



Rotary Club of Nelson Bay Inc.

Our Club, representative of businesses, trade and professions will create bench marks in community service through communication, the willingness to serve and the ability to respond to community needs by
* Commitment of members * Manpower and willpower * Financial resources



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Tonight's Guest: Tegan McNiff

(Returned Exchange Student)



Tegan McNiff

Tegan attended with her father, Tony, and gave an entertaining report on her 11 months in Oslo. The highlights were a 2 week summer camp for disabled children and seeing the northern lights. She got home in December and has started an environmental science course at university. She is looking forward to catching-up with the other students who went to Norway.

Visitors

Deidre Roberts and Janelle Reardon (left and right below) attended on behalf of Lisa McGuigan Wines to accept a thank you certificate from Mike Mobbs for their contribution to the dinners after the showing of the 2nd Marigold film; through which Rotary raised \$15,000 to help end polio. Thanks also go to Salamander Bay Rotary, the Bill & Melissa Gates Foundation and all our other sponsors.



Also visiting again (and always welcome) was Frank Page from the Rotary Club at Merriwa.

Apologies for non-attendance were received from John Shaw (attacked by a sting ray) and Warwick Mathieson and Geoff Diemar who received an urgent and concrete proposal to resurface our shed.

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Congratulations

Members' birthdays:

22 March – Don Orr
23 March – Tricia Parnell
31 March – Jim Booth
31 March – Michael Mace

Other anniversaries:

Nil

Lady Luck

Heads and Tails won by:
Deirde Roberts
the Raffle won by:
not recorded - sorry

Duties next Meeting

Door – Bart Richardson & Richard Turner

Greeters – Warwick Mathieson & Mike Jenkins

Loyal Toast – Don Watham

Grace – Ed Parker

Photos – Henk Tobbe

Bulletin: Dieter Greiter

Apologies/Extras: to Ros Cribb by noon on Wednesday

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Golf Day Outcomes

Greg Flux reported on the results of 6th March:

- Overall, \$25, 064 was raised
- For the first time, every tee and every green had a sponsor. In all, there were 83 sponsors accounting for \$14,800 between them(thanks, Ian)
- Toyota stood out with a \$3,500 sponsorship before counting their two teams and auctions bids
- \$2,132 was raised in the raffle (thanks, Tricia)
- Facilitation of Tegan McNiff who we are currently sponsoring as a Youth Exchange student in Norway.
- The main beneficiary is the PCYC (thanks to Ann and Ken, who are on the PCYC Board)
- There were 105 golfers because 4 groups had to pull out for good reasons. 154 would be ideal. Next year, numbers will be higher because District 9675 has a conference at Wests/Diggers and will support our Golf Day (first Friday in March)
- There were 154 who attended the dinner and many took part in the auction.
- The winner of the championship event was Chris Belcher with 42 points (Chris is second from left in the middle picture flanked by President Chris Bartlett on his right and Bob Greenlees of PS Toyota and Greg Flux on his left)
- The top picture shows our sartorially splendid members Tim Ireland and Ken Arnett with a mate
- The third picture shows Judi Priestly, Joy Falkner and Nadine taking money for the raffle
- The bottom picture shows the auction in progress with Ian Falkner holding up a signed cricket ball.
- Greg made many acknowledgements of the people who helped to make this an enjoyable and successful day

Greg would like your feedback on the Golf Day so that we can make next year's event even better.



OurBoard had agreed to fund 2 Shelter Boxes towards the relief effort in Vanuatu. In the recent case of the Philippines, some club members made personal donations and if they wish to do so again, they should contact Ann Evans.

Richard Turner, Bill Michel and Phil Smith were over there a few years ago to rebuild the hospital kitchen - that's gone but the hospital survived!



Cessnock Rotary Club Visit

A short shower could not dampen the spirits of the 48 people who sailed from/to the Soldiers’ Point Marina for 2 hours. Being plied with Geoff Diemar’s tasty oysters, prawns and champagne may have helped. So did our wise-cracking Richard Turner (a former member of the Cessnock Rotary Club).

Back at the Yacht Club (thanks Dieter and Helga) a BBQ feast and colourful salads rounded off the day nicely.

Among the 27 visitors from Cessnock was the Group Study Exchange from Germany; properly welcomed in the appropriate lingo by Dieter.

A great day was had by all and Vicki Steep, the President of Cessnock, looks forward to reciprocating next year.



Activities & Events

March	Activity and location
19	Tegan McNiff (returning exchange student) plus BTB by Kathy Rimmer
20-22	District Conference
21	Bunnings BBQ
26	Bob Main on Rotary Leadership Institute
April	
2	Jacqui from Ethica Coffee
9	Rosemary Toscano on palliative care
16	Personality party hosted by Kathy Rimmer and John Shaw
21	St. Dominic’s Day boat trip
23	Celebrating 100th anniversary (25th) of Gallipoli with Ken Arnett
30	Pride of Workmanship Awards downstairs (joint event with Salamander Bay)