



Rotary Gold Coast



July 17 2015 #157 We meet 5:45pm for 6:15pm the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at The Southport Golf Club. You're welcome to join us - if possible advise Chawki on [m 0410 002 403 e mango@winshop.com.au](mailto:m0410002403@mango.winshop.com.au) **JULY MEETING ROSTER.** If you're unable to attend please arrange a replacement before the meeting. Welcome guests **David Baguley**. Front desk **Nan Baldwin**. Meeting chair **Kate Kimmorley**. International toast **Jenny Bao Sergeant Brian Kidd**.  goldcoastrotary.org.au District 9640 RI #17910



President's report.

Ordinary People Alone.. together Superheroes...

Firstly I would like to thank Past President Eddie and the 2014-2015 Board for a great year and I hope that we can keep up the good work with the New years theme "Be a gift to the World"

I can't tell you how it warmed the cockles of my heart to see everyone dressed up and having such fun at the Changeover Party. It was everything i had dreamed it would be. Thank you to you all.

It was incredibly hard to choose a winner from Stig (totally cool) to Florence Nightingale .. even Paul Harris attended and gave an inspiring talk to all....(thanks Ian).... with the winners going to the Phantom of the Opera couple, alias Jill and Harry..

Thank you to the Beautiful Annie Gazal for all the help with the theming and of course to Chawki for all his continued help and devotion.

It was a great pleasure to meet Anthony, and in our Rotary way.... to be able to say thank you for saving our precious Andy and so many others. Truly a real super Hero.

Rotarians undertake serious work, but I believe completed with a sense of fun and enjoyment our work is both intoxicating and rewarding. Rotarians are designed to withstand enormous friction, pressure and to never give up. I look forward to lots of hard work and fun this year.

I feel so incredibly proud to be a part of this Rotary family and I will try incredibly hard to be a good President and to do my very best.

I enjoyed our first Meeting at the Southport Golf Club, the room was warm and alive with friends and by the way the food was delicious. I still think maybe we need some chocolates...

We have some great ideas emerging from the members and the first board meeting was vibing. Lets catch the energy and engage the potential. Great outcomes are delivered by great teams and we have a beauty....spread the word.

Same station... Same Bat Chanel...



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Chicken & Champagne in the Park

Welcome President Lynda with a Chicken & Champagne Breakfast at the Gold Coast Botanical Gardens on Ashmore Road.

9:00am Sunday August 16th 2015. \$10 per guest.

RSVP chawki@akgaz.net by August 12th for catering.

JULY

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2 (1st Thursday) Rotary meeting

9 Board meeting

9 Jenny Wong/Tony Ang (35)

10 Ian Daw

16 (3rd Thursday) Rotary meeting

19 Birthday lunch @ Southport Yacht Club

21 Greg Bowler (8 years)

24 Jenny Bao

29 Ruay Loo

AUGUST

MEETING ROSTER

Welcome guests - Joe Kertesz

Front desk - John Kelly

Meeting chair - Mark Urquhart

International toast - Tony Nesci

Sergeant - Peter Laurens

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6 (1st Thursday) Club meeting

8 Ann Gazal

13 Board meeting

13 Mark Urquhart

15 Bruce & Coralie Roddick (15 years) + David & Rana Baguley (41 years)

20 (3rd Thursday) Club meeting

22 Genik Saraswati

23 David Baguley & Andy Csabi

27 Sue Fosskett

30 Bruce Roddick

SEPTEMBER

MEETING ROSTER

Welcome guests - Dean Castell

Front desk - John Goldstein

Meeting chair - Kate Kimmorley

International toast - Mark Urquhart

Sergeant - Andrew Csabi

3 Club meeting.

3 Noel & Margaret Grummitt (27 yrs)

9 Dean Castell & Lindy Campbell

10 Board meeting

10 Tony Nesci (16 yrs)

15 Jann Davies (14 yrs)

16 Eddie Klimmowicz (9 yrs)

17 Club meeting

25 Chawki & Ann (39 yrs)

26 Coralie Roddick

29 Carol Allan

Meetings/events Birthdays Wedding Anniversaries Member's Club Anniversaries



Mark, Greg, Phil, Eddie, Brian, Chawki, Sue and Kevin. Inserts Viv, David, Kathy and Kate.

Directors' reports

Community

This year I continued to support the Surfers Paradise Anglican Crisis as my local charity of choice. The Centre which has been operating since October 1981, is located at St John's on Hamilton Street, in Surfers Paradise. They help the disadvantaged and homeless in our community in ways that preserve their dignity and self-respect, and provide a number of support services:

Drop In Centre for people in crisis where for a donation of \$2 they provide a hot meal, tea or coffee, plus a pack of sandwiches, fruit and biscuits to take away for an evening meal. This is partially funded by government.

Welfare Office provides assistance to people in emergency/crisis situation (families/sole parents and singles).

Ken and Joan Hancock Homes provides accommodation for homeless men wishing to re-establish their lives and have a more positive and productive lifestyle. This is medium to long-term accommodation. (Targets over 20 year olds who do not have a disability or addiction).

Blessing Cupboard Gifts provides small gifts to the many distressed and crying clients (men and women) seeking emergency relief.

As in the past the club during the year made a cash donation of \$2,500 (see photo, left) as well as support in





kind by providing toiletries, clothes, and house-hold resources provided by the generosity of our members. We also supported a number of other projects

including:

The Gold Coast Suns Horizon Project benefitted from a donation from the Ball. This project supports a number of Gold Coast Charities. Several members have assisted other deserving causes including knitting vests for babies for a local charity to be distributed in the Pacific Islands, donating sheets and towels to make 'birthing' packs for overseas.

I thank those members who have generously devoted their time or made donations and assisted in the above during the year.

Viv Mallinson

Youth Service

Our New Generations started the year off with:

Rotary Youth Driver

Awareness This kicked off on the 16th July. We are strongly committed to this programme chaired by ADG Darrell Brown this year. David Baguley, who will take over from Darrell as both Chair and ADG, has been a great supporter during the year assisting when available at the venues. The venue was changed from Parklands to the Southport Community Centre and our new venue is the Runaway Bay Sporting Complex where better demonstration using vehicles



is more explicit in the message of "care on the road". We had 8-10 participating schools and try to programme for monthly presentation with between 80 -180 participating on the day, sometimes with combined schools.

attending Coomera Anglican College who made an initial presentation as well as entertaining us at a Dinner Meeting. She also sang at our Christmas party which she did most graciously. Tatum has excelled in her academic year at Coomera Anglican College and was thrilled with the experience.

We have been approached by Rachel Lee a student at

Club Service

Where did the time go? I was shocked to receive an email asking that I please send my report in by the end of May. I don't believe the year is already ending.

It was the year of changes, when Thursdays became the New Fridays and we started meeting in the evenings and not at lunch time; and we met twice a month and not every week; and we met at a new venue - at least for a while; and when we got in trouble the Arts Centre were very helpful and we returned to the Panorama Room. Unfortunately the financial expense of meeting there has increased significantly and we are no longer able to continue with them.

This coming year, we will be changing again, this time to the first and third Thursday of each month at our new venue, the Southport Golf Club.

Our birthday dinners were a great success, were very well attended and enjoyed, and if we add the Vocational visits and other special functions we still had more than forty meetings for the year.

I would like to thank my committee and especially Carol Allan without whose help at every meeting things would not have ran nearly as smoothly. Thank you Carol. I enjoyed working with President Eddie and the Board and I'm looking forward to another year of service with President elect Lynda and her board.

Chawki Gazal



National Youth Science Forum

Peter Laurens and Vivienne Mallinson accompanied me on the selection day at Bond University on 27th July.

We sponsored
Tatum
Parmley



Benowa State High school seeking sponsorship to attend the National Youth Science London Forum In July 2015. We have committed \$200 towards a \$13000 trip to London where they will attend a National Youth Science London Forum. This proves that doors open when these youngsters display discipline and passion and is most rewarding giving the participants a highly influential experience towards their career in science.

Rotary Youth Transition Seminar

We had two students participating but only one attended, Christine Syrkewicz from AB Paterson College. This was conducted at the Tyalgum Village from 29/11 – 5/12/14.

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

The “Ride for RYLA” team spoke to us on August 28. Highly entertaining sharing their experience of modified “wheels” through India and South America. Wild experience but all for a good cause, fundraising for RYLA.



We sponsored 3 candidates, Lachlan Graves, Elkie Shakespeare and Riley Thornton who expressed their appreciation. They attended the camp at Tyalgum Village and I am happy to say that David Baguley and Jill Ellis accompanied me to their Dinner which was lots of fun and an opportunity to see just how much enthusiasm this programme receives from all participants – both leaders and candidates. Our selected participants spoke to us subsequent to their RYLA camp at a dinner meeting and are eager to be part of Rotary Family. Evidence of that was their attendance at our Ball where they also sold tickets.

Youth Exchange Programme In January 2015, Alessandra Hayward, from Emmanuel College departed for Austria. She is enjoying her experience although has had a few hassles because the host family are not Rotarians, no Counsellor initially plus problems with her pocket money. These have been resolved with efficient communication between Alessandra and various local German and Australian Rotary representation.

I am glad to say we have an Inbound German student, Leon Wachenhausen arriving in July 2015 and already have host families organised including Alessandra's parents, Kevin

Stapleton and partner Marie Panis and myself.

I invite other members to share the Youth Exchange hosting experience

Griffith University Ernie Hicks Memorial Scholarship Lyn Macarthur reports. *The scholarship was established to honour Ernie Hicks for his generosity and hard work in establishing the Rotary Village. The scholarship rewards students with academic ability that have overcome significant personal adversity and have achieved entrance to Griffith University. We provide encouragement and financial assistance towards the successful completion of their undergraduate education. The scholarship is valued at \$9,000 paid in semester instalments over three years and the students are asked to attend a Rotary meeting after each semester to update the members on their progress.*

This year's scholarship recipient is Leah Henderson, below, who is studying Psychology at Griffith University.



Leah attended a Rotary meeting in May, along with her very proud and supportive grandparents, and spoke to the members about her course and her career aspirations. It will be wonderful to hear of her progress at

University when she speaks at our Rotary Club at the beginning of her Semester 2 in August this year.

The 2013 Scholarship recipient Brie Foran continues to enjoy her courses. Brie attended a Rotary meeting in April when she spoke of her studies and how she plans to study in the USA and beyond. Brie is completing a double science degree and I'm sure most of the members were in awe of her aspirations! It was even suggested that we might have a future Nobel Prize winner in our midst! We look forward to seeing her again at a meeting in August. That will be her final meeting as Brie will have completed three years of university at the end of this year.

Ken Baguley Bursary *The Ken Baguley Bursary was established to honour the founding President of the Club, Ken Baguley, whose vision was to prepare young people for a complex world by providing maximum education opportunities and assistance to all students, but particularly to those in more difficult circumstances. It is open to students studying at Griffith University's Gold Coast campus in disciplines associated with business administration, management, accounting or hospitality.*

The Ken Baguley Bursary is valued at \$3,000 made in a one off payment and is awarded to a student who is enrolled in the 2nd year of their academic program. The student must also have a GPA of 5.0 or above.

This year's awardee is Vanessa Tan who is studying a Bachelor of Business/ Bachelor of Communication at Griffith University. Vanessa attended, along with her brother who has been extremely supportive of her, a Rotary meeting in April this year. Vanessa spoke with maturity beyond her years and the members certainly enjoyed their chats with Vanessa and her brother.

It has been an enormous honour to have met and spent time with not only the above students but also all those students we interview. They are such an inspiration and as a Rotary club we should be extremely proud to have played even a small part in encouraging these young people and helping them along their academic and personal life journeys.

I would like to thank Kathy Hogan for all her support, and for co-interviewing these students with me. Lyn.

Sue Foskett

Rotary Village

In 1988 that then Rotary Club of Bundall, later Gold Coast Central before the merger, negotiated a 50 year lease for a plot of land in Labrador along with a \$347,000 grant to build a Rotary Village of eight units with the view that these would provide affordable accommodation for the elderly. We also raised an extra \$56,000 to

build an additional two units, 10 in total, and we accepted it as a loan from the late Ernie Hicks, a member of the club who later forgave the balance of the loan. (The Griffith University Scholarship was named in his honour.)

After many years in the planning the final two units were built and completed in 2013.

To be eligible to reside in the village we source the applicants from the Department of Housing. The applicants must be in receipt of a full age pension, be a resident of the Gold Coast and they must be capable of looking after themselves.

We have completed many general maintenance jobs around the village this year such as repairs to a ceiling that had dropped, repairs to air conditioners, batteries replaced in all smoke alarms and two out of date smoke alarms replaced, power point not working, a fan switch that burnt out and wouldn't turn off, a length of guttering fell down in one of the storms, three cracked shower screens and so on.

Most interesting was the snake that slithered into the air-conditioner in unit two! I had the snake catcher over there within 20

minutes, and due them getting there so quickly they were able to remove the snake successfully before it got right into the works of the air conditioner.

Then there was the live main power lines fallen over unit 1, the driveway and up over unit 12's roof! Energex to the rescue for that one.

Then there was the huge wasp's nest in the car port that the pest people handled.

Due to the age of the units all of the awnings needed to be replaced, as well as the lattice fence that was falling down around the bin area at the front





of the village and the lattice fence around unit 8 -10.

While the fence company was there erecting the new fences they repaired the section of the new colour bond fence that a fallen tree branch damaged.

The drains needed to be cleaned and the very rusted grates were replaced.

The gutters were cleaned.

The stoves in units 1-10 were replaced with ovens and hotplates.

I am happy that the new gardener is keeping the grounds very tidy and looking well maintained.

Two tenants vacated due to

poor health and new tenants found.

It has been a busy year at the Rotary Village. *Kathy Hogan*

Ken Bromley Wounded Service Scheme

The past year has been another rewarding and successful year for the Bromley Wounded Serviceman Scheme. Four families have visited the Coast over the past 12 months for a well-deserved holiday staying at either Hilton or Soul. This has included all accommodation costs, meal costs, theme park visitations, public transport, air fares and transfers to and from.

Sourcing of Visitor Families It has been difficult with personnel changes at 'Solider On' to obtain further families. Our original contacts have left and it has been difficult to obtain responses from the personnel in Canberra who were organising for families to visit the Gold Coast. The Board will continue on with pursuing this over the coming months. We have however, through Kathy Hogan's contacts, established a good connection with 'Mates for Mates' in Brisbane. The last two families that visited the Gold Coast were sourced through contact with them now and nations of families in the

Investment Portfolio to grow strongly thanks to at Kimmorley Financial has taken a conservative advice with a good spread growth in the Fund has out this year, which bodes of the operation of the Ken Treasurer David Baguley for of the financials. His efficiency is greatly appreciated in the Rotary Club.

Board Members I Board Members for their addition to the good work Baguley, Mr Kevin Stapleton job on the secretarial work both of these gentlemen will renominate for their good work. Also many thanks to support over the past year including John Andy Von Zeppelin. This will be my final forward to being able to hand over to a very running of the Fund. I hope to remain on the ensure continuity in the management of the Rotary Club of the Gold Coast for their contin-



them and we are in further hope to receive more nominating weeks.

Our investments continue Kate Kimmorley and the team Management. The Board approach on professional of asset investments. The exceeded the amount paid well for the long-term future Bromley Scheme. I thank his work and in the tabling efficiency in preparation of the aided by all on the Board and

want to thank all of the service again this year. In from Treasurer, Mr David has also done an excellent for the Fund. I trust that

these positions over the coming year and continue Board members for their guidance and Goldstein, Kathy Hogan, Greg Bowler and year in the current term as President and I look positive and motivated team to continue the Board however for the foreseeable future to Scheme. Thank you to the members of the used support. *Brian Kidd*

Treasurer

One of the issues that emerged from our club 'Think Tank' held early in the year was that many members did not know exactly what the club was involved in. This made it difficult for them to enunciate a value statement to prospective members. The model, left, was developed to assist members to explain to others what Gold Coast Rotary was and did. This was then used in the development of a new club brochure and is reflected in our project funding for 2014-15.



Our club is a strong supporter of **The Rotary Foundation**, Rotary's Charity, making a difference worldwide and this year we donated \$10,000 to support its programs. In addition, our club supported the following local and international causes:

The Homeless on the Gold Coast \$10,000 via the Suns Horizon Program [also supporting victims of domestic violence and community growth problems] \$2,500 and donations of items to Surfers Paradise Anglican Crisis Care

Disaster Relief \$7,600 for Disaster Aid Australia: Family Survival packs to Vanuatu, 6 Family Survival packs for Nepal, Nepal Family Survival pack donated by Joe and Joyce Kertesz, \$1,000 Youth Exchange

Wounded Service

Personnel 3 Fully paid family holidays for service personnel wounded in action funded by Ken Bromley Memorial Wounded Service Personnel Convalescent Association

Pensioner accommodation Loan repayments for construction of Units 13 and 14 at the Rotary Village continued and over \$20,000 has been spent this year on upgrading other units and the village common areas.

Rotary Education Pavilion in Gold Coast Regional Botanic Gardens The planning, design and building approvals completed thanks to pro bono work by Burling Brown architects and their contacts, Club will fund construction in 2015-16.

to Ebola Clinic in Sierra Leone and \$2,100 in Drought relief for farmers

Sick Kids \$2,500 donation + \$2,700 profit from Trivia Challenge to ROMAC, \$900 to 'Give Me 5 for Kids', \$500 to 'Operation Cleft'

3rd World Education \$1,200 to provide teachers at St Jude's School in Tanzania, \$5,000 for educating children in Vietnam.

Tertiary Assistance for students from difficult circumstances \$3,000 Ken Baguley Bursary @ Griffith University, \$6,000 Ernie Hicks Scholars @ Griffith University, \$3,300 Vocational Scholarship @ Australian Industry Trade College

Rotary Youth Programs \$5,700 for District programs RYLA, RYTS, NYSF and

Other projects \$700 funded 100 soccer balls for Mac Millar's 'Soccer Balls for Peace' project, \$500 contributed to Ballina RC Global grant for a Timor Leste TB education project, \$1,000 donated to Donations in Kind for container shipping costs.

Our major fund-raising event was the New Horizons Charity Ball, where the auctions raised \$14,000. **The ROMAC Trivia Challenge** raised \$2,700.

\$30,000 was contributed towards project funding from Rotary Village surpluses.

Donations, interest on investments and drawdown on capital provided the remainder of funding.

David Baguley

Membership

Numbers continue to be a challenge in the Rotary Club network across Australia and other developed nations. However we are pleased this year to welcome three new members to our Club being John Bird, Genik Sarawati and Carol Bovingdon. In addition, our retention of current members was also very positive and so our Club outlook remains strong with good numbers leading into the year ahead. Our new meeting place will be the Southport Golf Club, hopefully for the foreseeable future, will provide a stable base for our Club. The current year has seen a change in venue and also an adjustment to only meeting twice monthly. This contributed in the initial stages to adding some difficulty to providing a convenient meeting time and venue for our guests. However the year ahead does look very positive with this new system in place and the new home at the Golf Club in Slatyer Avenue, Southport. Thank you to all of the members of the Club who have brought friends and guests along throughout the Rotary year. It is a positive sign that members continue to bring friends and business colleagues to show them the Club and introduce them to our network of Rotary members and friends. I urge all of the Club members over the coming year to support Lynda Hynes and her new Board and bring visitors whenever possible so that potential new members may be sourced and we can continue to grow our Club into a strong position with a vibrant and active membership. Thank you to all of you who have contributed on membership issues over the year.

Brian Kidd