



# The Racing Wheel

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

Building Better Communities



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Due to a number of "late" items received, the Bulletin is slightly late this week, however due to the importance of the various issues involved, you will realise why. Happy reading – Editor.

## Last week @ Rotary:

### International Toast

The International Toast was to the Rotary Club of Dunbar, Lothian, Scotland in Rotary District 1020. The presentation, compiled as usual by PHF Bill Dickie was presented in Bill's absence.

The Rotary Club of Dunbar has 27 members and meet on Mondays, having received their Charter on 26<sup>th</sup> March 1964.

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

### Three Minuter

Rtn Kathy Woodley gave the "3 Minuter" this week and spoke of a new book written by her brother Peter, with the book entitled "Moving on", recently hitting the shelves of the Bathurst Library.

"It was a very proud moment for our family when this book was published and to have this record of our family's past" said Kathy.

"My great, great Grandparents, George Bowls Woodley and his wife Helena arrived in Australia from Cork on the 21<sup>st</sup> July 1838 and their arrival in Bathurst in 1838. George was a farm overseer and Helena a school mistress.

"The Woodley's arrival in New South Wales coincided with a severe drought which was followed by economic depression" added Kathy.

"In 1855 GBW purchased land in Bathurst in Lambert Street.

"In 1868 GBW represented Evans Plains on committee to establish Parish of Georges Plains.

"In 1874 GBS's grandson George Henry purchased land in Dubbo and our family has farmed in the Dubbo area ever since" said Kathy.

Both George Bowls and Helena are buried at St. Stephen's Fitzgerald Valley.

Thank you Kathy.

## General Business

PP Geoff Fry stated it appears he is now the "Club Administration Director" and asked what does that entail.

PP Bob Newton gave a quick rundown on the fact all the Rotary office bearer position definitions were recently reviewed and changes are being made (with effect from August 2014).

Given the obvious confusion within the Club, and in order to see what we ought to be doing, Bob has sent to the Bulletin Editor a copy of the new "definitions".

A copy is attached and you are urged to peruse the document carefully as it certainly sets out many changes. The copy appears "as is" from Bob with no changes being made.

President Peter and his merry band has a Committee Meeting set down for next Wednesday at 5:30pm and should be able to report back to the members at our regular meeting of the discussions held.

## Other Items

PP Bob Newton stated you may remember James Daley coming and speaking with us recently about palliative care. James has issued an invitation to all of us to attend a palliative play to be held on September 9<sup>th</sup> next.

If any members are interested, please contact James on 0429 785 449.

PP Geoff Fry gave further details of the "A Celebration of 100 Years of Motorcycle Racing in Australia".

A celebration is being planned on the site of the original circuit at Kirconnell on Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November next. Contact Geoff for further details.

Membership lists, member e-mail addresses, spousal birthdates: as editor, several requests for the continued and non continuance of the publication of the lists have been received.

Given the fact there are privacy provisions which must now be addressed, perhaps your thoughts can be made known at our next meeting.

In the meanwhile, the list will still be attached to our weekly bulletin although if this practice is to continue, we must ensure the provisions of the "Privacy Act" are not being contravened.

## Guest Speaker

Unfortunately we were unable to have a guest speaker this week.

# Australian Rotary Health Hat Day 2014 Friday October 10th.

This is to let you know that Hat Day is coming very soon.

The idea is to have a Hat Day where members pay for the privilege of wearing something outrageous in the form of a hat on the day. It's good fun and a break from the normal routine.

Please be part of it. The funds raised go into research, and Mental Health is one of the least understood and probably the more feared of most health issues. It's all here at <http://www.hatday.com.au>

As well as running Hat Day at club level, why not run an event in conjunction? One local club runs a Trivia Night which is really successful, others have a bucket drop down the main street. There are heaps of ideas which the clubs can come up with.

All will add to the image of Rotary in your town and help to find out how best to treat mental health issues.

Further, as business people, why not encourage a staff Hat Day? Each staff has a mover and shaker. There are kits available for free on the web which give all the details as to how to run a HatDay, a great team builder and fund raiser. Get them on board.<http://www.hatday.com.au>

It is a fact that Mental Health issues cost business a great deal in a year, so this has more positives than we realise.

## Request – St Johns Ambulance Service



As mentioned at the last meeting, St John's Ambulance, Bathurst, has requested we assist with the purchase of a new ambulance.

Please refer to the letter received which has been attached to the Bulletin for your information and comments.

## Thought of the Week

The thought this week was given by Merrin Olson.

“To accomplish great things, we must not only act but also dream, not only plan but also believe”

- Anatole France.

PS Who was Anatole France. **Anatole France was a French poet, journalist, and novelist. He was born in Paris, and died in Saint-Cyr-sur-Loire. He was a successful novelist, with several best-sellers**

## Next week 30<sup>th</sup> July @ Rotary

Registrar: **Doug Barnes**

Guest Speaker: **Stephanie Brown**

Greeter/3 Minuter: **Robin Price** Thought for the Week: **Tony Pollard**

## And the Following Week 6<sup>th</sup> August

Registrar: **John Martin**

Guest Speaker: **Terry Mahony**

Greeter/3 Minuter: **Greg Madden**

Thought for the Week: **Doug Coates**

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.

## 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



## Rotary Foundation

### *A short history of The Rotary Foundation*

In 1917, RI President Arch C. Klumph proposed that an endowment be set up “for the purpose of doing good in the world.” In 1928, when the endowment fund had grown to more than US\$5,000, it was renamed The Rotary Foundation, and it became a distinct entity within Rotary International. Five Trustees, including Klumph, were appointed to “hold, invest, manage, and administer all of

its property . . . as a single trust, for the furtherance of the purposes of RI.” Two years later, the Foundation made its first grant of \$500 to the International Society for Crippled Children. The organization, created by Rotarian Edgar F. “Daddy” Allen, later grew into the Easter Seals. The Great Depression and World War II both impeded the Foundation’s growth, but the need for lasting world peace generated great postwar interest in its development. After Rotary’s founder, Paul P. Harris, died in 1947, contributions began pouring into Rotary International, and the Paul Harris Memorial Fund was created to build the Foundation.

That year, the first Foundation program – the forerunner of Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarships – was established. In 1965-66, three new programs were launched: Group Study Exchange, Awards for Technical Training, and Grants for Activities in Keeping with the Objective of The Rotary Foundation, which was later called Matching Grants.

The Health, Hunger and Humanity (3-H) Grants program was launched in 1978, and Rotary Volunteers was created as a part of that program in 1980. PolioPlus was announced in 1984-85, and the next year brought Rotary Grants for University Teachers. The first peace forums were held in 1987-88, leading to the Foundation's peace and conflict studies programs.

Throughout this time, support of the Foundation grew tremendously. Since the first donation of \$26.50 in 1917, it has received contributions totaling more than \$1 billion. More than \$70 million was donated in 2003-04 alone. To date, more than one million individuals have been recognized as Paul Harris Fellows – people who have given US\$1,000 to the Annual Programs Fund or have had that amount contributed in their name.

Such strong support, along with Rotarian involvement worldwide, ensures a secure future for The Rotary Foundation as it continues its vital work for international understanding and world peace.

### **Get to know The Rotary Foundation’s Goals**

1. Eradicate polio, the top priority
2. Build a sense of ownership of our Foundation among Rotarians through their contributions to the Annual Programs Fund, the Permanent Fund, and our Rotary Peace Centres
3. Continue our progress on the Future Vision plan and align our service projects with the six areas of focus
  - Peace and conflict prevention/ resolution
  - Disease prevention and treatment
  - Water and sanitation
  - Maternal and child health
  - Basic education and literacy
  - Economic and community development



## TIME TO LAUGH, CRY, OR BE DISGUSTED

(This is supposedly a true account recorded in the Police Log of Sarasota, Florida)

An elderly Florida lady did her shopping and, upon returning to her car, found four males in the act of leaving with her vehicle. She dropped her shopping bags and drew her handgun, proceeding to scream at the top of her lungs, "I have a gun, and I know how to use it! Get out of the car!" The four men didn't wait for a second threat. They got out and ran like mad. The lady, somewhat shaken, then proceeded to load her shopping bags into the back of the car and got into the driver's seat. She was so shaken that she could not get her key into the ignition. She tried and tried, and then she realized why.

It was for the same reason she had wondered why there was a football, a Frisbee, and two 12-packs of beer in the front seat. A few minutes later, she found her own car parked four or five spaces farther down.

She loaded her bags into the car and drove to the police station to report her mistake. The sergeant to whom she told the story couldn't stop laughing.

He pointed to the other end of the counter, where four pale men were reporting a car jacking by a mad, elderly woman described as white, less than five feet tall, glasses, curly white hair, and carrying a large handgun. No charges were filed.

Moral of the story? If you're going to have a senior moment...make it memorable.

Thanks to Terry Mahony

*Now a joke only tax accountants can truly get excited about:*

At the end of the tax year, the ATO sent a tax inspector to audit the books of the local hospital. While the taxman was checking the books, he turned to the executive of the hospital and said: "I notice you buy a lot of bandages. I imagine there's a lot of wastage there. What do you do with the end of the roll when there's too little left to be of any use?"

"Good question," noted the executive. "We save them up and send them back to the bandage company and every once in a while, they send us back a complete roll for free."

"Oh," replied the taxman, somewhat disappointed that his unusual question had a practical answer.

However, he was now well mounted on his favourite hobby horse and ready to be critical. "What

about all these plaster purchases? What do you do with what's left over after setting a cast on a patient?"

"Ah, yes," replied the executive, who actually hadn't a clue, but rising to the challenge. "We save that too, and send it back to the manufacturer and every so often they send us back a complete bag of plaster."

"My, my, an answer for everything!" responded the auditor, who also fancied himself a bit of a wit. "OK, what do you do with, say, oh yes: all the remains from any circumcision surgeries?"

"Here, too, we do not waste," answered the executive.

"What we do is save all the little foreskins and send them to the tax office, and every now and then they send us back a complete prick."

***OK, one for the many of our "schoolies":***

A guy goes to the supermarket and notices a very attractive woman waving at him.

She says, 'Hello.'

He's rather taken aback because he can't place where he knows her from. So he asks, 'Do you know me?'

To which she replies, 'I think you're the father of one of my children.'

Now his mind travels back to the only time he has ever been unfaithful to his wife.

So he asks, 'Are you the stripper from the bachelor party that I made love to on the pool table, with all my buddies watching, while your partner whipped my bottom with wet celery?'

She looks into his eyes and says calmly:

**'No, I'm your son's teacher.'**

**Subject: spelling**

**Typoglycemia**

**Don't delete this because it looks weird. Believe it or not you can read it.**

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"C'mon, Dad, let me borrow it. I'll be careful. I won't scratch it. What harm can come to a credit card?"





## The Rotary Four Way Test



1. Is It Truth?
2. Is It Fair To All Concerned?
3. Will It Build Goodwill And Better Friendships?
4. Will It Be Beneficial To All Concerned?

*OK, UNTIL NEXT WEEK, TAKE CARE*



"Accountants! They're not fighting over the bill, it's the receipt."



Ciao, Tony P.



"Our next award is for 'Tax Loophole of the Year' ...."

## What is Rotary?

Rotary is ordinary people around the world sharing their professional skills and working together in a social environmental 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



