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Our guest speaker - Brian Coffey

A Newcastle boy, Brian and Carol went to Maitland in 1979 for a 34 years as a police officer. They married in 1982 and have 2 boys and 2 grandchildren.

He Joined East Maitland Rotary Club in 2000 and has held District roles in Youth Exchange, ROMAC, DIK and RAWCS. Brian will follow Helen as District 9670 DG in 2018-19.



Brian has intervened as a Rotarian for several people in distress. But the story that got our attention was that of Charlie from Tanna Island in Vanuatu. He could not walk, was plagued with lice and worms from neglect and could not walk – until Brian and Carol came into his life. With help from Lyn Thorpe (ROMAC and a nurse), they got him and his mum, Veronica, to Hunter Hospital where Dr Ho performed complex “miracle” surgery to straighten his legs and club feet. He is now playing football.

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Birthdays

- Norm Costello – 12 Feb
- John Stuhmcke – 18 Feb
- Debbie Brigden – 18 Feb

Raffle

- Brian Coffey
- Door Prize**
- Doug Craik
- Two-Up**
- Richard Harris

Next Week:

Jumbo Restaurant

Door:

Kathy Rimmer

Meet/Greet:

John Cropley

Loyal Toast:

Doug Bairstow

Grace:

Chris Bartlett

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Henk Tobbe



Visitors

Edna & Ian Churley from E. London (top left)

Brian & Carol Coffey (top right)

Wolf Sturmer – E Maitland Rotary (right) and winner of second prize in our Long Lunch.



Project Neighbour

Bart's absence due to a fall (see next page) tested the club, but we managed to run a successful outing. As evidenced by the picture to the left.

A couple of thoughts from Paul Harris

“This is a changing world; we must be prepared to change with it. The story of Rotary will have to be written again and again.”
– in This Rotarian Age, circa 1935

“If this Rotary of ours is destined to be more than a passing thing, it will be because you and I have learned the importance of bearing with each other's infirmities, and the true value of tolerance. May we never, in time to come, depart from the safe course of, rational tolerance and humane consideration of the conviction of others”.
- January 1st, 1911

News of members

Our President informed us that **Geoff Basser** has chosen to transfer to the Salamander Bay Rotary Club. After over 20 years in APX and nearly 40 in Rotary, his energy and enthusiasm for Rotary continues. We wish him well in his new club.

Bart Richardson had a fall on Sunday that got him hospitalised. He was sent home on Wednesday and did it again! So now he is in the Poly Clinic for a while – and would be happy to receive visitors.

Terry Fitzimmons has had part of his leg removed as a result of diabetes but feels so much better now. He is currently in the Newcastle Private Hospital and has his phone with him (Mob: 0408 639 522)

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The District Secretary, Howard Bridgman, is the coordinator for Atlanta
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And, let's not forget that last week's speaker, Evan Burrell, is hoping for a good turn-out for the convention he is helping to organise for Toronto, Canada in 2018



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Visit to Maitland Art Gallery, 30 March

5.00 p.m. Maitland Regional Art Gallery, High Street, Maitland (Opposite Maitland Town Hall and Maitland Repertory) Short talk/tour by Brigette Uren, Cultural Director, Maitland Region Art Gallery (Light Refreshments will be served)



6.30 p.m. Dinner, Brough House, Church St. Maitland Hosted by Friends of Grossmann House Committee with short talk by Helen Scott, President, Friends of Grossmann House

Send cheques for Rotary Club of Maitland Sunrise by 1 March to Margaret Sivyver at 64 Church St. Maitland, NSW 2320



International Night: 23rd February – Jumbo Palace Cascade Walk Nelson Bay (licenced + BYO) \$25 p/head (\$2 corkage). Acceptances to John Cropley ASAP



	Who/Where	Topic or event
23 February	International night (and RI's 112 th b'day)	At Jumbo Palace in Cascade Walk 6pm for 6.30pm dinner. Chinese theme.
2 March	Michael Bendon	The Forgotten Flotilla of 1941
9 March	Club Meeting	
16 March	Kurt Purkiss	Superannuation
23 March	Neil Flowers	Windmills
30 March	Maitland Art Gallery	See above. Need to car pool for 5pm start.