

Rotary Gold Coast





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November 3 2016 #183. 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. Your Meeting Roster now inside.



President's Report from Hong Kong airport whilst waiting for a delayed flight to Shanghai! A very productive board meeting on 13th October has led to some enthusiastic ideas and outcomes for our

A very productive board meeting on 13" October has led to some enthusiastic ideas and outcomes for our weekly meetings. Please read their reports. Of particular note are: Sue Foskett who is very active with the youth program with plenty of Youth Camps and MUNA approaching, John D'Ánna has a busy Vocational calendar planned as well as Pride of Workmanship for next year and in the meantime we should invest in a Rotary Four Way Test icon for our office or desk. Chawki as ever is busy with Birthday and Christmas functions and so much more, and David is full steam ahead with our soon to be signature fundraising event The Gold Coast Ramble. It was lovely to hear from Yidan under our new segment "Revealed" coordinated by Jennifer. Well done Yidan, for your humbling message. If you missed it, Yidan's memorable moment was celebrating her 21st birthday. Not as one would imagine by throwing an elaborate party, instead visiting the Blood Bank and giving blood, something she had always wanted to do. Yidan, a "newbie" and our youngest member brings a lovely and lively, generous spirit to our midst and in her "revealed"

Philippa Hawke, our guest speaker, spoke from the heart about her work with Kids Helpline and has played a lead role in designing the first free web chat software program for counselling young people. This has now stretched to being used on an international level having recently conducting the first independent social audit for the Cambodian Child Helpline assisting in the development of a blueprint towards developing an international best practise standard to a world where child abuse and mental illness is widespread. The innovative use of tapping into today's technology to reach out is probably still in its infancy. To learn more or to donate, check out their website; https://kidshelpline.com.au Finally, it was lovely to welcome our guests Sharyn Howard and Rowan Johnstone. We look forward as a group to continue to encourage friends and colleagues to join us on a Thursday evenings for dinner and to learn a little more about Rotary and who we are.

Club President Kate Kimmorley 07 55911725 Katek@kfm.net.au

What do you want to read in your club bulletin?

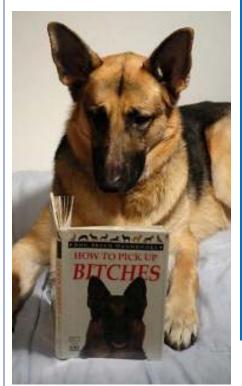


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- > Submit your own stories? (yes please),
- > A slice of humour?
- > Please suggest other topics you'd like to read.

Thank you.



- Rotary local and int'l events and projects?
- Directors' board meeting reports?
- Oz charities and events?
- Lifestyle and health?
- 'Good news' stories?

NOVEMBER Foundation month

DECEMBER Family month

JANUARY Awareness month

MEETING ROSTER

Welcome guests - Lynda Hynes Front desk - Lyn MacArthur Meeting chair - Chawki Gazal Int'l toast - Brian Pearson Sergeant - Andrew Csabi

- 1 Geoff Prentice 34 yrs, Brian Kidd 16 yrs, Geoff Prentice 34 yrs
- 3 Club meeting
- 3 Mark & Kerrie Urquhart 26 yrs
- 5 John D'Anna 1 yr
- 6 Astra Ciobo + Martin Reisch
- 10 Board meeting
- 11 Ted & Anni Fong 19 yrs
- 14 Jenny Wong
- 17 Club meeting
- 16 Would have been Nan & Bob
- 59 yrs
- 18 Agnes Nesci
- 23 Noel Grummitt
- 24 Peter Watkins 16 yrs
- **26 Club Christmas Party**
- 28 John Goldstein + Ester Chan
- 29 Caroline Dower + Helen Watter

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 yon Zeppelin 28 yrs
- 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, 18yrs
- 19 Helen Watter 19 yrs
- 21 David Wood
- 22 Beverly Daw
- 25 Merry Christmas

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- 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

> Meetings/events

> Birthdays

> Wedding Anniversaries

> Member's Club Anniversaries







Gold Coast Rotary Ramble Trial

Thank you to the over 40 Rotarians, family and friends who helped make our trial a success. Thank you also to Brian, Bill and Carol for preparing a great sausage sizzle when everyone returned from their 1-hour discovery tour of Broadbeach.

The objective of the trial was twofold - to test the App technology on a number of phones at the same time and to give members of the 3 clubs an idea of what was involved in the event. The technology worked well and we now have 40 people who know a little more about what a Ramble entails.

We learnt that:

- !. Cryptic clues might be too difficult for visitors so the map has to be clearer.
- 2. We need to brief our checkpoint volunteers more thoroughly.
- 3. For 4-hour event we need 2 volunteers at each checkpoint to allow for coffee and other breaks and to avoid being confronted by naked males jumping into the river next to checkpoint!
 - 4. No team completed all 10 sites in 1 hour and most walked between 4 and 5 kms.
 - 5. Everyone who competed had fun and would recommend to others.

Describe it as 'Rotary's Amazing Race' to improve understanding of event.

- David Baguley

DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Vocation Director's Report Reserve the date for this 1ST Vocation Tour:

Tuesday 6th December 2016, WINE & CHEESE with picnic in the garden at the winery.

Itinerary: **10.00am** - Meet at WITCHES CHASE CHEESE factory, 165-185 Long Road North Tamborine Qld 4272 Cheese tasting and purchase cheese for lunch

11.30am - Witches Falls Winery, 79 Main Western Rd, Tamborine Mountain Winery tour with wine maker, wine tasting (\$6/person for 6 wines) and picnic in the garden Bring your picnic gear/basket, cheese (bought at the factory), wine from the vineyard and (BYO) bread/crackers and maybe some cold meat. This is a great opportunity to stock up for your end of year parties. Please RSVP email John D'Anna with numbers ASAP or by the 25th November. *- John D'Anna*

Community Service Report

During September I met with Jon Brook at the Anglican Crisis Care Centre in Surfers Paradise. Whilst they always welcome the items mentioned in my previous report their big problem is that they are bursting at the seams and need alternative accommodation. They need help to raise funds and for someone to write funding submissions. They are lacking in administrative support. Further to my last report I would like to reiterate the following proposal in support of the Anglican Crisis Care on four levels:

- **Level 1** members donate items that help on a day-to-day basis. These can be toiletries, cleaning items, etc that can be bought at the supermarket when members are doing their weekly shopping. I will have a list of items for the next meeting. This can be ongoing.
- **Level 2** be ready to assist prior to next winter, with the donation of warm clothing and blankets for those who unfortunately have to sleep on the streets.
- **Level 3** make a financial donation as we have in the past which assists the Anglican Crisis Care at St John's to continue to provide assistance at varying levels to the homeless.

David – please can we help with a financial donation as we have done previously (\$5,000)?

Level 4 – look at committing to a long-term approach in assisting them with their goal of building/acquiring accommodation that can be used to accommodate the homeless.

I would like to propose that rather than trying to support everyone who approaches us and spreading ourselves too thin that we concentrate on the one service and try to make a difference. I accept that there will always be ad hoc needs but sometimes I feel that clubs donate on an emotional basis which can in turn detract from ongoing project sustainability.

Days for Girls – Our club members have been very generous in supporting my 'knicker' drive and I now have a very large bag of knickers ready to deliver to the Mount Warning Club. - Viv Mallinson

Club Service Report

- 1. Facebook traffic continues. I've inserted my phone number as a contact and generally responded to requests for information. People have commented on speed of turnaround which is pleasing.
- 2. Attached are activity stats for the last month. Good to see a mixture of both Rotary oriented events as well as social events being hosted or shared by our members. It appears that we are a very social club holds.
- 3. Haven't progressed the issue of the readability of club name badges.
- 4. Good to see such a big roll up to our joint meeting on Thursday October 6. Some discussion was held to see if there would be interest in a Melbourne Cup Day function. Chawki to investigate. Jennifer Bailey

International Director's Report

Orphanage and Special School at Suang Luang in Laos. Some few years ago John and Marilyn Bee gave a presentation to Rotary Club of Gold Coast explaining the work that they, and other Rotarians, were carrying out in this Orphanage. The Orphanage houses and educates 650 children who either have no parents, or whose parents are so poor they cannot feed, clothe or educate their children. At the time of the original presentation the orphanage had no constant supply of clean running water, no useable sanitation facilities, the only food available was 2 meals per day of sticky rice with a little pork fat – which they had to prepare for themselves.

John and Marilyn* and other Rotarians formed "Global Support Association" to commit to improving the living conditions and health of these unfortunate children. Much work has been done since then and the situation has improved as a result – much still needs to be done.

The purpose of my presentation to the Club on 3rd November is to report on the enormous progress that has been made and hopefully to gain some financial support for this project in my year as International Director. Early in 2015 I formed a new registered, Not for Profit Charity, "In 2 Bat" for those in need, with several of the Directors also being Directors of "Global Support Association". In 2 Bat was designed to give individuals, who were not willing to join service clubs such as Rotary or Lions, or others, but were willing to help less fortunate people in need of help. "In 2 Bat" has now become the leading fund raiser for "Global Support Association" as well as other projects on the Gold Coast. My talk will also explain this situation and give members an opportunity to ask questions. - Brian Pearson.



Rock' and Rollin' at our birthday dinner at the German Club's Oktoberfest



Recommend you don't wait till the last minute to book your accommodation as it is limited in Ballina. If you find it difficult try Lennox Heads, Alstonville and several options a wee bit further away.







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VOCATION VISIT TO WITCHES CHASE WINE AND CHEESE

Reserve the date for this 1ST Vocation Tour, **Wednesday** 6th December 2016

Enjoy the wine and cheese tasting followed with a picnic in the garden at the winery. **Itinerary:**

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- John D'Anna email john@getonyourbike.com.au



CHRISTMAS

Saturday Nov 26 2016.

Champagne and seafood at sunset followed by a Gourmet BBQ and delicious dessert.

BYO.

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