



# THE ROTARWAVE



**THE ROTARY CLUB OF SURFERS PARADISE**  
<http://surfersparadiserotary.org>  
Meetings – Ferry Road Tavern

**PO BOX 5267, Gold Coast MC. 9726**  
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**5.45pm for 6.15pm**



RIP Shekhar Mehtak



President Kirk



DG Jeff Egan

Date	06.09.21	20.09.21	18.10.21
Chair	President Kirk	President Kirk	President Kirk
Door	Don Kissell	Marilyn Renolds	Bert Shenko
Toast	Sgt Peter	Treasurer Adrian	Secretary Donna
Thanks	Sue Montgomery	Adrian Smallacombe	
	Board meeting		Board Meeting

### Forthcoming program

Date	Speaker	Topic
6 Sept	Gareth Hunt	District Chair Public Image Team
20 Sept	Kasia Brzezicka	Passport Club President
18 Oct	T.B.A.	

### New Membership Drive for 2021 – 2022

Let's get these goals on the board

New	
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New Members	

Fellows,

There has been some amendment to our November meetings, due to the unavailability of Ferry Road Tavern on Monday 1 November.

### OCTOBER:

Due to the Public Holiday on Monday 4 October, there will be no regular meeting.

There will be the normal regular meeting on Monday 18 October (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday). Also October Board Meeting.

### NOVEMBER:

Monday 1 November, this regular meeting has been transferred to Monday 29 November (5<sup>th</sup> Monday).

Thus:

Monday 1 November is now a Social Meeting at the Southport Surf Club. Further details to follow.

Regular Meetings are now:

Monday 15 November (3<sup>rd</sup> Monday)

Monday 29 November (5<sup>th</sup> Monday)

Cheers,

Bill



**Thanks Bill, for your delivery on our Club's page and how we can get around in it.**

**The address is;**

**[Surfersparadiserotary.org](http://Surfersparadiserotary.org)**

**Also from personal experience, thanks for advising the password that I can never remember when I need it.**

**You have done a tremendous amount of work in maintaining the club's page and updating all of the membership records and that has been ongoing over many years.**

**Thanks for the presentation and for your efforts.**

**Don finding a tube which he presented to Bert**



**Happy Birthday Adrian. 30 August 1945  
Birthday wishes to Jennifer on 31 August.**

**From our Meeting – Alan Midwood**

### **DEATH AND COVID - FACTS WITHOUT SPIN**

Around 370 Aussies die every day, varying from a low of 300 in summer to a peak of 500 a day at the end of August.

Between 3 and 5 have been dying with Covid each day recently and it has become a headline story all over the media. Why do they consider it so important as it is less than 1% of all deaths and far less than road deaths or the flu? We would never consider locking down for them.

2019 is the latest year figures are available for flu deaths, as I suspect the statisticians have been transferred to churn out mountains of figures on Covid. In calendar year 2019 there were 902 deaths from flu, whereas in the 19 months of Covid we have only just topped the 1,000 mark yesterday, 30th August 2021. On a monthly basis that is 75 for flu and only 53 for Covid. So what is all the fuss about ?

The median age of those dying with Covid is 86 years, which is 3 years older than the average lifespan of 83 years. They also have an average 2.6 comorbidities which could kill them sooner or later. And they don't seem particularly concerned about dying as 90% of them have not bothered to get vaccinated, despite being at the

head of the list for the past 7 months. Maybe they don't know about it as 41% have dementia.

These are the people we are locking millions in their homes for, keeping children out of school and bankrupting companies involved in tourism, restaurants, transport, education and many other associated small businesses. Teenagers are suffering from mental health problems and self harming. Why are we doing this to ourselves and our economy ?

Over \$1Billion has already been spent on testing to find the 1.15% who test positive. Of those only 9% need to be hospitalised and only 1.4% of the 1.15% finish up in ICU. 99.4% of those catching Covid RECOVER - which is GOOD NEWS. So why does the media concentrate on the 0.6% who die ?

Have we got this all out of proportion ? If so, ask yourself WHY ?

## CLUB ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sheila Ponting

Race Day

This year we will be in a new venue with a capacity of 250. It is not in the Event Centre.

Bill White

Sadly, Bill announced that a former member, George Mansell passed away. His funeral service will be on Friday 3 September at the Integrity Funeral Home in Tonga Place

Treasurer Adrian

Adrian announced that there were a couple of tardy members regarding Subs.

Bert Shenko

Sausage Sizzle – Saturday, 25 September

Alan Guignon

Guest Speakers

Alan would appreciate any assistance in finding guest speakers. It was mentioned that we could invite speakers from years past.

If you can think of anyone please contact Alan.

Alan is also passionate about Projects where we can get involved, hands on

The training process was tedious, but now he knows he is not allowed on the couch.



**Why don't the  
99% of us who  
aren't  
offended by  
everything  
quit catering  
to the 1% who  
are**