



# The Racing Wheel

The Rotary Club of Bathurst East Inc NSW Australia.  
Bathurst East: The Friendly Club

Building Better Communities



**Week ending 15<sup>th</sup> July 2014**

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## Last week @ Rotary:

### International Toast

The International Toast was to the Rotary Club of Chicago, Illinois, USA, the Club where Rotary began on 23 February 1905. The presentation given by PHF Bill Dickie was as usual, very interesting and informative.

Bill's full discourse is attached to this week's bulletin.

### Christine Carberry letter regarding Dili activities

Approach made to President Peter re possible sponsorship. Copy of the email received is also attached for your perusal and comments.

### Future Activities

PP Bob Newton gave details of two functions the Club will be supporting.

The first is the motor cycle "Grand Prix" to be held in November (the week of November 8<sup>th</sup>), with the Club to provide catering and morning tea.

The second is the Swap Meet set down for February next year, with our Club to provide BBQ facilities. Bob will give further details closer to the time.

### Guest Speaker

This week we were honoured to have as our guest speaker, Ben O'Regan from Bathurst Scouts. Ben was accompanied by his wife, Veronica, and gave an instructive discourse on the history of the Scouting movement, and its history as it relates to Australia and Bathurst.

The Scouts movement was founded by Robert Baden-Powell in 1907, two years after Rotary began. Scouts came to Australia in 1908 and began in Bathurst the following year.

Over time there has been ten different scout groups locally, of which only one still exists, that being the 3<sup>rd</sup> Bathurst group which started in 1932.

Currently there are 44 members in Bathurst along with 13 leaders, continuing the original aims of the organisation in the producing of useful members of our community as well as the development of the skills of each of them.

There are many parallels between Scouts and Rotary, not the least being we share the same Grace although sung to different tunes.

Bill thanked Ben and Veronica for coming and addressing the meeting as well as presenting Ben with the Bathurst East Rotary mug.

## *Change Over Dinner Memories*

With thanks to PP Greg Madden for sending in the 'photo of our members who were able to attend last week's Change Over dinner.



What a range of rough, rowdy, rasping, raucous Rotarians standing in the sitting room at Abercrombie House. With the exception of "Wanted" posters, where else would you find such a collection of fine faces? Yes, we are a fabulous lot when dressed in our finery.

## Next week 16<sup>th</sup> July @ Rotary

Registrar: Luis Hernandez

Guest Speaker: Maree Richards

Greeter/3 Minuter: Heather Crawford Thought for the Week: Chris Olsen



Maree will be unable to attend next week's meeting, however Maree has arranged for our guest speaker to be Mick Burgess who will be talking to us about Camp Quality, its aims and ideals.

Briefly put, Camp Quality endeavours to provide a better life for all children living with cancer in Australia.

A "must attend" meeting for us all.

## And the Following Week 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Registrar: John Martin

Guest Speaker: Matt Casey

Greeter/3 Minuter: Brian Rattray

Thought for the Week: Terry Mahony

Fellows please find a replacement if you are unable to fulfil your rostered duty

In order to let our members know in advance the subject your guest speaker will be presenting, kindly provide the Bulletin Editor with relevant details at least a week in advance (two weeks preferably) so particulars can be published ahead of time.



## Reminder:

**SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE DUE \$100.00 EACH**



What are you doing on Saturday, July 12 at 1:00pm? Going to Maree's place to do a bit of gardening & tidying up? Great. Please be there if you can. Should be fun. Maree's address: 21 Huaba Close, Bathurst.

If not sure how to get there, refer to the map as under:



## Anniversaries and Birthdays

Please join us with best wishes to:

- 24 Jul Wayne & Sharon Aitcheson
- 9 Jul John Cobby
- 9 Jul John & Helen Martin
- 5 Jul Alan Petersen



## TIME TO LAUGH, CRY, OR WHATEVER

A business man was walking down the street when he was accosted by a particularly dirty and shabby-looking homeless man who asked him for a couple of dollars for dinner. The man took out his wallet, extracted ten dollars and asked, "If I give you this money, will you buy some beer with it instead of dinner?"

"No, I had to stop drinking years ago," the homeless man replied.

"Will you use it to go fishing instead of buying food?" the man asked.

"No, I don't waste time fishing," the homeless man said.. "I need to spend all my time trying to stay alive."

"Will you spend this on green fees at a golf course instead of food?" the man asked.

"Are you NUTS!" replied the homeless man. "I haven't played golf in 20 years!"

"Well," said the man, "I'm not going to give you money. Instead, I'm going to take you home for a shower and a terrific dinner cooked by my wife.."

The homeless man was astounded. "Won't your wife be furious with you for doing that?"

The man replied, "Don't worry about that. It's important for her to see what a man looks like after he has given up drinking, fishing and golf.."

Thanks to Terry Mahony





**Did you know ..... ?**

**If you add together all the numbers on a roulette wheel (1 to 36), the total is the number 666.**

**In England, the Speaker of the House is not allowed to speak.**

**A human with his/her mouth glued to a hose, and nostrils shut, can absorb approximately eight gallons of water before bursting. (how they found this out is puzzling)**

**People say "Bless you" when you sneeze because when you sneeze, your heart stops for a millisecond.**

**Each king in a deck of playing cards represents a great king from history:**  
**Spades- King David**  
**Hearts- Charlemagne**  
**Clubs- Alexander the Great**  
**Diamonds- Julius Caesar**

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**If a statue in the park of a person on a horse has both front legs in the air, the person died in battle.**

**If the horse has one front leg in the air,  
the person died as a result of wounds received in battle.**

**If the horse has all four legs on the ground,  
the person died of natural causes.**

**Although our erstwhile Treasurer could not attend the last meeting, he did leave  
behind for your information, the Treasurer's Report as at 1 July 2014:**

Bathurst East Rotary Club

Balance Sheet as at 1<sup>st</sup> July 2014

Service account 234072	\$4,960.34
General Account 234195	\$7,577.89
Less \$2,365.00 Changeover dinner fees	
Food Van Working Account 313352	\$887.24
Westpac Solutions Cash Reserve 326559	\$4,232.23
RYDA Working Account	\$724.27
Investment Account (General Funds )	\$5202.50 Matures March 2015

Changeover dinner

35 Members 7 Guests Total 43 @ \$55.00

Expenditure \$2,365.00

Income \$1,620.00

Subsidized from General Account \$ 745.00

## What is Rotary?

Rotary is ordinary people around the world sharing their professional skills and working together in a social environment to build better communities.

We operate as a Club with weekly meetings developed around a guest speaker or special event where business, community and service issues are discussed in an interactive and relaxed atmosphere.

### **Come and join us:**

Wednesday evenings 6.00 for 6.30pm at Bathurst RSL Club  
Rankin Street, Bathurst, NSW 2795 Australia

