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LIGHT & EASY AT THE BAY THIS WEEK



In light of President Liz, having a rare night off, Vice President Helen Ryan, had a light and easy meeting for those members who attended. Dinner was a delicious beef pie and veggies, VP Helen gave an update on her recent trip to Cobar & outback NSW plus a few short video clips on End Polio now, the Rotary Foundation. Eliminating Trachoma in Australia is Nelson Bay Rotary's recognition of the Centenary of Rotary in Australia. Director Phill conducted a very entertaining trivia session throughout the evening, with some novel prizes supplied by the Nelson Bay Bowling Club (Nicole) and Phill. Community Service Director Milton provided an update on Sunday's last minute BBQ and the Yacaaba Centre. **Top picture shows VP Helen chairing the meeting and the members enjoying their evening.**

This week's Issue

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Birthdays

Nov 1 Jenny Shaw
Nov 4 Lyn Booth
Nov 9 Warwick Mathieson
Anniversaries
Oct 23 None recorded

Heads & Tails

Chris B
Raffle Richard Turner

Duties

Door Lesley Freeman
Meet & Greet David Clark
Grace Doug Bairstow
Welcome Speaker
Doug Craike
Thank Guest
Speaker John Cropley
Bulletin Editor
Phill Smith
Photos Phill Smith
Binos Doug C & Chris B
Guest Speaker Petra Offen, Yacaaba centre Manager

Next meeting – November 5 at 6pm. Guest Speaker Petra Offen
Apologies/Extras to by noon on Wednesday! **Ph 0401 450 239**



DISCUSSION ON WATER TANK FOR COBAR ROTARY

VP Helen asked members to consider funding for a water tank required by Cobar Rotary Club, who have been distributing drought relief funds.

Cobar Rotary club have identified a need for a new tank, with the old one beyond repair. Members discussed this suggestion, some suggesting we fund the entire cost of a new tank, while the suggestion was made as to repairing the old one. Our Community Service Director Milton made the suggestion that a Local Land Service Grant would probably be available for the farmer who requires the new tank. Helen will look into this further and make a presentation to the next Board Meeting in a few weeks. **NOTE** While this project certainly has merit, members need to be aware of our \$10,000 commitment to the Kelvin Kong project. Covid 19 has delayed this payment, while other fun raising opportunities have been scarce, with only limited income being received.



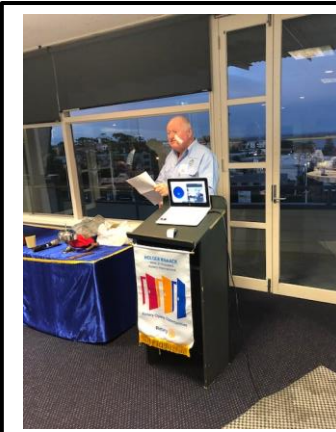
Community Service Director, Milton gave the Club an update on Sunday's last minute. BBQ at Bunnings, with Soldiers Point Lions pulling out at the last minute. A team was quickly assembled, supplies purchased trailer packed and we were in business. While it was very wet, we did gross over \$700 which gives us a profit of \$500. Bunnings also provided a \$100 voucher for the late notice. Thank you to AM shift, Sue, Milton President Liz, Don and Lesley, plus the PM shift of Sue, Milton, Chris B, Doug C and Richard T.

Our new trailer upgrade proved very effective despite the poor weather.

STOP PRESS. We have received another late call up for this Sunday with another group pulling out on Friday. Hopefully we will 2 teams of 5 for this Sunday, so please check your mobiles as Milton has alerted everyone.



Milton & Sue Williams spent last very wet Sunday manning the late notice Bunnings BBQ in order to meet the Covid 19 requirements. Sue also cut up 10 kgs of onions, giving Doug B the day off. Thank you both.



Our pictures show two of three videos shown on Thursday night, the top is a video insight to Trachoma, which affects mainly indigenous people, the second was the Rotary Foundation video, while Quiz master Phill had plenty of testers for the members to solve and earn



NEXT WEEK'S GUEST SPEAKER PETRA OFFEN

Our guest speaker next week, with be Yacaaba Centre Manager Petra Offen who will provide some hard hitting information on domestic violence and homelessness issues in the Nelson Bay area. It will be eye opening for all members.



SERGEANT WARWICK OFF ON HIS BIG ADVENTURE THIS WEEKEND

Lining up for his fourth consecutive year is retired Nelson Bay builder and Nelson Bay Rotary Club member Warwick Mathieson, who enjoys nothing more than the freedom of riding his two-wheeler.

And while the dash has been given the green light by state and local governments, the popular school presentations have been banned.

"Usually we would stop at schools along the way distributing cheques for equipment, but unfortunately that has been dashed this year due to the pandemic," he said.

Warwick will ride his trusty 110cc Honda in this year's Variety dash, which will run from November 1 to 7 starting and finishing in the country music capital, Tamworth.

He will join 70 other postie bike riders for the 2020 event, riding 1600km from Tamworth to Noonan Flat, Gloucester, Comboyne, North Haven, Nambucca Heads, Coutts Crossing, Glen Innes, Bundarra and Gunnedah before returning to Tamworth.

Article courtesy of Port Stephens Examiner

**BUNNINGS ROSTER FOR THIS SUNDAY,
PLACES ON THE TEAM STILL AVAILABLE**
AM Milton, Sue W, Judi P, Doug Melhiush,
Doug Craike
PM Geoff D, Chris, Milton & Sue.
Another 3 or 4 volunteers would be ideal,
especially for the PM shift. Can you help?? Please
contact Milton asap on 0488 974 842

History


The concept of ROMAC was born in March 1985 when Barrie Cooper, past President of the Rotary Club of Kangaroo Flat, a suburb of Bendigo in Rotary District 9800, visited Labassa, Fiji, with a group of Australian Surgeons.


It soon became apparent that these were children living in developing countries who, because of their medical condition, could not be helped by their own or visiting Surgeons. ROMAC refers to these children as the "Forgotten Children" of this world. Their appearances have been disfigured by accident and/or congenital condition and as such they are often kept hidden from society.

ROMAC has successfully transformed these young lives by exposing them to Australia's most eminent Surgeons who generously provide their skills. In excess of sixty-eight of Australia's finest Surgeons gladly respond to ROMAC's call on behalf of the central focus of this great humanitarian project "THE CHILDREN". Two hundred and sixty two children from fifteen neighbouring countries have returned home to live fulfilled and meaningful lives... thank you Australia.

Twenty-three District Governors of Rotary have signed a document detailing their support for the ROMAC program.

Patron-in-chief
His Excellency
The Right Reverend Dr Peter Hollingworth AC, OBE,
Governor-General Commonwealth of Australia

 National Patron
Max Walker


 **ROMAC**
Rotary Overseas Medical Aid for Children Inc.
ABN 60 121 166 468

ROMAC Mission Statement

"To provide medical treatment for children from developing countries in the form of life saving and/or dignity restoring surgery"

OBJECTIVES

- To provide hope where there is no hope
- To restore human dignity to human life
- To transform a child's life
- To provide the best medical and surgical expertise
- To provide an opportunity to mend the broken lives of young people from developing countries
- To engage Rotary at a District, National and International level then medical processes can hopefully be repeated many times to benefit not just a selected few but ultimately become available to many through the expansion of ROMAC's ideals throughout the world

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This information was provided by the ever alert Richard Turner and passed out at Thursday night's meeting. If you would like more information contact Richard

WHAT IS TRACHOMA?

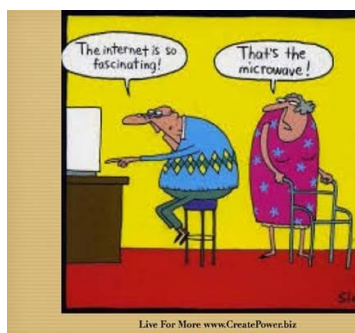
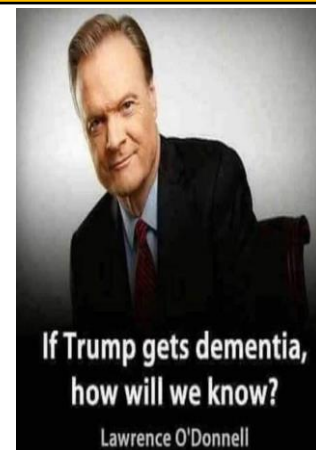
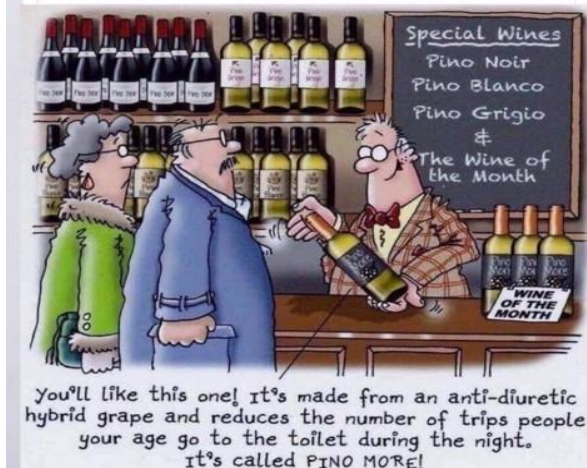
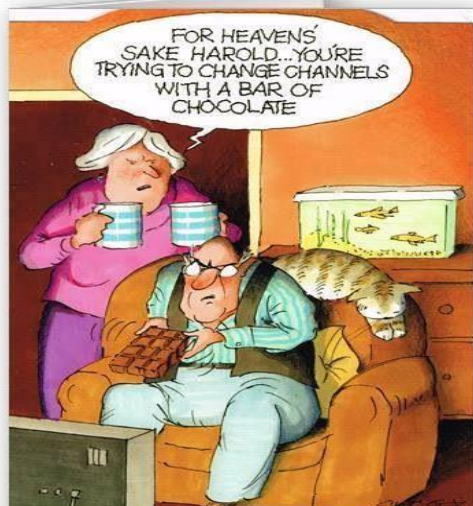
Put simply, Trachoma is a bacterial eye infection, not unlike the common 'pink-eye' or conjunctivitis. Repeated reinfection, combined with the body's immune reaction, often has devastating consequences.

Trachoma starts as an infection of the membrane that covers the outside of the eyeball and lines the inner surface of the eyelids (conjunctiva). Repeated infections can over years eventually lead to scarring that causes the margin of the eyelid to turn inwards.

The eyelashes become inverted and rub on the clear cornea, painfully scratching it and causing damage. This eventually results in opaque, scarred corneas and distressingly uncomfortable eyes.

More on the centenary celebrations in coming weeks, through VP Helen and her team.

SOME HUMOUR FOR A CHANGE, WITH ELECTIONS AND AGE CREEPING IN, PLUS A GREAT NEW WINE!!!!

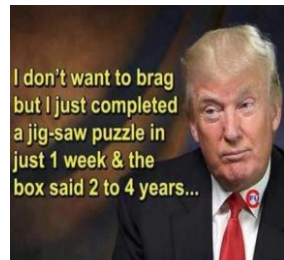


1. The space between your eyebrows is called **glabella**.
2. The way it smells after the rain is called **petrichor**.
3. The plastic or metallic coating at the end of your shoelaces is called **aglet**.
4. The rumbling of stomach is actually called a **wamble**.
5. The cry of a newborn baby is called **vagitus**.
6. The prongs on a fork are called **tines**.
7. The sheen or light that you see when you close your eyes and press your hands on them is called **phosphenes**.
8. The tiny plastic table placed in the middle of a pizza box is called **box tent**.
9. The day after tomorrow is called **overmorrow**.
10. Your tiny toe or finger is called **minimus**.
11. The wired cage that holds the cork in a bottle of champagne is called an **agraffe**.
12. The 'na na na' and 'la la la', which don't really have any meaning in the lyrics of any song, are called **vocables**.
13. When you combine an exclamation mark with a question mark (like this ?!), it is referred to as **interrobang**.
14. The space between your nostrils is called **columella nasi**.
15. The armhole in clothes, where the sleeves are sewn, is called **armscye**.
16. The condition of finding it difficult to get out of bed in the morning is called **dysania**.
17. Unreadable hand-writing is called **griffonage**.
18. The dot over an "i" of a "j" is called **tittle**.
19. That utterly sick feeling you get after eating or drinking too much is called **crapulence**.
20. The metallic device used to measure your feet at the shoe is called **Bannock device**.

Some trivia questions and answers for Phill's next Trivia quiz

Thank you to past member John The Pom Sully and Geoff Smith from Narromine Rotary Club For supplying the humour and Trivia

DID YOU KNOW?



Presidential Qualifications



Rhodes Scholar



Harvard Law



Identified Photos of Lions & Camels