



Rotary Gold Coast



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December 15 2016 #187. We meet 5:45pm for 6:15pm the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at The Southport Golf Club. You're welcome to join us - please advise Chawki on m 0410 002 403 e Chawki@akgaz.net. Monthly Meeting Roster now inside.



President's Report

Thank you John Lander for reminding me that we were already half way through the year!

Time has flown with many club commitments and causes already supported thanks to the continued revenue generated from the Rotary Retirement Village. May I take this opportunity to acknowledge Kathy Hogan for being the 1800...no. for all things Village! Following some major updates and renovations within the last 2-3 years Kathy continues to quietly steer the health and well-being of the residents and their environment. Not a small task by any means.

Our club momentum remains positive with diversity, spirit and activity. Our guest speakers have not disappointed with Sergeant Robert Finley from Polair last meeting briefing us on the police helicopters that we see frequenting our skies. Phenomenal technology especially within the sophistication of the cameras attached allowing night vision as well as long range and spotlights sufficient to subdue any out of control parties in the burbs! With a growing population and growing crime rates on the Gold Coast, a presence from the skies influences and assists with deterring and solving criminal activity.

Our vocational visit to Mt Tamborine cheese factory and Witches Falls Winery were excellent so thank you John D'Anna for encouraging us to take a day out of our busy schedule. Brian Pearson also had a really busy month working away behind the scenes not only on the ROMAC movie night but also fundraising for the Anti Ice Campaign and In 2 Bat.

The first 6 months has seen much planning for the second year which will see our inaugural Gold Coast Ramble in March, the Giveme5 for Kids Ball in June, ROMAC Trivia, Pride of Workmanship and so much more. Stay on board, stay engaged, stayed tuned as we will need your support to make all of these activities a success.

With one more meeting, Breakfast in the Gardens with the combined AGM our year draws to a close. I look forward to celebrating the last week with you all before we wrap up for Christmas and prepare for the year ahead.



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DECEMBER Family month

MEETING ROSTER

Welcome guests - Kathy Hogan
Front desk - Greg Bowler
Meeting chair - Mark Urquhart
Int'l toast - Sue Foskett
Sergeant - Kevin Stapleton

1 Club meeting

1 Joan Baguley 25 yrs, Chawki Gazal 21 yrs, Joan McDermott 9 yrs, Andi von Zeppelin 28 yrs
5 ROMAC fund raiser movie *The Founder* the real story behind McDonalds
6 Vocation visit to *Witches Chase Wine & Cheese*
8 Board meeting
9 Justin Schaffer 11 yrs, John Bird 2 yrs
11 Loo, Yew-Chaye 19 yrs
10 Richard & Narelle Flanagan 33 yrs
12 John D'Anna
15 Club meeting
18 Andrew & Esther Chan 40 yrs
19 Helen Watter 19 yrs
21 David Wood
22 AGM/Breakfast in the Gardens
25 **Merry Christmas**

JANUARY Rotary Awareness month

MEETING ROSTER

Welcome guests - Viv Mallinson
Front desk - Lyn McArthur
Meeting chair - Greg Bowler
Int'l toast - Sue Fosket
Sergeant - Lynda Hynes

1 Joe Kertesz 16 yrs

5 Club Meeting

12 Board meeting

14 Helena Rogers 11 yrs

18 Andi von Zeppelin

19 Brian (we're not) Kidd(ing)

19 Club Meeting

23 David and Kerry Wood 46 yrs

21 David Wood

26 Geoff Prentice

28 Phil and Tini Rosenberg 44 yrs
+ John and Helen Watter 49 yrs

31 J. P. Langbroek

FEBRUARY World Awareness month

MEETING ROSTER

Welcome guests - Les
Front desk - Lyur
Meeting chair - Cal
Int'l toast - Brrson
Sergeant - Abi

1 Bryan Dower 37 yrs, Nan Baldwin 21 yrs, Don Stalker 22 yrs, Ken Done 7 yrs

2 Club meeting

7 Vocation visit to *Quintrex Boat (Telwater), Coomera*

9 Board meeting

10 Dower, Bryan

11 Richard Flanagan

16 Club meeting

17 Viv Mallinson

28 Bryan and Carolyn Dower 52 yrs

> Meetings/events

> Birthdays

> Wedding Anniversaries

> Member's Club Anniversaries



The Rotarian Photo Contest: *Show Us Your Best Shot*

Do you have a great shot from a club project or fundraiser? Did you capture a memorable moment at the convention or during an international trip? Enter your images in The Rotarian's 2017 photo contest and you might see them in the pages of the magazine. You may enter up to three photos taken since 1 January 2016. While some photos might have elements of all three, select one category to enter your photo. Our previous guest judges have included Pulitzer Prize-winning photographers David Hume Kennerly and Carol Guzy and Kathy Ryan, director of photography for the New York Times Magazine. This year's judge will be announced soon.

Click on the link, below, to enter and read the official rules:-

<https://display.engagesciences.com/display/container/d/5ac39aa7-0940-4f8c-8a6b-e3d3cf331d70/entry>

Note: to enter you must be a Rotarian, honorary Rotarian, or a participant or alumnus of an official Rotary program. Spouses or children of Rotarians are also allowed to enter. **Deadline 15 February 2017**

Awards: Three award plaques will be granted – first, second and third place in each of the three categories.



Wine & Cheese

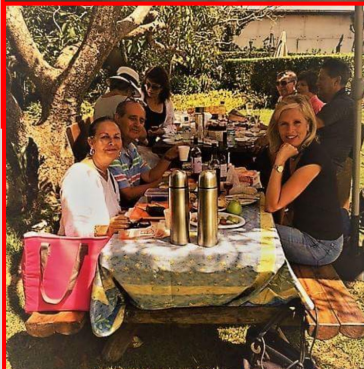
Our first vacation visit to the cheese factory and the winery on Mount Tamborine went on schedule and was enjoyed by all present.

We first visited the Witches Chase Cheese Factory where after tasting a wide variety of cheese, the cheesemaker took us through the process of making cheese and told us how he became a cheesemaker. He's a very interesting chap originally from modest beginnings in England who knew how to seize opportunities to end up owning the cheese factory on Mount Tambourine!

We then found ourselves on our merry way to the Witches Falls Winery where we were treated to a wine tasting session before sitting down to our generous picnic in the winery's garden. It was a very convivial and enjoyable lunch. A big thank you to all present for bringing and sharing such a yummy food spread of cheese, cold meats, bread, biscuits and dips.

Special thanks to my little helpers Phil and Chawki.

- John Danna





The chief executive of an organisation dedicated to indigenous equity wins Telstra's Northern Territory Business Woman of the Year

Andrea Mason named 2016 Telstra Northern Territory Business Woman of the Year

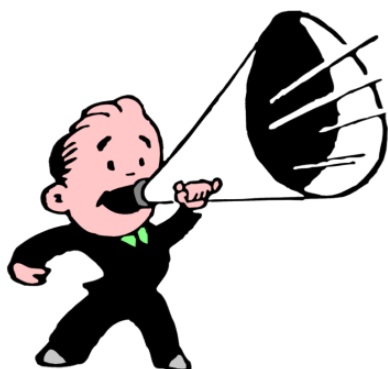
Ngaanyatjarra Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara Women's Council, chief executive Andrea Mason, won the award at the Telstra Northern Territory Business Women's Awards held in Darwin. Ms Mason has devoted her career to focusing on opening just and fair access to Aboriginal people through employment, workforce planning, tenancy management and negotiating reconciliation plans. She was also the winner of the 2016 Telstra Northern Territory Business Women's For Purpose and Social Enterprise Award.

Her actions and leadership have impacted 26 communities across three states. Ms Mason said her role involves a wide variety of responsibilities, and she enjoys working closely with remote communities. "I love being the type of leader that I am because it means I can take communities with me on a journey," she said.

Other business women recognised in the 2016 Telstra Northern Territory Business Women's Awards were Karen Sheldon from Karen Sheldon Group. She won the Entrepreneur Award. The Public Sector and Academia Award went to Henbury School principal, Carolyn Edwards. The school focuses on advocating the rights of students with disabilities, assisting them to achieve autonomy.

The Corporate and Private Award was won by Andrea Moriarty from Killarney Homes. State and Territory category winners will be flown to Melbourne for the National Awards judging, culminating in a Gala Dinner on November 16. The Telstra Business Women's Awards are Australia's longest running women's awards program.

– Ashley Manicaros,, NT News



When you have something you want everyone to know, put it in your club bulletin.

- > Have an idea for the club? *Let everyone know.*
- > Enjoyed a club event? *Let everyone know.*
- > Comment on a speaker's presentation? *Let everyone know.*
- > Saw a great movie/event? *Let everyone know.*
- > Participated in a fund raiser? *Let everyone know.*

Write it yourself or ask Jill to write it for you. If you have photos please use them, or Phil will find one for you.

It's really that easy.



Don't worry, be happy!

When we're speaking about Rotary to prospective and existing members, often we talk about the value of giving back to the community and making the world a better

place. But have you ever considered discussing the personal health benefits?

A new factsheet from Volunteering Australia might help you do just that.

Drawing on existing research, Volunteering Australia has compiled some important facts about volunteering and happiness.

- > Volunteers are happier, healthier and sleep better than those who don't volunteer.
- > 96% of volunteers say it "makes people happier".
- > 95% of volunteers say that volunteering is related to feelings of wellbeing.
- > Volunteering results in a "helpers high", a powerful physical and emotional feeling experienced when directly helping others.
- > Just a few hours of volunteer work make a difference in happiness and mood.
- > Sustained volunteering is associated with better mental health.
- > Altruistic emotions and behaviours are associated with greater wellbeing, health and longevity.
- > A strong correlation exists between the wellbeing, happiness, health and longevity of people who are emotionally kind and compassionate in their charitable helping activities.
- > The experience of helping others provides meaning, a sense of self-worth, a social role and health enhancement.
- > Volunteering is highly associated with greater health and happiness.

So next time you're discussing the benefits of Rotary, don't forget to mention that volunteering, happiness and a long life go hand in hand. - PDG Jessie Harman





Philanthropist offers \$5 million for best idea to solve global crises

London: As the world grapples with potentially catastrophic global problems, including climate change, it needs to find solutions by overcoming short-term thinking, risk analysts say.

To drive that, a Swedish risk specialist and philanthropist is offering a \$5 million prize for the best idea to create a new international decision-making system capable of tackling the world's intractable issues, from extreme poverty to the spread of nuclear weapons and growing environmental damage. "Today's risks are so dangerous and so global in their nature that they've outrun the international system's ability to deal with them," said László Szombatfalvy, who fled from Hungary to Sweden in 1956 as a refugee, and later made a fortune in the stock market. "We're trying to solve today's problems with yesterday's tools," said the 89-year-old, who launched the Global Challenges Foundation in 2012. "We believe a new shape of collaboration is needed to address the most critical challenges in our globalised world."

The New Shape Prize – which will be awarded next November, after entries close in May – aims to spur fresh thinking about innovative means to solve problems that cross borders and are hard to tackle when most political terms of office are short and many businesses and markets remain focused on near-term gains.

"The public and even the private sector are underestimating the risks because we are too short-sighted in our decision-making," said Mats Andersson, a former CEO of Sweden's largest pension fund and now head of Szombatfalvy's foundation.

UN outdated? He points to continued government spending on fossil fuel subsidies, for instance, while many leaders resist efforts to put in place a carbon price and trading system that would drive richer countries to pay for their climate-changing emissions while giving poorer ones funds to develop cleanly. Such a shift could help drive action against global warming. Instead, "we're sending the bill to our kids and grandkids, and I think that's deeply immoral", said Andersson, who has worked on de-carbonising pension funds.

A UN-brokered deal to tackle climate change, agreed by more than 190 countries in Paris last year, aims to limit global temperature rise to "well below" 2°C, by getting countries to deliver voluntary emissions reductions and financial contributions that could be ratcheted up over time. But their pledges for the accord still leave the world on a path to at least 2.9°C of warming above pre-industrial times – enough to swamp many low-lying island states, kill most coral reefs, drive food shortages and far more extreme weather, and potentially trigger melting of the biggest ice sheets, scientists say.

When it comes to solving global problems, "we have the United Nations, but the United Nations was founded in 1946, with the challenges we had at that time. We're now some years down the road. We need to remodel and find new ways," Andersson said. The prize, he said, is not aimed at finding whole solutions to global threats such as climate change, wars and poverty, but rather "a model or mechanism that could provide the solutions. We don't have any pre-conceived views," Andersson said. "We need to look in every corner, turn every stone."

Too late for climate change? Rob Bailey, who directs energy, environment and resources research at London-based think tank Chatham House, said it is likely too late to craft an innovative new framework to limit climate change. "Even if the politics for grand plans was possible, which we know is not the case at the moment, there isn't enough time for grand plans anyway," he said. Within two years, existing power plants will lock the world into more than two degrees of global warming if used over their full lifetime, he added.

But fresh approaches could help police and make more effective the Paris climate agreement's voluntary goals, and verify what is being done by businesses, cities and other major players to curb climate-changing emissions, he said. They could also offer new ways of dealing with the global problems climate change is set to worsen, from food shortages to migration, he said. "What kind of global and international institutions will we need to have for a stable and resilient international order?" Bailey asked. "It raises questions for our food system, our humanitarian system, for international laws on refugees and asylum, (and) for social protection mechanisms." "These are the things we can be thinking about grand designs for, before things get really hairy from 2030 onward," he said.

Entries for the New Shape Prize close on May 24, 2017, and the winning idea will be chosen by a panel of academic experts and a high-level international jury. The Global Challenges Foundation will then back efforts to put that idea into practice, Andersson said. (*Reuters*)