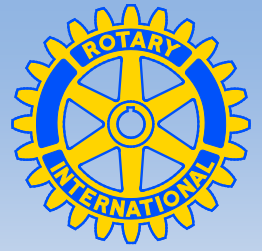




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This Week in Rotary



Who can name these three people?

They were in "BrisVegas" for the weekend 25 – 27 November.

The dapper fellow in the middle looks like he is ready to take on the world. Something he will be doing from July 2012 until June 2013.

Ok, I'll tell you... It is our Club President, Neville Parsons, Rotary International President Elect, Sakuji Tanaka of the Rotary Club of Yashio Saitama, Japan and our Club's President Elect, Patti Berrigan.

This picture was taken at the Rotary Institute held in Brisbane. This is another example of our Rotary Family coming together to help others prepare for the year ahead.

Christmas is coming around again and in the few weeks left before then, I'd like you to think about what you can do to help others in our Rotary Family and beyond.



EVERY
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ROTARY DISTRICT 9650
2012 CONFERENCE



March 9-11th 2012
INVERELL

This week we meet at our Club Rooms and we will be holding our Annual General Meeting. The Notice of Meeting and the Agenda has been previously distributed to all members by our Secretary Paul and it is also posted on the Member only section of our website under "member resources".

I encourage members to consider nominating for any of the vacant positions so that we can continue to shape our Club for the future and most importantly its ability to continue the valued and valuable work of Rotary in our community within Australia and indeed in the world.

For Board members I remind you that our December Board meeting will follow the Annual General Meeting.

In moving into the next 6 months and beyond, our focus urgently needs to remain on membership as that continues to be and always will be the foundation stone for the ongoing success of any Rotary Club.

Last week we met at our Club Rooms and we had with us our guest speaker Cindy Dignum from the Wauchope Primary School, Martin Dures, our Swedish outbound exchange Student Kyanah Goggin and her mum Leanne and member's partners Pam and Maryanne.

It was a pleasure to formally present the Youth Exchange Blazer and carry bag to Kyanah on behalf of our Club and we know that Kyanah will be a great Ambassador for our Club, our community, the District and indeed Australia.

Our Guest Speaker Cindy gave an excellent address on Literacy in schools and the community.

Cindy demonstrated her passion for literacy and reading. The following were key points that I noted from Cindy's presentation:

- The tradition of parents spending time reading to and with children is under threat as a result of new technologies and the changing family structures

- The basics of reading is key to all learning
- Some children arrive at school not knowing the basics of the right way up for a book and the need to read from left to right
- When reading to a child encourage their understanding of the story and encourage them to predict what might happen next.
- Reading environment must be a happy environment and experience
- The Community Helpers in reading Program (CHIRP) was described and our very own Ron Dures is a participant as a volunteer to read to students on a regular basis. Normal time is 20 minutes per child per week and the volunteer determines the time that suits them and the length of time that they can give. This greatly assists the reading experience for children where there is no encouragement for reading at home. The CHIRP program is running in every classroom from K to 6 at Wauchope Primary School. Well done Ron for your efforts in this program and the offer was extended to any other member to volunteer
- Rainbow Readers is a new initiative for the school reaching out to the community and offering reading experiences for young indigenous children who are not yet at pre-school.

This presentation certainly raised the interest of members and again highlighted the importance of reading and literacy for all in our community.

In thanking Cindy I quoted some key facts from an excellent presentation at the recent Brisbane Institute from the Foundation presentation of Rotary Foundation Trustee Anne Matthews in relation to literacy in the world...

- Past RI President and current Foundation Chairman Bill Boyd has stated "Literacy more than anything else is the escape hatch from poverty"
- Literacy or lack of literacy is a predictor of health. People with low literacy skills have 4 x more health issues
- 26% of adults cannot read, write or sign their name and of these 2/3 are women.
- Over 800m people in the world do not have the literacy skills to hold down a minimum wage job
- Literacy is the first step in the journey to eliminate most of the world's problems

Finally, this week I ask that you continue to position the future of Rotary in everything that we think say and do and most importantly continue to enjoy Rotary.

Have a rewarding week.

Neville Parsons

The Bean Counter Raelene Monkley

Members, half yearly fees are now due. Direct Deposit Banking details are:

Name: Wauchope Rotary Club

BSB: 802214

Acc No: 14218

Please use your name as the reference so I can allocate your payment.

Any cash purchases on behalf of the Club will only be reimbursed by filling out the [claim form](#) on the Club's web site. The **original cash receipt** must to be attached to the claim form. This process keeps us within the taxation guidelines.

Raelene

Christmas Raffle

Our Christmas Raffle with the prize being a Bar Fridge full of Christmas eats and cheer has commenced. Tickets are \$1 each and

the Raffle will be drawn on Tuesday 20 December 2011.

Again we have allocated times to sell tickets and Patti will seek to fill the coming weeks Roster at each meeting.

A Flashback in Service Reg Pierce

1975-76

Our President was Fred Frary

Vice President Was Andy Neal

The Prime Minister was Gough Whitlam, then Malcolm Fraser

Rotary International President was Ernesto Imbassahy de Bello of Brazil.

A Fun & Games day was held at the home of Richard & Margaret Marocco's home, which raised \$926.63, this went to the Wauchope Hospital & the Far West Children's Health Scheme. The annual Golf & Bowls Day was held in September with takings of \$1,000. The profit from the day went to the Wauchope Hospital for oxygen equipment. Phillip Kelly was selected to attend the RYLA seminar at the University of New England in early 1976. Extension to the Rotary Rooms was discussed, & the anticipated cost of \$4,000 was provided by a bank loan, which was guaranteed by five members offering \$500 as collateral. Bernie Versase supervised the work. In February, club caterer, Mrs. Maher & her helpers finished up after over 20 yrs preparing & serving meals. The annual outing for seniors was to Trial Bay in April. Ian & John Jeffrey, Danny White & Joe Andrews provided entertainment. A brief student exchange took place between Wauchope & Trangie. The changeover was a huge success with over 150 Rotarians & guests. Donations included \$1,400 to the Wauchope Hospital to purchase a humidicrib to replace the 15 year old one in use. Others to benefit from the \$3,000 handout were Wauchope Soccer Club, Wauchope High School, Wauchope Public School, the newly established Wauchope Historical Society, the Far West Children's Health Scheme, Beechwood Youth Club, Wauchope-Bonny Hills S.L.S.C, Legacy,

Q-Robin, Spastic Centre & the Red Cross. 100% attendance went to Eric Doyle, Richard Marocco, Andy Neal, Reg Stokes, Wal McLaren & Fred Frary.

The Tasman Bridge Disaster occurred when the MV Lake Illawarra struck the Tasman Bridge killing 7 crew & 5 motorists. 2JJ, the predecessor of Triple J begins broadcasting. Malcolm Fraser replaces Billy Sneddon as leader of the Federal Liberal Party. The Australian Embassy in Vietnam is closed prior to the fall of Saigon. Medibank is introduced in July. Australia Post & Telecom are formed out of The Post Master General's Department; Papua New Guinea gains independence from Australia. Thirteen miners are killed in an underground explosion at the Kianga Coal Mine in Moura, Queensland. "The Balibo 5" are killed in Portuguese Timor by Indonesian troops. A major Australian Constitutional Crisis takes place when Governor General, Sir John Kerr dismisses Gough Whitlam, & installs Malcolm Fraser as interim Prime Minister. Fifteen people are killed in an arson attack on the Savoy Hotel in King's Cross. John Cornforth shares the Nobel Prize for Chemistry, & is named Australian of The Year. Xavier Herbert's novel, "Poor Fellow My Country" wins The Miles Franklin Award. "Picnic At Hanging Rock" directed by Peter Weir is released. Graham Kennedy said the crow call in a live ad during "The Graham Kennedy Show." He was fired & banned for life by GTV-9. Think Big wins The Melbourne Cup. Natalie Cook, Jason Gillespie, Natalie Imbruglia, Michael Hussey, Andrew Symonds, Daniel Kowalski, David Hicks, Simon Katich, Petria Thomas, Stuart Clark & Mark Vedula are born. Jack Lang & Annette Kellerman die. "Get Down Tonight" by "KC & The Sunshine Band" is the top pop song.

The Shire President was Cr. J. Abi-Saab.

Christmas

Christmas has crept up on us again.

Christmas Cruise upon Discovery 2 - December 11th - along the majestic waterways. We will be leaving from

Cameron Street Wharf, Wauchope - You can start boarding from 11.45 am with a departure time of 12.00 noon. If you had booked and haven't yet paid, please drop payment to Raelene or myself ASAP.

Christmas can be a very sad & lonely time for some - not everyone has a joyous & loving time surrounded by an abundance of gifts, scrumptious food & the love of family & friends; with this in mind could you find it within your hearts to donate a gift to those who are in need. Please donate a wrapped gift to the value of \$15 - \$20 aimed at children up to the age of 16 years. Your kind donation needs to be identified as to boy or girl and the appropriate age group. These gifts shall be donated to a number of foster children in our local area. We shall have a large Christmas basket on the boat as a collection point.

Thank You

Beverly Meldrum - Social Committee.

Rotary 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 friendship

Will it be beneficial to all concerned

The Coming Weeks

This Week: 6 December 2011

Wauchope Rotary AGM

Place: Club Rooms

Time: 6:00 pm

11 December 2011 Sunday

Christmas Lunch Cruise

Place: Cameron St Wharf

Time: 12:00 (boarding from 11:45)

Meeting transferred from Tuesday 13th Dec.

20 December 2011

Christmas Drinks & Nibbles

Place: Club Rooms

Time: 6:00 pm

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Cluster 3 Meeting Times & Places

Port Macquarie Sunrise: Friday 7:00 am

Sails Resort, Port Macquarie

Port Macquarie: Wed 6:00 pm

Port Panthers

Port Macquarie West: Tues 6:30pm

Westport Bowling Club.

Laurieton: Monday 6.30pm

Laurieton United Services Club

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Patti Berrigan	18 Dec
Inductions	
Marie Winter	10 Dec
Kathy Jones	31 Dec

Interesting Links

[The December issue of Rotary On The Move Newsletter for Zone 7B & 8](#)

[eNews 4 December 2011](#)

Food for thought

This is an article that provides the "best" answers to a series of questions asked of a group of 16 year old students.

Q. Name the four seasons

A. Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar

Q. Explain one of the processes by which water can be made safe to drink

A. Flirtation makes water safe to drink because it removes large pollutants like grit, sand, dead sheep and canoeists

Q. How is dew formed?

A. The sun shines down on the leaves and makes them perspire

Q. What guarantees may a mortgage company insist on?

A. If you are buying a house they will insist that you are well endowed

Q. In a democratic society, how important are elections?

A. Very important. Sex can only happen when a male gets an election

Q. What are steroids?

A. Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs

Q. What happens to a boy when he reaches puberty?

A. He says goodbye to his boyhood and looks forward to his adultery

Q. Name a major disease associated with cigarettes

A. Premature death

Q. What is artificial insemination?

A. When the farmer does it to the bull instead of the cow

Q. How can you delay milk turning sour?

A. Keep it in the cow

Q. What is the fibula?

A. A small lie

Q. What does 'varicose' mean?

A. Nearby

Q. Give the meaning of the term 'Caesarean section'

A. The caesarean section is a district in Rome

Finally a quote for the week:

"A pat on the back is only a few vertebrae removed from a kick in the pants, but is miles ahead in results."

Ella Wheeler Wilcox

Rotary International Online Training Tools

Looking for ways to orient new members? [Rotary Basics Online](#) offers videos, audio presentations, and other materials to help new members understand what it means to be a Rotarian.

Police Contact Number

If you see anything suspicious around town, anytime of the day, contact the NSW Police on their state wide number 131 444. If we report all occurrences of unlawful activity, we may get 24 hr Policing back in Wauchope.

Club Invocation

As we join together as members of the Rotary Club of Wauchope, we give thanks for good friends, for good food and the ongoing opportunity to make a difference in our community through our Rotary values & service

Duty Roster

Date	Invocation	Welcome Guests	Intro/Thank Guest Speaker	Stewards	Guest Speaker	Topic
6/12/2011	Margaret Whitbread	Tony Morton	Robyn Flannigan	Chris McCarron & Barry Thompson	AGM	
11/12/2011	Christmas Cruise, 12 Noon, Sunday No meeting Tuesday 13 December 2011					
20/12/2011	Social Christmas Drinks & Nibbles					

Please notify Marie Winter by [email](#) or telephone 0409 156 333 if you are unable to attend or if you are bringing any guests.

A good friend of the Rotary Club of Wauchope



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