

## Bulletin 3, 18<sup>th</sup> July 2019

### SHELTERBOX- FOR THOSE IN NEED



Our fourth meeting under the excellent guidance of President Arja saw 40 members including a large number of guests on hand to hear Shelterbox Australia CEO Mike Greenslade update our Club on Shelterbox activities throughout the world.. Among the guests was DG Graame Hooper and wife Sue and Assistant Governor Clarice Hamlin and District 9670 Shelterbox Ambassador Chris McGrath and wife Helen.

Nelson Bay Rotary has had a long association with Shelterbox, dating back many years.

Interest has been very strong over the past decade, especially when former member Past President Scott Jarman became a Shelterbox Ambassador in in 2010. Ably assisted by his wife Lyn , Scott actively promoted Shelterbox in the District with strong backing from Nelson Bay Rotary.

For the past decade our Club has donated a minimum of one Shelterbox per year, most years 2 and then cumulating with a \$8,000 donation in the 2018/19 Rotary year. \$5,000 of this money from a bequest from your beloved former member, PDG Bart Richardson OAM who passed away in 2017.

Our Picture above shows President Arja presenting Shelterbox Australia CEO Mike Greenslade with a cheque for \$1000 as part of our going commitment to this great Rotary partnership.

Current Shelterbox Ambassador Chris McGrath and wife Helen have also had a long association with Nelson Bay Rotary, going back over 40 years with a friendship starting with your long serving member, Vice president John Stuhmcke.

It is also good to see the Club's youngest member, Chelsea Ellul doing an outstanding job and the Club's International Director.

Mike's presentation which included the latest video of disasters around the world was followed by an interactive session of questions and answers. Mike also highlighted the following event We're so excited to launch our newest adventure challenge and we hope you'll join us! How will you spend ANZAC Day next year? How about trekking the Kokoda Track alongside a team of ShelterBox Australia supporters? A great presentation, well received and an excellent update. More photos from the evening. Thank you Phil Smith.

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#### Birthdays this coming week: July19-26

July 23 Hugh Randall

Jessica Palmer

July 26 Pommy John Sully

**Anniversary : None**

**H/T Ian McIver**

**Raffle Caryl Byers**

#### Member Duties July 25

##### Door:

Peter Page/Kathy  
Rimmer

##### Meet/Greet:

Helen Ryan

##### Loyal Toast:

Phil Smith

##### Grace:

John Stuhmcke

##### Intro Guest speaker:

John Sully

##### Thank Guest Speaker:

Don Whatham

##### Bulletin:

Don Whatham

##### Photos:

Phill Smith

##### Guest Speaker Trish

Moore –Friendship

Exchange

#### Next meeting -

**Apologies/Extras to John Crump by noon on Wednesday!**

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It was a big night on Thursday with our two newest members Doug and Narelle Melhuish inducted by President Arja. Narelle and Doug are well known to us as a major sponsor of our very successful Charity Golf Day and organisers of travel arrangements for our members. Past president Kathy was the sponsor and welcome them to Nelson Bay Rotary. Congratulations we look forward to sharing some good times with you both.

#### UP COMING EVENTS

**Thurs July 25-** Speaker Trish Moore Rotary Friendship Exchange, plus update from July Board meeting

**Thurs Aug 01** Barry Elliott – Behavioral Change Psychologist

**Wed Aug 14** Club Board meeting

**Thurs Aug 15** Club Assembly

**Wed Aug 21** Members past and present morning tea- Evviva

**Thurs Aug 22** John Mitchell Adams – Saving Rhinos and Elephants in Africa.

**Thurs Sept 12** DG's visit.



New member Narelle Melhuish's two daughters Tash and Hayley were on hand to see Mum and Dad Doug inducted as members on Thursday night.

#### PP JUDY MITCHELL FUNERAL

A good number of members, led by President Arja attended Nelson Bay Rotary Past President Judy Mitchell's funeral held at St Peter's East Maitland last Thursday morning.

Judy was extremely well known in the Maitland area as a very successful business woman and community volunteer, both in the Maitland and Port Stephens areas. Judy sadly passed away recently from Motor Neurone Disease and will be missed by all.

#### EDITORIAL TEAM BACK TOGETHER FOR 2019-20

The Club's Editorial team has been assembled for President Arja's year of leading the Club to deliver the news, photos and updates on Club activities. A team of 5 has been selected as follows Editor in Chief and Photographer Phil Smith, Secretary Don, and members Dieter G, John Cropley, and Chris B. Producing the Bulletin is no easy task with the team spending many hours, researching, designing and editing. Opportunities for members to join the team are still open with full training given. All care, with no responsibility is our motto and occasionally the odd spelling mistake appears, which we beg your indulgence when these unlikely events occur.



## OUR GEUSTS ON THURSDAY NIGHT

DG Graeme Hooper and Sue  
AG Clarice Hamlin  
Mike Greenslade – Guest Speaker  
PAG Chris McGrath & Helen  
Hayley and Tash Medlhuish  
Cheryl Lloyd  
Sandy Tana  
Rorque Poison  
Caryl Byers  
Nathan Brown  
Jenny Craike  
Christine Smith



## 2018-19 DG PARTNER'S PROJECT RESULT "LIFT THE LID"

District Governor Governors Partner's Project for 2018/19 was Lift the Lid for Australian Rotary Health Mental Health research. District 9670 representative for ARH Chris B, advised the Club that Carol Coffey had successfully raised in excess of **\$50,000** for ARH on this project, a truly outstanding effort. Brian and Carol will be recognised at a special function in the near future. Our Club contributed \$8,000 to this project, including a very generous \$5000 from our late member PDG Bart Richardson. Our Club has always been strong supporters of ARH, with Secretary Don being an ARH Ambassador and former Deputy Cahir and Board member, while Chris B has been the District rep since 2014.





Our oldest member, BBQ procurement officer and onion slicer extraordinaire, Doug Bairstow is recovering at Lake Macquarie Private Hospital after some surgery. He hopes to be home soon. It should be noted that Doug carried out his duties for the weekend BBQ activities, prior to checking into hospital on Thursday.



A Shelterbox Australia training day was held at Chris McGrath's residence in Fletcher, with CEO Mike Greenslade and Chris conducting a very hands on session. Mike the current President of Alstonville Rotary Club, our guest speaker on Thursday night updating our members on many changes to Shelterbox, including the new Shelterbox kit which as various building materials including roofing, ropes and equipment to help those affected by disaster to rebuild their lives. Over 420,000 people were assisted by Shelterbox last financial year. The training session was attending by Chris B. An interesting concept was also discussed where local community groups such as Emergency Services and Scouts be involved in the Shelterbox program and perhaps joining their local Rotary Club.



Our Assistant Governor Clarice Hamelin is pictured here with PP John Cropley on Thursday night. John has rejoined the Bulletin team on a full time roster this year.

## MEMBERSHIP

It was great to see so many guests at Thursday night's meeting, plus the induction of two new members. Guest speakers such as Mike Greenslade present the Club with the opportunity to invite guest to enable them to gain a better perspective of what Rotary actually does. It is every member's responsibility to seek new members.

## SOME HUMOUR TO BRIGHTEN OUR LIVES

**Lexophile** is a word used to describe those that have a love for words, such as "you can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish", or "to write with a broken pencil is pointless."

When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.

.. A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.

... When the smog lifts in Los Angeles U.C.L.A.

.. The batteries were given out free of charge.

.. A dentist and a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.

.. A will is a dead giveaway.

.. With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.

A boiled egg is hard to beat.

.. When you've seen one shopping centre, you've seen a mall.

.. Police were summoned to a daycare centre where a three-year-old was resisting a rest.

Did you hear about the fellow whose entire left side was cut off? He's all right now.

.. A bicycle can't stand alone; it's just two tired.

.. When a clock is hungry it goes back four seconds.

.. The guy who fell onto an upholstery machine is now fully recoved

.. Those who get too big for their pants will be totally exposed in the end.