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Dear Fellow Rotarians

Well another great night of fellowship mixed in with some valuable Rotary Business and the enjoyment of our very own Rotarian Russell who told us a great story about the 100 year Remembrance of Gallipoli. It is terrific to be able to draw from the depth of our Rotary members and I urge all members who would like to be Guest Speaker and get that infamous Scotch glass then please let our Dinner Speaker co-ordinator VP Jim know. Russell also brought his lovely daughter Edwina along. It is always so nice to have family members attend our dinner meetings. Thank you to Rotarian John for being the Chair for the evening and to Rotarian Alex for proposing the toast to Spring and to the Rotary Clubs of Calgary and Halifax who were responsible for

bringing Rotary to Australia. Thanks also to John for the Rotary minute with regard the early days of Rotary in Australia. Very interesting.

We celebrated with Rotarian Kevin who this month chalks up 30 years of continuous service to Rotary. Great effort Kevin and I noticed we all enjoyed the pavlova courtesy of the Crown Plaza.

It is encouraging for all members that work tirelessly in our Community fund raising efforts to hear the update from our illustrious Treasure Neil giving us a grand total of funds in the bank of app \$24,498.00.Well done everybody. It is just a great effort when we have just finished 2 months into this year.

Ray Milton has a good line up of applicants for the Police Officer of the year. Thanks Ray from all of us to you and your team for this great effort. Ray now needs our assistance for a 100% attendance at the Awards Night which again promises to be a great night.

Rotarian Brian is organising a Breakfast in Pratten Park for the walkers in the memorial event "Out of the Shadows" on the 12<sup>th</sup> September which is world suicide prevention day so all hands on deck to support this worth while Community Service project by our Club. We are donating app \$350 for this event.

Rotarian Alain is very busy this month with RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) etc. Please support this valuable Rotary Service. Our way of putting back to the Community.

Our Scooter Chair Cec gave us an update in that we have 54 Scooters out in the field and he is looking for more Scooter minders. Thank you to our new member Lachlan for offering to be a minder.

Our Book Sale is cranking up very well thanks to the Chair Rotarian Chris. Brochures are now delivered and

and collection points are now gathering books. This is getting very exciting and Chris will want a dedicated effort from all of us.

Rotarians Harold and Billy are out at Birdsville looking for new members (also cooking up a storm in support of the "Flying Doctor Service") and I suggest having a great time. Don't forget members we are keen to grow our membership so please be alert and active in this regard. Remember the motto every member to bring a member and the job is done.

This month will be a busy Social month with our Social Coordinator Kevin organising a Bike ride for Sunday the 12<sup>th</sup> and the Opera event for the 28<sup>th</sup>. Get some friends organised and bring them along.

In closing Brian gave us an update on our valued member Tina. Brian and Honorary member Uwe will see

Tina tis week and present to her a Paul Harris Fellowship on behalf of the club.

Until next week, when we can look forward to another sumptuous Crown Plaza meal.

Yours in rotary

Bill Rex



#### Follow up on our dear friend Tina

As President Bill has mentioned in his report, Uwe and I visited Tina in Allamanda hospital Friday morning. As can be seen from the photographs (which she was happy for us to take and publish) she is still a very sick lady, but fighting hard and making slow progress. Her never give up spirit shines though her suffering and she makes every effort to remain cheerful. Tina asked us to thank all Rotarians for their good wishes and kind concern, when we presented Tina with the Paul Harris Fellowship, her comment was "I never thought I had done enough to deserve it" we soon reassured her that she was thoroughly deserving of the award and a shining example of a true Rotarian.

**Brian Pearson** 







Be a gift to the world

#### **Directors and Committee Chair Reports**



Bob Jordan, with the assistance of Sergeant David O'Dwyer drew the latest draw in the Silver Circle—we had 2 draws as we had an away day at Southport Club last week. The lucky winners were Sergeant David, himself and lan Cowen, who was absent.

Bob gave us more information on the new kitchen for the Hub which has been kindly donated to us by Bunnings—it includes a dishwasher and microwave.



John Harding was Chairman for the evening and gave us a brief Rotary minute on the introduction of Rotary into Australia.



Police Officer of the Year (POOTY) Chair Ray Milton advised that as we approach the end of the nomination period, we now have received many great nominations in all categories. We now move on to the event itself on Tuesday 6th October, Ray is asking that the club give this most worthwhile project its full support and attendance on the night.



Service Director Brian Pearson gave a brief update on the situation with Tina (more elsewhere). He also advised that the club will provide breakfast for about 150 walkers on Saturday 12th September—World Suicide Prevention Day, a Lifeline initiative.



Youth Service Director Alain Charles is looking for nominees for the RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award experience which will take place 23—29 January 2016. This is a life changing experience for future Australian Leaders with inspirational speakers and an action packed programme. Age range is from 19 to 28 years. Please give your young friends this "chance of a lifetime."



Scooter Project Chief Cec McPaul gave us the good news of two donations from happy recipients— \$250 & \$100. The scooter fleet is now 54 and in good shape. We need more minders. Thank you Lachlan for volunteer-

ing.

## **Programme**

Date	Speaker	Subject	Host
8/9/15	Karen Prestidge	Lifeline	Chris Thomsen
15/9/15	Special Trivia Night	Definitely one to bring the partners to!!	Quiz masters, Bob Jordan & Tony Lewis
21/9/15	Jane O'Reilly	History of O'Reilly's Rainforest Retreat	Renee Dillon
Monday 28/9/15		Singing with Blenders & Coasters @ Griffiths	See attached further info. K. O'B. report

## Please confirm your attendance on the club website

Club website: www.broadbeachrotary.org

District website: www.rotary9640.org

Rotary International website: www.rotary.org

**Club Income** 

Total 4	4,585.75
Sunday Bunnings \$30/8	\$1209.25
Saturday Bunnings \$ 22/8	\$1419.80
Corporate	
Radio Station	
Car Boot Sale	
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Thursday 27/8 Sunnings	\$531.50
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### **Attendance**

Classification	Number
Members	24
Hon. Members	1(Uwe)
Visiting Rotari-	1 Adrian
ans	Crowe
Partners	1 Edwina
Member Guests	
Visitors	
Club Guests	
Total	27

## **Meeting Income**

Raffle	\$79
Copper Pot	\$14.70
Fines	\$33.85
Misc. (dinner fees)	
Total	\$127.55

#### **Anniversaries**

Peter Gowans	Wedding 2/9
Tony Lewis	Induction 2000
Bill Rex	Induction 2000

Door Roster				
Date	1st	2nd		
8/9/15	Peter Gowans	Brian Pearson		
15/9/15	John Harding	Peter Tomlinson		
22/9/15	Jim Hawkins	Chris Thomsen		

# **More Directors and Committee**

#### **Chair Reports**



Book Sale Committee Chair Chris Thomsen presented a book of World Cup History to President Bill Rex—Chris had been presented with this by a Past President of our Sister Club Tauranga, New Zealand. This occurred at last week's meeting of Southport Club.

Sergeant David O'Dwyer set out to deliver us to the breadline with his fines and gave away wine prizes to Lachlan Bode for the Heads and Tails and Adrian Crowe for the Raffle.





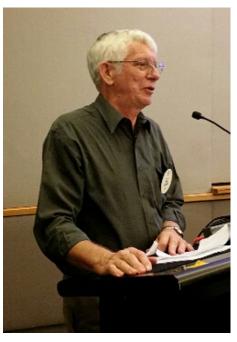


Past President and Broadbeach Website Manager Jim Hawkins gave us an update on our website, which now has a link to a specific site for the Book Sale Project

"www.broadbeachrotarybooksa le.com" members can view the collection points and programme of work rosters—please take a look and volunteer. Remember when Chris first muted this project we unanimously promised him our help.

Sausage Sizzle and Car Boot Sale rosters are also easily accessible from our website—please go in and choose your own dates to assist.

The club Website itself can now be easily entered in one click from this Rotarlight Bulletin.



Broadbeach Rotary Club Treasurer Neil Jones gave a glowing account of the state of the club's finances (just before he leaves for a 5 week holiday—is there any connection?). In the first two months of this new Rotary Year our Sizzlers and Car Booters have been very busy and have so far raised more than \$24,000.

Our subs are now fully paid up and we are financial with Rotary International, Rotary Down Under and District 9640.

When Neil returns no doubt we will be talking about contributions to Rotary Foundation.



Tonight's Guest Speaker—our own, our very own

<u>Russell "Rusty" Hutchison</u>, on his recent cruise to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the landing at Anzac Cove in Gallipoli.

Following the failed attempts by the British to secure the Dardanelles as a safe passage from the Mediterranean to the Black Sea and the port of Constantinople earlier in the year, Australian and New Zealand troops were ordered to secure a victory against the Turkish

Ottoman Empire on the Gallipoli peninsular. The attack began on 25th April 1915 and the campaign that followed is a matter of recorded history. During the campaign 8,700 Australian troops sacrificed their lives, along with 2,700 of their New Zealand comrades—the Turkish side lost 80,000 and the British around 20,000. These figure do not take into account the countless thousands on both sides that were wounded.

The original fleet of 38 ships with 30,000 troops on board set sail from Albany bound for England, many of the troops looked forward to catching up with relatives and friends on arrival—the plans changed mid cruise and the destination became Cairo, much to the dismay of many of the troops. On arrival the troops carried out training near the pyramids.

2015 represents 100 years since these memorable events, and in 2011 Russ and his family booked to travel on a commemorative cruise, following the route of the original fleet, to celebrate the 100th Anniversary at Anzac Cove. The cruise ship left from Albany with 2,000 Australians and 25 New Zealanders, three qualified war historians sailed with the guests and recounted in detail the history of the events every morning. Later in the cruise a Turkish War historian joined the ship to add another perspective to the history.

En route the cruise ship stopped above the wreck of HMAS Sydney which was sunk on 19th November 1941, by a German Cruiser (which was also sunk), a commemorative service was held for the lost crew of the HMAS Sydney.

During the cruise a Rotary Meeting was held by the many Rotarians taking part. Some time was spent in Colombo and Cairo retracing the original route of the troop ships.

On arrival many emotional services were held on shore and on the ship, at Anzac Cove and Lone Pine, Russ had clearly had a most emotional experience on this trip, on the day his sons also wore their medals.



One more for his collection.





Every night, Harry goes out drinking. And every night, his wife, Louise, yells at him. One day, one of Louise's friends suggests that she try a different tack. "Welcome him home with a kiss and some loving words," she says. "He might change his ways."

That night, Harry stumbles back home as usual. But instead of berating him, Louise helps him into an easy chair, puts his feet up on the ottoman, removes his shoes, and gently massages his neck. "It's late," she whispers. "I think we should go upstairs to bed now, don't you?"

"Might as well," says Harry. "I'll get in trouble if I go home."

Bring a newborn on a plane, and you get "The Look." Not one of "Oh, what a cute baby." It's more "Please, God, don't let that mom sit next to me." So when our baby began to wail just after take off, you could have cut the tension with a Tickle Me Elmo doll. Was my wife rattled? Not at all. She lullabied our daughter with, "I'm teething, on a jet plane. Don't know when I'll be calm again."

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"A new study says that having a cat makes you 40 percent less likely to die of a heart attack. Not that the cat would care one way or the other."

Nights in England are coal black, making parachute jumps difficult and dangerous. So we attach small lights called chemlites to our jumpsuits to make ourselves visible to the rest of our team. Late one night, lost after a practice jump, we knocked on the door of a small cottage. When a woman answered, she was greeted by the sight of five men festooned in glowing chemlites. "Excuse me," I said. "Can you tell me where we are?"

In a thick English accent, the woman replied, "Earth"

Once upon a time in their marriage, my Dad did something really stupid. My Mom chewed him out for it. He apologized, they made up.

However, from time to time, my mom mentions what he had done. "Honey," my Dad finally said one day, "why do you keep bringing that up? I thought your policy was 'forgive and forget."

"It is," she said. "I just don't want you to forget that I've forgiven and forgotten."

"When the Pope met the Queen of England, they both said the same thing to each other: 'Nice hat.'"

Good Morning, this is Radio Pakistan.
The Sports News.

"Here are tomorrow's cricket scores"

Carol and Donna, were doing some carpenter work on a Habitat for Humanity house. Carol, who was nailing down house siding, would reach into her nail pouch, pull out a nail and either toss it over her shoulder or nail it in.

Donna, figuring this was worth looking into, asked, 'Why are you throwing those nails away?'
Carol explained, 'When I pull a nail out of my pouch, about half of them have the head on the wrong end and I throw them away.'

Donna got completely upset and yelled, 'You moron! Those nails aren't defective! They're for the other side of the house!'

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