



# THE ROTARWAVE



**Rotary**  
Surfers Paradise



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

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RI President  
Francesco Arezzo



Club President  
Helen Derrick



District Governor  
John Ooman

## GUEST SPEAKER PROGRAM

Date	Speaker	Topic	Comment
19 January 2026	Welcome back. Board Meeting		
19 January	Jan-Marie	Fund raising Gold Coast Hospital Foundation	Benefits from our donations
02 March	John Ooman	District Governor D9640	

## DUTY ROSTER

Date	Door	Toast	Thanks	Chair
19 January	Bill White	Robin Ziukelis	Robyn Brown	Alan Guignon
02 February	Marilyn Byford	Ron Derrick	President Helen	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.<sup>1</sup>

Is it the truth?

Is it fair to all concerned?

Will it build goodwill and better friendships?

Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

## Proposed Club Meeting Dates to June 30

March 2 – meeting + Board

March 16 – meeting

March 30 – April 6 meeting + April Board – transferred from 6 April (Easter Monday)

April 6 - meeting + Board transferred to 30 March ( 5<sup>th</sup> Monday in March) due to Easter Monday on 6<sup>th</sup>

April 20 - meeting

May 4 – NO meeting or Board due to QLD Labour Day P/H

May 15 – meeting + May Board

June 1 meeting + Combined Board (2025-26 and 2026-27)

June 15 – meeting

June 29 – 5<sup>th</sup> Monday in month – suggest appropriate day for Club Changeover?

Surfers Paradise Rotary Members

As we step into 2026, I want to begin with two words that matter most: **thank you.**

**Because of you** - our donors, our walkers, our volunteers, our clubs, our researchers, and our army of supporters - countless Australians are living with more hope, better care, and stronger mental health outcomes. Your generosity has funded world-class research, supported emerging scientists, and helped break the silence around mental illness in families, schools, and communities across Australia.

I'm honoured to introduce myself as the **new CEO of Australian Rotary Health**, and to walk alongside you into this next chapter.

## Bert Shenko – Sausage sizzle

Subject: Sizzle 28/12/2025

Hi everyone

Please find attached the balance sheet from the last sizzle.

Profit was \$ 1701.82

Unfortunately the EFTPOS machine wasn't working properly so we missed out on a few sales.

November sizzle netted us \$ 1804.05

Thanks again for the sizzle team  
Regards  
Bert

**What a terrific result.**

## THE ROTARY CLUB OF TAKASAKI VISIT

Fellows,

The visit from our sister Club, Takasaki RC is RAPIDLY approaching.

12 members of Takasaki RC will be arriving on THURSDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY – a little over 3 weeks away.

Sheila's committee is busily organising the visit, but we need your help with attending NUMBERS.

The visit this year, at the request of President Shungo Tomiyama, will be slightly different, in that he wishes the "welcome party" and "farewell party" to be casual affairs, not a formal event as in the past. Thus the welcome and farewell will be dinners at a restaurant on both nights.

To assist with the organising of the visit we URGENTLY need attending numbers for the following meals/events.

1 THURSDAY 12<sup>th</sup> – Welcome at the Catch Restaurant “private area” from about 6:00pm

2. FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> – Dinner at (probably) Sandbar Restaurant in the Soul Building, Surfers Paradise, again about 6:00 pm.

3. SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> – BUS TRIP to Tweed Heads, then 3.5 hr CRUISE and local produce (including prawns) lunch on board with ECO Tours, who come highly recommended. Cruise is 10:30 start (QLD time), so we will probably leave on the bus about 08:30, returning about 3:30-ish. We urgently need number to confirm with ECO Tours and the cruise cost is variable depending on numbers.

4. SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup> – Farewell dinner at (again probably) at Kurrawa Surf Club.

We have had a venue cancel a “available” booking and Kurrawa is not available on the Friday night, so hence the “probably” comments above.

I will have a sheet to hand around at the meeting on Monday, but would appreciate an email reply as well.

The club will be subsidising an amount of the costs, to be advised after the Board Meeting Monday.

Cheers Bill



