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DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

Jeff's Journal

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The Rotary theme for June is ROTARY FELLOWSHIPS. Rotary Fellowships are international groups that share a common passion. Membership of a Fellowship is open to any Rotarian with an interest in that area.

There are approximately 100 Fellowships in many diverse areas such as -

- Sports
 - Hobbies and Pastimes
- Culture
- History
- Collectors of

- Food and Drink
- Military Veterans
- Memorabilia

There is even a Bath House Fellowship. Full list HERE.

Fellowships are a great way to learn more about your passion, make new friends and have fun.

CHANGEOVERS

June and July are the months for Changeovers where the old Club Board hands over the reins to the new. It is a great opportunity for you to visit other clubs in the District and I urge you to take the chance to see how other clubs operate, renew old friendships and forge new friendships.



FLOOD RELIEF UPDATE

Our efforts in flood relief are continuing and will continue for some time. I estimate that if you added up all funds raised by Clubs either independently or with partners, all the funds contributed to the District Disaster Appeal, the Disaster Grant from the Rotary Foundations and moneys distributed in our District by Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS), the total financial commitment from Rotary and Rotarians to the flood affected would be in the order of \$1.5 million.

This does not take into account the donation of and distribution of sundry items from vehicles to pet food.

Additionally, our Rotarians have contributed by manning Recovery Centres, catering for the flood victims and volunteers and, most importantly, by showing the flood affected that we care.

The relief will need to continue for some time. An avenue of relief which you are likely to hear more of in the near future is the provision of housing pods. These are pre-fabricated dwellings of 20 square metres in size which are erected on a displaced homeowner's property as a means of accommodation whilst the homeowner's house is made habitable. To date pods have been erected in Coraki and in Lismore.



THANKS



This of course is the last edition of Jeff's Journal. Sincere thanks to all who have contributed to the District Newsletter during the past year. Particular thanks to Editor Jodie Shelley for whom no job was too hard and who ensured with a minimum of fuss that all editions were published in a timely fashion. As authors usually say at the end of their books "any errors were all mine".

Regards, District Governor Jeff Egan 2021-22



ILUKA WOOMBAH ROTARY

The Sunflowers for Ukraine project initiated by the Rotary Club of Coolamon is an outstanding international project. The Rotary Club of Iluka Woombah have chosen to participate in this project and found our community very willing to donate to this very worthy cause.

We launched our project at our monthly markets in Iluka on Sunday 5 June and the community supported the project enthusiastically. The residents of Ukraine have been displaced by this war and have had to secure refuge in many of the countries that surround Ukraine. Poland is one of the main countries for Ukrainians to escape to, with more than 3 million refugees seeking refuge in Poland.

The Rotary Club of Iluka Woombah is extremely proud to be part of the Coolamon Rotary Club's project and we intend to continue fundraising at our next monthly markets and will approach our business community to help sell the sunflower seeds, with a target of \$1000 to be raised.

Cheryl Dimmock

GRAFTON MIDDAY ROTARY



Grafton Midday Rotary raised \$4,246 at its 7 May, 2022 Wine Tasting & Dinner Flood Fundraiser

Midday Rotary vice president Lee Taylor said, "We had 70 diners come along to the Crown Hotel. They enjoyed a three course dinner matched to new and exciting wines from a variety of Australian wineries".

"All diners supported the appeal with \$25 per head, most participated in a \$500 club and we had fun with the auction of selected wines to raise the grand total of \$4,246. Those funds have since been relayed to Rotary District 9640 Flood Appeal for distribution to people affected by the 2022 floods in the Clarence Valley."

"We are so grateful to all who attended, especially the majority who were not Grafton Midday Rotary club members, but who were keen to do something good for our community while enjoying a good night out. Our club was also able to explain a little of what Rotary stands for and who we are."

Brian Lane Publicity – Grafton Midday Rotary







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CORDIALLY INVITE ROTARIANS, ROTARACTORS AND THEIR PARTNERS TO JOIN THEM FOR LUNCH TO CELEBRATE THE 2022 – 2023 DISTRICT 9640 CHANGEOVER

> SUNDAY 26 JUNE 2022 12 NOON FOR 12.30 START

COOLANGATTA TWEED GOLF CLUB SOORLY STREET – TWEED HEADS SOUTH (Take lift to level 2)

DRESS CODE - SMART CASUAL (Gentlemen, jacket please) COST - \$40 PER PERSON (Purchase own drinks)



RSVP BY THURSDAY, JUNE 23 (via Trybooking – credit card see link below) Please advise special dietary requirements

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