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# THE ROTARWAVE



**THE ROTARY CLUB OF SURFERS PARADISE**

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**Meetings – Gold Coast Tavern First Floor**

**1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays -**

**5.45pm for 6.15 pm**



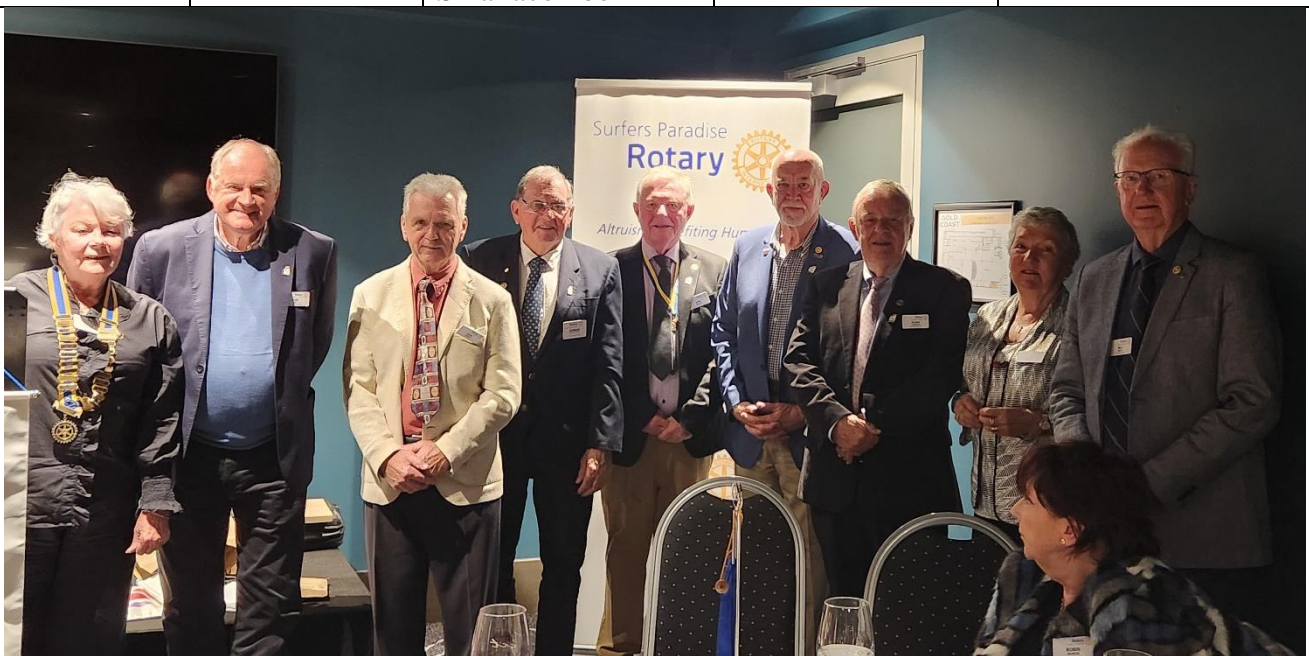
RIP Stephanie Urchick    President Sheila    DG Lisa Hunt

## GUEST SPEAKER PROGRAM

Date	Speaker	Topic	Comment
July 15	President Sheila	Plans and Goals for 2024-25	
July 29	Social Event (5 <sup>th</sup> Monday)		
August 5	VP Ron Derrick	Some Projects to consider	

## DUTY ROSTER

Date	Door	Toast	Thanks	Chair
15 July	John Monks	Phil Dunsford	Donna Gillett-Shaw	Ron Derrick
5 August	Robyn Brown	Adrian Smallacombe	Helen Derrick	Ron Derrick



## Honorary Membership



President Kirk presented PP Alan Midwood with Honorary Membership in recognition of Alan's many years of Service

Hi Kirk,

You certainly took me by surprise on Monday evening as I was not aware of the existence of an Honorary Membership Award. I have never been good at the small print of any organisation I have belonged to.

That is why I always need a good secretary and I have been fortunate to have Barbara backing me up in that and other roles for the past 62 years. Thank you for recognising her support in my Rotary career, which she fully deserves.

I do regret having to leave the Club at this stage, but am confident it is in good hands and on the threshold of greater things to come.

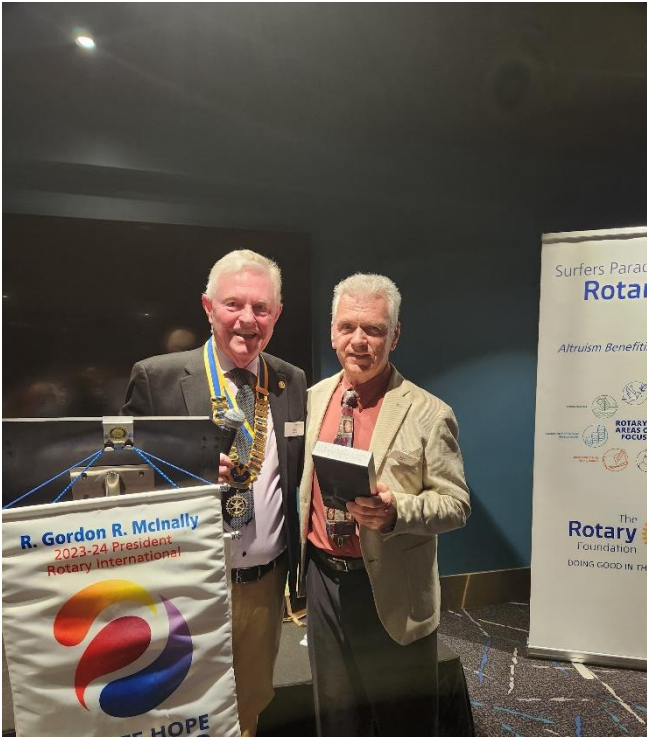
With our very best wishes to you all,

Alan and Barbara Midwood.

## Rotarian of the Year



President Kirk awarded Rotarian Alan Guignon as the Rotarian of the Year



President Kirk awarded Rotarian Ron Derrick a Paul Harris Fellow



President Kirk awarded Rotarian Don Kissell a Paul Harris Fellow



President Kirk awarded Rotarian Adrian Smallacombe a Paul Harris Fellow



President Kirk gave Rotarian Bert Shenko a Special Award in recognition of Bert's organizing the "Sausage Sizzles".



President Kirk welcomed Past District Governor Ross Smith as the DG'S representative.

Past President Kirk inducted Past President Sheila Ponting as President of the Rotary Club of Surfers Paradise for the year 2024-25



Congratulations President Sheila

The Photo of President Sheila's Board is above.

President Sheila  
 Secretary Ron Los  
 Vice President Ron Derrick  
 Treasurer Adrian Smallcombe  
 Immediate Past President Kirk Mason  
 Directors  
 Club Administration Bill Crouch  
 Service Projects Alan Guignon  
 International and Rotary Foundation Lee Peters  
 Youth Projects Bill White

**Changeover 23/24, July 1 2024**  
 (President Kirk)

Our Annual Changeover is upon us once more, time flies when we're having fun.

It only seems a few months ago since I was inducted for the year 23/24 by PP Alan Guignon.

I am about to pass the Baton after 4 opportunities as your President over 15 years.

I hope I made a reasonable success of it this time as we have a great selection of Rotarians from whom to choose into the future.

On that note we have had wonderful success with our membership this past year inducting 5 new friends who are already contributing as amazing Rotarians, Lee, Marilyn, Robin, Peter & John.

**We are very lucky, although I believe good people attract good people in so many ways, initially in the social aspect.**

**Everyone please keep doing what you are doing, enjoy Rotary and share.**

**Whatever we are doing it is working.**

Our big adventure this year was our visit to our friends and sister club in Takasaki, Japan for their 70th anniversary and the 33rd year of our relationship.

A fabulous opportunity to once again share Rotary with friends.

It has not all been fun and laughter, but always entertaining and constructive to the point that we

have shared donations in the order of \$40,000.00 to many, many worthy causes such as:

Circusquirkus, Ukraine fund, Surfers Paradise State School, The Rotary Foundation, Rotary Youth, Gold Coast Hospital Foundation, Malaria Foundation/Research, Noto (Ishikawa) Earthquake and many more.

All these donation opportunities have been made possible by our fundraising efforts through

Golden Wheel Villas, Race day and many sausage sizzles at Bunnings.

### **ANNUAL SURFERS PARADISE CHARITY RACE DAY**

**Saturday, 21 September 2024.**

Gold Coast Turf Club Corporate Suites  
Level 2  
(Southern End of Main Grandstand)

Tables of 10, \$950 or \$95 single  
Trybooking.com – opening soon  
Proceeds to  
Gold Coast Hospital Foundation  
The Rotary Foundation

