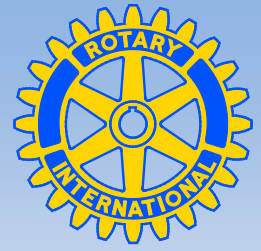




# Rotary Club of Wauchope Inc.

# Bulletin



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## This Week in Rotary

What a week we've had! Our President, Neville, attended the Wauchope High School Presentation night, Our Secretary, Paul, attended the Wauchope Public School end of year Presentation Assembly. Members have been selling Christmas raffle tickets, packing Donations in Kind, collecting and organising parking at the Port Farmers Markets and cooking up a storm or just food at the Wauchope Bonny Hills Surf Life Saving Club Nippers Carnival. As these photos show, not only do we, as members of Rotary work to help our community, we have some fun doing it.



ROTARY DISTRICT 9650  
**2012 CONFERENCE**



March 9-11th 2012

**INVERELL**

Register online NOW!

[www.rotary9650.org.au](http://www.rotary9650.org.au)

Ron, Kevin and Margaret during one of the slower times at Bonny Hills.

I think Kevin put the hand prints on Ron's apron and now he is about to put one on Marg's shirt and we all thought Kevin was a quiet one.



Ron has changed his apron for a clean one and here he is telling Murrough to stay away from Kevin.

This week our meeting is transferred from Tuesday 13 December to Sunday 11 December for a "Christmas Cruise" on the Hastings River from Cameron Street Wharf Wauchope to Port Macquarie aboard "Discovery II".

Bev Meldrum has done a sterling job in coordinating and encouraging a full attendance and Bob Gilligan has ensured that we all return back to Wauchope.

I am sure that everyone will enjoy the relaxing cruising on the Hastings and each other's company as we together celebrate Christmas and have the opportunity to reflect on the good works that Wauchope Rotary continues to deliver to our community and beyond.

Last week we met at our Club Rooms where we heard from Jaclyn Fisher from Port Macquarie Hastings Council in relation to the "How will Council Fund Future Services" Survey that Port Macquarie Hastings Council is currently undertaking.

Jaclyn provided the following overview:

*Port Macquarie-Hastings Council faces significant financial pressures on its future budgets. Council's general rate fund could be reduced by almost \$2.5 million in July 2012 as a result of the Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) only granting a rate rise guaranteed for the current financial year.*

*Council is considering a new application to IPART in order to secure long term rate funding that would deliver the infrastructure and particularly roadworks that the community have identified as priorities.*

*To make any application to IPART it is vital that Council knows what the community thinks of the financial plan and the proposed options for a rate rise.*

*This site explains the rating options Council has developed in response to the financial situation and taking into account the community engagement carried out over 2010/11.*

### Options Snapshot?

- *Reduce rates to base level and cut \$2.5 million in services*
- *Secure funding – permanently apply the 7.3% rate increase that is in place this financial year, minimum change to residential rates from current charges.*
- *Additional rate rise for five year dedicated road funding program from the following options:*

*Option 1: approximately \$50 a year increase to rates to generate \$1.68 million for road maintenance and transport works.*

*Option 2: approximately \$75 a year increase to rates to generate \$2.52 million for road maintenance, transport works including parking strategy.*

*Option 3: approximately \$100 a year increase to rates to generate \$3.37 million for road maintenance, transport, parking and road construction works*

Further information and the actual link to the Survey can be found at the following address:

<http://pmhclisting.com.au/futureservices>

Other information shared at the meeting:

- I reported that Sonia Fingleton from Foreshore Markets advised that the issue with Parking on Westport Park had been addressed to the satisfaction of Council and as such we were again required to manage parking at the Foreshore Markets.
- Bob Gilligan reported from the recent Cluster Meeting where he represented Wauchope Club. The matter of Cash in transit and its insurability under the district Insurance Policy is being further investigated as a result of the current excess of \$1,500.
- Reg Pierce reported that the Honour Boards from the Club Rooms have

been taken to the signage company to be updated.

- Thank you to Reg Pierce, Murrough Benson, Peter Laurantus and Tony Morton for assisting Reg in packing and wrapping pallets of goods to go as part of the Districts Donations in Kind by R & T Trucking to Sydney.
- Thank you also to the many hands that helped at the Wauchope Bonny Hills Nippers Carnival BBQ. Thanks to Reg Pierce, Andy Neal, Peter Laurantus, Chris McCarron, Barry & Chris Thompson, Murrough & Joy Benson, Kevin & Marg Whitbread, Ron Dures & Diana Reynolds for your great efforts

We also held our Annual General Meeting and our regular monthly Board Meeting after the club Meeting. It was a very busy evening.

The Annual General Meeting resulted in all motions on the Agenda being carried as required and the following members elected to the various positions for the 2012-2013 Rotary Year:

**Rotary Club of Wauchope  
Board Members & Committee  
Chairmen  
2012-2013**

<b>President 2012-2013</b>	Patti Berrigan
<b>President Elect 2012-2013</b>	<b>Not yet Filled</b>
<b>Secretary &amp; Vice President</b>	Neville Parsons
<b>Treasurer</b>	Raelene Monkley
<b>Membership Director</b>	John Meldrum
<b>Public Relations Director</b>	Reg Pierce
<b>Club Administration Director</b>	Murrough Benson

<b>Rotary Foundation Director</b>	Kevin Whitbread
<b>Club Service Projects Director</b>	Laurie Edmonds
<b>Youth &amp; Vocational Chairman</b>	Leonie McHugh
<b>Community &amp; International Chairman</b>	<b>Not yet filled</b>
<b>Bulletin Editor</b>	<b>Not yet filled</b>
<b>Exchange Student Counsellor</b>	Robyn Flanagan
<b>Sergeant at Arms</b>	John Meldrum
<b>Attendance Officer</b>	Phil Snow
<b>Hospitality</b>	Laurie Edmonds & Margaret Whitbread
<b>Welfare Officer</b>	Marie Winter

Congratulations to those that have been elected to be our club Officers for the 2012-2013 Rotary Year.

I also seek volunteers to be the 2013-2014 President and as such President-elect in 2012-2013 as well as Community & International Chairman to assist Club Service Projects Director Laurie Edmonds and someone to produce the weekly Bulletin as Editor.

If you are interested in any of these positions please contact me and i will provide further detail. Your club needs you!!!

Finally congratulations to Tony Morton who won the Heads & Tails.

I also thank the following members and partners who managed the Westport Foreshore Markets parking on Saturday 10 Dec:

8:00am to 10:00am - Bob Gilligan, Marie Winter (&Peter) and Stuart Weir

10:00am to noon – Chris McCarron, Ron Dures (& Pam) and Will Jamieson

Finally, this week I thank you for your commitment and contribution to our Club and ask that you continue to position the future of Rotary in everything that we think say and do and most importantly I hope that you 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 is still underway. 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 week's Roster at the Christmas cruise.

### **Rotary Assists Madagascar**

Madagascar is a large, independent island off the south east coast of Africa.

In 2007, Madagascar was hit by a cyclone, in a series of cyclones, leaving thousands homeless, & huge areas devastated. The situation is ongoing to this day. This is a major catastrophe, & like many other catastrophes in poorer nations, we don't hear of them.

Madagascar is a poor nation, where the GDP per capita is only \$1,100 per year. Self-help

is not possible, so once again Rotary has stepped up to the task.

In most disasters there are a few absolute necessities; Food & water, sanitation, shelter & warm clothes & of course, medicine.

Shelter Box has deployed several of their emergency response team members on the ground, to set up the Shelter Box tents, & demonstrate the contents of the "Boxes." These Shelter Boxes provide emergency shelter, & cooking apparatus for up to ten persons. The tents are waterproof & can withstand winds of up to 110 km. per hour.

Rotary was asked, & has stepped in to lend a hand, & with the assistance of the "Wrapped with Love" project, will transport several pallets of hand knitted blankets & other woollen goods for immediate transportation to the stricken areas of Madagascar.

By working with Shelter Box, Rotary can, & will, make a difference to the lives of these people.

Reg Pierce

### **A Flashback in Service Reg Pierce**

#### **1965-66**

Our President was Norm Drummond

Vice President was Lex Leight

Prime Minister was Robert Menzies

Rotary International President was C.P.H. Teenstra of The Netherlands

Club membership was a high 43. The club offered full support for a home for the aged. A tender of £232 was accepted to sewer the Youth Centre. The Floral Festival raised £300, & with a 2 for 1 subsidy from the Govt. provided £900 for the Home for the Aged Fund. Lex Leight raised £252 in the Tangle Towns contest to purchase a 2-way radio for the Wauchope Ambulance. President Norm presented newly chartered Laurieton Rotary club with a lectern. Wauchope Rotary was well represented on the night. Sister City Park was cleared for dedication, & Captain Gerry Feeney of the

US Army was flown in for the event. The changeover was held on the night after dedicating the park, & was described by The Hastings Gazette as "a brilliant success."

The first hydrofoil service begins on Sydney Harbour. "The Kinks" & "The Rolling Stones" visit Australia. The vehicular ferry "Empress of Australia" begins service between Sydney & Hobart. Margaret Court wins the Australian women's title for the sixth consecutive year. "I'll Never Find Another You" by The Seekers, becomes the first Australian act to reach #1 on the British Charts. Dawn Frazer is banned for 10 years for alleged misbehaviour at the Japanese Games in 1964. Australia announces that a combat force (1 RAR) will be sent to South Vietnam. WO Kevin "Dasher" Wheatley is awarded the Victoria Cross posthumously in Vietnam. The ALP is defeated in NSW after 24 years in office; Liberal leader Robert Askin takes office. The Captain Cook Bridge over the Georges River is opened. Glen Seaton, Glenn Lazarus, Steve Walters, Joe Hockey, & Andrew Ettingshausen are born. H.V. Evatt died. "Unchained Melody" by The Righteous Brothers was the top pop song. "Light Fingers" won the Melbourne Cup.

The Shire President was Cr. J. R. Andrews

### 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: 11 December 2011 Sunday Christmas Lunch Cruise**

Place: Cameron St Wharf

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

Meeting transferred from Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> Dec.

#### **20 December 2011**

#### **Christmas Drinks & Nibbles**

Place: Club Rooms

Time: 6:00 pm

## MERRY CHRISTMAS!

### 3 January 2012

#### **BBQ at Rocks Ferry Park**

Details to follow

### 10 January 2012

#### **BBQ with Westport**

Place: McInherney Park (Partners are invited and most welcome)

Time: 5:45 for a 6:30 meal

Cost: \$ 15 per person

BYO drinks, tables and chairs

RSVP: Peter Kenny by 5:01 pm Friday 6

January [pkenny42@bigpond.com](mailto:pkenny42@bigpond.com)

### 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

### Interesting Links

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

[eNews 11 December 2011](#)

[Cluster Bulletins](#)

### PolioPlus

After 20 years of hard work, Rotary and its partners are on the brink of eradicating this tenacious disease, but a strong push is needed now to root it out once and for all. It is a window of opportunity of historic proportions.

PolioPlus, the most ambitious program in Rotary's history, is the volunteer arm of the global partnership dedicated to eradicating polio. For more than 20 years, Rotary has led the private sector in the global effort to

## ***A List Worth Living By"***

rid the world of this crippling disease. Today, PolioPlus and its role in the initiative is recognized worldwide as a model of public-private cooperation in pursuit of a humanitarian goal.

In addition to providing financial and volunteer support, Rotary works to urge support from other public and private sector partners. This includes the campaign to End Polio Now, inspired by the extraordinary challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

Contributions by Rotarians and Rotary Clubs will help Rotary raise the \$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

The resulting \$555 million will directly support immunization campaigns in developing countries, where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families.

As of 15 September, Rotarians have [raised about \\$190 million](#) for Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge. These contributions will help Rotary raise \$200 million to match \$355 million in challenge grants received from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The resulting \$555 million will directly support immunization campaigns in developing countries, where polio continues to infect and paralyze children, robbing them of their futures and compounding the hardships faced by their families.

As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere remain at risk. The stakes are that high.

"If we all have the fortitude to see this effort through to the end, then we *will* eradicate polio." - Bill Gates

"As an international community, we have few opportunities to do something that is unquestionably good for every country and every child, in perpetuity. Polio eradication is one of these opportunities." - Dr. Margaret Chan, World Health Organization director-general

*Life is about PEOPLE - and the quality of our relationships with those people!*

*Our CHARACTER is determined by what it takes to upset us!*

*Good relationships are based in TRUST, RESPECT, and FUN!*

*If you're enjoying it, tell your FACE about it!*

*L'UCK is when PREPARATION and OPPORTUNITY get together!*

*NEED distorts PERCEPTION and often creates PANIC!*

*We're not here for a LONG TIME, we're here for a GOOD TIME!*

*EFFICIENCY is getting the job done!*

*EFFECTIVENESS is doing the RIGHT JOB!*

*Customer service is about LISTENING and really HEARING!*

*God gave us two ears and one mouth. Hmmmmmm - fancy that!*

*PRO-ACTIVE beats reactive - every time!.*

*PROFESSIONALISM is dedication to the reduction of error!*

*A CHAMPION TEAM will always beat a team of champions!*

*Let's work TOGETHER on whatever it is we're working on!*

*The MAINTENANCE of TRUST over time is the true VALUE of a relationship!*

## 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
11/12/2011	Christmas Cruise, 12 Noon, Sunday No meeting Tuesday 13 December 2011					
20/12/2011	Social Christmas Drinks & Nibbles					
27/12/2011	No Meeting					
3/1/2012	Family BBQ at Rocks Ferry Reserve					

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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