



ROTABAY

The Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Runaway Bay

19th February 2019

Meeting No: 1536

What's Happening Feb/March 2019

19th February 2019

Chair: Graham Toms

Guest Speaker: Rene' Jorgensen

Topic: Super Trawler in Scotland

26th February 2019

Chair: Peter Fisk

Guest Speaker: Angelina Korshun, Brodie Luney – RYLA 2019

Topic: RYLA Exploits,

Note: This will be a Partners night to celebrate the Induction of two new Members!

5th March 2019

Chair: Des Lovett

Guest Speaker: -

Topic: CLUB ASSEMBLY

12th March 2019

Chair: Del Cole

Guest Speaker: TBA

Topic: TBA

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Presidents Message – Eric Lewis

Hi All,



We held our first Board Meeting of the year on Tuesday 12th February. It was a busy meeting with much to discuss. There were some interesting decisions made at the meeting regarding where we should allocate some of the funds we have raised in recent times.

1. We have previously supported the Australian Rotary Health Indigenous Health Scholarships initiative. We have again decided to pledge \$2,500 to support a scholarship for an indigenous student. We are in the process of arranging for last years awardee to visit the club.
2. PDG Brian Heaton recently raised with me an issue being experienced at the Biggerra Waters State School (Primary). There are many instances where some parents have been unable to afford either shoes or school back packs for their children. We have decided to donate \$1,500 to the school to help parents who are having problems paying for shoes and back packs for their kids. \$1,000 of the funds to be donated was raised at the memorial for Trevor Holzapfel. I have been in touch with the Principal's Office and will update you all on progress.
3. 'Rosies Friends on the Street' are an organisation that have been working on the Gold Coast for over thirty years. 'Rosies reaches out to those most in need, those people who are abandoned, marginalised, socially isolated within our communities.' Kathleen, a recent guest speaker from Rosies made quite an impression. We are inviting her back to speak again and determine how we can best help Rosies. More information at <http://rosies.org.au/>

In our latest '**Person behind the Badge**' session – Irene and Nigel Cates talk gave us all a great insight into their family background and history. These talks have been highly regarded and give everyone in the club an opportunity to get to know each of our members a little more. Well done!

Rotary's Birthday – February 23rd marks the 114th birthday of Rotary. To celebrate this event a visit to the Gold Coast University Hospital on Sunday 24th February has been arranged. We will be providing gifts to all the mums, and the babies who were born on the 23rd. The Bendigo Community Bank in Paradise Point will be there with us to celebrate, they will be opening a new account with a deposit of \$50 for each new baby. Many thanks to Irene and Nigel Cates who have made all the preparations for this year, I am sure it will be another successful club activity. As always, Brian and Val Heaton have helped greatly in making this a successful annual event.

Partners Night – 26th February we will be inducting two new lady members into the club at this meeting. **Gail McGaw** and **Ella James** will become our newest and very welcome members. It's also a great excuse for a partners evening to celebrate our new inductees. Also, on the 26th we will be hearing from our attendees at this year **RYLA** camp – Angelina Korshun and Brodie Luney.

Take care Eric

Secretary's Message – Bob Curtis



Member Attendances were 22 (Harry Boogaardt, Laurie Buckley, Irene Cates, Nigel Cates, John Cooke, Tony Coxen, Bob Curtis, Brian Deasy, Peter Fisk, Karl Frick, Roy Howard, David Kerr, Eric Lewis, Ken Lister, David McKenzie, John Murtagh, Nancy Notman, Greg Smith, Phil Smith, Tom Turner, Paul Vertullo and Anita Whiteford. Rotarian Guests were Ella James (guest of Eric Lewis), Gail McGaw (guest of Phil Smith) and Renee Jorgensen (Guest of Phil Smith). Apologies were Peter Campbell, Del Cole, Bryan Connelly, Julie Funnell, Sarah Funnell, Brian Heaton, Des Lovett, Sam O'Connor, Keith Ranson, Wanda Tereba and Graham Toms. Our little ship was sailed with skill by our Chair David McKenzie and pirate Sergeant Phil Smith. Great fun was had as usual by all.

This week is the first meeting for this year's Mental Health Symposium. More news soon on the impending Trivia night. The Tug of War continues to gain traction.

Nigel and Irene Cates gave us a magnificent account of where their lives have taken them to get to the Gold Coast 10 years ago. Again, we all commented on how valuable this little talk is to each of us and how we need to revisit older members also to ensure that newer members get to know them better also. Nigel met Irene in Griffith when Nigel was building a very big reputation in the Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area as a hydraulic engineer and Irene was a legal officer in offices in Griffith. They eventually moved to Canberra where Nigel started some companies which did a great deal of work with treatment and reticulation of various categories of water to large concerns in Canberra. At some stage Nigel also spent a perilous time living in Israel as a Hydraulic Engineer when there was quite a bit more trouble there than there usually often is. Canberra was too cold in winter eventually, so they moved to the Gold Coast and after a period of Nigel managing the Canberra businesses from the GC, they concentrated on life on the sunny, perfect, Gold Coast. They have two sons, one 17 and at university, the other 15 and in year 11. The whole family enjoys and is very engrossed with surf club life.

Regards Bob

Our 2019-20 RI Presidential Theme



International Director – Del Cole (Update)

Nathan Polty is a young PNG student who's just completed a Bachelor of Public Health Honours Degree at the University of Canberra. Nathan's dream is to establish a rural dental service program to reach disadvantaged children throughout the Mt Hagan and Western Province of Papua New Guinea.



While completing his studies, Nathan met Fred, a member of a Rotary Club in Canberra. Together they've managed to source a variety of dental equipment, including 5 x dental chairs; 7 x autoclaves [sterilisers]; 6 x very large boxes of dental equipment.



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Fred sent this equipment from Canberra to the Sydney RAWCS depot and this week we loaded it into our truck and brought it to our shed in Underwood, Brisbane, from where a 20ft container will be despatched to Lae, PNG. We have a further 3 x dental chairs; an x-ray machine [donated by a Rotary Club in Sydney] and a variety of dental equipment to add to Nathan's collection. The container will then be packed to capacity with school books; educational supplies; and medical equipment.

“Rotary working with Rotary has achieved this wonderful result”

All we need now are the funds for the transportation. It will cost approx. \$8,000 AUD to purchase the container and transport this to the Highlands. If you feel you'd like to help us with this project;

Bank details;

Rotary Club of Runaway Bay.

BSB: **633 000**

Bank Account: **151 666 500**

Reference: Nathan's project. A tax-deductible receipt can be issued upon request

Regards Del

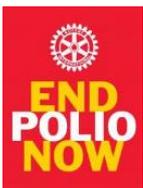
Some recent images from club meetings and other exploits!!



Just A Reminder of what Rotary can achieve!

What is polio?

Polio, or poliomyelitis, is a paralysing and potentially deadly infectious disease that most commonly affects children under the age of 5. The virus spreads from person to person, typically through contaminated water. It can then attack the nervous system.



Rotary has been working to eradicate polio for more than 30 years. Our goal of ridding the world of this disease is closer than ever.

As a founding partner of the **Global Polio Eradication Initiative**, we've reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent since our first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979.

We've helped immunise more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries. So far, Rotary has contributed more than \$1.8 billion toward eradicating the disease worldwide.

Today, polio remains endemic only in Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan. But it's crucial to continue working to keep other countries polio-free. If all eradication efforts stopped today, within 10 years, polio could paralyse as many as 200,000 children each year.

- \$3 average cost to fully protect a child against polio
- 430 million children in total vaccinated in 39 countries in 2017
- \$100 million cost to conduct polio surveillance worldwide

Townsville Flood Appeal

Major Flood Disaster in Townsville

The problems up North continue, so I have left the Rotary appeal details in Rotabay again this week.



From the District Website

The Rotary Club of Townsville South West registered the Rotary Australia Benevolent Society Disaster Appeal. 74-2018-19: D9550 North Queensland Disaster Relief Appeal (RABS)

To make a **tax-deductible** donation go to the RAWCS website: -

<http://rawcs.org.au/project-search/>

Click on the project No and then the donate button and follow the prompts.

Every little bit helps as there will be a massive recovery effort once the rain and floods dissipate and people's needs become more apparent.

PDG Rob Tardiani is Project Manager and will keep us advised on a regular basis.

This is a major disaster for Townsville and surrounding areas.

If you are touched by this, you can help through Rotary.

District Conference Details

RESISTANCE IS FUTILE!!!!!!

Eric Lewis, Greg Smith, Anita Whiteford, Brian Deasy and Brian Heaton are going!! Be quick, accommodation in Lismore is running out fast!

Come and join us!!

District 9640 Conference

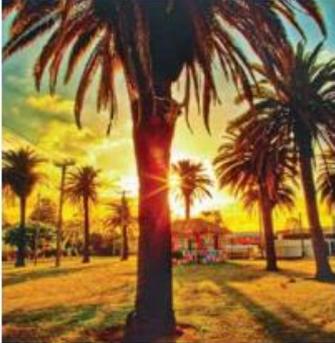
29-31 March 2019 

www.rotary9640conference.org.au



Rotary  Proudly hosted by
District Governor Terry & Carol Brown
and the Rotary Club of Lismore 

- Be inspired by an exciting variety of speakers from local, national and international regions
- Meet our Rotary International Representative from Texas, USA



- See the re-birth of Lismore after the devastating 2017 floods
- Catch up with old friends and meet new ones
- REGISTER NOW

Venue - Lismore Workers Club. Full accommodation listing is on the District Conference website

   Enquiries please contact:
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Use the following link to register for the conference

<https://rotary9640conference.org.au>

Anniversaries – February 2019



Rotary's 114th Birthday – 23rd February

Like to join us for a meeting?

Location: -

Paradise Point Bowls Club

22 Thrush Avenue, (corner Sunbird Ave)

Paradise Point, Gold Coast, Qld

When: Tuesdays 6.00 for 6.30 pm start (except public holidays)

Please email us for more information: rotaryrunawaybay@gmail.com



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