



THE ROTARWAVE



Rotary
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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GCMC QLD 9726



RI President
Francesco Arezzo



Club President
Helen Derrick



District Governor
John Ooman

GUEST SPEAKER PROGRAM

Date	Speaker	Topic	Comment
15 June	Natalie Lidgerwood	Seeding the Ground – saving Waste	
29 June	Club Changeover	Pres Helen Derrick to	Rtn Adrian Smallacombe
06 July	Jan Howes	Cardiovascular Disease	

DUTY ROSTER

Date	Door	Toast	Thanks	Chair
15 June	Bert Shenko	Jennifer Johnson	Kirk Mason	Alan Guignon
29 June	Changeover	As per Program		
06 July	Sheila Ponting	Bill White	Lee Peters	

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 – Postponed due to heavy rain and flooding roads

Information from the Meeting

Bill Crouch

CHANGEOVER

Numbers required for catering

Menu – Alternate drop – Beef , Fish

Cost \$40 a Head

Yearly Subs

Members have been advised that the subs for this year are \$160.

Takasaki

A new Takasaki Agreement has been organised.

The Paul Gillett Bursary is to continue. This is where we host a student from Takasaki

Donna Gillett-Shaw

Donna is requesting stamps - even single stamps will be appreciated

Lyle Stevenson

Lyle spoke of a visit from the council to Golden Wheel Villas.

Topics covered were, The Fire Break, branches falling from trees, chopped down small trees,

They will be back in the future considering removal of bigger branches

John Monks

John advised that Sheila Ponting has accepted an offer to join the GWV Board

Bert Shenko

Bert's Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

On Friday, 5 June

Bert's Team

Helen, Robyn B. Marilyn
Ron, Peter D, Rosi and Bert

Congratulations and Well done
A great result \$1314.68

Robyn Brown

Robyn Brown and Peter went to Maleny are going to Maleny and checked out the possible accommodation, and the food venues available for a Club trip there.

Surprisingly, everything, accommodation and eateries were almost booked out for September. So much so that it was imperative that booking had to be made immediately to secure reservations.

It was decided to book for 11/12 September. – These dates are a week following our Race Day.

The Race Day

The race day will be on
Saturday, 5 September.

The cost of a ticket has been set at \$110.
Meal cost is \$75

President Helen

President Helen confirmed that The Oz Harvest cooking day will be on

Thursday, 6 August

From the Rotary Club of Burleigh Heads

Dear Helen

Dear Club Presidents,

On behalf of the Rotary Club of Burleigh Heads, I am delighted to extend an invitation to you and members of your club to join us for our Annual Changeover Dinner on Friday 26 June 2026.

Our Changeover Dinner is a special occasion that allows us to reflect on the achievements of the past Rotary year, celebrate the dedication of our members and volunteers, and formally welcome our incoming President, Vicki Kersey, and her leadership team for the 2026–2027 Rotary year.

This year has been particularly significant for our club as we celebrated our 70th Anniversary and continued to strengthen our impact through community service, youth programs, fundraising initiatives and partnerships across the Southern Gold Coast and beyond.

We would be honoured to have fellow Rotarians from across District 9640 join us as we celebrate the friendships, service and fellowship that unite us all through Rotary.

Event Details
Friday 26 June 2026
6:00pm for a 6:30pm start

Please refer to the attached invitation for venue details and ticket information.

If you or members of your club would like to attend, please RSVP directly to me at your earliest convenience so that we can finalise catering and seating arrangements.

We look forward to celebrating with you and sharing in the spirit of Rotary as we conclude one year of service and embark on another.

Yours in Rotary

Joanne Kane
President 2025 - 2026

Past President 2015-2016

Dear Rotarians,

We're Closer Than Ever to a Malaria Vaccine!

Our June 2026 Malaria Vaccine Project newsletter shares exciting progress: after more than a decade of research, the PlasProtect® vaccine is preparing to enter Phase I clinical trials – a major step toward protecting millions of children and families from malaria.

Thanks to Rotary, community donors, and philanthropic partners, more than **\$3.3 million** has already been raised, helping move this breakthrough from the lab toward real-world impact. This edition also highlights inspiring club efforts, global recognition in *Rotary International Magazine*, and the pathway toward Phase II trials in malaria-endemic countries.

As we enter this critical stage, your support can help bring this life-saving vaccine to the communities that need it most.



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

Wife: No dear, he said you are obese.

