

Breakfast meeting: 16th August, 2018

When: 6:45 am - 8:00 am

Where: Surf Club, Burleigh Heads



Rotary Club of Burleigh Heads Rotary District 9640

RI International President: Barry Rassin

District Governor: Terry Brown

AGENDA

- Presidents
 Welcome & Report
- Reports
- Guest Speaker
- 4. Upcoming Events & meeting information

Today's meeting chaired by Jackie P. Stepping in as usual @ the last minute! Thank you ©

Apologies. Ken, Lynda, Jacki, Bren, Russell, Trevor, Jennie and Geoff

Birthday Greetings to Jim (today) and Ian (yesterday) Wishing you both a fab year ©

REPORTS

President Allan -

Forgot to mention last week that Ken has stepped up and applied to be a Team Leader for the trip out to the Phillipines. Well done! -\$1000 donated to the Drought Appeal.

- If anyone would like to make a personal donation, please check the district webpage for how to. Click on the link and follow! Thank you Ron for the \$2000 donation from the \$8000 claimed back from the bank

Treasurer John

Keeping it short and sweet .. \$4000 donated to Polio Plus yesterday!

Club Officers

President: Allan Barnett

Immediate Past President: Richard

Spencer

Vice President & President Elect:

Colleen Gauder

Secretary: Charles Kilby Treasurer: John Clark

Board

Service Projects: Shamus Davies

Club Admin: Ken Clark

Public Relations: Taylor Birtchnell

Youth: Jacki King

Rotary Foundation: Ross Smith Membership: Shobha Srinivasan

Committee Chair's & Coordinators

Scooter Projects: David Ungar International: Bren Milson Guest Speaker Coordinator and Burleigh Breaker: Shobha Srinivasan



Thank you to Speaker Tania Potts with Allan and Ross ☺



Cutest father-son duo at our brekkie meeting today © Welcome Liam ©



Boomerang Bags merchandise ©



Ron handing over a huge cheque to Allan! © Isn't he looking thrilled!



Emily on her trip with dad John and a very happy Ross!

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Quote of the week 'We are like butterflies who flutter for a day and think its forever!' Carl Sagan, Cosmos

Bank details

Club Account - BSB: 124014 N°: 12151911

Reports

Rotaracter Jordan

Reminded Rotarians to keep in mind of the movie night on Friday night. 6.30pm for a 7.00pm start. The movie goes for an hour and there will be popcorn and drinks available to buy before. Please support! (My apologies that the Burleigh Breaker won't go out in time for the reminder but we have it covered a few times already!)

Anthony

Reporting on behalf of Jacki. The Interacters changeover was attended by Jacki, Anthony and Richard. It was well attended and well run. Awards and badges were handed out on the night. The Rotaract changeover is happening in Term 4 at Marymount College.

Rotary Foundation Ross

Reported that this time last week he was at the Rotary Club of San Francisco, ChinaTown reporting on our glorious location to the locals there! Ross is also taking a team (Aug 18th to Aug 20th) from our district to Canberra for the Model UN assembly. Hosted by Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise, many students will wear the national costume of the country they represent. Ross' team is representing Germany! The topics include climate change, eliminating violence against women and girls and protecting human rights while countering terrorism. All superbly relevant areas in current times. We wish Ross and his team all the success in their presentations!

Reports Contd..

PP Richard

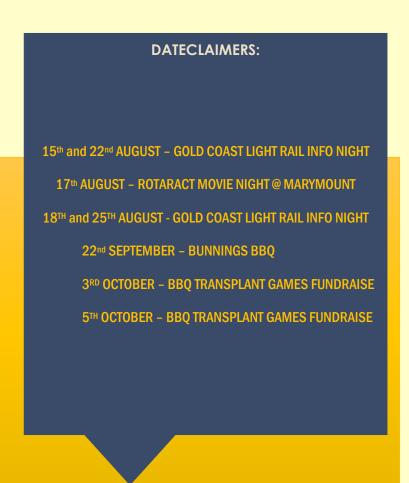
Richard talked briefly on the visit to Rotary, Runaway Bay's weekly meeting and attended by David U, Shobha and Richard himself. The guest speaker was astronaut Paul Scully Powell. He was a civilian oceanographer chosen by NASA to go into space as part of the team as a Payload Specialist on the 41-G Space Shuttle crew. They launched from the Kennedy Space Centre in October 1984. The mission was for this specialist team to view the earth's ocean from space and thus add extensively to the data collected by NASA and the Navy's oceanographic studies program. The images that were shown by Paul were spectacular and it was a fantastic informative night on space travel!

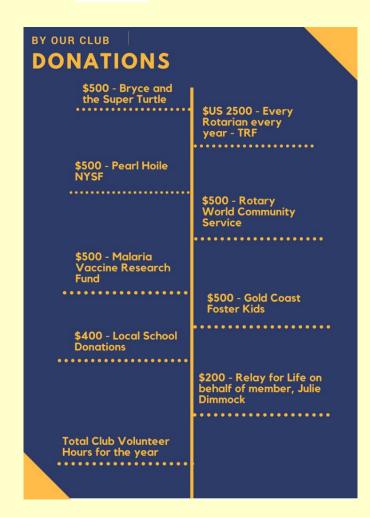
While he was there, Richard also has made arrangements to meet with this Rotary club to extend the scooter program. Fantastic multi tasking by our Past President.

<u>Simone</u>

Simone was also coaxed by Jackie P to let the club know of developments at the Women's Sanctuary that she manages and runs. The Sanctuary won a \$100000 funding from the government and were featured on Compass. There are 7 family units and the 7th unit is now undergoing completion thanks to this funding. Wonderful news and a job well done, Simone!







Emily Campbell

Emily reported on her upcoming visit to Italy. They had their first outbound meeting recently and this generated a lot of excitement for all the students. They are going to district 2250 and will stay in the region of Milan and Venice. Emily is already well on the way of being prepared with lessons in Italian! They have been also fitted for their blazers and she has been busy collecting badges to distribute in her time over in Italy. This is a year long trip and though she will be missed no doubt by her family, we are sure she is going to have a fabulous time, lots of learning and growing up to do and our members wish her the very best. We look forward to a fantastic report when she returns! Good luck Emily. Dad John, is a prospective member to our club and we welcome him into the fold!



SPEAKER Tania Potts

Tania and Jordyn are the founders of Boomerang Bags back in 2013. Started locally in Burleigh, Boomerang Bags is now in 800 communities worldwide in 22 countries that have sewn 265000 calico bags. More than just bags, this is an initiative for people to get involved in their communities and with each other, starting conversations about how we can all leave a lighter footprint on this beautiful planet. As we know, each piece of plastic ever made still exists somewhere. The stuff is everywhere and it is easy to succumb to the convenience that it represents. The first step therefore is awareness and make switches when you can. Once a new habit is formed, it becomes simple and satisfying to live with less plastic in our lives. This is the message. Boomerang Bags runs at a grassroots level and is a community driven movement. Volunteers create friendships, upcycle fabric, learn new skills and collectively reduce the use of single-use disposable plastic items, most notably bags. The bags are handmade one-of-a-kind fabric bags that are acting as a catalyst for positive social and environmental change.

Each new group is given an information kit that provides basic advice on how to get started, along with a pattern for making tote bags and produce bags that can be modified. Every group is slightly different with regards to where they hold their sewing bees and where the bags are distributed. The common thread is the bags are created using donated fabric that would otherwise end up in a landfill. This might therefore come from people who have a stash that is no longer needed or wanted, or from op-shops and resource recovery co-op/tip shops. The fabric is then turned into bags that are both ergonomic and beautiful. Things that they do at Boomerang Bags communities are group sewing bees, volunteering at event stalls and workshops. Anyone can help by donating clean non-stretchy fabrics, donating thread, ironing boards and sewing machines, providing the space for sewing bees (home, church hall, library meeting rooms, neighbourhood centres) and sponsoring a group to pay for machines to be repaired and serviced. To conclude the philosophy is that nobody can do everything but everyone can do something and together small ripples have the capacity to create big waves (Facebook and liveforless.com.au)

Tania did leave some bags with us to sell. The cost of each bag is just over \$6 and are available to buy at \$10. Members please support this excellent initiative.

For more information go to boomerangbags.com.au