

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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R.I.P. Gordon McNally.



President Kirk Mason.



D. G. Dave Harmon.



CREATE HOPE
in the WORLD

Following Peter Kumnick's opening and welcome, Adrian Smallacombe proposed the toasts to Australia, Rotary International and to the Rotary Club of Takasaki. President Kirk Mason welcomed guests Diane Wish-Wilson, Rosi Shenko and Sue McKeen. Apologies from Helen Derrick.

Announcements: Alan Guignon announced the **21st of September is the date of our 21st Race Day**. Menus include afternoon tea and flyers will come shortly. Bookings at TryBooking.

District Conference in Ballina Saturday May 18. One-day conference at Ballina RSL. Suggest attendees travel there on Friday and all stay in same motel and dine together.

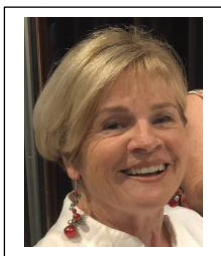
Alan and Barbara Midwood announced they will be moving to Brisbane by May and after 45 years' will be leaving with happy and busy memories of the Rotary Club of Surfers Paradise.

Sheila Ponting reported she had attended a President Elect Training. Of the Clubs in the District Surfers Paradise have hosted most Exchange Students – 34! **2025 District Conference** will be held at Sharks premises, Southport.

Rotarian Behind the Badge: Lee Peters was born in Coffs Harbour, is a keen hockey player and after marriage drove for 3 days from Katherine to Nhulunbuy on Gove where her husband was a crane driver. Established by Nabalco in the 1960's to mine bauxite, after a basic beginning Nhulunbuy became a fine town for 3,000 people. At first, they lived in 'donger' but facilities have greatly improved. Interesting fact is that during WW2, Gough Whitlam served there as the Entertainments Officer! During their 36 years there, Lee taught shorthand, did a teaching degree, played hockey, did HR testing for 360 employees and regrettably had to make 350 people redundant when Rio Tinto closed and dismantled the mine.



Marilyn Byford was born in Lithgow and grew up in Katoomba. Her varied career has taken her from a legal office on the Central Coast of NSW to Sydney where she worked for the University of New South Wales. Marilyn has worked as a Census Supervisor and for the Public Trustee. Marilyn has three daughters and feels lucky to have travelled around the world to many wonderful places. Following the death of her husband from the awful C-J D, she sold her home in Runaway Bay and now lives in the Nelson Building at Paradise Waters.



DATE	Apr-01	Apr-15	May 6	May-20	June-3
CHAIRMAN	EASTER MONDAY	Peter Kumnick	No	Peter Kumnick	Peter Kumnick
DOOR	NO MEETING	Marilyn Byford	Mtg.	Bert Shenko	Phil Dunsford
TOAST	–	Lee Peters		Adrian Smallacombe	Jeff Bignell
THANKS	–	Robyn Ziukelis		Donna Gillet-Shaw	Stuart Fairley

President Kirk thanked both speakers and said how glad we are to have both Lee and Marilyn as members of this Rotary Club.

We wish our delegation leaving to join our for Sister Club in Japan, Takasaki Rotary Club's seventieth Anniversary of their founding, Bon Voyage, have a wonderful time and we look forward to hearing of your experiences when you return.

MURPHY'S OTHER 15 LAWS

1. Light travels faster than sound. *This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.*
2. A fine is a tax for doing wrong. *A tax is a fine for doing well.*
3. A day without sunshine is like, well, *night.*
4. Change is inevitable, *except from a vending machine.*
5. Those who live by the sword *get shot by those who don't.*
6. **The 50-50-90 rule:** Anytime you have a 50-50 chance of getting something right, *there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.*
7. It is said that if you line up all the cars in the world end-to-end, *someone would be stupid enough to try to pass them.*
8. If the shoe fits, *get another one just like it.*
9. The things that come to those who wait, *may be the things left by those who got there first.*
10. Give a man a fish & he will eat for a day. *Teach a man to fish & he will sit in a boat all day drinking beer.*
11. Flashlight: *A case for holding dead batteries.*
12. When you go into court, *you are putting yourself in the hands of twelve (12) people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty!*

UPCOMING DATES			
1 April	15 April	May 6	May-20
Easter - No Rotary/ Takasaki Visit.	Angie Bell. Federal Member for Moncrieff.	Public Holiday- No meeting	Taylor Hayley, Principal, Surfers Paradise State School