



ROTABAY

The Newsletter of the Rotary Club of Runaway Bay

30th July 2019

Meeting No: 1559

What's Happening July/August 2019

30th July 2019

Chair: Nancy Notman

Guest Speaker: TBA

Topic: TBA

6th August 2019

Chair: John Murtagh

Guest Speaker: Sam O'Connor MP

Topic: Political stuff!

13th August 2019

Chair: John Murtagh

Guest Speaker: Sam O'Connor MP

Topic: Political stuff!

20th August 2019

Event: Early Psychosis & Youth Mental Health Symposium

Venue: Bond University

Details: Updates will be provided at upcoming meetings – Ken Lister

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Presidents Message – Greg Smith

Hello all just a short missive for the week. We had a great meeting on the 23rd July, with a good turn up of members and guests. There was no guest speaker, however we did finally get to present Nancy Notman with her actual Paul Harris Award. We used a substitute at the Changeover Dinner as Nancy's hadn't made it through the labyrinth that is Australia Post!! Many thanks to Bob Curtis for acquiring the official Rotary award paraphernalia including the marvellous certificate that accompanies the award.



At our next meeting on the 30th we are hoping to 'Induct' Ray Elphinstone and Keith Duncan into to our club, so partners are welcome on the night if they so desire. Ray is new to Rotary and Keith is a seasoned veteran honouring our club with his involvement.

There has been some discussion over the social evening scheduled for 27th August and perhaps we can progress a selection of a venue at our next meeting.

Regards Greg

Rotary
Club of Sydney
Darling Harbour

2019 Inspirational Women's Awards
Nominations open until 27 July 2019
Event Luncheon 27 October 2019
Website: www.riwa.com.au

The Rotary Districts and Clubs of NSW, as well as any member of the public, are invited to submit nominations.

Do you know women who are quietly working to support others by doing Service Above Self?

Perhaps your members come into contact with women who should be recognised for their quiet contribution in making their communities better places to live. There are two Awards in each of the Urban and Rural categories: -

- Urban – Inspirational Woman of the Year 2019 (over 30)
- Urban - Young Inspirational Woman of the Year 2019 (18-30)
- Rural – Inspirational Woman of the Year 2019 (over 30)
- Rural - Young Inspirational Woman of the Year 2019 (18-30)

Please find the link to the RIWA Website for more information about the Awards, and how to nominate and the nomination form. www.riwa.com.au

Secretary's Message – Bob Curtis

Member attendance was 22 (Harry Boogaerdt, Michael Brown and Lynn Clarkson-Brown, Laurie Buckley, Nigel and Irene Cates, Tony Coxen, Bob Curtis, Brian Deasy, Peter Fisk, Brian Heaton, Roy Howard, David Kerr, Ken Lister, Des Lovett, David McKenzie, Nancy Notman, Greg Smith, Phil Smith, Graham Toms, Tom Turner and Anita Whiteford). **Visiting Rotarians** were Gerard Dellis of RC Avonhead NZ and Karin Kolenko of RC Hope Island. **Guests of Rotarians** were Keith Duncan (Nancy Notman), Ray Elphinstone (Nancy Notman) and Doug Meredith (Greg Smith).



Apologies were Del Cole, John Cooke, Karl Frick, Michael George, Ella James, Rene Jorgensen, Eric Lewis, John Murtagh, Sam O'Connor, Keith Ranson, Wanda Tereba, and Paul Vertullo.

Hi-light of the meeting was the presentation of Nancy Notman's richly deserved Paul Harris Fellowship. Anita Whiteford leaped vigorously into her role as Chair and gave us a very enjoyable meeting supported by our ever creative and highly profitable Sergeant Phil Smith. Nigel Cates came to us from Chairing the Early Psychosis and Mental Health Symposium Meeting. The attendance sheet for the Symposium was collated by Ken Lister. Nigel and Irene are busy also getting us on the Sausage Sizzle list at Bunnings Arundel. Keith Duncan, Ray Elphinstone and Doug Meredith were there and will be inducted very soon. Michael Brown suggested we follow-up on a very successful project which his previous club had run - and we are examining it.

Phil Smith gave us a good update on how Cookie is going as usual. This week John has a trip to Montville before he starts his chemotherapy. Great work John.

Regards Bob

Runaway Bay – Why would you live anywhere else!!



International Director – Del Cole

This following is an extract of an email I sent to local dental surgeries, the response was disappointing, however we did receive some vital equipment, which is now packed into a container at Underwood ready for shipment to PNG.

Good morning folks,

I write to ask your support in allowing me to collect any unwanted dental equipment/supplies which are superfluous to your needs. We're sending these to Nathan Polty, an inspirational PNG dental student who completed his studies at University of Canberra in 2018. Nathan's passion is to set up a chain of Outpost Dental Clinics. I'm hoping you may have time to read Nathan's story which is attached above and demonstrates the desperate need of our PNG neighbours.

To date we've received 7 x dental chairs; 6 x autoclaves; and a variety of instruments [used] etc. A 20 foot shipping container is being packed at Underwood, Brisbane, and will be despatched to Lae - then travel by road to the PNG Highlands.

Thanking you and hoping you will find it in your heart to help.

Take care. Del

In mid-2018, James Marape, Minister for Finance PNG, visited our shed at Underwood to discuss how we could help them. As Member for the Hela Province, James was struggling to feed the people who had been devastated by the recent earthquakes and were leaving their shattered villages and walking to his Province for assistance. He wanted to set up a soup kitchen and other facilities. We had been donated a massive amount of commercial cooking equipment and James requested this, and many other items, to be sent to him – via Port of Lae; then approx. 3 days by truck up the mountain to the end of the road to Pai where he's developing a huge community to look after his people [hospitals; schools; police station; etc] James paid for the shipping costs and arranged and paid for road transport from his Parliamentary budget/allowance and is encouraging his fellow-members to do likewise. James is now the new Prime Minister of PNG.

Rachael Marape is the wife of James Marape. I've been negotiating to work with Rachael Marape who is considering setting up a "First Lady Charity" in order to receive and handle all containers I can send. Rachael's passion is twofold - to engage the services of reliable women to distribute the goods to those in need in their communities – thus empowering the women into roles of responsibility and providing training into the logistics of doing such a task; whilst at the same time supplying the desperate aide to these districts.

I'm using the \$5,000 provided by the Rotary Club of Runaway Bay to send a container [via First Lady Charity] up to Tari/Pai where Nathan Polty will set up the first of the chain of dental clinics to treat the school children of the Highlands. We have this now ³/₄ packed at our Underwood depot and **it contains 12 x dental chairs and 6 x autoclaves/sterilisers**. James will help Nathan to establish this clinic which will be used as a showpiece and incentive for all PNG District Reps to view – with the possibility of their also paying some of their Parliamentary budgets towards doing the same in their Provinces.

The dental clinic in the following images – is a stand-alone building formerly used as an aid post by the Catholic Health Agency. *"It was given for use as a dental clinic by the agency when requested. There is water supply but no power running through yet. Plans are under way to get power in now. The facility is secure with a concerned local community and a metal fencing with locked gates. The building is ideally located and easily accessed Nathan Polty"*

Regards Del



Dental clinic in PNG - formerly used as an aid post by the Catholic Health Agency

Images from the Meeting held 23rd July



Nancy Notman receiving her well-deserved Paul Harris award, the Bowls Club Manager, our new screens, and some strange people hitting themselves on their heads!! Plus, Gold Coast Benji receiving his 'Paul Harris Home' badge

Images from the Rotary Ladies Luncheon held 14th July

This months Lunch was held at 'Manos' in Paradise Point. As always, the Ladies were resplendently attired and ready for a good time!!



Some of the attendees at the Lunch - Kath Curtis, Sue Lewis, Nancy Notman, Pauline Howard and Sue Meredith

Anniversaries – May/June 2019



Please let the editor know of any upcoming anniversaries!!

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)

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