



# The Racing Wheel

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

Building Better Communities



**Week ending 9<sup>th</sup> December 2014**

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## Last week @ Rotary:

### International Toast



Due to the absence of Sergeant Bill, tonight's international toast was presented on Bill's behalf by our intrepid Secretary, Lee Rayner. The toast was to the Rotary Club of Brandon in Rotary District 5500 which covers Manitoba and parts of Ontario and Saskatchewan, Canada, having 48 clubs and 1650 members. The Rotary Club of Brandon received charter in 1927, has 27 members who meet at noon on Tuesdays at the Canada Inns Hotel (pictured).

Some projects the Club has undertaken have been the purchase of a bladder scan ultrasound machine for the Brandon Regional Health Centre, funding for the local YMCA, a softball complex, the local air cadet unit, shelter box, Polio Plus and other local charities.

Thank you Lee and Bill.

### General Business

1. PP Stephanie Brown advised the meeting that Kelso High School's "extravaganza", the CIRKUS SURREAL will be putting on 3 performances at the School on December 15, 16 & 17 next commencing 6:30pm for 7:00pm. Please come along on any of the three nights if you can.
2. Christmas Dinner on December 17 – suggested price per head is \$ 20.00, Board to confirm.
3. PP Brian Burke asked whether or not the Club would take on the organizing and administration of the "Bowel Scan" again in 2015. It was agreed we should do so.
4. An approach has been received from the Macquarie Lions Club as to whether or not our Club would be interested in attending a "get together" of all of Bathurst's service clubs if such a function could be organized for a date (yet to be set) in 2015. It was agreed we should try to participate.
5. Food Van – Showground. Uncertainty exists as to whether or not we will be able to have the van there next year. Roster for only January and February to be drawn up pending clarification.
6. Our last meeting for the year will be the AGM next Wednesday, with meetings to resume on Wednesday, January 7<sup>th</sup> 2015.

# Treasurer's Report

Bathurst East Rotary Club Inc.

Treasurers Report 30th November, 2014

Service Account; No. 234072

Opening Balance	\$5,718.29
Income	\$ 642.30
Expenditure	<u>\$ 639.00</u>
Closing Balance	\$5,721.59

General Account; No. 234195

Opening Balance	\$1,801.82
Income	\$2,977.65
Expenditure	<u>\$ 899.00</u>
Closing Balance	\$3,880.47

Food Van Account; No. 313352

Opening Balance	\$2,002.28
Income	\$2,818.70
Expenditure	<u>\$2,109.35</u>
Closing Balance	\$2,711.83

Other Funds \$300.00 Food Van Float - \$300.00 Cash Tin Float

Outstanding account Blayney Food Wholesales \$136.69

\$1,575.14 to be transferred to Service Account

**OTHER; Community Cash Reserve a/c \$4,583.73** (Food Van Maintenance A/c)

**Community Investment a/c \$5,220.00** (Service account reserve)

**RYDA Working Account \$363.73**

**Brian Burke. Hon Treasurer**



## Three Minuter

The "Three Minuter" this week was presented by Rtn Chris Olson who gave an example of why it's great to be a Rotarian.

Chris and Merran have a small farm with one of the activities being goat kidding. Just recently it was docking time with the Olsons somewhat desperate for assistance.

Last Saturday three of our members had no hesitation coming to their aid, resulting in 35 goats being emasculated on the day. Not only that, all in attendance, Rotarians and wives, had a great time.

As Chris said: "It's great to see Rotarians in action".



## Guest Speaker

## Dick Crossing OAM PHF

Our guest speaker this evening was our very own Dick Crossing who was formally introduced to the meeting by PP Bob Newton. As Bob pointed out, Dick is 8 weeks short of his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, but as Dick was to add later, he hopes to be around for his 100<sup>th</sup>. So do we.

Dick spoke of his love for All Saints College having been a boarder there from 1936 to 1942 inclusive. Being the oldest "old boy", the College could find, he was one of the invited guests to speak at the College's 140<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner held at Carrington House on November 1<sup>st</sup> last.

Dick gave a run down on what he said on the occasion of the anniversary dinner, and shared with us

many of his recollections of his time at the school including no hot showers for all students until 1937, the fact there were only 100 students at the time (almost all boarders), only Esrom House with an attachment, the Chapel and the recreation hall were all the buildings in existence – compare that with now.

One of his teachers, an Albert Ebbs, had a great influence on Dick – both left the school to join the RAAF and while Albert was 12.5 years older, coming from different backgrounds, fate put them together resulting in their serving together in the same bomber crew. Their friendship lasted into the post war, rugby and Legacy eras.

Dick went on to cover other happenings and concluded by saying the last verse of the school song resonates with him to this day and shall continue to do so. The words? Just ask Dick.

PP Bob Newton thanked Dick on behalf of us all for his very interesting presentation.

## ***Thought of the Week***

The thought this week was given by PP Terry Mahoney:

**“Always be yourself because the people that matter don’t mind, and the ones who mind, don’t matter”.**

**Question.** Did you attend another Rotary meeting or participate in a Rotary project or activity? Please advise **all Rotary make-ups** to **Alan Petersen**.

## ***Next week 10<sup>th</sup> December @ Rotary***

Registrar: **Brian Burke**  
Greeter (only): **Matt Casey**

Guest Speaker: **No guest speaker**  
Thought for the Week: **Alan Petersen**

*It’s AGM time again, with all but a couple of positions to be filled. Let’s take action to have every job filled on the night to ensure the continuing prosperity of our Club.*

## ***And the Following Week 17<sup>th</sup> December*** ***Rotary Christmas Party***

President Peter Keith hereby invites all the Rotary Club of Bathurst East Rotarians and partners to our 2014 Rotary Club of Bathurst East Christmas Party.

**When**            **6.30pm for 7pm Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2014**

**Where:**        **“The Hub”, Keppel Street, Bathurst**

**Cost:**           **\$ 20.00 (to be confirmed) bring a present – max value \$10.00**



# Anniversaries and Birthdays

Please join us with best wishes to:

- 15<sup>th</sup> December Terry Mahoney  
20<sup>th</sup> December Bob Newton  
30<sup>th</sup> December Stephanie Brown  
31<sup>st</sup> December Graeme Bright  
Not Recorded Kathy Woodley & Lee Rayner



## Other events .... and more!

- Wed 10 Dec Annual General Meeting  
Sun 14 Dec Carols by Candlelight Machattie Park 6:30pm  
Mon 15 Dec To 17 Dec Cirkus Surreal at Kelso High School  
Wed 17 Dec Christmas Function at "The Hub"  
Mon 16 Mar RYDA commences, finishes Fri 20 March  
Sat 21 Mar District Conference, Cowra



## December is Family of Rotary Month

Rotary's focus this month is the Family of Rotary.

As we approach Christmas and the New Year we are more conscious of a focus on family and family reunions. People of most faiths (or even no religious faith) celebrate on some level, commerce slows down and many families take their annual holidays. So December is indeed a time to reflect on family values and how Rotary helps shape those values. In Rotary many of us see our priorities in life as family, work and then Rotary.

Ideally we should not isolate Rotary from our family life and in some clubs, children are not only welcome but an integral part of Rotary meetings.



## *Christmas Animal Cuties*





***Holiday Security Tips – even if you THINK you know it all,  
have a read anyway***



### **Christmas Holiday Home Security Tips**

If you're lucky enough to be heading away these holidays, have a great time! Just be sure to take some time out before you leave to ensure your home is secure and safe from intruders this season. A little peace of mind is a great way to start that holiday.

With that in mind, here are a few helpful tips to prevent your house becoming a target for thieves.

#### **Secure Your House**

- Ensure all doors and windows are fitted with good quality locks, and that they are secure before leaving. Double check each lock.

- Check external doors and door frames for weaknesses that may have occurred with weather and age. Replace where necessary.
- Place all valuables out of sight.
- Fit and/or check external sensor lights around entrances.
- Fit and/or check security alarm systems.
- Ensure all garden tools, ladders, and other tools that may be used to break into your house are secured away inside. Be sure to lock the shed and side gates.
- Place security signage in visible locations.
- Trim all trees and shrubs that may provide cover for an intruder.
- Remove keys from window locks and sliding doors (They really shouldn't be left there at any time).
- Do not leave keys in hiding spots around the home.
- Turn down the volume of your telephone, and do not leave a message stating you are away.

### Give the appearance that someone is home

The neighbours can be a great help with giving the appearance that someone is home, so be sure to have a chat with them before you leave. Not only can they help keep up appearances, but they can also be your eyes and ears when you're not there. Don't forget to leave them with emergency contact numbers.

- Trim your lawn and tidy the yard prior to leaving.
- Use an automatic timer for lights and selected appliances.
- Have your bin put out and put away on rubbish days.
- Have a neighbour park a car in your driveway.
- Have your mail, parcels and newspapers collected daily. If nobody is available to collect your mail, Australia Post will hold your mail whilst you are away for a fee. Also be sure to stop all newspaper deliveries and place a "No Junk Mail" sign on the letterbox to ensure no advertising clutter builds up.

### A few extra tips:

- Be sure your house and contents insurance is current and provides coverage for the correct amount.
- If heading away just after Christmas, do not leave packaging for electronic and other expensive items in the bin, as this can alert would-be thieves as to what's on offer inside your home.
- Give the neighbours a gift such as flowers or chocolates on your return to say thanks for looking after your house.

### One last thing, have a great holiday!

*Note: This information has been provided as a guide only. We do not warrant or make any representations regarding the results of the use of this information.*

## ***Legal Department – Personal Properties Security Act***

***Have you heard of it, do you know about it? In this case ignorance IS NOT bliss and could adversely affect you.***

***It is strongly recommended you find out about the Act. In brief, this is what it is all about:***

The Personal Property Securities Act 2009 (Cth) (PPSA), which commenced on 30 January 2012, introduced a national regime which replaced many existing schemes (including over 195 Acts and Regulations and 70 registers) which dealt with the registration of security interests over personal property in Australia.

In addition to wholesale changes to commonly used terms in connection with security interests, the introduction of new concepts (such as attachment, perfection and purchase money securities interests (or PMSIs)) and the abolition of well-known parlance in connection with "fixed and floating charges", arguably the biggest impact on businesses and legal practices associated with the PPSA is attributable to the expansion of the concept of a "security interest". The PPSA adopts a functional "in substance" approach to determining whether a security interest exists, which captures many commercial transactions which have not ordinarily been treated as registrable security arrangements, such as retention of title, commercial consignments, PPS Leases and finance lease agreements. Such arrangements will now require perfection under the PPSA in order to protect and preserve ownership of the personal property to which they relate and the priority of those arrangements.

The PPSA register creates a single national online register, known as the personal properties securities register or PPSR, for the registration of all security interests in personal property - replacing over 70 registers throughout Australia, including the ASIC company charge register, REVS (to the extent it deals with security interests) and the Bills of Sale registers. The PPSR, maintained and administered by the Insolvency Trustee Service of Australia (ITSA), enables security interests to be registered "on-line" 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

### Retention of title arrangements

Some transactions that weren't previously registerable security interests are now registerable on the PPSR. For example, if you sell goods on retention of title terms, you may need to review your terms of trade and register an interest.

### Leases

Under the PPSA, 'title' or 'ownership' of goods can have a lower status than possession or control of goods if the owner of the goods has not registered its interest. For example, you will have a security interest if you lease serial numbered goods to a third party business for an indefinite period or a period of 90 days or more; or you lease non-serial numbered goods (such as shop fittings) for an indefinite period or a period of greater than 12 months.

You should register your security interest to 'perfect' your rights. If you do not register, then you may not be able to get your goods back or receive payment if the third party business becomes insolvent. You may also lose your rights to another creditor of the third party business who has registered or 'perfected' their security interest over the property.

Need more? See your Solicitor or qualified legal adviser.



### Mistletoe Joke



Jennifer was a pretty 18 year old girl. In the week before Christmas she sauntered up to the curtain counter, and was trying to decide which of the many types of tinsel she would buy. Finally, she made her choice and asked the spotty youth who was manning the fabric section. 'How much

is this gold tinsel garland'.

The spotty youth pointed to the Christmas mistletoe above the counter and said, 'This week we have a special offer, just one kiss per metre'.

'Wow, that's great', said Jennifer, 'I'll take 12 metres'.

With expectation and anticipation written all over his face, the boy measured out the tinsel, wrapped up the garland, and gave it to Jennifer.

She then called to an old man who had been browsing through the Christmas trees and said, 'My Grandpa will settle the bill.'

## A Funny Christmas Carol



Samantha decided to go carol singing on Christmas Eve. She knocked on the door of a house and began to sing.

A man, holding a clarinet, opened the door to the house. In a few seconds tears were streaming down his face.

Samantha continued singing for at least a further 20 minutes. She sang every carol she knew. At last she stopped. 'I understand,' she said softly. 'You are remembering your happy childhood Christmas days. You really are extremely sentimental.'

Choking back the tears the man answered between sobs, 'No.....I'm a musician.'

'Doctor, doctor, I keep thinking I'm a Christmas bell.'  
'Take these pills and if they don't work, give me a ring.'

## 'Waiter - There's a Fly in My Champagne'



A multi-national company held a reception to celebrate Christmas. The waiter gave each guest a glass of champagne, but on inspection, each guest noticed that their glass contained a fly.

- The Swede asked for new champagne in the same glass.
- The Englishman demanded to have new champagne in a new glass.
- The Finn picked out the fly out and drank the champagne.
- The Russian drank the champagne, fly and all.
- The Chinese ate the fly but left the champagne.
- The Israeli caught the fly and sold it to the Chinese.
- The Italian drank two thirds of the champagne and then demanded to have a new glass.
- The Norwegian took the fly and went off to fish.
- The Irishman ground the fly and mixed it in the champagne, which he then donated to the

Englishman

- The American sued the restaurant and claimed for a \$50 million compensation.
- The Scotsman grabbed the fly by the throat and shouted, 'Now spit out all that you swallowed.'

### Another Batch of Our Funniest Christmas Jokes

Why doesn't Santa suffer from claustrophobia when he climbs down the chimney?  
Because he has had his flue jab.

What did Cinderella say when the chemist lost her photographs?  
Someday my prints will come.

What do you get from a pampered cow?  
Spoiled milk.

What did the reindeer say before launching into his comedy routine?  
This will sleigh you.

What do lions sing at Christmas?  
Jungle bells!

What did Adam say to his girlfriend on December 24th?  
'It's Christmas! Eve.'

What did the grape say when the elephant stepped on it?  
Nothing. It just let out a little wine.

### More? OK

A bicycle can't stand on its own because it is two-tired.

What's the definition of a will? (It's a dead giveaway).

She had a boyfriend with a wooden leg, but broke it off.

A chicken crossing the road is poultry in motion.

With her marriage she got a new name and a dress.

Show me a piano falling down a mineshaft and I'll show you A-flat minor.

Marathon runners with bad footwear suffer the agony of defeat.

When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.

The man who fell into an upholstery factory is now fully recovered.

You feel stuck with your debt if you can't budge it.

He often broke into song because he couldn't find the key.

Every calendar's days are numbered.

A lot of money is tainted. It taint yours and it taint mine.

Santa's helpers are subordinate clauses.

Bakers trade bread recipes on a knead to know basis.

## A Sign of the Times

As a little girl climbed onto Santa's lap, Santa asked the usual, "And what would you like for Christmas?"

The child stared at him open mouthed and horrified for a minute, then gasped: "Didn't you get my E-mail?"

## Grandma

Two young boys were spending the night at their grandparents. At bedtime, the two boys knelt beside their beds to say their prayers when the youngest one began praying at the top of his lungs.

"I PRAY FOR A NEW BICYCLE...  
I PRAY FOR A NEW NINTENDO...  
I PRAY FOR A NEW VCR..."

His older brother leaned over and nudged the younger brother and said, "Why are you shouting your prayers? God isn't deaf." To which the little brother replied, "No, but Gramma is!"



## An Axe to Grind

**A boy begs his father to get him a Christmas tree this year. Each year, the boy asks and the father tells him, "I don't want to pay for it."**

**But the son kept begging. Unable to bear his son's whining, he picks up his axe one day and heads out of the house.**

**Thirty minutes later he returns with a great big Christmas tree. "How did you cut it down so fast?" his son asks.**

**"I didn't cut it down," the father replies.  
"I got it at a tree lot."**

**"Then why did you bring an axe?"**

**"Because I didn't want to pay."**





# A CARTOON CHRISTMAS



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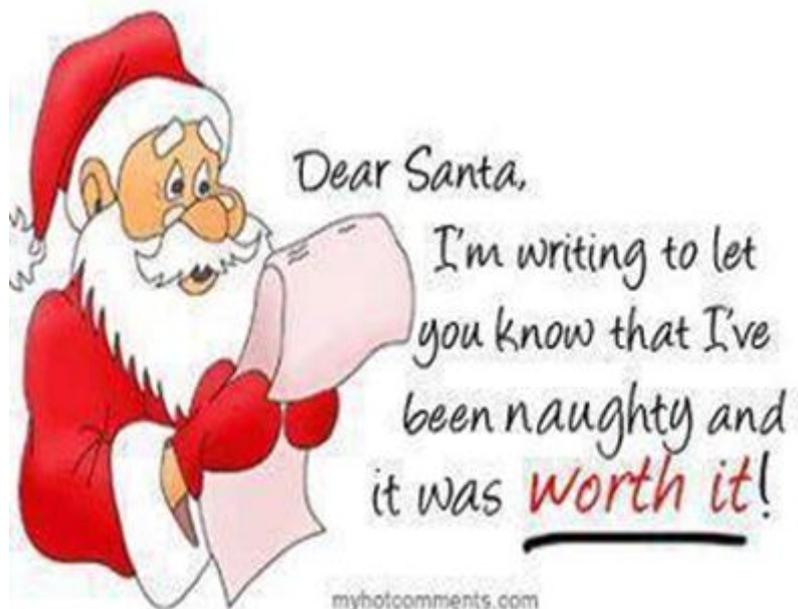
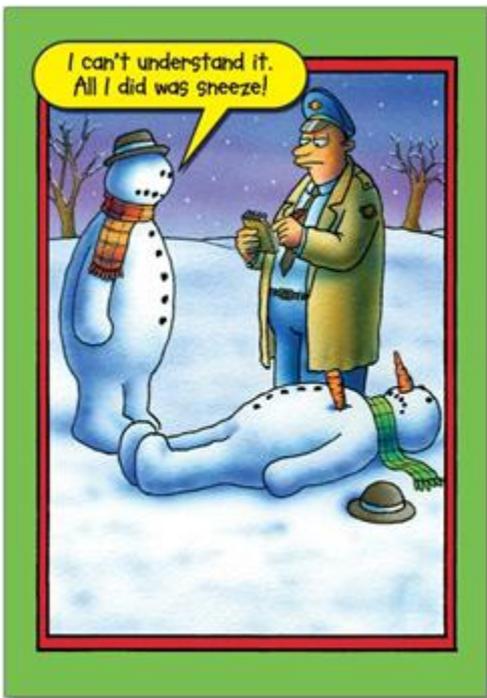
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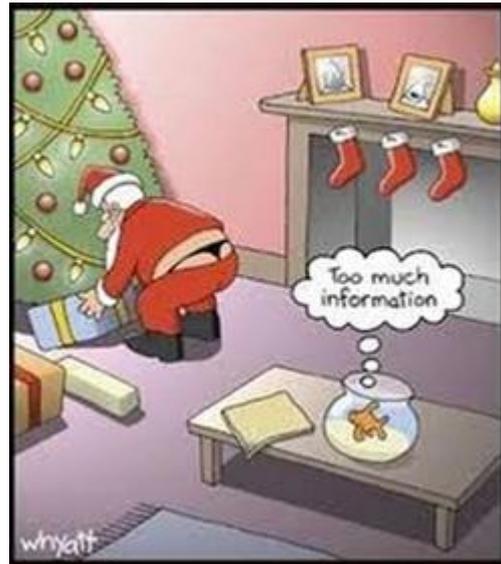
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**Of the things we think, say or do**

- 1. Is it the 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**



**Tony Pollard – Editor**

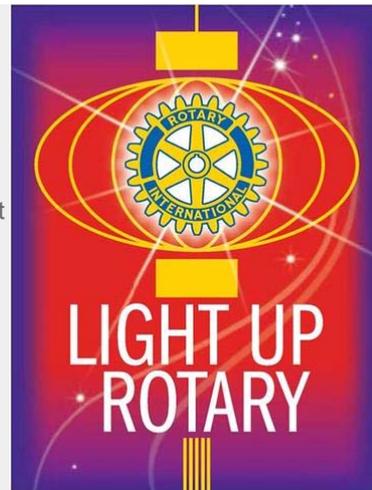
## What is Rotary?

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  
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