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CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL GOLD COAST HIGHWAY SURFERS PARADISE

2014 - 15 LEADERSHIP TEAM



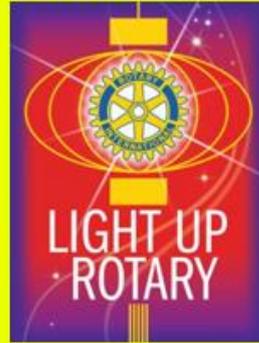
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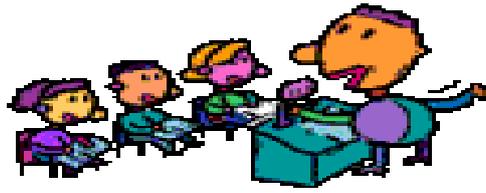
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SPEAKERS

Date	Speaker	Subject	Speaker Host
March 31 st	John Monks & team	New Zealand - Sister Club Visit	
April 7 th .	tba	tba	
April 14 th .	Michael Irving	In the Steps of Shackleton & Scott, in Antarctica	Neil Jones
April 21 st .	tba	tba	



DOOR DUTY ROSTER

Date	Attendance 1	Attendance 2
March 31st	Harold Busch	Neil Baldwin
April 7 th .	Malcolm Daviess	Alain Charles
April 14 th .	Bruce Kuhn	John Harding
April 21 st .	Bruce Kuhn	Noel Hodges

CONGRATULATIONS DUE THIS WEEK

Birthdays 	Anniversaries 	Inductions 
March 30th - Russ Hutchinson March 30th - Ray Milton April 1st - Frank Adorjan		

LAST WEEKS MEETING

ATTENDANCE 		MEETING INCOME 
Broadbeach Members	28	
Honorary Members (Ian Cowen & Uwe Seifert)	2	Bunnings Sausage sizzles; Thursday 12 March \$497.80 Friday 13 March \$543.20

		Friday 20 March \$536.15 Corporate Sizzle Gold FM Saturday 14 March \$480.00 Kokoda Track walk sponsorship \$120.00 Car Boot Sale 15 March \$519.00
Member's guests (Michelle Curnow & Bill Waller)	2	Fines \$105.75 Copper Pot \$19.05
Guest Speaker/s (Debbie Quinlan & Tanya Diessel)	2	
TOTAL	34	



It has been another good week in the best Rotary Club in District 9640.

We had two interesting guest speakers this week being Tanya Diessel and Debbie Quinlan speaking about the services offered by the Gold Coast Community Legal Centre. This service is free but donations can be made on the day. From what the Ladies had to say, this service is a badly needed for people with low incomes who are unable to access legal services elsewhere. The Ladies also spoke of their successes in general terms without breaching the Client confidentiality.

We welcomed past member Bill Waller and Friend of Rotary Michelle Curnow and Hon. Members Ian and Uwe.

Kevin O'Brien has not received any nominees for the Young Achiever of the Year Program for this year to date. You may recall that the program was cancelled last year for the same reason. It would be a shame to cancel this worthwhile program in it's 10th year once again over the sourcing of suitable candidates. The deadline has now been extended to next Tuesday. If 6 Nominations are not received by this date, the Program will, regretfully, be cancelled. Fellows, please support Kevin.

We are back from our New Zealand Sister Club of Tauranga's 70th Anniversary along with Kasaoka Club of Japan and we all had a wonderful time. I gave a brief overview at the meeting and the whole contingent will give a PowerPoint presentation of our visit at the meeting next week.

There is a Danish GSE team welcome dinner at VMR Main Beach on 08/04/15 at \$22 per head if anyone is interested in participating.

Nominations are invited for the 2014/15 Rotarian Active Spouse/Partner Service Awards by 01 March 2015. I have the details should anyone wish to nominate a Spouse/Partner.

Probus Travel Insurance is now available to Rotarians. I have the details should anyone be interested.

Thank you to all members who work tirelessly on our Projects and running of the Club in General.

Sergeant Rusty was in fine form and did an outstanding job in the Sergeant's session. I note that he paid his fines in advance as he is going on his long awaited Gallipoli trip.

Disaster Aid International has launched a Vanuatu appeal with clean water as a priority. Any Members wishing to make a personal donation may do this via the Rotary Club of Hope Island.

During the NZ trip the three sister clubs agreed to jointly donate 13 tropical emergency boxes, to be distributed via Rotary in Port Villa. Consequently the Board has approved our share of this donation of \$2,600 NZ.

Please mark your diaries for the District Conference at Goondiwindi 17-19 April. If you plan on attending you need to book your accommodation ASAP as nominations are now open. Jim Hawkins and Neil Jones will be our Club Delegates at the convention.

I am pleased to announce that Darrell Brown has been selected as DG for 2017/2018, so our congratulations go to Darrell.

The next meeting will comprise a PowerPoint presentation from the team that attended the recent visit to Tauranga.

Hoo Roo

John

IMAGES OF LAST WEEK





SCRIBE

P.P.Pauline introduced Debbie Quinlan and Tanya Diessel to address us on their tasks at the Gold Coast Community Legal Centre and Advice Bureau Inc.

This service was established on the Coast in 1984. The local Bureau assisted 6,000 clients in the last calendar year. The service is conducted from an office located at Unit 2 18 Bay Street, Southport. The office hours are 8.30 am to 4pm Mon. to Fri. Apart from the main leased office at Southport, there are outside community offices at Ashmore & Coomera, which services Oxenford.

Admin matters for the Bureau are attended to by Debbie while Tanya has a degree at Law and she is assisted by 4 full time solicitors and support volunteers.

This is not a Legal Aid Bureau--It takes on projects as a community exercise.

Law Students volunteer their services

This Bureau is modelled on an existing bureau in Melbourne, both use mainly volunteer support staff. Services and advice are offered free of charge.

Their budget is very restricted, and assistance with funding is sought.

The organisation wishes to remain active and to raise its profile. There for, funding is most vital.

There is an endless stream of clients, representing all kinds of issues. There was a waiting room full of people awaiting help, as Debbie and Tanya closed & left to address Rotary.

Their Ideals are similar to Rotary`s being supportive of the community.

These are emotional times for lots of families under duress. Often, there are no quick answers to issues.

Clients have a variety of needs-- for counselling & advice on social, criminal & family issues. Including-----

Family-Criminal & Civil Law advice. Help for disadvantaged persons.

Assistance with negotiating the Law, during times of emotional distress. The law baffles and worries lots of clients.

People being unable to read and write, seeking legal assistance.

Non English speaking Migrants needing help with the law.

Family Law is a difficult area and advice is provided carefully.

Clients frequently carry mental issues.

There are requests for members of the Bureau, to visit clients, outside.

Establishing Protection Orders --often removing a husband from the family home.

Assistance with Domestic Violence court orders.

Assistance with family matters before the Courts. Clients who are homeless.

Drink Drivers in Court with employment issues through loss of Licence.

Counselling neighbours issues involving dividing fences & tree over hang.

Citizens suffering private duress while attempting negotiations with large Companies.

Creating partnerships with other Law Firms is most helpful & these can operate on a reciprocal basis. Some Law Firms just click in with client help.

Law students making client`s preparations for Court Hearings free of charge

Having contact with up & coming Criminal Law Students who assist the community with help as a community social activity. Students learn to be patient with distressed people.

Also through encounters with the public, students learn how to handle client stress, in serious issues such as domestic violence and homicide.

This Bureau was largely unknown to those listening to the talk at Rotary.

Rotary thanks Debbie and Tanya for their address.
Pauline presented the Club`s guest speaker` gifts.

scribe, Ian Cowen.

President John recently received an email from Mac Millar



Hi John

Sorry I haven't written in ages. We've been pretty busy. We've now got over 4000 soccer balls to refugees and kids in war zones in 22 countries. I've just found out today our soccer balls have gone to Vanuatu with the Family Survival Kits from Disaster International. I was really happy to hear that. Here's what else we've been working on:

1. Soccer balls for orphanages in North Korea
2. Crutches 4 Africa gets balls to Ghana, Kenya and Zambia
3. Kids in Nepal get balls with the help of Rotary
4. Lady Cilento Children's Hospital's new TV show - TV for kids in hospital by kids in hospital
5. Noosa Daybreak Rotary Club and the donation from The Brazilian Soccer School
6. UYD Magazine - Use Your Difference
7. Working together with the Reagan Milstein Foundation
8. Soccer balls for Myanmar/Burma
9. Rotary Down Under Magazine Article
10. Innerwheel Club of Boonah and my appendix
11. Balls for School for Life Foundation in Uganda

A good way to get news from Mac is from his website, e.g.

<http://www.macmillar.com/interviews-updates/blog/>



FRIDAY FUNNIES - HA HA HA

Given the parlous state of Australian politics I have decided to use these political quotations sent in by Theo...

If God wanted us to vote, he would have given us candidates. ~Jay Leno.

The problem with political jokes is they get elected. ~Henry Cate VII

Politicians are the same all over. They promise to build a bridge even where there is no river.
~ Nikita Khrushchev

When I was a boy I was told that anybody could become President; I'm beginning to believe it. ~ Clarence Darrow

Why pay money to have your family tree traced; go into politics and your opponents will do it for you. ~Author unknown.

Politicians are people who, when they see light at the end of the tunnel, go out and buy some more tunnel. ~John Quinton.

I offer my opponents a bargain: if they will stop telling lies about us, I will stop telling the truth about them. ~Adlai Stevenson.

A politician is a fellow who will lay down your life for his country. ~ Tex Guinan.

I have come to the conclusion that politics is too serious a matter to be left to the politicians.
~Charles de Gaulle.

Instead of giving a politician the keys to the city, it might be better to change the locks. ~
Doug Larson. -----

Eight and a half months very pregnant with twins, I was used to getting nervous glances from strangers. But I never realized how imposing I was until my husband and I went out to dinner at a new restaurant.

The hostess sat us at our table, took one long look at my stomach and asked, "Would you like me to get you a high chair just in case?"

Three ladies are playing the 4th hole at a members-only golf club, when a naked man, wearing a balaclava over his head, leaps from the bushes and streaks across the green. The 3 ladies stare and are in shock at the size of his "manhood".

The first lady glances at his manhood and says, "Well he's certainly not my husband."

The second lady looks at his manhood and says, "And he's not mine."

The third lady takes a good look and says, "Why! ... He's not even a member of the club!"

A research group on sea mammals captured a rather odd porpoise on one of its trips. Its peculiarity was that it had feet. After they had photographed and measured the poor thing, they prepared to set it free.

"Wait a minute," said one of the researchers, "Wouldn't it be a kindness if our ship's doctor here were to amputate the feet so that it would be like other porpoises?"

"Not on your life," exclaimed the doctor, "that would be defeating the porpoise."

Two deaf men were in a coffee shop discussing their wives.

One signs to the other, "Boy, was my wife mad at me last night! She went on and on and wouldn't stop!"

The other buddy says, "When my wife goes off on me I just don't listen."

"How do you do that?" says the other.

"It's easy! I turn off the light!"

"You know when you're sitting on a chair and you lean back so you're just on two legs then you lean too far and you almost fall over but at the last second you catch yourself? I feel like that all the time." -Steven Wright

On a cruise to Alaska, I saw my very first glacier in the magnificent Inside Passage. Excitedly, I asked the ship's officer what it was called.

"It's some dumb glacier," he replied.

Disappointed by his attitude, I bought a map to figure it out for myself. I calculated our location and found the name of the ice mass. It was called, just as he had said, "Sumdum Glacier."

From Carolyn

My grandson is being Christened next Sunday and my son asked if I could mind the two children while his wife was at work so he and my husband could work on his huge, country town backyard to get it ready for the party. They hauled logs into one corner to be cut up for firewood, weeded gardens and put together the new BBQ, all in cold, drizzling rain. My husband was exhausted but gamely mowed the grass before it got dark. As he was on the last two rows, rain dripping down his face and grass and dirt covering his legs, our granddaughter, aged two, peeped out the window.

"Oh, look at Granddad," she sighed sweetly, "he's having a nice little walk!"

From John K.

A high school teacher was arrested today at Sydney's Kingsford-Smith International airport as he attempted to board a flight while in possession of a ruler, a protractor, a compass, a slide-rule, and a calculator.

At the press conference, the Attorney General said he believes the man is a member of the notorious extremist Al-Gebra movement.

He did not identify the man, who has been charged by the AFP with carrying weapons of maths instruction.

"Al-Gebra is a problem for us", the Attorney General said. 'They derive solutions by means and extremes, and sometimes go off on tangents in search of absolute values.' They use secret code names like "X" and "Y" and refer to themselves as "unknowns;" but we have determined that they belong to a common denominator of the axis of medieval with coordinates in every country. As the Greek philosopher Isosceles used to say, "There are three sides to every triangle."

When asked to comment on the arrest, Federal Opposition Leader Bill Shorten said, "If God had wanted us to have better weapons of maths instruction, He would have given us more fingers and toes."

Fellow Labor colleagues told reporters they could not recall a more intelligent or profound statement by the Opposition Leader.

"A lawmaker in Nevada just introduced a new bill that would provide pets with medical marijuana. Weed for pets. Which raises the question: Is it possible for cats to sleep 25 hours a day?" -Jimmy Fallon

From Ken

Billy was at school this morning in the English countryside and the teacher asked all the children what their fathers did for a living. All the typical answers came out, fireman, policeman, salesman, chippy, captain of industry etc., but Billy was being uncharacteristically quiet and so the teacher asked him about his father.

"My father is an exotic dancer in a gay club and takes off all his clothes in front of other men. Sometimes if the offer is really good, he'll go out with a man, rent a cheap hotel room and let them sleep with him."

The teacher quickly set the other children some work and took little Billy aside to ask him if that was really true.

"No" said Billy, "He plays cricket for England but I was just too embarrassed to say."

Q: Why don't elephants go skinny dipping?

A: Because they can't get their trunks off!

Q: What trees do fortune tellers like?

A: Palm trees!

Q: What makes a man think about a candlelight dinner?

A: A power failure.

Q: Why did the orange use suntan lotion?

A: It didn't want to peel.

Q: How do you catch a squirrel?

A: Climb up and tree and act like a nut.