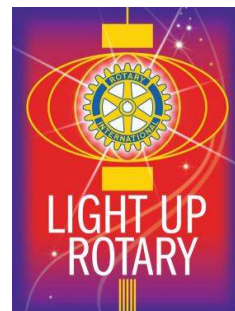




Rotary Gold Coast



23 Oct 2014 #142

We meet 5:45 for 6:15pm the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month at One50 Public House, 150 Bundall Road.

You're welcome to join us. If possible please advise Club Service Director Chawki that you're coming. Call 0410 002 403, email mango@winshop.com.au

Oct meeting roster

If you're unable to attend please directly arrange a replacement before the meeting.

Thank you.

Welcome guests

- Greg Bowler

Front desk

- Andrew Chan

Meeting chair

- Lynda Hynes

International toast

- David Baguley

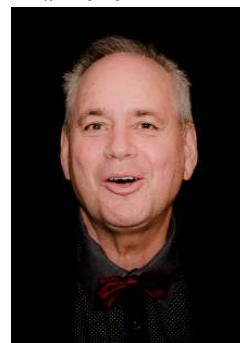
Sergeant

- Nancy Smith

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Presidents meeting report

That's the third time I have heard Gemma Sisia's story and I am still as amazed and inspired as I was the first time – that was at District Conference in Glen Innes, 2006 I think, and she had only been going for a few years. Call me a sucker for a good yarn if you like, but I've got to say that anyone who is not impressed and inspired by what this dynamo has achieved needs to think about booking in for a cynicismectomy.

If you were not at our enjoyable and very well attended (40 plus again) meeting you would have missed the founder of the School of St Jude's, which is in Tanzania. The school now has 1600 odd students of which 1200 or so are boarders. It offers top line private school education to the very poor and the selection process looks at tens of thousands of applicants each year. The goal is to advance Tanzania's society through the education of those who will give back to the community. It is interesting to see that the students are being well versed in "giving back" and, as an example of that, will go into the government school system as teachers during their "gap year". Of course now that the first intake of students from 12 years ago is about to graduate Gemma is expanding her horizons in order to assist her graduates with their tertiary education. A monumental task but a challenge she is meeting with a heady mixture of hope and pragmatism and one, which I believe, she will achieve.

Rotarians too are imbued with a sense of "giving-back", and none more than the members of our own club. Each week I see members volunteering their time and their skills and it seems that I may not have been fully aware of that in years gone by, but this year as your president it has become very clear. We are indeed fortunate to belong to a club that enjoys such generosity of spirit in an atmosphere of good fellowship and my thanks goes to each one of you.

To our members who have been unwell lately; we trust you will be in top shape again real soon. Our next meeting is on Thursday 23rd of October, same time, same place. **We will be regaled on the "Power of Social Media" by Matt Sully.** Hopefully he will be able to cast some light onto what some of us consider to be, the Dark Arts.

Cheers - Eddie



Holland, Germany and Belgium meet and I was able to stand with my legs apart in three different countries at the same time!! I didn't even know this was possible!

A week or two after this, I then changed into my third and last host family. It is weird to think that I am already in my last family and therefore now I have just over 3 months left!!

As you can see from the picture, left, I attached, packing to change families was a struggle for me. getting back home to Australia with only one suitcase and one hand luggage will be very difficult.

Then last weekend I went to Walabi, which is a popular theme park in Belgium. I went with 4 other exchange students (all from different continents we realised!) and it was to celebrate the 17th birthday of one them. It was so much fun and it actually had very similar rides to Dreamworld!

Thank you again so much! *Olivia*

A tale of two photos....

This month I tried to keep myself busy every opportunity that I had because now that I have school, I have a much smaller amount of time to catch up with friends than I did during the holidays.

I mentioned in my last report that I was going to do the 'Colour Run' and it was amazing. Around 15,000 people gathered at the event in Brussels and wore a white 'colour run' t-shirt that we were given, and then we all ran (or walked) for 5 km and each kilometre a different coloured powder was thrown onto you.

In the end I was smothered in powder and I loved it! I have a photo of me and my host brother after the race. It was so much fun and there was even a festival afterwards where every 15 minutes everyone there would throw their own coloured powder packet that we received at the end of the race, up into the air! It was really an amazing experience.

The week after this, I went to a city in Germany with my second host family because it was my last weekend with them. It was funny because as you may or may not know, my older brother went on a Rotary youth exchange to Germany 4 years ago and so it was great to visit his host country, even just for a day. On the way home from Germany (1.5 - 2 hour drive), my host family took me to the place where the three borders of



At the races Seen at the RC Surfers Paradise race day representing your club were the Mercer's, Ellis's, Rosenberg's and Flanagan's.

OCTOBER

6 Margaret Prentice
8 Lyn MacArthur
9 Caroline Mercer (5 years)
5 Dragon Boat races
9 Gemma Sisia, *School of St Jude*
11 RC Surfers Paradise Race Day
11 Andrew Chan (14 years)
12 Greg Bowler & Naomi Taylor (31 years)
16 Nancy Smith, Peter Laurens
20 John Goldstein (37 years)
21 Naomi Taylor
23 Matt Sully, *The Power of Social Media*
24 RC Broadbeach Sizzle & Swing for *Polio Plus*
24 John Lander, Nareelle Flanagan
30 Nicoletta Zuecker (7 years)

NOVEMBER

MEETING ROSTER
Welcome guests - Lynda Hynes
Front desk - Jill Ellis
Meeting chair - Phil Rosenberg
International toast - Kate Kimmorley
Sergeant - Nancy Smith
1 Brian Kidd (14 years), Geoff Prentice (32 years)
3 Mark & Kerrie Urquhart (24 years)
6 Astra Ciobo
11 Ted & Anni Fong (17 years)
13 Prof F Goltzenboth, *Reforestation*
14 Jenny Wong
16 Nan & Bob Baldwin
18 Agnes Nesci
22 Christmas with Friends @ Gazals
23 Margaret Grummitt, Noel Grummitt
27 Club meeting
28 John Goldstein, Esther Chan
29 Helen Watter, Carolyn Dower

DECEMBER

MEETING ROSTER
Welcome guests - Kathy Hogan
Front desk - John Lander
Meeting chair - Jill Ellis
International toast - Peter Laurens
Sergeant - Andrew Csabi
1 Joan Baguley (23).Chawki Gazal (19) Joan McDermott (7) Andi von Zeppelin (26)
9 Justin Schaffer (9 years)
9 Nancy & Hugh Smith (42 years)
10 Richard & Narelle Flanagan (31 Years)
11 DG Wendy Scarlet
18 Andrew & Esther Chan (18 years)
19 (?TBC) Botanical Gardens
Christmas breakfast

Meetings/events Birthdays Wedding Anniversaries Member's Club Anniversaries



Things you should stop paying for now

There are only two ways to become richer — make more or spend less. And the best way to spend less is to stop paying for things you can get for free.

With that in mind, we compiled a list of items that you don't need to shell out money for.

Places to stay while travelling Not for everyone, but adventurous travellers wanting a more authentic experience than a hotel stay should check out Couchsurfing - a community of five million members in 100,000 cities offering strangers a place to crash during a visit to their part of the world. The site lets you search by gender, languages, and for safety's sake, read other people's references.

For the homeowner, House Swap Holidays and Aussie House Swap also offer an alternative to

expensive accommodation, with as their names suggest house swapping.

Membership fees mean they are not entirely free, but are the next closest thing to it. See the world on a budget with alternatives to expensive accommodation.

Product samples Save money with sites such as Free Samples Australia and PINCHme which aggregate promotions and trial-size offers from manufacturers. They offer a host of freebies from coffee to cosmetics. While these type of freebies usually involve effort, such as liking a brand's Facebook page or filling out a survey, you may find it worth the effort. Most offers require an email address so create a separate account for deals to prevent your regular one from being inundated with junk.

Clothing Save yourself buckets of cash, reduce fashion waste and spruce up your wardrobe by swapping items of clothing that you no longer want for those that you do on sites such as The Clothing Exchange, or fossick for free clothing, furniture, toys, anything on Zilch. Swapping clothes reduces fashion waste and is kinder on your hip pocket.

Household goods/gardening equipment If you don't mind owning second-hand good, it's easy to deck out your house for free. OzRecycle, Freecycle, Zilch and

Gumtree Freebies match people who have things they want to get rid of with people who can use them.

Debt advice If you find yourself in financial trouble, it's important that you seek advice as soon as possible. Avoid the debt services that charge fees and instead opt for a non-profit organisation, such as Financial Counselling Australia. FCA's qualified debt advisers are in every state and territory, and the service is independent and confidential.

Literature You don't have to pay money to bury your nose in a great ebook, Project Gutenberg Australia, Free e-Books and Bookyard have more free literature available than you could read in a lifetime.

Software It's freeware heaven out there. You can get software for word processing, spreadsheets, presentations, graphics, databases and other uses by going to Open Office Australia. But that's just the tip of the iceberg. The net is full of alternatives to paid software that are 100 per cent legal and just as good for your productivity.

Music OK maybe a more obvious one but here's a reminder that you can save a bundle by listening to all your music for free online. Spotify is probably the most popular option, although there are a host of alternatives.

Cash Tired of paying a \$2.50 "convenience fee" for using an ATM that's not in your bank's network? Australians waste \$627 million a year on ATM fee surcharges a year. It seems ridiculous to pay money to access your own money, so instead use an app such as Find My ATM to seek out a branch machine.

- Sonja Koremans, MoneysaverHQ, Courier Mail



Sizzle 'n Swing for a Polio Free World

The Broadbeach Rotary Club invites you to an evening of fun and fellowship on World Polio Day

Enjoy the Chris Restom Swing Group playing live music from the 40's to the 60's.

- *BBQ dinner & desserts
- *Cash bar, drinks at moderate prices
- *Dance and/or sing-along to the best 40's to 60's live music
- *Rock 'n' Roll Competition
- *Special Wine Raffle

When From 6:30pm, Friday October 24th

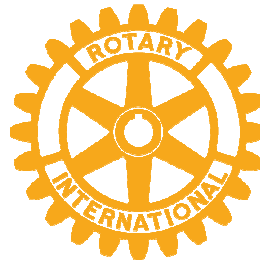
Where "Broadbeach Rotary Hub" 34 Hinde Street, Ashmore

Cost \$25. Tickets are limited, so please book early

Book* Brian Pearson (e) pearson8@tpg.com.au (m) 0408 758 399

*Call Greg Bowler
on 0411 110 444
to confirm you're
attending*

Rotary



Ho! Ho! Ho!

It's almost that time of the year
when Chawki and Ann generously
open their home and host our club's
annual Christmas party!

Saturday November 22nd from 7:00 pm.

Cost \$50 inclusive of food and wine.

RSVP to Chawki by Friday November 7th

Payment to C Gazal BSB 064430 Acc 00293833.

Please add your name to payment.