



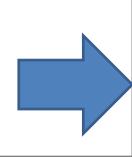




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The 2021 Change Over Edition







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Birthdays this week:

10th July Henk Tobbe

Anniversaries:

none

Heads & Tails:

n/a

Raffle:

Multiple draws won by guests of the evening

Rotary Serve to Change Lives in 2022

The 64nd Club Changeover

The Club Changeover is one of the most important date on the Rotary Calendar this is where we say "Thank You" to Pres. Liz for all the achievements in her year as president and welcome our new President Doug.

This year's presidency would have to have been one of the most challenging in Rotary history. The Covid pandemic presented the club with many challenges. Meetings on-line via Zoom, many fund-raising and community support activities cancelled or postponed.

Highlights of the year are:

- Partnership with Yacaaba Centre in several ways, food hamper funding, repairs & maintenance of building and yard etc. extended.
- Centennial Scholarship for a Councilor at the Centre sponsored her Uni degree @ \$3k
- 29th Golf-day raised \$20k with an increase of player number to 132 and \$10k had been committed to Prof. Kelvin Kong's project for Indigenous Ear Health by <u>HMRI</u>
- 100 years of Rotary in Australia Celebration with "End Trachoma" Raffle raised \$3800.-
- Bunnings BBQs with strict Covid compliance was the only regular income.
- The Rotary Foundation received \$2.50 per member from members weekly contribution.
- MHERV to the area for testing (men & women) for cholesterol, blood pressure & sugar

Member Duties 1st July

Door:
R.Turner

Meet/Greet:
D.Greiter

Loyal Toast:
B.Mitchell
Intro Guest

n/a
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Guests and Awards



Hon. Member Mayor Ryan Palmer with Partner



The new Board:

Pres. Doug Craike; Don Whatham VP; Lesley Freeman Youth; Chris Bartlett Sec.; Milton Williams Treasurer; Robert Mitchell Community Services; Kathy Rimmer Membership; Liz Friend Rotary Foundation; (not shown: Phill Smith Admin; Warwick Mathieson Sgt.at Arms)



PDG Graeme Hooper with message from DG



PHF awarded to Barbara Arathoon from Port Stephens Palliative Care Outreach Service that provide home care for people with life-ending illness for the last 28yr. From the early beginnings in 1993 over \$300k have been raised by a small committee of 8 with Barbara playing the vital part, all monies stayed on the Peninsula and sponsored dedicated rooms in the Tomaree Community Hospital and provisions for home care.

For this, the local community has great regards for her work and have, and continue to make, an enormous difference to many extremely ill people and provide great comfort to them and their families.



Congratulations to this deserving award



The 2nd PHF was awarded to Laurie Wilson (partner of PP Arja Levonpera). Laurie has provided support to PP Arja for her coordination of the Charity Golf Day that raised many \$1000s for the local community. Due to Covid our 2020 event has been cancelled, but with this year's hugely successful event of 132 players taking part and \$20k being raised

Laurie has been a valuable volunteer in many of the clubs activities from 2013-2018 Australia Day catering and numerous Bunnings BBQ's.



Congratulations to this deserving award

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David Clark, BBQ chef extraordinaire has 'em perfectly lined-up

Bunnings BBQ this week gross taking \$1200.A remarkably busy and successful day. Special
Thank You to prospective new member Bob
Saunders for filling in at last minute as did Chris B.
20 trays of sausages, heaps of drinks and several
generous donations made it a worthwhile effort.
Morning shift with David, Arja, Kathy and Dieter
Afternoon shift with Bob & Bob, James and Chris,
Despite the rush we still had time for some follies
and world problem solutions.

Next BBQ Sat. 17th July please check roster and log your diary.



Induction of our latest members Erin and Craig

Erin Brinkley,

Originally from Buchanan, Michigan USA, were she was active in community service projects, Girl-Scouts and 4-H. She made her Master of Science in Physical Therapy in 2003 and began traveling as physical therapist. In 2009 Erin was recruited by Hunter Physio S/Bay and felt a connection with the local community. Over the years she worked abroad and has volunteered in medical missions in Africa, India, China Lebanon and the Dominican Republic. Finally in 2019 Erin has decided to settle permanently in the Bay and practice physiotherapy with Hunter-Physio. She is an active member with the PSYC, HHHarriers and to network and serve the local community in Rotary and future o/s projects.

Erin, welcome to the Rotary Club of Nelson Bay

Craig Paroissien,

Craig and partner Tanya settled here in P/Stephens in 2020. Before they had toured EU in a camper van. Visiting farms wineries throughout and meeting locals to gather info and ideas for future business ventures. In Denmark, they visited Tanya's former host family from her Rotary exchange student year and caught up with school friends.

Craig & Tanya have now developed the 'Farm Stay' accommodation and event business <u>Angophora Paddock</u> in Anna Bay.

Craig had a career in retail management with <u>Puma Energy</u> service stations in Vic. and multi state manager for Autobarn.

Craig was born in Mel. he studied classical ballet at the Vic. College of Arts and was a professional dancer with Opera Australia and featured in a number of musicals.

Craig uses the discipline he developed early in his career in his hobby as a cyclist in endurance events of up to 250km. Hills are his friends, the hillier the better. He has competed in the gruelling <u>'Three Peaks Challenge'</u> 6 times and earned a special jersey for finishing in under 10h.

He believes in hard work, constant personal development and empathy to others and is looking forward to serving the local community as a Rotarian.

Craig, welcome to the Rotary Club of Nelson Bay

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