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Tonight's meeting was a club assembly.

President Ann reported matters discussed at last night's Board Meeting:



- The next Rotary Leadership Institute course will be held commencing 20 September. Kathy Rimmer will participate at this session and John Crump will attend the following session.
- Chris Bartlett reported that the Exercise Trail equipment has been received and quotes for erection are being processed. The official opening of stage 1, Dutchies West via Bagnells Beach to Conroy Park is likely to be held in November. The ceremony will highlight the contribution of the Rotary Foundation to the project.
- Golf committee chairman Greg Flux briefed the board about the latest events related to the devastating golf club fire. This will impact our charity golf day in March. Further D9670 and D9675 District conferences clash with the proposed date and Greg and his committee will explore options including a date move to 11 March 2016 and possible varied program to allow for the fire's impact. The decision of a benefactor will be made at the next board meeting. Any suggestion of a worthy cause from members is most welcome. Please advise President Ann of your suggestion.
- Club Foundation chair Judy Mitchell will introduce a monthly segment of Rotary Foundation information at our meetings. She will also provide a brief message for each bulletin. The first appears in this bulletin and no doubt the Sergeant will have a suitable fine for those members who cannot quote the slogan at the following meeting.
- We have several future Bunnings Barbeques planned and we have been offered more, unfortunately on Fridays. Chris and John plan to meet management to see if we can negotiate a shorter 4 hour shift for Fridays. Please advise Doug Craike promptly when he requests volunteers for each day. Remember Bunnings Barbeques are an important source of club income.
- Expressions of Interest have been lodged for Federal funding grants for the exercise track (stages 2 & 3) and the town clock.
- Margaret Wilkinson will be presented her Local Hero award at the next meeting of the Rotary Club of Salamander Bay. President Ann will represent our club and other members are welcome.
- We will cater a BBQ lunch at the D9675 conference in March 2016.
- Director Judy asked members and partners to keep Wednesday 21 October free. That week's meeting will possibly be changed to the Wednesday so that we can attend a Polio Plus Fundraiser at the local premier of the film Bridge of Spies starring Tom Hanks.
- President Ann requested members to ensure that apologies are notified to Attendance Officer Ros Cribb by noon on Wednesday. The Bowling Club is being inconvenienced when expected guests fail to attend.

**Apologies/Extras To Ros Cribb by noon on Wednesday.  
Phone or text: 0401 450 239**

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### Lady Luck:

Heads & Tails won by Judy Mitchell and the raffle was won by John Shaw

### Congratulations:

Wedding anniversaries.  
21 Sep – Ian & Phyllis McIver (51 Years)  
23 Sep - Geoffrey & Nanette Basser ( 55 years).

### Next Week:

#### Speaker:

Jonathon Ostler  
Topic - L Plates

**Door:** Bart Richardson,  
Bill Michel

**Meet & Greet:** Ed Parker, Ian McIver.

**Toast:** Helen Ryan.

**Grace:** Richard Turner

**Intro Speaker:** Ros Cribb

**Thank Speaker:** Mike Mobbs

**Bulletin:** Chris Bartlett.

**Photos:** Henk Tobbe.



Visiting Rotarian John Schollick from the Rotary Club of Lockyer Valley informed our members from first hand experience about the devastating drought currently affecting Mid Western Queensland. John, members of his club and members of the local community are planning a raffle of a Ferguson tractor which John is refurbishing with the assistance of the Ferguson Company. Tickets will sell for \$5 and the aim is to raise upwards of \$2M towards the drought appeal. John described graphically the extent of the drought and some of the personal issues being faced by farmers as a result of the drought.



Narelle Mann, Principal of Shoal Bay Public School was Helen Ryan's guest at our meeting last night. Narelle is serving her second year at Shoal Bay after transferring from Corowa on the Murray River in Southern NSW. Shoal Bay Primary is one of the local schools involved in our Rotary partnership literacy program. The school has two year 6 teams entered in next week's University of Newcastle Science Discovery Day at Tomaree High School. Narelle is a former Rotarian and hopefully we will enjoy her company again at our club.

Club Historian Richard Turner's weekly presentation highlighted the contribution made to Rotary by one of Australia's four past Rotary International Presidents, Clem Renouf. Clem visited our club in 1981 on the occasion of our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. Inspired by the World Health Organisation's eradication of smallpox Clem introduced Rotary's Health, Hunger and Humanity (3H) campaign. Significant in this was Polio Plus which has contributed many millions of dollars and at this time is at the cusp of eliminating polio from the World. Clem a former WW2 pilot was knighted for his Service to Mankind and awarded an AM. He died earlier this year.

**“ROTARY TAKES ORDINARY MEN AND WOMEN AND GIVES THEM EXTRAORDINARY OPPORTUNITIES TO DO MORE WITH THEIR LIVES THAN THEY DREAMED POSSIBLE” -Sir Clem Renouf.**

John deRidder in a short address informed us about the telecommunications industry in PNG. John outlined the many challenges with finance and infrastructure facing the future of an effective system to serve that country. John in his former role, played a prominent part in planning our future NBN.

### Future meetings program

24 September 2015: Phil Murray: Gelignite Jack

1 October 2015: David Birss: Exercise Trail

8 October 2015: Rotary Hat day

15 October 2015: Club Meeting

22 October 2015: Tara Scott: Educating girls in Sierra Leone and Uganda (or 21 Sep –Film Night)

29 October 2015: Vocational visit to PCYC

3 December 2015: Our club AGM.

10 December 2015: Our club Annual Rotary Christmas Party.

**CLUB FEES.**

Club treasurer Richard Harris advises that the annual fees for the club are now payable. We need to pay Rotary contributions early in the year and it is appreciated that fees are paid promptly. Full year fee \$250 or \$125 for half year. Fees may be paid at a Rotary meeting by cheque, or preferably by electronic transfer to the club account: BSB: 637000 A/C: 781017418. On the transfer please indicate your name and the word "subs".

**WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK**

Members are advised that these days we need to have a working with children check completed. It may not be that you specifically relate to children through Rotary but this is still a requirement for all volunteers. There is no charge for volunteers.

The process involves preparing an online application at: [www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au](http://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au). Or by telephone (02) 9286 7219

You then need to take the application number provided to a Motor Registry office for identification purposes. Once this is done they provide a certificate which should be supplied to President Ann to be held on the clubs records.



Parklands Resort Mudgee - 4-5-6 March 2016

DG Adrian Roach assures us we can enjoy a great weekend of Rotary and enjoy the fabulous foods and wines in the area.

**CLUB HAPPENINGS.**

**RYPEN** Program runs from 23 October at Myuna Bay. Caters to a teenager 14-17 years of age who would like to develop confidence and other life skills.

**Bunnings BBQ** on 27 September. Chris Bartlett and John Stuhmcke are coordinating this event. Can you help – see John or Chris.

**Myall Lakes Environmental Weekend:** Friday 30 October to Sunday 1 November. A wonderful weekend of fellowship.



## Annual Gala Spectacular

Supporting programmes initiated by the Rotary Foundation

6.30 for 7pm, 10th October, 2015  
at Wests, Industrial Drive, Mayfield

Tickets: \$75 includes a welcome drink, dinner and live entertainment

Theme, The Rotary Foundation ... Giving for Tomorrow

Tickets on line: [www.trybooking.com/147708](http://www.trybooking.com/147708) - Bookings close Sunday 5th October.  
Contact for enquiries: Eleanor Cunningham [rfgaladinner2015@gmail.com](mailto:rfgaladinner2015@gmail.com)



**RI President K.R. 'Ravi' Ravindran**

He chose 'Be a Gift to the World' as his theme for 2015/16. Ravindran urges Rotary members to give gifts of time, talent and knowledge to improve lives in communities across the globe. "Through Rotary, we can take these gifts and make a genuine difference in the lives of others in our world."

Philanthropy, gifts of money, is still a necessary factor in supporting people throughout the world who need our help.



Motivational Speaker Bob Cameron AO  
Philanthropy - a gift to the world



**Robert 'Bob' Cameron AO**

BE (Hons), MBA, GradDip Geoscience, FAusIMM, FAIM, FAICD  
Bob Cameron is a highly respected and successful businessman who will share his journey with us. He is non-executive Chairman of Centennial Coal, Hunter Valley Training Company, County Coal Limited, Pacific Smiles Group, a Trustee of the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences (Powerhouse Museum). He is a member of the University of NSW Foundation and a generous philanthropist.

Dress - gentlemen, jacket and tie - ladies, cocktail attire, all with a splash of colour

### Port Stephens Science Discovery Day.

Tomaree High School - 17 September 2012 – 8.15am to 2.30pm

Six local primary schools have nominated to attend.

Estimated total number of Primary school students is 180.

Our club will provide a co-ordinator (PDG Don), 6 supervisors (Helen Ryan, Geoff Diemar, Richard Turner, Ann Evans, Geoff and Nan Basser) and cook/servers (D.Bairstow, J Stuhmcke, J Priestley, C Bartlett) using Clive's Cooker. All members and partners are invited to participate.

### MURRURUNDI RAILWAY HISTORY DAY - Sunday 25 October 2015

- A return ticket travelling in a picturesque vintage motor rail from Broadmeadow to Murrurundi picking up passengers along the way.
- Free entry to the Garden Model Train Display.
- Specially prepared lunch for all to enjoy and morning/afternoon tea.
- Free entry to the famous Werris Creek Railway Display.
- Bus tour of Emirates Park, Australia's largest horse stud.
- Visit to a picturesque Pioneer Cottage and Museum.
- All this for an amazing \$98 return. Please register ASAP with Richard Harris.