



The HUB



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The Rotary Club of Kingaroy

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RI President: R Gordon R McInally

"RI President R. Gordon R. McInally calls for Rotary to create hope in the world by working for peace and mental wellbeing. He urges members to engage in tough conversations and earn the trust that's necessary to realize these values."



Club President: Neil Black



We give thanks to Rotary for good fellowship, the opportunity to serve our community and to do good in the world.

The General meeting was opened by President Neil Black at 6.30pm, with a shared plate meal. Thanks to all who provided a great range of food. All members and guests were warmly welcomed.

Attendance: Neil Black, Deb Hails, Brian Tessmann, Gus Napier, Geoff Hosking, Kat Butcher, Ian Hall, Michael Ryan, Ray Pitt, Ron Roberts,

Guests: Emma Lindholm (Active Citizen – Kingaroy SHS), Pat Pitt, Lyal Black

Members on Leave: Ron Roberts, Lex Petersen

Apologies: Bev Watter, Kerry Heit, David Black, Murray Johnston, Anna Faunt, Michael Ryan, Ray Pitt, Carmel Mc Keering, Mark Huston,), Mia De Guzman (Active Citizen – St Mary's Catholic College),

Birthdays:

Cath Roberts 1 June

Mark Huston 3 June

Emma Lindholm 9 June

+ the arrival of another grandson for Mark Huston on his birthday



Wedding Anniversary:

Nil

Club Anniversary:

1 June 35 years – Murray Johnston, Geoff Hosking and Ron Roberts

1 June 9 years Kat Butcher

International Toast: Ray Pitt proposed the toast to Rotary Club of Kirabati
Ruth Cross is the President of the Club; Ruth was a member of Malvern Rotary in Victoria and had decided to return to Tarawa in Kirabati to live and make a difference in her community. Projects of the Club include: Delivery and distribution of hospital donations; delivery of birthing kits from the CWA Australia to outer

island medical centres; provide storage facility for rehabilitation centre at the hospital, assist with centre clean up and procure rehab equipment; train and deliver 'Days for girls' menstruation kits; develop training curriculum for all 348 communities on south Tarawa to provide sound leadership, consistent governance and collective efforts towards agreed goals of sanitation, peace and access to clean water; community sanitation programs; community rainwater tank installations and community toilet builds.

In October 2020 they obtained a \$100 000 grant for a major aid project thanks to a successful global grant application with partnering clubs for the Kiribati Sanitation Project. "An exciting future of providing service to a community that is one of the poorest in the Pacific lies ahead."

Next meeting's toast will be proposed by Michael Ryan

Rotary Information – Ron Roberts

Emphasize Service

After attending a rotary event with her mother, Fiona Bassett decided her town in the north of Wales needed another Rotary Club – to complement the 3 it already had. To attract new members, the Rotary Club of Wrexham Glyndwr – Wrexham's the town; Owain Glyndwr was a legendary Welsh leader – puts the emphasis on projects rather than meetings. "We feel that having a meal and weekly meetings puts some people off joining", says Bassett. "As a Club, we believe that the money we would spend on food every week could be put to better use". Members are encouraged to attend one meeting a month, where the mood is informal, and parents may bring their children. The tech-savvy club relies heavily on social media to promote itself, its projects and Rotary. One post notched 42 000 views in 24 hours. It collaborates closely with the other clubs in the district. "We host a family fun run that's going into its third year", says Bassett. "It attracts between 3000 and 4000 people and everything is branded so there's no mistake who's organizing it".

Last December, the club's annual Christmas Lights Switch On drew about 10 000 people thanks to promotional help from local celebrities, radio hosts and the Town Council. "Everyone in Wrexham knows who we are," says Bassett. "We gained six new members from our first Christmas event and three last year" – and the Club raised money for End Polio Now and other charities.

President: Neil Black

- Neil discussed our bank signatories and changes to be made:
 1. The club opens up a Business Cash Maximiser Account with NAB
 2. The club authorises the debit card account to be a one signature account and will issue 4 cards when required.
 3. The club authorises new Executive Member for the 2024/25 year to be a bank signatory in this case it will be Debra Hails. Beverley Watter can be removed as a signatory.
Moved by: Ron Roberts **Seconded by:** Gus Napier **All in favour, carried.**
- Neil asked if any members could assist with the set-up for changeover: (other members who can assist please turn up)
Friday June 14 - 2.30pm Mark, Deb, Michael, Neil, Ray – meet at the shed
Saturday June 15 - 12.00pm Kat, Deb, Gus, Ian, Mark, Margaret, Geoff, Di, Ron, Cath, Lex, Marian – meet at the Town Hall
Sunday June 16 – 9.00 for clean-up – Gus, Mark, Neil
- Neil informed the Club of the sudden passing last week of AG Bryan Payne – the condolences of the Kingaroy Rotary Club are extended to Bryan's family and friends. Bryan's contribution to Rotary was enormous, including his work with the rotary district Drought Relief programs – assisting in raising and distributing millions of dollars to farmers suffering through the tragedy of drought.
- The Club has been asked to do the bar for the wake for Roseann Schmidt at 1.00pm this Friday at Town Hall supper room- Ray, Ian, Gus

Secretary: Kat Butcher

- Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true & correct record. Moved: Ian & Seconded: Geoff
- **Please RSVP to Kat if you are attending the 75th Changeover at the Kingaroy Town Hall – all members, past members and friends of Rotary have been sent an invitation ASAP**
- Blue Cards for members have been received and Katy is distributing these

Reports

Treasurers Report – Mark Huston

- Please see the Changeover Hub for the Treasurer's Report for the 2023 – 2024 Rotary year

Community Projects: Bev Watter

Thank you to all for their assistance, if you can help, please let Bev know:

- Volunteers for **IGA Nanango June 8** – Michael will take the trailer down and bring it back - Geoff, David (one more person is needed)
- **Sausage Sizzle for Under 8's June 27** 9.00 – 12 in Memorial Park – sausages and bread provided, we provide the cooking, serviettes and sauces - Ian, Ray and Deb

Youth: Deb Hails

- Deb has contacted the 5 Bursary Students and asked them to let the Club know how their Semester 1 has been. Most are waiting for exam results and will reply when they receive these.

Abbey Kapernick has sent this for us:

This semester has been nothing short of enriching. To be honest, it is only now that I am preparing for exams, do I feeling like I'm actually studying. The semester has brought with it many adventures, giving me an even greater appreciation for my area of study. This included a trip to Metagen, an emerging soil health company focused on sustainable agronomy practices, questioning traditional management practices by asking the right questions, rather than simply looking for answers going by the book. Afterall, the true gains in agricultural production are likely to be made through exceptions and gaps in knowledge, rather than the literature itself.

Under the guidance of a very passionate lecturer, classmates and I were presented a quite unique assessment task, with an aim to make an real time, real life impact concerning the current spread of Red Imported Fire Ants through Queensland. The task was to create an engaging social media video (which I'll admit was a little beyond my current technical skills), to spread awareness involving the threat Fire Ants pose, how they could be managed and what to do if you are unlucky enough to encounter such an aggressive pest. Given we live in the information age where any information about anything is available through the clicking of a few buttons and an internet connection, it was thought that by using social media as a vector to spread our information, a more significant impact could be made. It was quite a challenge, but nonetheless rewarding, knowing that we have made a contribution, however slight, to the very feasible eradication of this invasive species.

After plenty of yield estimation, insect hunting, plant disease diagnosis, weed identification and a cheeky bit of sugar cane eating, I never thought I'd ever find disappointed to finish the semester, but I am extremely keen to delve into some plant physiology and pasture management after the break. As always thankyou for your support, I am forever grateful for the opportunities I'm given.

Rotary Foundation: Kerry Heit

- nil

Interact: Carmel Mc Keering

- nil

Membership: Ray Pitt

- nil

General Business:

- Ian has done some designs for a 75th shirt for the members – designs were shared with Members, please let Ian know your thoughts
- Containers for Change – Ian has followed this up and we will send away to get the wheelie bins for use for collection of the cans
- Gus – reported on the next lot of computers, printers, and other IT items to be sent to the Solomon Islands. He asked if the secretary could send a letter of thanks for donated computers to St Mary's Catholic College and St Johns' Lutheran School. He is looking into how these can be sent to Honiara – possibly through RARE
- Ray has had contact with Abigail Anderson re the transport of the hospital beds and other items we have stored for RARE – this will be followed up by Neil and Ray

Card Draw: – 4 Clubs Geoff is the winner

Fines – nil

Meeting closed: 7.56 pm

- ❖ **Next Meeting** **1 July Dinner Meeting**
- ❖ **Board Meeting** **17 June at Kat's place 6.30pm, please bring a plate**

Cheers

Members need to let Kat know if not attending at the Dinner Meeting.

Reminders

- **If you cannot attend a meeting, you MUST contact Kat by NOON on Monday!**
- **If you don't cancel by noon you will be billed for a meal.**
- **New Bank account details**
 - o Account Name: Rotary Club of Kingaroy Inc.
 - o BSB: 084 961
 - o Account Number: 254 905 213

Got recycling to drop off - Containers For Change Rotary Club of Kingaroy Account C10071454
(Please get a receipt and hand to Treasurer Mark)

- **Make sure you wear your badge at every meeting. Makes it easier for guests.**

Useful Rotary Websites

Club website www.kingaroyrotary.org.au

Rotary Foundation

- **International** www.rotary.org
- **Australia** www.rotaryfoundationaustralia.org.au

BIRTHDAYS – MEMBERS AND PARTNERS

Cath Roberts	June 1
Mark Huston	June 3
Emma Lindholm	June 9

ANNIVERSARIES

CLUB ANNIVERSARY

Ron Roberts, Geoff Hosking, Murray Johnston	1 June – 35 years
Kat Butcher	1 June – 9 years

Attendance at each meeting is presumed unless you notify your absence to:

Kat – South Burnett Podiatry

Phone: 07 41627633 or 0417 637 316

Email: reception@southburnettpodiatry.com.au

Numbers need to be in by 12 noon.

The Four-Way Test

OF THE THINGS we think, say or do:

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

CALENDAR

Date	Event	Time
8 June	Nanango IGA	7.30 – 12.00
15 June	Changeover meeting + 75 th celebrations	6.00 for 6.30pm
17 June	Board Meeting – at Kat’s House	6.30pm
27 June	Sausage Sizzle – Under 8’s in Memorial Park	9.00 – 12.00
29 June	Bunnings BBQ	7.30am – 2.00pm
1 July	Dinner Meeting	6.00 for 6.30pm
15 July	General Meeting	6.00 for 6.30pm
19 July	Training Awards – Kingaroy Town Hall – bar service	6 – 11 pm
5 August	Dinner Meeting	6.00 for 6.30pm
19 August	General Meeting	6.00 for 6.30pm

Legend

	Bunnings
	IGA
	Nanango Races
	Multiple Events on same day
	Other events
	Dinner Meetings
	General Meeting