



THE ROTARWAVE



THE ROTARY CLUB OF SURFERS PARADISE
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Meetings – Ferry Road Tavern

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5.45pm for 6.15pm



RIP Holger Knaack



President Donna



DG Andy Rajapaske

Date	24.05.21	07.06.21	21.06.21
Chair	Stuart Fairley	Kirk Mason	Sheila Ponting
Door	Alan Guignon	John Lenehan	Marilyn Reynolds
Toast	Treasurer Bill	Sgt Peter	Secretary Sue
Thanks	Don Kissell	Alan Midwood	
		Board Meeting	

All the sites are as follows -

Southport Park Shopping Centre

Australian Fair shopping centre

Westfield Helensvale

Woolworths Super Q Mermaid Waters

Woolworths Paradise Centre Surfers Paradise

Contact Donna if available.

Forthcoming program

Date	Speaker	Topic
19 Apr	Graham Sivyer	Pentecost Island Project
10 May	Yasin Yazdi	Griffith University Student
24 May	Wayne Litherland	Romac
7 Jun	t.b.a.	

Guest Speaker – Yasin Yazdi



Hello all, - **Salvos' Appeal**

I have received a request from the Salvos regarding their **Red Shield Appeal**. It seems they need assistance at some shopping centres around the Gold Coast for two hours.

The job is to sit and guard a donation bucket and or provide a QR code to scan for those who wish to donate on line, and give receipts. The dates are Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th May.

One of the centres chosen by Salvos is the Paradise Centre in Surfers Paradise outside Woollies. It can be one or two people. There is a table and chairs.

Yasin gave us an update since his last visit.

He greatly appreciated our continued support of him while continuing his studies at Griffith University.

Yasin has also taken on research with the Glycomics Institute where Professor Good is trialling the malaria vaccine.

Yasin also completed a course on taking blood at the Robina Hospital.

The research is looking at the role of animal to human transmission. Purifying serum to find antibodies to pathogens. In this regard, Yasin gets to “play” with the impressive “toy”, the multi-million dollar, Mass Spectrometer. Some “toy”.

Graham Jones also added that Yasin’s “pass” results are actually “7’s”. The highest pass.

Yasin also loves surfing.

Rotary 100 Year Celebrations Baton Relay – Q1



Congratulations Sheila for the tremendous amount of work you put into organising the event. And celebrating. Cheers!



Graham Jones spoke of Rotary’s continuing role in raising funds for the clinical trials of the malaria vaccine.

The target is \$2,000,000. Currently an amount of \$1,200,000 has been raised since the Project was launched by the Governor General in March 2017 and includes \$500,000 donated by the Federal Government.

Our club support the Project through funds raised at our Race Day.



Rotary District 9640 Conference Report

Beautifully written and lifted from
The Rotary Club of Surfers Sunrise Bulletin



How about this.....a young lady (yes, by Rotarian standards, being well below 40 definitely is young) **will be District Governor** in the oldest District in Australia (Melbourne). Yes, that is **Amanda Wendt**, a young business woman ("and I'm not about to retire") who gave a hugely inspiring keynote presentation at last Saturday's District 9640 Conference. This was preceded by a Zoom presentation by **Jason Browne** (he looks a bit like Bob Marley, complete with dreadlocks - , from the US. This was followed by an interview of four young Rotarians, half my age, from newly chartered clubs (Gold Coast Passport, Gold Coast Corporate, Currumbin Beach, Lismore Networking). Then there was ROTEX, the Society of past Youth Exchange Alumni. (Wouldn't we have given our left arm for such opportunities when we were young...!)

In all my years of Rotary membership, I've attended most of the annual conferences. This was the first time it was shortened to just one day, and thus some of the most enjoyable and important ingredients, such as the Friday and Saturday night events and their associated fun networking, were sadly missing. But there was plenty of the conventional stuff too: The Entrance of the Flags, led by **Angie Bell MP** (she was an Exchange Student to Denmark), **Dr Michael Pyne** talking about the Koala Chlamydia epidemic, **Prof Michael Good AO** on the status of the Malaria Vaccine project which is massively supported by Rotary.



Attending a District Conference is somewhat akin to recharging the old "Rotary Enthusiasm" batteries. Or perhaps I could compare it to applying a good cut and polish: Presentations such as the interview by the District's Youth Programs Chair, PDG Darrell Brown, with four awardees of leadership development programs, reinforce one's commitment to the RYLA, RYTS, RYPEN camps and other Youth programs. You should have been there!