

ROTARWAVE

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Meetings – Gold Coast Tavern, 150 Bundall Rd, Bundall.
– 1st & 3rd Mondays, 5.45pm for 6:15pm

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Rotary



R.I.P. Gordon McNally.



President Kirk Mason.



D. G. Dave Harmon.



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Chairman Peter Kumnick called the meeting to order. He noted the ever-expanding membership of the Club – an extra (5th) table had to be supplied. Lee Peters proposed the Loyal Toast and a toast to the mothers in the room.

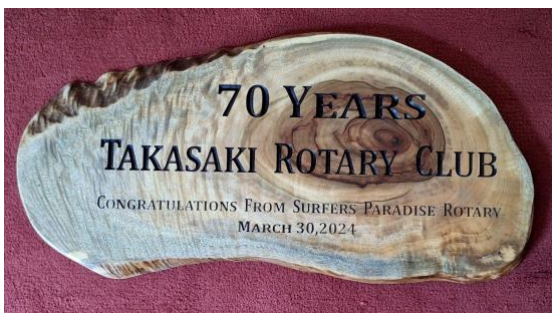
President Kirk welcomed guest speaker Ann Metcher, new Members Robyn Brown and Peter Dimond, Guests Julie White, Dianne Whish-Wilson.

Bill White spoke of the Fire Prevention and Control event at Golden Wheel Villas. 27/32 residents attended the day and there was much positive feedback from the advice given: e.g. in case of fire get out and get help....do not stay and scream!

In March there will be a **Working B at GWV** – after Easter in April – when a delivery of much will be spread. Members are also asked to bring low-growing ground cover for planting. Please come!

Alan Guignon reminded those who have not previously visited Golden Wheel Villas to do so and to appreciate the service and care that this Club gives to our 32 residents.

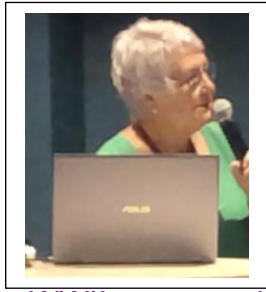
Treasurer **Adrian Smallcombe** announced that the Board had agreed to donate \$1,120.00 to **Teenage Adventure Camp** at Fleays' Wildlife Park, a weekend held for disabled youth.



Bill Crouch displayed the commemorative plaque of Australian camphorwood to be presented by Rotary Club of Surfers Paradise to **Takasaki Rotary Club** on the occasion of the 70th Anniversary of their foundation.

Alan Guignon introduced **Guest Speaker Ann Metcher of Wattle Quilts**. He remarked that at our last Race Day a quilt donated by Wattle Quilters was auctioned and was bought by PDG Sandra Doumanay.

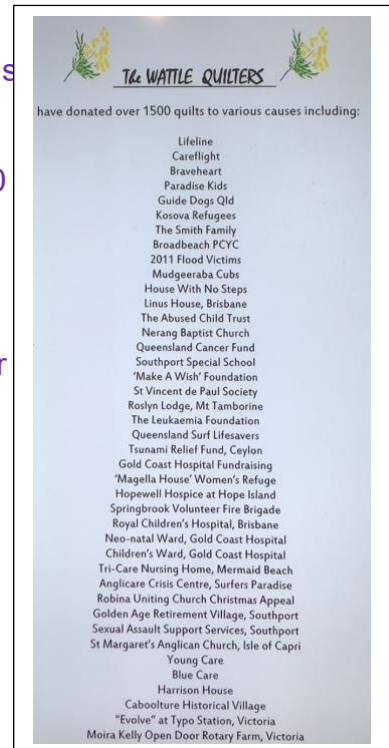
CLUB DUTIES ROSTER. <i>Please arrange a REPLACEMENT if you cannot make it.</i>						
DATE	Mar-18	Apr-01	Apr-15	TUES-May 7	May-20	June-3
CHAIRMAN	Peter Kumnick	EASTER MONDAY	Peter Kumnick	Peter Kumnick	Peter Kumnick	Peter Kumnick
DOOR	Bill White	NO MEETING	Marilyn Byford	Ron Derrick	Bert Shenko	Phil Dunsford
TOAST	A Smallcombe	–	Lee Peters	Alan Midwood	Adrian Smallcombe	Jeff Bignell
THANKS	Ron Los	–	Robyn Ziukelis	Helen Derrick	Donna Gillet-Shaw	Stuart Fairley



Ann Metcher spoke of the construction of a quilt which consists of 3 layers, top, batting and backing. Quilts have a long history – quilted vests, stuffed with wool, were worn by soldiers as long ago as 4BCE and were worn under armour in mediaeval times to prevent chafing. The oldest Australian quilt is the Rajah Quilt, named after the ship Rajah whose female convict passengers were supplied with fabrics by the Quaker Elizabeth Fry to provide occupation on the long sea voyage to Australia and donated to the then Governor of Van Diemen’s Land.

In WWII women prisoners in Changi made quilts and sent them to their husbands in a different part of the prison with messages of reassurance. Soldiers’ Quilts were a feature of C19, either made from old uniforms as occupational therapy, or from fallen comrades’ uniforms as commemoration.

Wattle Quilters have to date made and donated 2,956 quilts to Rosie’s, Veteran’s Care, Abused Child Trust, Gold Coast Children’s Hospital – see picture - right. Children’s hospital quilts need to be tactile, whereas the one for the Abused Child’s Trust was a floor-sized quilt on which children felt safe. Wattle Quilters donated 150 Quilts to the victims of Casino Floods. ‘Baby Give Back’ receive small, knitted teddies and the Variety Club Outback Bush Bash raffled a specially made quilt in aid of the Royal Flying Doctor Service. RizeUp is a charity that fits out apartments for those leaving women’s refuges and Wattle Quilters makes quilts to cheer these premises up. Alan Guignon thanked Ann Metcher and presented her with a Club pen in appreciation.



Diet tip:
If you think you're hungry, you might just be thirsty.
Have a bottle of wine first and then see how you feel.

Devices used to find water



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UPCOMING DATES				
18 March	1 April	15 April	May 7 (TUE)	May 20
Rotarians Behind The Badge - Marilyn Byford & Lee Peters	Easter - No Rotary/ Takasaki Visit.	Angie Bell. Federal Member for Moncrieff.	T.B.A.	T.B.A.