



Rotary Gold Coast



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October 20 2016 #182. 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

October Roster: Welcome guests: **Greg Bowler**. Front desk: **Kathy Hogan**. Chair: **Viv Mallinson**. Int'l toast: **Mark Urquhart**. Sergeant: **Brian Kidd**. If you're unable to attend please arrange a replacement before the meeting.



President's Report.

Whilst it is still early days, planning for the 2018 District Conference is well underway. The Rotary Club of Gold Coast are joint hosts with the Rotary Club of Surfers Sunrise. Darrell Brown, incoming District Governor, clearly has ignited a solid team with Jo Gorman at the helm to drive a vibrant Gold Coast programme. As joint hosts we can pool our resources to make this another successful conference. Hosting a conference on the Gold Coast provides the opportunity for exciting and purpose made venues and entertainment. Whilst we were starting to look for financial supports with sponsorships and booths, **we also need someone to look after accommodation arrangements so if you can help please let me know.**

The joint meeting with over 50 in attendance was full on! Not much down time but many laughs and camaraderie.

It gave me great pleasure to finally **induct our friend Ros Byrne** as our first new member for this year. Ros is no stranger to Rotary, being a former member of the Broadbeach Club. And a lady filled with warmth and care who I know has so much to offer.

Don't forget the **Gold Coast Ramble trial being held this coming Sunday**. This is going to be a major event for the Gold Coast to be held on 26 March 2017. David is doing a fantastic job in organising this. Please make yourself available if possible this weekend.

Knickers for girls in Africa. Thank you Viv for continuing to support this and to all who contributed. If you are still unfamiliar with this ask Viv.

Hats for mental illness. Thank you to everyone for your spirit and contribution, especially Kevin Campbell!!!

Finally, let us just take a moment to remember that last week was 12 years since the Bali bombings. Whilst there are so many seemingly meaningless atrocities in the world, this was one that was too close to home and affected one of our own members.

Thank you.



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OCTOBER
Vocation Service month

MEETING ROSTER

Details on front page

1 Brian Pearson 1 yr
5 Catherine Bonifant
6 Margaret Prentice
6 Club Meeting. Darrell Brown,
2018 District Conference. Joint
meeting with Surfers Sunrise.
8 Lyn MacArthur
9 Caroline Mercer 7 yrs
11 Andrew Chan 16 yrs
11 Ian and Beverly Daw 19 yrs
12 Greg Bowler 23 yrs
16 Peter Lawrence
20 Club Meeting Philippa Hawk,
Kids Helpline
20 John Goldstein 39 yrs
23 Genik Saraswati 2 yrs
24 John Lander + Narelle
Flanagan
25 Members birthday dinner at the
German Club
31 Joyce Kertesz

NOVEMBER
Foundation month

MEETING ROSTER

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

1 Club Meeting
1 Geoff Prentice 34 yrs,
Brian Kidd 16 yrs, Geoff Prentice
34 yrs
3 Mark & Kerrie Urquhart 26 yrs
5 John D'Anna 1 yr
6 Astra Ciobo + Martin Reisch
11 Ted & Anni Fong 19 yrs
14 Jenny Wong
15 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

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. Chawki Gazal 21 yrs + Joan
McDermott 9 yrs + Andy von Zeppelin
28 yrs
1 Club meeting
2 Catherine & David Bonifant 49 yrs
10 Richard & Narelle Flanagan 33
yrs
11 Justin Schaffer 11 yrs + John
Bird 2 yrs
18 Andrew & Esther Chan 40 yrs
12 John D'Anna
15 Club meeting.
21 David Wood

Meetings/events

Birthdays

Wedding Anniversaries

Member's Club Anniversaries



Thank you Brian...

.... for donating a camera to the club.

And please Jill, Mark and Genik continue taking your excellent photos at club meetings and events.

It's not only appreciated but also creates the opportunity to use the best and most diverse photos for fond memories.

REVEALED! New meeting segment

At the last Board meeting it was decided to introduce a new segment to club meetings. It's intended to be a 5-6 minute segment where a nominated club member (previously forewarned!) brings along an item to talk about and so share something of him or herself with others.

It's not designed to replace the 'person behind the badge' segment, but rather something that will hopefully encourage more engagement between members at dinner and perhaps allow the newer members to get a better insight into who everyone is!

It will commence with the meeting on 20 October.

- Jennifer Bailey, Club Service





**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 or Phil to write it for you. If you have photos please use them, or Phil will find one for you. It's really that easy.



For those of you who don't use and cannot comprehend why Facebook exists.

I am trying to make friends outside of Facebook while applying the same principles. Therefore, every day I walk down the street and tell passers by what I have eaten, how I feel at the moment, what I have done the night before, what I will do later, and with whom. I give them pictures of my family, my dog, and of me gardening, taking things apart in the garage, watering the lawn, standing in front of landmarks, driving around town, having lunch, and doing what anybody and everybody does every day. I also listen to their conversations, give them the "thumbs up" and tell them I like them. And it works just like Facebook. I already have four people following me: two police officers, a private investigator and a psychiatrist.

Ken Bromley Memorial Service Personnel Convalescent Association report

1. PFEIFFER FAMILY. The Pfeiffer family enjoyed their week's holiday at the Oracle apartments and around the Gold Coast during the first week of July. Rick Pfeiffer was very thankful for the holiday that we provided.



2. TOWNSVILLE FAMILY. Mates for Mates put forward a family from Townsville for a well deserved holiday. They drove down from Townsville and arrived Sunday the 11th September and then drove to see his parents and family on Fraser Island on Friday the 16th. This has been an ongoing discussion for some time about when they could come here.

A recent comment from Bevan in one of the emails said: "Once again I still am finding it hard to believe that we have been gifted this time on the Gold Coast with the family and am at times a bit overwhelmed just thinking about it all."

3. FARMER FAMILY. We will have the Farmer family arriving from Perth in December. They now include baby Elijah who was born on 28 August. The family are all very excited and looking forward to their overdue holiday.

- Greg Bowler



Our biggest birthday dinner!

Chawki does it again. Incorporating the July, August and September birthdays he organised our largest birthday event yet this time at the Noodle House 2, serving what we all agreed was the freshest, tastiest and arguably the best Asian food in town. And typical thoughtful Chawki gave a beautiful flower to every birthday lady. As always, well done Chawki.



Our biggest Birthday Dinner attendance celebrating Jenny, Harry,* Kate,* Lindy,* Sue,* Ann,* Genik,* Carol,* Tracy,* Andy,* Yidan,* Mark*, Bruce, Peter, Carolie and Justin's birthdays. *Able to attend.
(If the photo looks a little fuzzy it's 'cos we drank too much!)*



App for children who are blind or have low vision

vision impairment can continue to play and learn essential digital skills through Sonokids' Ballyland software, a Finalist in the 2016 National Disability Awards (Excellence in Accessible Technology).

For all questions, please contact Phia via email: phia@sonokids.com

Not-for-profit Sonokids Australia, which Phia Damsma previously presented to our Club, empowers children with vision impairment by helping them develop digital skills. Sonokids is running a crowdfunding campaign to raise the required funds for the development of a new educational iPad game, helping children who are blind or have low vision learn special touch gestures so that they can use mobile touch devices. Please help the crowdfunding campaign meet its goal at <https://igg.me/at/sonokids>.

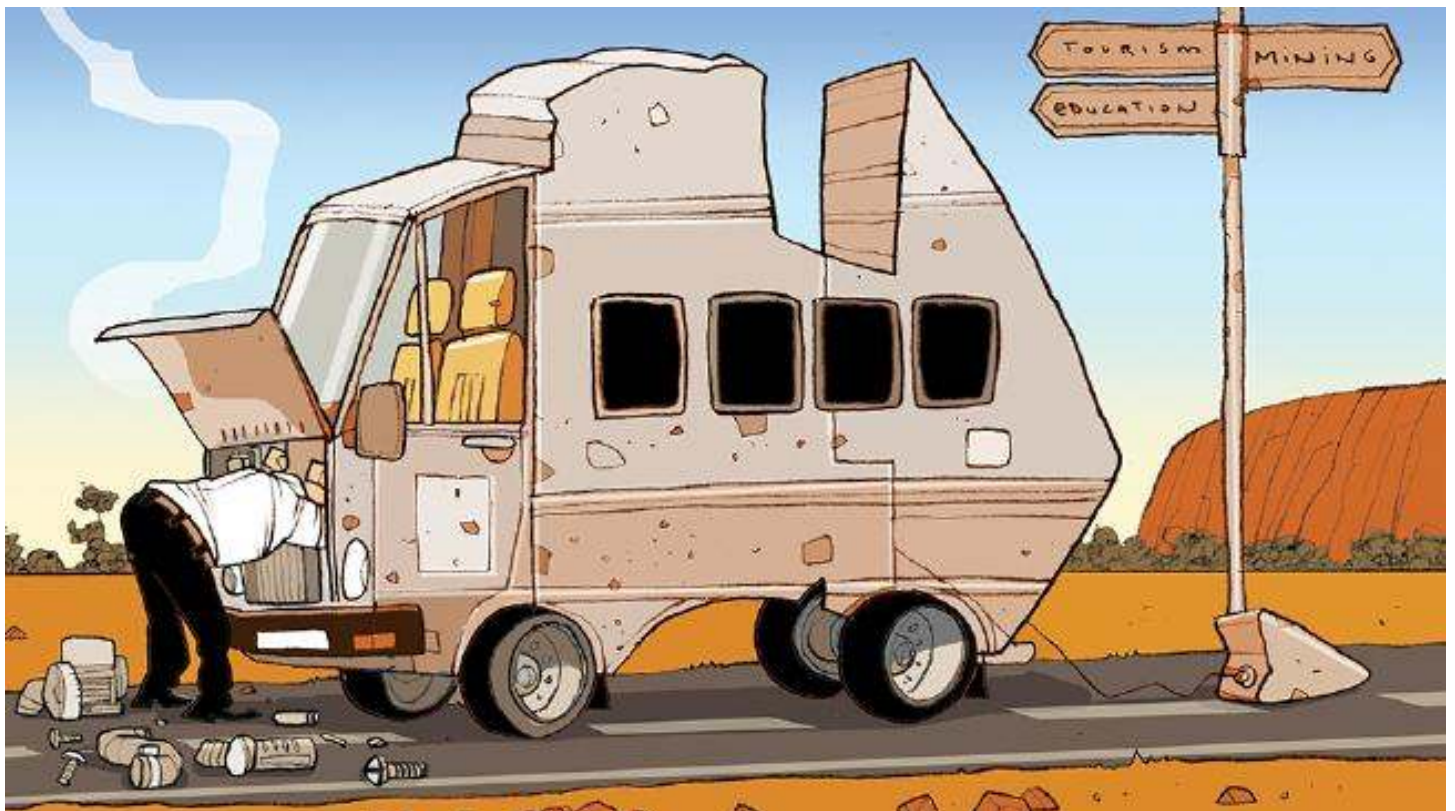
Watch the short video;

Make a pledge, and thereby immediately back the project;

Like & Share on <http://www.facebook.com/ballyland> or your other social media, so that you help the message reach as many interested people as possible.

Crowdfunding can be a powerful tool to fund special, important projects that could not come to fruition otherwise.

Please back this project and ensure that children with



The Australian campervan of the year?

THE INAUGURAL



WHAT?

Best described as a car rally on foot combining the adventure of a treasure hunt with the fun of an amazing race!

WHY?

A fun 'dress rehearsal' run before the big public event (26 March 2017) with the winning team receiving a trophy!

WHEN & WHERE?

11am Sunday 23 October for about 2 hours ending with a sausage sizzle at Pratton Park (opposite Anne Ave) Broadbeach. More details and booking go to *Gold Coast Ramble* on Facebook.



CHRISTMAS

Saturday Nov 26 2016.

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

WITH

RSVP \$50 per guest by 22 November.

Payment to C Gazal

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