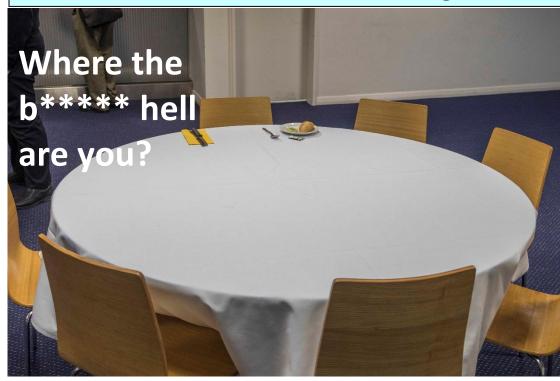


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As soon as you entered the room you knew it was going to be a quiet meeting

With the annual winter trek taking several members northwards and official duties taking four of our members elsewhere (see story page) numbers were down. But that didn't detract from the members present enjoying a relaxed social evening. Vice President John Stumchke presided over the evening and Peter Page had his first run as the "Spinner". Sgt Warwick entertained us as usual and all in all it was a very pleasant "laid back" evening complimented by a beautifully cooked steak.



Next meeting Apologies/Extras to John Crump by noon on Wednesday! In this Bulletin: Pg 2: Where were they?

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Birthdays this coming week: 4th – 10th August Aug 8 Beryl Brown Aug 8 Anne Randall Aug 9 Gordon Treble **Anniversaries:** None **Heads and Tails** Winner: Tricia Parnell Member Duties 10th **August 2017** Door: Liz Friend/ Richard Harris **Meet/Greet:** Peter McBean/ Ian Mclver **Loyal Toast:** Bill Michel Grace: Judy Mitchell **Intro Guest speaker:** N/A **Thank Guest Speaker:** N/A **Bulletin: Chris Bartlett**

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NELSON BAY ROTARY RECOGNISED AT EDUCATION WEEK AWARDS



Our Club received a School Achievement Award at the 2017 Education Week awards held at Tomaree education centre on Thursday night. The award from Anna Bay Primary School was for our Rotary Reading Program. Picture shows 5 year Volunteer Karen Pittman, Anna Bay Principal Matt Freeman, President Kathy, DG Helen, Judi Priestley, Anna Bay Reading coordinator Claire Morrison and Chris Bartlett with the award.

Nelson Bay Rotary Club was represented at the 2017 Education Week Awards, held at the Tomaree Education Centre last Thursday night. President Kathy featured early in the evening, when she presented awards to outstanding students from all local public High Schools and Primary Schools. Several hundred people were present for the evening.

Our Club was presented with a School Achievement Award for Rotary Reading at Anna Bay Primary. The Award was for" Assisting student readers develop confidence, passion for reading and improved reading ability".

The award was received by Club members DG Helen, Judi Priestley and Chris Bartlett and 5 year Volunteer Karen Pittman. Helen commenced the Rotary Reading program at Anna Bay School, following the success of the program at both Shoal Bay and Tomaree Primary Schools. Judi and Chris have been reading at the school for 5 years, as has another Community Volunteer Mavis Shaw, who was unable to attend the evening. Several other community volunteers were also unable to attend.

Rotary Reading first commenced at Shoal Bay School in 2003 and 14 years later is still going strong. Our Club received a similar award from Shoal Bay Primary School some years ago. Several Club members and many partners have been involved in Rotary Reading during this time, and are thanked for their contribution.

DG Helen has been active in making sure this wonderful program has been maintained and commented on Thursday night that is so good to see Rotary recognised for their efforts in assisting with Child Literacy on the Tomaree peninsula. A special word of thanks goes to Anna Bay Primary Literacy coordinator Claire Morrison for her efforts in making sure the volunteers and children enjoy their weekly experience at Rotary Reading. Also Thanks to Henk Tobbe, for the great photos.



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Attendees at the Education Week Awards held at Tomaree Education Centre

ANNA BAY SCHOOL PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT ALMOST READY

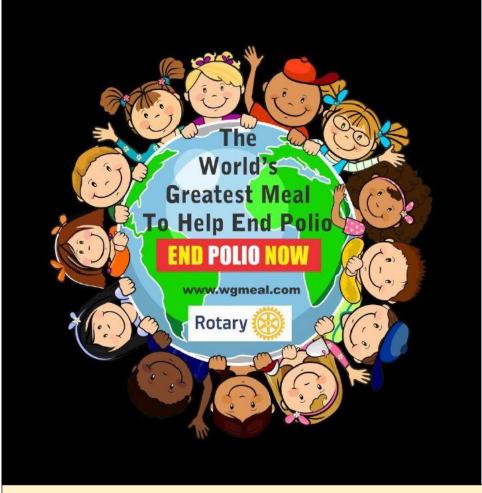
Nelson Bay Rotary Club was approached some 3 years ago by Anna Bay School P&C requesting help with some school playground equipment. With some initial assistance from our Club in applying for Grant money, the school installed a Kindergarten and Years 1-2 Playground some 18 months ago. A second Federal Government Grant followed for the years 3-6 Playground. The school P&C held a very successful Spring Fair in 2015 to raise additional funds, and Nelson Bay Rotary contribute \$10,000 in 2015/16 to this project. Our Club also raised another \$1500 for the school by running a successful BBQ at the 2016 Spring Fair, despite adverse weather.

After some internal delays with the Education Department, construction commenced two weeks ago and will be completed this weekend. The official opening will be held in the very near future, with members to be advised as soon as details are released.

It is rewarding to see the completion on this project and all members should be proud we have been able to assist this progressive school, provide this much needed playground equipment. School principal Matt Freeman said the students are "champing at the bit" to use the equipment", recognising our Club's ongoing contribution to Anna Bay Primary School.



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There will be no meeting on 31st August. Instead we will be joining with the Salamander Bay and Williamtown Clubs at Soldiers Point Bowling Club on Wednesday 30th for "The World's Greatest Meal".

Key Note Speaker will be Susanne Rea - a Polio Survivor and WGM Global Coordinator .

A three course meal with tea and coffee and pre dinner entertainment will be enjoyed at a cost of \$40.00 per person .

Numbers are Required in advance so please make sure you are on the list.

Rotarians friends and Guests are invited to come either accessorised or dressed in Red & Gold .

Death of Rotary International President Elect Sam Owori 'The world of Rotary was in shock at the sudden death of the President

Elect Sam Owori. Sam was one of those people that you couldn't help but like; he always greeted you with his warm engaging smile. He was the ultimate gentleman and was kind and caring of people. Anyone who met and knew Sam always enjoyed his company.

Unfortunately he has been taken from us too soon. We continue to keep Norah and their family in our thoughts at this time as they have lost a husband, father and grandfather'.

(re-printed from an article by Noel Trevaskis in July's Institute News)

Wednesday 9 Aug: Board Meeting

Thursday 10 Aug: Club night – Don Whatham's Atlanta Experience, Director's Reports Saturday 12 Aug: Hero's Dinner – Nelson Bay Bowling Club

August 15-17: Science & Engineering Super Challenge.

Wednesday August 30: End Polio Now Combined Dinner Soldiers Point Bowling Club

(replacing our regular Thursday meeting)

Thursday August 31: No meeting!

Sunday September 17: membership Summit – Kurri Kurri Bowling Club

Thursday September 21: Science Discovery Day – Tomaree High School

Friday October 13: Charity Golf Day.

Fri – Sun October 20-22: Myall Lakes Environmental Weekend.

Saturday November: 4 "A Night for Larry"

Saturdav November 18: Million Dollar Dinner – Rvdges Hotel. Port Macquarie.

