



Bulletin 1 – 6 July 2023

WELCOME TO ROTARY YEAR 2023 - 2024

Our scheduled first meeting at Warwick and Christine's home had to be postponed at the last minute due to Christine's sudden illness and trip to Tomaree Hospital. Fortunately, her stay in hospital was short. A bonus was, she was able to look out the ward door to our club project in progress and view the garden which is quickly approaching completion. I am pleased to report that Christine has recovered and is back home.

A small number of members decided to check out our new Bowling Club caterers. We enjoyed some excellent meals from the new expanded menu. The offering was high quality, enjoyable and very moderately priced. Those present believe our members will enjoy the future meals at the club. We had the opportunity to meet the new chef and to explain our requirements in ordering, delivering and timing of meals.

The Hospital Garden Committee took the opportunity to have an informal progress meeting. Doug reported that the plants had been ordered and paid for. However, the planting date has been put back a week to 27-28 July and members are asked to keep these dates free as your services will be welcome to plant the large number of trees and shrubs. The official opening date has been set as Saturday 23 September at 10.30am. Don has completed a summary of financial transactions associated with the project. The donations schedule indicates that the project has been well supported by the public and that public donations and success with the two grant applications will cover all costs with only a small amount of Rotary funding supplementation necessary. The committee discussed the acknowledgment plaque, Secretary Don has collated the names of all donors and is working on the plaque design. Doug, Geoff and Don met on Friday on site where Geoff and Doug measured the garden areas to estimate quantities of timber chips and garden edging. The post quantities for the screening of hospital equipment and lawn turf requirements were also estimated. Chris has provided his weekly report with some photos which will be published on page two.

The first board meeting of the Rotary year will be held next Wednesday. This will be an important meeting as President Ella will finalise her committees, continue her annual plan and commence discussion on possible changes to meeting procedures. The Board meeting will be followed by a Club Assembly at Thursday's Dinner Meeting. A report of the Board Meeting will be provided to members and Secretary Don will conduct a workshop on the use of dacDB our club's communication technology facility.



COMING EVENTS.

- 12 July – Board Meeting
- 13 July – Club Assembly, dacDB workshop
- 18 Aug - RoadWhyz
- 31 Aug - Science Discovery Day
- 23 Sept – Hospital Garden opening.

BIRTHDAYS:

- 18 July: Ian Rolfe
- 23 July: Hugh Randall
- 23 July: Jessica Palmer

ANNIVERSARIES:

None this month

WINNERS:

H/T: N/A

RAFFLE: N/A

Three Minute Talk:

Richard Turner

MEMBER DUTIES – (13 July).

- Door: Geoff Diemar
- Grace – David Clark
- Toast – Lesley Freeman
- Introduce Speaker: N/A
- Thank Speaker: N/A
- Bulletin: Don Whatham
- Photos: Don Whatham
- Binoculars: Geoff Diemar

COMING EVENT
dacDB WORKSHOP.
Please bring along your mobile phone or tablet to meeting. Check the bulletin attachment for instructions on how to log on to dacDB prior to the meeting. Note your password so you can log on with your device or Bowling Club wifi at our meeting.

GARDEN REPORT (CHRIS BARTLETT)

This week's garden report.

We had a couple of productive days on site this week. On Wednesday, a pallet of pre-assembled outdoor furniture, was unpacked ready for final installation.

Doug and Milton then installed taps and other components of the watering and sprinkler system.

On Thursday, garden designer Megan, met with Doug and Jenny to discuss progress and do some forward planning. The main water feature was unpacked and placed in position, while Doug, Milton & Chris did a site cleanup. Special mention to Jenny and Sue Williams for providing morning tea.

What's next

A few finishing tasks need to be completed over the next couple of weeks.

Members are asked to note the following dates July 27 & 28 when the spreading of mulch & planting will take place. Some soil will also need to be relocated on site.



Photos and report provided by Chris.

Editors Note: As indicated on page 1 planting will soon take place and there will be a considerable amount of turf to lay and mulch to be spread. This is a club project and the involvement of all members is welcome. A request has been made for an email to be forwarded to all members advising daily tasks being undertaken so that those with special skills can volunteer their expertise. Please check emails daily.

