



THE ROTARWAVE



THE ROTARY CLUB OF SURFERS PARADISE
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 Meetings – Gold Coast Tavern

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 5.45pm for 6.15pm



RIP Shekhar Mehtak



President Kirk



DG Jeff Egan

Date	21.03.22	04.04.22	19.04.22
Chair	President Kirk	Donna Gillett-Shaw	President Kirk
Door	Alan Guignon	Don Kissell	Cheryl Gibbons
Toast	Treasurer Adrian	Secretary Donna	Sgt Peter
Thanks	Stuart Fairley		
		Board Meeting	

Guest Speaker

Air Vice Marshall Greg Hoffman OAM, CSC., presented an overview of his 37 years of his career and of Defence today. He was head of Aerospace Systems.

Bushfires and Covid19 and now widespread floods have enhanced Defence's interaction with the Australian community where organisation, interaction and practical help by personnel has been needed and welcomed.

Internationally increasing tensions are evident, and Defence is meeting the challenges by becoming more agile with more capability and resilience through technology such a robotics. Australia, as a medium sized country, lacks missile capabilities.

The modern Air Force's mission is to prepare for air and space missions in peace and war.

Our Air Force has 20,000 personnel and a new position within the service is Commander, Defence Space Command.

A photographic tour of our aircraft in service followed:

- **F-111C:** - now retired.
- **P3-Orion:** - Maritime Surveillance.
- **E7A- Wedgetail:** - Aerial control of battle space and includes mid-air refuelling capability. *(Below)*

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Forthcoming program

Date	Speaker	Topic
21 Mar	Simone Curtin	RYLA Attendee
04 Apr		
19 Apr	Yes, a Tuesday	Runaway Bay Club Visit

New Membership Drive for 2021 – 2022

Let's get these goals on the board

New	
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1	XXX
New Members	

Welcome Our New Members:



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- **PC-21:** - Pilot training simulator, introduced in 2010.



F-35A: - 5th generation Joint Strike Fighter. At \$17.56bn the biggest Defence Project. *(Left)*

- **Loyal Wingman:** - unmanned aerial vehicle, controlled from the ground, used for surveillance with multi-function capability which is being designed and built in Australia.

Covid 19 has highlighted the potential for breakdown of globalisation supply chains, so Defence is putting more emphasis on Australian jobs.



Bill Crouch presenting the Club pen to our Guest Speaker Greg Hoffmann, recently retired.



Greg with his wife Susan.
Susan is the daughter of Ron and Helen Derrick

Thanks Greg and Susan for your contribution to our meeting.

Club Information

Bert Shenko

Bert forwarded thanks for those members who attended the film night.

\$1160 was raised for the Polio Project.

Our thanks go to Jeff Bignell's son who donated \$100 to our Rotary Club.

Donna Gillett-Shaw

Donna thanked Adrian Jeff and Cheryl for the stamps they gave to Donna's project.

Jennifer Johnson

Jennifer advised that on Friday, 11 March, the morning tea with scones would be held at Golden Wheel Villas. All welcome.

Bill White

Bill advised that Enid from unit 15 passed away after a battle with illness. Flowers were sent. These included some of Enid's favorite blooms.

Our grounds keeper resigned today.

If anyone knows of anyone who they would recommend to do the mowing and trimming would you please contact Bill W.

Alan Guignon

Alan advised that he is looking for a Director for the Youth Programs.

Alan also offered his resignation from the GWV Board from 1 July. To hold both positions would be too demanding of his time.

**I've just called the council
to ask permission to have
a skip outside the house.**

**She said,
"Go for it fatty, you could
do with the exercise."
So that was nice.....**

President Kirk Mason
Rotary Club of Surfers Paradise

Dear Kirk:

I wish to thank you and your Club very sincerely for its further donation of \$3,400 to Yasin's fees for his BioMedical Science Course. Your Club has been wonderfully generous to Yasin and has made it possible for him to be now only two semesters away from graduating. This donation from you completes his fees for one of those semesters and I am sure that we will be able to find the fees for his remaining semester.

Yasin has a grade point of 6.6 so it is very clear that he is an excellent student and I am sure he will one day reach his dream of becoming a Medical Practitioner. This is a dream that seemed impossible because of the difficult situation arising from his Father's loss of job with the downturn of the Iranian economy. Thanks to your Club and others we have managed to keep his dream alive.

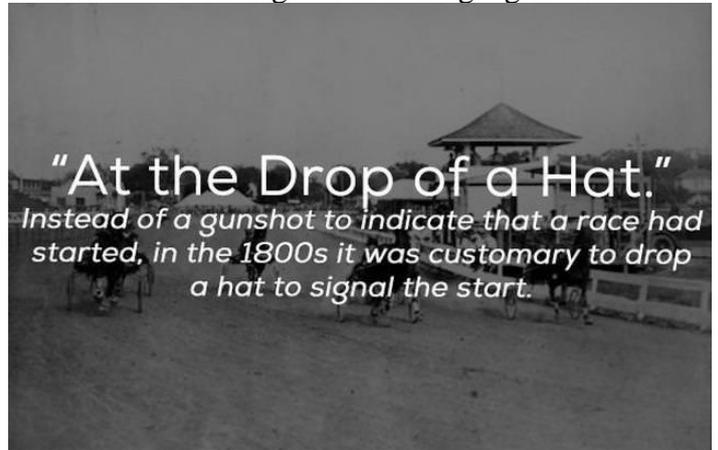
I have copied this email to Treasurer Adrian Smallcombe and have **attached** the Payment details for the Griffith University Fees Account. The fees are due by the end of March so please let me know if you have any difficulty.

I will also talk to Alan Guignon to see if I can make arrangements for Yasin to visit and thank the Club for its generosity.

With warm wishes and very BIG THANK YOU from me personally. You have been a marvellous support for and integral part for so many of the Projects in which I have been involved and I really appreciate it..

Graham

Some of the origins of our language.



**ARE YOU SWEATING
WHILST PUTTING
PETROL IN YOUR CAR
FEELING SICK WHEN
PAYING FOR IT, YOU
YOU HAVE GOT THE
CAR OWNERS VIRUS**