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Rotary Immortals Night 2017

by Foundation Director John Cropley

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Recipients of pins



Birthdays this coming week:

11th Nov. J. Mitchell

Anniversaries:

18th Nov. E & S Clarke
(47 years)

19th Nov. L & M Nicol

The Rotary Immortals

We held a special night to recognise community volunteers and business leaders. Over 60 Club members, recipients and guests attended the evening, where 11 Rotary Immortal Badges were presented, with three other volunteers unable to attend the evening, and will receive their badges at a later date.

Nelson Bay Rotary Club Foundation Director, John Cropley in announcing the awards, highlighted the \$100 per badge award recognised those who have made a difference in our local community, in a variety of different ways. The money is paid into Rotary's Endowment Fund which will continue to provide interest to enable Rotary to carry out various projects, both locally and internationally. The Rotary Foundation is Rotary's Charity arm.

Club President, Kathy Rimmer commented that is part of the Club's commitment to working with local businesses, volunteers and other community groups to make a difference in the local community.

Recipients of the awards Claire Morrison, Val Morris, Mavis Shaw, Rory and Sue Milne, Lorraine Nichol, Fiona Whatham, Dr Tony Plummer and wife Vera, Sally Dover and Barbara Arathoon. Terry and Fogg, plus Karen Pittman were unable to attend the evening.

Members Duties 26th October

Door: G.Flux / R.Harris

Meet&Greet: M.Jenkins

Loyal Toast: P.Marshall

Grace: W.Mathieson

Intro Speaker: A.Levonpera

Thank Speaker: P.McBean

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Guest speaker:

MUNA Team from St. Phillips School



PDG Alex McHarg explains during his term as District Governor he created the “Immortals Pin”, his initial pins investment of \$300 has sofar contributed several 10s of thousand Dollars to the Endowment Fund.

The Endowment Fund strives to increase the value by preserving and investing the contributions and only spends income & interest earnings, never touches the principal investment and has Zero admin cost.

From \$195M \$12M endowment earnings were spent on Rotary programs in Rotary year 2015 - 2016



Lorraine Nicol for over 40 years of service with Rotary activities. Lead 1st Rotary exchange student safari trip, her special talent in Fundraising, involved with View Club over many years that sponsors students in need for schooling & clothing requirement each year, currently 10 students.



Val Morris for years of service in community, N/Bay Chamber of Commerce committee member, Anglican Church Ministry services, Coordinator of legal aid at church, Manager of Church Opp shop with 21 staff



Fiona Whatham for over 40 years of service involvement in Rotary, as DG Partners Project raised funds to supply mosquito nets to malaria affected countries. Worked in Harbourside Pink Ladies for the last 15 years



Barbara Arathoon is presented with pin by Mike Ryan for founding member of Palliative Care Support group and has raised >\$300k over 20years for addition of Palliative Care rooms and other vital equipment at the Polyclinic



Sally Dover is presented with pin by Mike Ryan for 13 years of PS Local Government service, also worked with many community groups such as: Tomaree Community Action group, Graffiti Action Group, Scholarship for Women in Port Stephens



Mavis Swan & Claire Morrison are presented with pins for volunteer and teacher at Anna Bay School for involvement and coordinator in Student Reading Group, and other Rotary associations such as new school playground equipment



The Rotary Foundation Endowment Fund is Mike Ryan DG Partner’s Project for the year 2017 -2018 and donations will contribute to the growth of one of the largest charities



Tony & Vera Plummer for >35 years of medical service to the community, former APEX member and district chairman, organises clinics in Diabetes, Cardiac & Respiratory Medicine, mentor to new graduate doctors, supporter of Mental Health Forum and hopes for a mental health nurse position in the area.
 Vera for many years supporting Tony as husband & wife team, help in establishing cycle ways and the Nelson Bay Cricket club



Rory & Sue Milne, started as local Pharmacist in the area 40 years ago. Has been involved in several pharmacies prior to settling at current position. He is a strong supporter of the Nelson Bay Chamber of Commerce, chairman of the Nelson Bay Town Improvement Group 1999 – 2002 currently NB Business Chamber.
 Sue also is strong supporter of the community through the pharmacy.

Recipients unable to attend:

Terry & Kay Fogg for 55 years of services to the local area in the field of Public Transport and great supporters of Rotary.

Karen Pittman for 5 years in the Anna Bay School Reading Group and a supporter of Rotary in many other ways.

USA - 100 years ago....1917

Some statistics for the Year 1917:

The average life expectancy for men was 47 years.
 Fuel for cars was sold in drug stores only.
 Only 14 percent of the homes had a bathtub.
 Only 8 percent of the homes had a telephone.
 The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.
 The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower.
 The average US wage in 1910 was 22 cents per hour.
 The average US worker made between \$200 and \$400 p/a.
 A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2000 p/a
 A dentist \$2,500
 A veterinarian between \$1,500 and \$4,000 per year.
 And, a mechanical engineer about \$5,000 per year.
 More than 95 percent of all births took place at home
 Ninety percent of all Doctors had NO COLLEGE EDUCATION!
 Instead, they attended so-called medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press AND the government as "substandard."
 Sugar cost four cents a pound.
 Eggs were fourteen cents a dozen.
 Coffee was fifteen cents a pound.
 Most women only washed their hair once a month,
 And, used Borax or egg yolks for shampoo.
 Canada passed a law that prohibited poor people from entering into their country for any reason.

The Five leading causes of death were:

1. Pneumonia and influenza
2. Tuberculosis
3. Diarrhea
4. Heart disease
5. Stroke

The American flag had 45 stars ...
 The population of Las Vegas, Nevada was only 30.
 Crossword puzzles, canned beer, and iced tea hadn't been invented yet.
 There was neither a Mother's nor a Father's Day.
 Two out of every 10 adults couldn't read or write.
 And, only 6 percent of all Americans had graduated from high school.
 Marijuana, heroin, and morphine were all available over the counter at local corner drugstores.
 Back then pharmacists said, "Heroin clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, regulates the stomach, bowels, and is, in fact, a perfect guardian of health!"
 Eighteen percent of households had at least one full-time servant or domestic help...
 There were about 230 reported murders in the ENTIRE U.S.A. !

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