

7 November 2019



Rotary Club of Sawtell

Sawtell Sun

District visit

On Monday our club was delighted to host District Governor Phil Hafey and Bronwyn. The DG met with the Board prior to the meeting to review highlights and go over any concerns.

At the meeting DG Phil presented a thoughtful and rounded presentation on the issues clubs in our District are facing and avenues to investigate potential solutions. Members enjoyed the video presentation for the District Conference which is to be held in South West Rocks 20-22 March 2020.

Bronwyn presented her project for the year—Lifeline. This organisation provides 24/7 phone counselling. The statistics for suicide in Australia are shocking.

- There are more than eight deaths by suicide in Australia each day
- Deaths by suicide in Australia

occur among males at a rate three times greater than that for females.

Funds raised will provide for additional telephone crisis support personnel—so that those in crisis will have their calls answered as quickly as possible and providing community based training in our District for local community members to enable them to listen respond and support their friends, family and community members.

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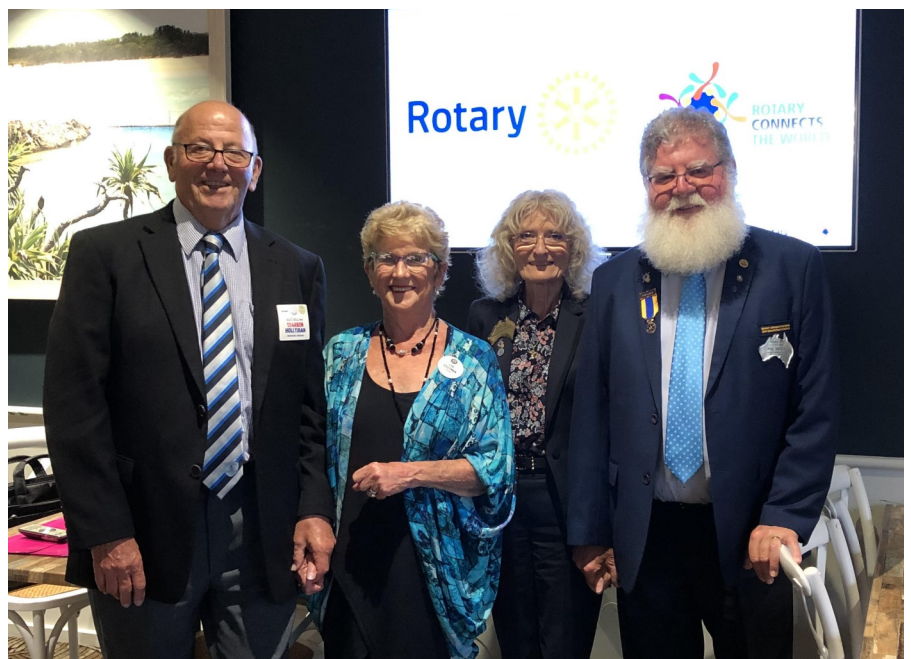
Rotary International D9650 DG Partner's Project

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Below: President Warren Hollyman and Lyn with Bronwyn and DG of District 9650 Phil Hafey





Chris Veerhius
9 November

Heather Kassulke
23 November

Steve Kassulke
26 November

Lyn Hollyman
29 November

Rotary Themes

November 2019: Foundation Month

December 2019: Disease Prevention & Treatment
Month

January 2020: Vocational Service Month

February 2020: Peace & Conflict Prevention
Month

March 2020: Water & Sanitation Month

April 2020: Maternal & Child Health Month

May 2020: Youth Service Month

June 2020: Rotary Fellowships Month

Below: Bronwyn Hafey (3rd from the left) delighted to meet another Bronwyn!

L-R:

Lyn Hollyman, Exchange Student Adam Leskovjansky, Bronwyn Hafey, Patty Baldwin and Bronwyn Nicholson



News from Charley in Germany

School has started again—every teenagers favourite place, right? German school has been a great experience. Totally different to anything in Australia. In Germany, like the majority of Europe, they start the school year in September. It was a new experience going to school on the first day and not sweating to death! Haha. This year I have started year 11. What a great feeling to now be able to sit in the class room with everyone else and actually understand and learn. Academically I would rate German school at a university level. It's a great feeling to finally understand what's happening.

Don't worry, this month has been more than just school. I have newbies—guys it's great!! I started off by attending a one-week language camp in Lindenberg in Bavaria Northern Germany with all the new in-bounds. It brought a lot of emotion, remembering back to January when that newbie was me, feeling lost and not understanding. I look at now and what I've learnt and overcome. Passing on my advice to the new exchange students was a very proud moment. On the last day we travelled to the state of Allgäu to watch a festival to celebrate bringing the cows down from the mountains for the winter. If they stayed there they would be covered and I mean literally covered in snow. They dress the cows with head pieces that symbolise how many cows were born or died or things like that are represented with how big or what items are found on the head piece. The farmers walk the cows down the street and then there is a massive carnival with a lot of rides and A LOT OF BEER.

Before camp, I travelled to Frankfurt to spend a day with my grandparents who made a quick detour on their trip to Ireland. Saying hello brought tears, but not as many as the saying goodbye part did. Funny how quick a few hours go.

September has been full of travel, exploring, hanging with friends and a lot of ice cream. Ice cream is not

available in Germany over winter so there is a lot of ice-cream eaten towards the end of Summer. One of the nieces of my host mum has a 2-year-old girl and a new born baby boy, so I also am enjoying lots of snuggles and playdates!

At the end of the month I travelled to Wissembourg in France with my host family, where we enjoyed the beautiful views—both in the city and in the wine fields where we hiked. We enjoyed the delicious cakes France has to offer in a delightful small café. We then returned to a winery and my host family stocked up on their French wine supply for the year. We also went apple and fruit picking.

Another great month! Filled with challenges, but also excitement and joy. Even though it's hard to focus on in the exact moment, the challenges truly turn out to be sort of a blessing, because within each trial and challenge that you overcome you learn something new. I believe that makes you so much stronger. So even though it's hard, I'm grateful for the challenges.

Bis zum nächsten Monat (until next month),
Charley Della

Edited for length.



Upcoming Events

11 November	Julie Jardine—Cando Cancer Trust
15-17 November	Club Weekend at Urunga
18 November	No meeting
25 November	AGM
9 December	Christmas dinner with partners at the Sawtell RSL \$30 p.p. Emily Buckle, Outgoing exchange student, guest speaker

Please RSVP with guests and apologies by 4pm
Monday to Warren Hollyman 0484298358



2019/20 Board

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11 November

Attendance	Ray Baldwin
Affirmation	John Underwood
International toast	Roger Atwal
Sergeant	Peter Paff

