

< Things to ponder

1. What if my dog only brings back the ball because he thinks I like throwing it?
2. If poison is past its expiration date, is it more poisonous or less poisonous?
3. Which letter is silent in the word scent, the S or the C?
4. Everytime you clean something, you make something else dirty.
5. The word swims upside down is still swims
6. Intentionally losing a game of rock, paper, scissors is just as hard as trying to win.
7. Is your future self watching you right now through memories?
8. If you replace W with T in What, Where and When, you get the answer to each of them.
9. How many animals need glasses and no one knows it?
10. If you rip a hole in a net, there are actually fewer holes in it than before.



Me: Just had my physical today and the doctor says I'm a beast!

Wife: No dear, he said you are obese.

**THERE ARE 3 KINDS OF PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD
THOSE WHO ARE GOOD AT MATH,
AND THOSE WHO AREN'T**

