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Rotary Club of Broadbeach

Of the things we think, say or do,

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- 1) Is it the TRUTH?
- 2) Is it FAIR to all Concerned?
- 3) Will it build GOOD WILL and BETTER RELATIONSHIPS?
- 4) Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?



Be a gift
to the world



Well we certainly had a few laughs, some fun, and a tasty meal at Tuesday's meeting.

Many thanks for all that attended our dinner meeting and those that stayed behind for

post dinner drinks and fellowship as we had the bar open after the dinner meeting. In all we had an attendance of 39

to include a prospective Rotarian Lauchlan who was introduced by Rotarian John Curr and we shall celebrate the induction again of Andrew Mills at next weeks Christmas in July at the Hub.

Other guests were Ros Byrne a former member of our club and a fabulous helper at our functions, Michelle Curnow who is always great company and honorary Member and Broadbeach Councillor Paul Taylor. Paul was good enough to give our club a brief update on the happenings in the area. Very enlightening. It appears that Broadbeach is the place to be !!!

Of interest to all was the Rotarian behind the badge segment in that of the dairy farmers daughter Pauline Armstrong. I don't think Pauline will be the same again but thanks Pauline, and say no more.

Can you believe it but Dennis O'Brien won the \$50 Silver circle and heads and tails. You could say a double dip on a single trip !!

We had a new Australian flag flying at the meeting courtesy of our Federal Member and collected by Rotarian Harold. It appears that we still need to sharpen our skills with regard reciting the four way test. I had a valued club member mention to me in that it there is more than just reciting the four way test in that it is EVERYTHING WE THINK SAY AN DO. Of course is has always been one of the valuable corner stones of Rotary.

Again in the past week we have achieved substantial income from our club members work in the field with regard Community Service. Great work and thank you to all who participated. This is always fun and great fellowship. Don't forget at these events to keep your eyes peeled for



Honorary Member and City Councillor Paul Taylor gave us an exciting insight into planned developments in Broadbeach, including two new high rise residential towers and redevelopment of the Casino and it's environs.



Treasurer Neil Jones advised 22 of our 38 members have now paid the full years subscription, the remainder are urged to do the same before the end of July to avoid extra cost.

Payment for meals at club meetings

The Board has approved that members may pay in advance for their meals direct into the club's Admin. Account, please bring evidence of payment to avoid fights with the door keeper.

Bank Details:

BSB 034 637

Account Number 201 534



Membership Director Harold reminded members that each week the next 2 members on his alphabetical list will be required to come up with 3 names each together

with contact details of prospective new members for Membership committee to make direct contact with.

Prospective members and help Harold to achieve our goal of 20 members this year. Chris is moving mountains with the book sale and this week he organized a "Rotary in Motion" picture shoot for next weeks Sun Community Newspaper. Look out for this and any book contributions will be greatly appreciated by Chris.

I was at the Hub this week and cast my eye over some of the Scooters we have just had checked out and are ready to go to our recipients. Fellow club members this is a great community activity our club does and the work of the Scooter team and helpers does not go unnoticed. If any member has some spare time Cec would be delighted hear from you.

This coming Tuesday is our first away Social night organized by our Social Coordinator Kevin which will be held at the Hub. It promises to be a great night. The theme is Christmas in July. Kevin has live music organized, we have the dance floor, we have turkey and Christmas pudding with a start at 6 pm for 6.30. Please book, if you haven't already, but don't forget to bring your friends and prospective club members.

Yours in Rotary
Bill Rex
President



Scooter Chief and Fellowship Cup holder Cec McPaul gave an account of the Scooter Project, which is in great shape—we currently have 53 Scooter Recipients and 7 spares for use in case of breakdowns.

Cec gave us an anecdote of a recent gentleman recipient who broke down in tears—hi is disabled and had no independent freedom of movement—his wife and children had left him behind and he could not go out on his own. Our scooter has given him a new lease on life— **great to hear how our efforts are changing lives.** Cec needs more carers!!!!

Guest Speaker Detective Sergeant Renee Garske

The consensus of the feeling in the Rotary room during Det. Sgt. Renee Garske's talk was one of sadness--

As segment Chairman, Bruce introduced Renee --a Brisbane girl who attended Griffith University and attained a Bachelor of Criminology.

She worked on the Gold Coast in Juvenile Aide--Child abuse. She became a Det. Sgt. in 2009. She noted that she enjoys this kind of investigative work.

This is not her first contact with Rotary, since she has been a nominee previously for Rotary Fellowships.

The internet medium is the cause of a lot of issues in Child Abuse. "The dark side of the web--Child exploitation".

The main part of Renee's address centred round policing child assaults in Papua New Guinea working in the Child Protection Unit.

She has worked in P. N.G. on two occasions in partnership & on assignment with members the AFP, dealing with sexual assaults. So assisting with investigative Policing and helping to build law enforcement capabilities.

These are important facets of the policing task. Specialised training for P.N.G. Police has to come from outside countries., Sexual offences have become more prevalent since independence was granted in 1975. These are tribal influenced. Girls need educating and learn that these practices are very wrong. Society has to change and not tolerate this behaviour.

Females are accustomed to violence--There is no respect for females--Men have multiple wife's and partners. Miss treated women and children become a real issue.

Reported incidents of sexual abuse in P.N.G. are horrific. Changing the tribal approach to this is "Every bodies business".

The P.N.G. stats. are shocking--50% of rape victims are under the age of 15 years. Some are younger than 10 years. The sex industry is very active in P.N. G.

The tribal influence on young men is the major cause of this situation. There are warped customs and beliefs. The homicide rate is well above the rate of civilised nations. Young men belonging to "Rascal " gangs are to blame. They are terrible.

Changing the tribal ways of abuse is a huge undertaking. Most offences are committed by a friend of the sufferer. Corruption is rife. Police offices have been guilty of sexual miss deeds. Lots of offences happen in the home.

Unfortunately prosecution rates for sexual offences are very low.

Families often pay for the Police to attend and investigate offences.

67% of wives have been beaten by their husbands. 55% have experienced forced sex by a known person. 14% of men have committed rapes. Gang rapes are frequent, but often go Un-recorded.

Port Moresby is the most dangerous city in the world. An 8yr old girl was raped in the street, it was witnessed--no one went to her aide. Up to 20 rapes are reported daily to the Police.

Offenders can be forced to pay compensation. Unfortunately these funds are taken by the senior male tribe members and usually the females do not receive any of the compensation.

A husband severed an ear of his wife's. He paid 500 kina to his wife's` family--the senior men of the tribe kept the funds. There are tortures in the villages.

There is no trust more sacred than the one the world holds for children.

There is no duty more important than ensuring that their rights are protected.

Sgt. Garske's well presented talk left us in no doubt about the seriousness of the P.N.G. tribal behaviour in relation the sex crimes.

Chairman Bruce presented Renee with our guest speakers memento.



My Kokoda Adventure by Neil Jones

The photographs we didn't have space for last week



Nine days and nights of struggle across the Kokoda Track,
mud, rain, rivers and creeks, sore feet and wet clothes always.

A truly gargantuan effort by our hero Neil Jones, raising more
than \$3,000 for the Rotary Foundation.

We are truly proud of you and in awe of your achievement.

Roster Page

Sausage Sizzles

Date	Location	0800—1100 hrs.	1100—1400 hrs.
Thursday 30/7/15	Bunnings	Malcolm Daviess	John Curr
Friday 31/7/15	Bunnings	Noel Hodges John Harding	Harold Busch Neil Jones Ian Cowen
Sunday 2/8/15	Bunnings	0900—1200 hrs. Bill Waller Ros Byrne Uwe Seifert Bob Jordan	1200—1500 hrs. John Curr Ian Cowan Brian Pearson Neil Jones
Friday 7/8/15	Bunnings	John Harding Pauline Armstrong Brian Pearson	Kevin O'Brien Harold Busch Helen Busch
Thursday 13/8/15	Bunnings		
Friday 14/8/15	Bunnings		
Saturday 22/8/15	Bunnings	0800—1100 hrs. Bill Waller Ros Byrne Uwe Seifert Bob Jordan	1100 hrs—Finish John Curr Brian Pearson Neil Jones John Harding

Car Boot Sale

Date	Time	Name
2/8/15	0530 -0630 hrs.	Harold Busch
		Bill Waller
		Neil Jones
		Tony Lewis
	0630-0800 hrs.	Rob Domican
	0800-1000 hrs.	Uwe Seifert
	0900-1000 hrs	Jim Hawkins

Door Roster

Date	1st	2nd
28/7/15	Neil Jones	Chris Thomsen
4/8/15	Rob Domican	Klaus Axmann
11/8/15	Bill Waller	Alain Charles
18/8/15	Ray Milton	Grahame Werrell

Programme

Attendance

Date	Speaker	Subject	Host	Classification	Number
28/7/15	Xmas in July	Partners & Friends	Festive Dress Code	Members	31
				Hon. Members	3
4/8/15	Anne Egan	District Governor	Bill Rex	Visiting Rotarians	
				Partners	
				Member Guests	2
11/8/15	Rev. Canon Len Nairn	History of All Saints Anglican School		Visitors	
				Club Guests	3
				Total	39

Meeting Income

18/8/15	Margaret Warren	Inspired Outcomes	Raffle	\$101.00
			Fines	\$61.80
25/8/15	Ten Pin Bowling	Details tba	Copper Pot	\$25.50
			Total	\$188.39

Club Income

Thursday Bunnings

Friday Bunnings \$599.00

Car Boot Sale \$510

Radio Station

Corporate

Total \$1109

Anniversaries

Helen Busch Birthday

One Year Without Polio in Nigeria

Today marks one year since Nigeria last reported a polio case caused by the wild poliovirus.

This is the longest the country has ever gone without a case of polio, and it's a critical step on the path toward a polio-free Africa. It was only a decade ago that polio struck 12,631 people in Africa in one year — three-quarters of all cases in the world.

August 11 will mark an even greater milestone: one year since the last case of polio in Africa. For Africa to be certified polio-free by the World Health Organization, it must go two more years without a case of polio. To do this, all children in Nigeria must continue to receive the polio vaccine, including those in hard-to-reach areas.





My boss is without peer when it comes to the rules and regulations that customs officials must follow. But when it comes to the law, well, that's a different story.

We were attending a court case in which we were prosecuting a smuggler. The judge asked the court, "Who is making these allegations?"

My boss stood up and proclaimed, "I am the alligator, your honour."

I urgently needed a few days off work, but, I knew the Boss would not allow me to take leave. I thought that maybe if I acted "Crazy" then he would tell me to take a few days off. So, I hung upside-down on the ceiling & made funny noises. My co-worker (who's blonde) asked me what I was doing. I told her that I was pretending to be a light bulb, so, that the Boss might think I was "crazy" and give me a few days off.

A few minutes later the Boss came into the office and asked, "What are you doing?" I told him I was a light bulb. He said, "You are clearly stressed out. Go home & recuperate for a couple of days."

I jumped down & walked out of the office.

When my co-worker (the blonde) followed me, the Boss asked her "and where do you think you're going?!"

She said, "I'm going home too, I can't work in the dark!!"

A blonde with two red ears went to her doctor. The doctor asked her what had happened to her ears? "I was ironing a shirt and the phone rang - but instead of picking up the phone I accidentally picked up the iron and stuck it to my ear."

"Oh Dear!" the doctor exclaimed in disbelief. "But, what happened to your other ear?"

"They called back!"

"How long have you been driving without a tail light?" asked the policeman after pulling over a motorist. The driver jumped out, ran to the rear of his car, and gave a long, painful groan. He seemed so upset that the cop was moved to ease up on him a bit.

"Come on, now," he said, "you don't have to take it so hard. It isn't that serious."

"It isn't?" cried the motorist. "Then you know what happened to my boat and trailer?"

A cop pulls over a carload of nuns.

Cop: "Sister, this is a 65 MPH highway -- why are you going so slow?"

Sister: "Sir, I saw a lot of signs that said 22, not 65."

Cop: "Oh sister, that's not the speed limit, that's the name of the highway you're on!"

Sister: Oh! Silly me! Thanks for letting me know. I'll be more careful.

At this point the cop looks in the backseat where the other nuns are shaking and trembling.

Cop: Excuse me, Sister, what's wrong with your friends back there? They're shaking something terrible.

Sister: Oh, we just got off of highway 119.

"We used to play spin the bottle a lot when I was a kid. A girl would spin the bottle and if it pointed to you when it stopped, the girl could either kiss you or give you a dime. By the time I was 14, I owned my own home."
