

Rotarlight

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Dear fellow Rotarians

Well what an enjoyable dinner meeting we all had last Tuesday. The meal was very tasty and the service received from the Crown team first class. From my observation the fellowship pre meeting and during the meeting was enjoyed by all. How good was our guest speaker Reverend Cannon Len ??? His audience was spellbound as he told us the story of how he established The All Saints Anglican School, from when he and his wife first arrived at the Gold Coast in 1985 and was collected at the airport in a Rolls. He sold a story or a dream for a school to be established on a piece of land somewhere!!!! Maybe some things on the GC do not change. But seriously from the dream to reality and beyond. Just a wonderful address and the questions kept on coming. Len by the way in his earlier life was a former Rotarian. Thanks Pauline for organising Len as a guest speaker and chairing the meeting. Also own John Harding had a wonderful relationship with Len in earlier years as his two boys were taught by Len and John's grandchildren now attend the All Saints School where they are enjoying a great learning experience.

We opened the meeting with Rotary grace in respect to Len as an Anglican minister and Rotarian Rob read to us The Objects of Rotary. Thanks Rob. Well done.

Our Sergeant David was vicious, entertaining and his opening joke was good as usual and cheeky.

Rotarian Jill attended with her daughter Michelle who always carries a smile on her face. Thanks for coming Jill. Also in attendance were Rotarians Warwick and Bernie and our guest Japanese student Naasa Kamimura. Many thanks goes to Noel, Kay, Harold and Helen for providing the home stay. She evidently is a delight to have and presented our club with a wall hanging of love and friendship. The past week has again seen some great work in the Community by our members. I am told there was some real fun and fellowship in the field. I remind all members to keep their eye on the Sausage sizzle Rosters and Car Boot Sale Rosters and if you cannot make your allotted time slot please organise a swap. These sources of fund raising are irreplaceable.



Renee again spoilt us with a rather yummy chocolate caramel slice from her employer. Many thanks Renee and certainly appreciated by all.

Rotarian Bob conducted the Silver Circle which was won by Rotarian Frank. As Frank was not in attendance I think we spent it at the bar. Thanks Frank. (a little Rotary humour). This Silver Circle is great as someone get \$50.00 every week from the draw. Great work Bob.

Rotarian Chris addressed the club on the hard work that he and his team are doing with the Book sale. I urge all members to provide Chris with 100% support as this is going to be a great outcome for the club and will allow us to provide some great donations to very worth while Charities of our choice plus 20 to 25% will go to Lifeline as directed by Chris. It will also be a wonderful on going major project year on year moving forward.

I remind all members that our away meeting this month will be a 50th Anniversary celebration of the Southport Rotary Club to be held at the Southport Golf Club. It promises to be a really great evening and I urge all members to book through our usual means so we can provide final numbers. This is a wonderful opportunity within our Rotary community to support a fellow club. Let's all go and enjoy!!

Don't forget August is Membership month in the Rotary calendar so please keep your eyes peeled for new Rotary members so we can achieve our membership growth target for this year.

Remember my FEMOS theme for this year.

Following the meeting we had our second board meeting for the year and minutes once ratified will be on our Rotary web site and will be circulated.

Until next week

Yours in Rotary

Bill Rex

Our language student from Sister Club Kasaoka, Japan gave us a warm greeting from the Sister Club, spoken bravely in English. She is 18 years old and lives close by Kasaoka. Although she has been in Australia only 2 weeks and is attending English lessons at Bond University, she spoke clearly and confidently and is a credit to her sponsors



V.I.P. visit to Broadbeach Rotary Hub

District 9640 is to be visited by a Director of Rotary International for only 24 hours 26th/27th August. District Governor Anne Egan has arranged that he will visit Broadbeach Rotary Hub at 3—3:30pm on Wednesday 26th where he will receive a briefing on our "Scooter Project". This is an excellent opportunity for P.R., for our club, at the highest level in Rotary International. I hope as many members as possible can join us at "The Hub" to welcome this important visitor.



Programme

Date	Speaker	Subject	Host
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	Karen Prestidge	Lifeline	

Attendance

Classification	Number
Members	29
Hon. Members	1(Uwe)
Visiting Rotarians	2 Bernie Rees Ginninderra Canberra & Warwick Ainger Rickarton NZ
Partners	
Member Guests	1 Michelle Curnow
Visitors	
Club Guests	2 Len Nairn Guest Speaker & Naasa Kamimura Japanese
Total	35

Club Income

Thursday Bunnings	
Friday Bunnings	\$630.60
Car Boot Sale	
Radio Station	
Corporate	
Sunday Bunnings	
Total	\$630.60

Meeting Income

Raffle	\$76.00
Copper Pot	\$19.20
Fines	\$70.65
Misc. (dinner fees)	
Total	\$165.85

Anniversaries

Neil Jones	Birthday
Klaus Axmann	Induction



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to the world

Door Roster		
Date	1st	2nd
18/8/15	Ray Milton	Grahame Werrell
28/8/15		
1/9/15		
8/9/15		

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

Members can easily access the web sites by clicking below:

Club website: www.broadbeachrotary.org

District website: www.rotary9640.org

Rotary International website: www.rotary.org

Conocophillips Science Experience — members please note and consider suitable nominees

“ Dear Rotarians,

The September/October school holidays is when the Conocophillips Science Experience is held at Griffith University’s Gold Coast Campus from 29th Sept.- 1st October.

This is an excellent program for yrs. 9 & 10 to encourage an interest in science related subjects.

Last year some of the topics included: Genetics, pharmacy, chemistry, electronics, medicine & dentistry, plus a day of field work in dune care. The staff at Griffith Uni. do a great job in making things interesting and fun for students.

Parents are welcome at the closing ceremony and awards presentations on the last day. This program is Rotary supported and worth contacting high schools for students interested.

To get all the necessary information : www.scienceexperience.com.au

There are other universities that present this program, which may be more suitable for clubs that are not within easy reach of Griffith’s Gold Coast Campus these are listed on the website.”

Yours in Rotary

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Directors and Committee Chair reports:



Social Committee Chair Kevin O'Brien promotes our visit next week to Southport Golf Club to celebrate with Southport Rotary Club their 70th Anniversary. Kevin circulated a clip board for members to indicate numbers who will attend. He stressed that we will still need to complete our registration as normal on the web site.



Membership Director Harold Busch continues his relentless drive to achieve our ambitious target of 20 new members this year. The programme of requiring each member to nominate 3 names for prospective membership is progressing well and the Membership committee now have a number of contacts to follow up. We are now up to the "D's" in terms of the alphabetical list of nominating members.



Book Sale Chairman Chris Thomsen reports that, after a shaky start, the book sale programme is gaining momentum. The proposal to hand distribute 55,000 fliers, has proved to ambitious and will now be done commercially.



Is this the cheeky and entertaining Sergeant, or the vicious one—as described by President Bill, in his report????

Whichever, Sergeant David managed to relieve us all of the excess shrapnel in our pockets.



Past President Ray Milton was the lucky winner of tonight's raffle prize.



Rob Domican, with both hands holding his head, won the "Heads and Tails" prize.

Guest Speaker

Reverend Canon Len Nairn

“History of the All Saints Anglican School”



As President Bill has previously mentioned Len Nairn used to be a Rotarian, this was in 1960, he found that being a Parish Priest and a Rotarian proved too much, and he unfortunately had to leave Rotary to follow his vocation. This ultimately led him to following a dream, or a vision, of founding a coeducational school within the Anglican Faith. He left a secure position in Canberra to apply for a new challenge to found such a school in Queensland's Gold Coast. A number of powerful and visionary individuals on the Gold Coast had formed the same idea as Len and this led to him being appointed as Headmaster of a school that was non-existent at the time in 1986. With no funding promised by the Diocese and none available from Federal Government until the project was viable (this took a further 2 years) Len (from a very small office in Mudgerabah), and his supporters set about acquiring a site and sufficient funds from generous donors to build the

school and have it ready to open on Australia Day 1987. The original Foundation Stone had been laid on 2nd November 1986, and the project was completed, with much assistance from the now famous Russ Hinze.

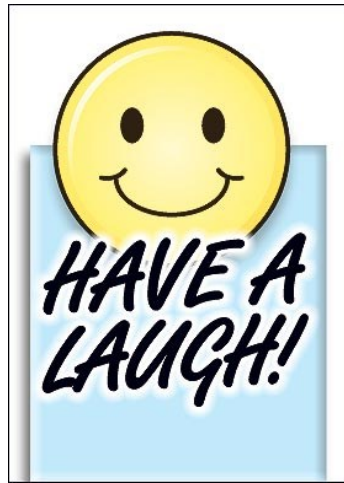
The project was built in Mudgerabah, with little enthusiastic support from the other private school Summerville, their Headmaster coolly confronting Len with “There is no room for another private school in Mudgerabah.” There are now some 28 private schools on the Gold Coast.

Headmaster Len personally interviewed every child, before accepting them into the school, a policy he continued for more than 10 years. He confirms that within this Anglican School the Gospel is lived and taught, and that quality of life is equally important as the quality of performance.

Headmaster Len believes that the success of the school is due to the outstanding quality of the team of people employed in the school. Currently there are 1,850 students with a further 2,000 on the waiting list. Priority of choice of new students is given to the children of school staff and children of previous students.



Pauline Armstrong, as Chairperson for the evening, presented Rev. Canon Len Nairn with our traditional memento of his visit as Guest Speaker to our club.



Random Reflections

Lord grant me the strength to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can
& the friends to post my bail when I finally snap!

I don't have grey hair. I have "wisdom highlights". I'm just very wise.

My people skills are just fine. It's my tolerance to idiots that needs work.

Even duct tape can't fix stupid... but it can muffle the sound!

Of course I talk to myself, sometimes I need expert advice.

At my age "Getting lucky" means walking into a room and remembering what I came in there for.

Chocolate comes from cocoa..... which is a tree..... that makes it a plant.....which
means..... chocolate is Salad!!!

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Two cows were standing next to each other in a field.

Daisy says to Dolly, "I was artificially inseminated this morning."

"I don't believe you," said Dolly.

"It's true, no bull!" exclaimed Daisy.

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A woman goes into a sporting goods store to buy a rifle. "It's for my husband," she tells the clerk.

"Did he tell you what gauge to get?" asked the clerk.

"Are you kidding?" she says. "He doesn't even know that I'm going to shoot him!"

A man is recovering from minor surgery when his nurse comes in to check on him.

"How are you feeling?" she asks.

"I'm okay," he says, "but I didn't like the four-letter word the doctor used during the surgery."

"What word did he say?" the nurse asked.

"Oops."

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