



# THE ROTARWAVE



THE ROTARY CLUB OF SURFERS PARADISE

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Meetings – Gold Coast Tavern

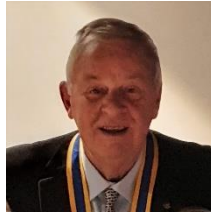
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5.45pm for 6.15 pm



RIP Jennifer Jones



President Alan



DG Karen Thomas

Date	05.12.22	12.12.22	16.01.23
Chair	President Alan	Christmas Party	President Alan
Door	Don Kissell		Ron Los
Toast	Secretary Donna	Southport Golf Club	Sgt Peter
Thanks	Kirk Mason		
	Board Meeting		Board Meeting

Guest Speaker – Jaeneen Cunningham.



Cheryl Gibbons gave a vote of thanks and presented Jaeneen with a Rotary pen.

### Forthcoming program

Date	Speaker	Topic
21 Nov	Jaeneen Cunningham	Safe Haven Community
5 Dec	Simone Curtin	RYLA
12 Dec	Presentation of Christmas Dinner	Race Day Proceeds Southport Golf Club
16 January	2023	

Monday, 5 December Meeting

I forgot to mention that we will also present the proceeds of our Race Day to representatives of *Angel Flight and GC Hospital Foundation*.

Folks, it doesn't get any better than this? .Well it does.

A visitor from Japan will be attending our regular meeting this Monday night.

He is *Yasuyoshi KIMURA*, a member of Yokohama-Minami South Rotary Club.

He will be introduced by *Mr Yuji Tamara*, a local Surfers Paradise realtor.

What a great opportunity to welcome a fellow Rotarian from Japan to our last meeting of this calendar year.

As well, we also have a return visit of *Simone Curtin* who loved her RYLA experience last year so much, that she has become a team leader for this upcoming RYLA.

Alan G

**Jaeneen Cunningham from the Safe Haven Community** spoke to the Club about this Charity, which is based in Southport to help women who suffer from coercive control in domestic violence.

Coercive Control leaves no bruises as there is seldom physical violence. This lack of evidence means that the perpetrators get away with it.

Coercive control includes economic abuse, isolation from family and friends, rape by husbands and partners. Women find it difficult to be believed as police frequently believe the male perpetrator. Harassment by fear and intimidation is hard to prove. Jaeneen spoke of one case where the perpetrator had 770 Apprehended Violence Orders against him and broke every one of them.

Problems arise because the victims feel intimidated, families feel ashamed, and the perpetrator's behaviour is masked by their social skills so that others do not believe their accuser. DV Connect is one source of support. Most victims have no-where to go. The statistics are horrifying – 14% of women complain, 97% of male perpetrators get off for lack of proof. Overseas brides suffer at a high rate as they have no-where to turn.

However, Safe Haven Community has up to 470 safe houses around Australia where people are willing to donate a room where a victim can be safe and secure while they recover and transition into work and independence.

May is Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Australia.

The Police are being re-trained to recognise the signs and to acknowledge that the woman is telling the truth, as are Magistrates so that women can have better recourse.



## Rotary Youth Programs

Please read carefully the information below from Executive Youth Chair PDG Darrell Brown outlining the requirements and criteria for each programme. Please inform your members of these outstanding programmes, as they may be aware of someone who would benefit from attending. Additional information may be obtained from D9640 Website. If you have any questions, please communicate **DIRECTLY** with either Gareth Hunt for RYTS or Anthony Zirilli for RYLA. Their details appear at the bottom of this email under "Further Information" YIR, Sue Dist Sec

### Youth Programs – now accepting applications!

Two of our District's Youth Programs, the Rotary Youth Transition Seminar (RYTS) and Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) are now **open for applications**.

**RYTS is aimed at students in their senior years of school (years 11-12) or who are aged between 17-18** if not within a school system. The program has a focus to assist the transition from one area of study into the next phase of life. It will run from 12 - 17 January 2023. Further information and links for applications can be found on our District website ([www.rotary9640.org/page/ryts](http://www.rotary9640.org/page/ryts)).

**RYLA is aimed at young people aged 19-29** and will run from 24 - 29 January 2023. The program is a personal, professional development camp which focuses on enhancing leadership, communication, motivation, teamwork and interpersonal skills. Further information and links for applications can be found on our District website ([www.rotary9640.org/page/rotary-youth=leadership-awards](http://www.rotary9640.org/page/rotary-youth=leadership-awards)).

Our venue for both camps is Bornhoffen PCYC in Natural Bridge, QLD. **We are accepting applicants from both QLD and NSW.** With limited spaces available at each camp, we urge applicants to apply early.

**Clubs can sponsor as many attendees as they wish to either camp.** You will be invoiced in full for each person you sponsor (less the \$100 deposit payable by RYLA applicants). However, you are free to determine how much of that cost is covered by your club or the applicant – further details are on the respective website pages.

Please be aware that the **applications will only be accepted online** via the links on the website pages. For each submitted application sponsored by your club we will send an email containing the details of the application and asking you to confirm / approve (an additional email will also be triggered for RYTS applicants asking their parent / guardian to approve).

### Further Information

If you need further information or have any queries, please reach out to the respective Program Chairs – RYTS – Gareth Hunt ([gareth.hunt71@gmail.com](mailto:gareth.hunt71@gmail.com) or 0414 408 299) RYLA – Anthony Zirilli ([tony.zirilli@gmail.com](mailto:tony.zirilli@gmail.com) or 0407 194 509)