

Rotarlight

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Dear fellow Rotarians at Tuesday's dinner meeting our Club had the pleasure of hosting District Governor Anne and her husband Jeff. Anne promised some enthusiastic enlightenment and she delivered an interesting story to us about her journey to Rotary, what it has meant to her and what she has got out of it. A great message for all of us to ponder !!

Anne also inducted our newest Rotary member Lachlan with no reference material. Great job and as they say you can fake it till you make it!!!

Her husband Jeff spoke on his mandate this year with regard assistance to the indigenous community. As you will see from the pictures our Club gave Anne a cheque to Rotary Foundation in the sum of \$2,600.00 and Jeff a cheque by way of donation in the sum of \$500.00.

Our illustrious Treasurer Rotarian Neil advises it is Club tradition to donate to Rotary Foundation each year when the DG attends our Club meeting the sum equal to two Paul Harris Fellows so that our Club can draw down on them when required. Evidentially also the price we pay is relevant to the US exchange rate, so in this instance with our dollar down it, cost our Club more than previous years.

Rotarian Grahame chaired the meeting and did a great job as did Sergeant David.

Our Directors bought the members up to date with their happenings and are all busy with their committees.

August is Membership month so Harold and his team will be pushing forward with their membership targets so all hands on deck this month for membership recruiting. Remember is every member introduces a member then happy days we shall have the most robust Club in the district and have our Club in great shape for Rotarian Bruce and his Board for next year. On another note on speaking to Past President John he advises he has been away enjoying a well earned holiday (probably looking for new members) and will be at this Tuesday's meeting. It will be great to catch up with John.

A big thank you to all members who participated in our Community activities in the past week. What a cracker of a week. Refer to the income report in this news letter.

Don't forget members the last Tuesday this month is our away meeting and we shall be attending the 70th anniversary of the Southport Rotary Club at the Southport Golf Club. This is being arranged by our Social guru Kevin and Pauline. Promises to be a great night. Please lock your booking in as soon as possible.

Next weeks speaker should be very interesting in that of the past head of All Saints Anglican School Reverend Cannon Nairn who will address the Club on the History of the School. A great speaker and should be very interesting.

Until next week Yours in Rotary

Bill Rex



What a great opportunity, District Governor Anne Egan inducted our newest Rotarian Lachlan Bode into the fellowship of our great family of Rotary International and in particular to Rotary Club of Broadbeach.

Message from District Governor Anne:

“Dear Bill

Just a short email to say thank you very much for the hospitality of the Club last evening. Jeff and I both thoroughly enjoyed our evening.

I would like to congratulate the Club on its atmosphere at meetings. There was a definite “buzz” in the room at all times. It’s great to feel that frisson of vitality, energy and friendship that is very special to certain Clubs. Broadbeach Club certainly has it.

I will send a formal thank you to the Club shortly but I wanted to pass on our gratitude today.

Warm regards,

Anne”



District Governor Anne presents President Bill with a laptop carrying case, so he can keep all his Rotary info. in one place and by his side.



President Bill presents District Governor Anne with a cheque for \$2,600 to Rotary Foundation and a cheque to husband Jeff a cheque for \$500 to Rotary Health—Jeff’s partners charity.

Programme

Date	Speaker	Subject	Host
11/8/15	Rev. Canon Len Nairn	History of All Saints Anglican School	
18/8/15	Margaret Warren	Inspired Outcomes	
25/8/15	Meeting with Southport Club 70th Anniversary	Venue— Southport Golf Club	
1/9/15	t.b.a		
8/9/15	t.b.a		

Attendance

Classification	Number
Members	27
Hon. Members	2 (Uwe and Cec)
Visiting Rotarians	2 AG David Baguley & Bernie Rees Ginninderra
Partners	
Member Guests	2 Lachlan Bode & Paul Woodman
Visitors	
Club Guests	2 DG Anne Egan & Jeff
Total	35

Club Income

Thursday Bunnings	\$474.50
Friday Bunnings	\$553.05
Car Boot Sale	\$580
Radio Station	
Corporate	
Sunday Bunnings	\$1,182.30
Total	\$2,789.85

Meeting Income

Raffle	\$85
Copper Pot	\$15.05
Fines	\$45.90
Misc. (dinner fees)	
Total	\$145.95



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to the world**

Anniversaries

Door Roster		
Date	1st	2nd
11/8/15	Bill Waller	Alain Charles
18/8/15	Ray Milton	Grahame Werrell
28/8/15		
1/9/15		
8/9/15		

Most Important: Please note that from this edition the Sausage Sizzle and Car Boot Sale Rosters will no longer appear in Rotarlight. We cannot run two systems, that will lead to confusion and mistakes, and since the Web Site roster allows for members to volunteer and also to make changes, it has been decided to use only that system.

Members are responsible to keep up to date by viewing these rosters regularly to ensure they do not let their fellows down by not turning up when required.

Members can easily access the web site by clicking below:

Club website: www.broadbeachrotary.org

District website: www.rotary9640.org

Rotary International website: www.rotary.org



Guest Speaker—District Governor Anne Egan

DG Anne's motto is "if you think you can, you will" and her advice to club members, "never forget the F word—fun, fun, fun."

DG Anne is a charter member of Rotary Club of Mount Warning AM which is based in Murwillumbah. This club has a predominance of lady members, with few men, DG Anne noted that in last week's Rotarlight we had 5 men dancing with one farmers daughter and she suggested that maybe we should have a joint social evening where we might even things up.

As Rotarians we have received so many gifts in our lives and this year's theme motto of **"Be a gift to the world"** is particularly appropriate and it is our responsibility to give back. It is a well known fact that the more we give, the more we receive.

Those members of our club who are working at District level, Neil Jones as Foundation Chair, Harold Busch as Public Relations Chair, Jim Hawkins as Technology Chair and Brian Pearson as End Polio Campaign Chair, were all thanked by the district Governor.

DG Anne and her team have recently been interviewing potential peace scholars and have two excellent candidates. The Rotary involvement in Peace promotion is very important in the world—peace is a frame of mind, not just an absence of conflict. There are many Rotary Peace Scholars (870 at the last count) working in important peace promotion work around the world and Rotary Foundation keeps in touch with them all. (contd. on next page)

(DG Anne's address contd.)

DG Anne recommended members to attend the next International Rotary Convention to be held in Seoul, Sth. Korea next year. She further recommended that members should make every effort to attend the Annual RYLA dinner and experience first hand the wonderful and motivating work that our people are doing with our younger generation. Timed for end January/beginning February 2016. The District 9640 conference will be held in 2016 in Murwillumbah and DG Anne promises a programme of great speakers and an event full of fun and enjoyment of the fascinating surrounds of this great old town.

A new Australia wide membership rewards programme is being set up and will be headed by Rhonda Whitton. Also a committee is being set up to promote the achievement of Australian Honours to deserving Rotarians.

In conclusion DG Anne advised that the District Leadership Team only exists to serve our clubs and we should not hesitate to call on them should we have the need. Disengagement is the enemy of membership in Rotary and DG Anne urges us all to be involved and particularly to involve our new members.

Jeff Egan, District Governor's partner, as has now become the tradition the DG's partner has a particular charity to support, in Jeff's case it is the Rotary Health Fund, a charity designed to provide medical scholarships for indigenous candidates at a cost of \$2,500 per year for each scholarship. Jeff definitely did not wish to receive chocolates or flowers to mark his visit to our club. Jeff is also a member of Mount Warning AM Rotary Club. (Ed's note—I have developed quite a few friends in this club over the past few years and they are great achievers, they have won many awards at District Conferences and it is very noticeable how much fun they all have doing the great work that they do.)



Tonight's Chairman Grahame Werrell presents District Governor Anne with our traditional memento

Message from Rotary International President K.R. Ravindran

Just a few days from now, on 11 August, we will mark a tremendous milestone: **one full year without a single case of polio caused by wild poliovirus in Africa.**

The magnitude of this achievement can hardly be overstated. A polio-free Africa has been within sight, so near and yet so far, for over a decade. The hard work and commitment that have brought us to this point have been nothing short of heroic. Tens of thousands of health workers reached hundreds of millions of children with vaccine, in some of the most difficult conditions imaginable. Together, we have done what once seemed impossible: We have stopped polio in Africa.

Yet this progress, momentous as it is, is still fragile. As long as polio exists in the two remaining endemic countries of Pakistan and Afghanistan, the virus still has the potential to spread and to spark new outbreaks. Now, more than ever, we need the power of all of Rotary to carry us through to the end: not just a polio-free Africa, but a polio-free world.

Wherever you live, whether your country has just conquered polio or has been polio-free for decades, we need your voice, and your help. I ask all of you to read and use the materials in this [tool kit](#) to find ways to raise awareness in your community, and beyond. We need every Rotarian, in every Rotary club, to be talking about polio: making sure that media outlets report on our progress and our elected officials see polio eradication as a global priority. Your grassroots work helps drive the increased media coverage we have seen in the past year, which in turn drives global backing of our work to eradicate polio. Together, we will keep polio front and center in our communities and on our national agendas, keeping up the energy and the momentum that will push us through to the finish.

The battle in Africa has, for the moment, been won, but we need the strength of every Rotarian to help us win the war. Together, we will End Polio Now and truly *Be a Gift to the World*.

Warm regards,
K.R. Ravindran
President, Rotary International



Directors and Committee Chair Reports:



Treasurer Neil Jones reported on an excellent week of Fund Raising, with Thursday, Friday and Sunday sausage sizzles at Bunnings and the car boot sale at Carrara raising a gross \$2,789.85 for our Project Account.



Police Officer of the Year Project Chair Ray Milton announced that the project was now well under way and we have begun receiving nominations—more are needed and Ray asked members to continue their promotion. The official launch has now taken place.



Membership Director Harold Busch advises that the drive to achieve President Bill's target of 20 new members this year, is now well under way. Each member to provide 3 contacts based on an alphabetical role of members names—we are now up to the "D"s so thinking caps on guys you will not be excluded.

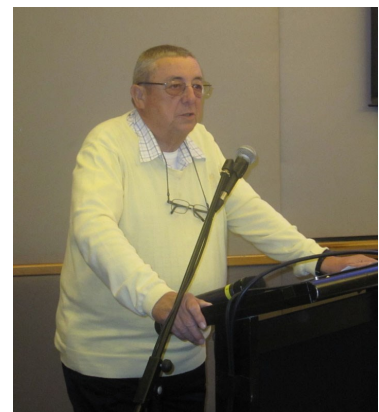


Social Chair Kevin O'Brien, speaking on behalf of Book Sale Chair Chris Thomsen, advises that no response has been received

to Chris's request for members to commit to writing which parts of the book sale project they are able to participate in—Chris urgently needs this information to carry out the detailed programming of work needed to make a success of this major fund raising event.



Farmers Daughter Pauline Armstrong promoted the club joint meeting with Southport Rotary Club on Tuesday 25th August, at the Southport Golf Club, to celebrate this club's 70th anniversary.



Service Director Brian urged members to support the Donation of organs and tissue project.



Airborne approximately thirty minutes on an outbound evening flight from Glasgow, the lead flight attendant for the cabin crew nervously made the following painful announcement...: "Ladies and gentlemen, I'm so very sorry but it appears that there has been a terrible mix up one minute prior to take off, by our airport catering service... I don't know how this has happened but we have 103 passengers on board and, unfortunately, only 40 dinner meals... I truly apologise for this mistake and inconvenience."

When passengers' muttering had died down, she continued, "Anyone who is kind enough to give up their meal so that someone else can eat will receive free, unlimited drinks for the duration of our 5 hour flight." Her next announcement came 90 minutes later... "If anyone would like to change their minds, we still have 40 dinners available."

A married man was having an affair with his secretary.
One day they went to her place and made love all afternoon.
Exhausted, they fell asleep and woke up at 8 PM.
The man hurriedly dressed and told his lover to take his shoes
outside and rub them in the grass and dirt.
He put on his shoes and drove home.
'Where have you been?' his wife demanded.
'I can't lie to you,' he replied,
'I'm having an affair with my secretary. We had sex all afternoon.'
She looked down at his shoes and said:
'You lying b*stard! You've been playing golf!'

The new boat rental employee looked out at the lake. It was getting late and fog was starting to come in. He could just faintly make out one small rowboat, its number painted on the hull, still way out on the lake, and he had already used his bullhorn 30 minutes ago to tell all the rentals it was time to return to shore. He used his bullhorn again. "Boat #99, time to come in! Boat #99, please return to shore!" Nothing.

Another employee came up. "We don't have a boat #99."

The other employee looked again, then raised his bullhorn. "Boat #66 - are you in trouble?"

While taking a routine vandalism report at an elementary school, I was interrupted by a little girl about 6 years old.. Looking up and down at my uniform, she asked, 'Are you a cop? Yes,' I answered and continued writing the report.. My mother said if I ever needed help I should ask the police. Is that right?' 'Yes, that's right,' I told her. 'Well, then,' she said as she extended her foot toward me, 'would you please tie my shoe?'