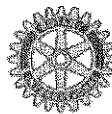


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RI Pres: Carl-Wilhelm Stenhammar District Governor: Noel Trevaskis

Richard's Rambles

In the absence of our guest speaker last week, it looked like we would an early night, which everyone seemed to look forward to. While I'm sorry that did not eventuate, I feel the meeting proved to be a success because it gave everyone a chance to have some input on general matters .

I am informed by some of my fellow presidents that a lot of clubs are now having what they call 'informal meetings' and they seem to be successful. Perhaps this could be an ongoing exercise for our Club as well, where we not only discuss Rotary matters but also allow everyone to catch up with other members' 'goss'.

To-night we're looking forward to hearing from Barry Brown. Don't forget the AGM next week.

President Richard

DECEMBER IS FAMILY MONTH

ROTARY CLUB OF NAROOMA INC.

Meetings each Thursday, 6:30 for 7:00 pm

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CLUB ATTENDANCE OFFICER, ROBERT WIGNALL (44672411) BY 4:00 PM
WEDNESDAY EACH WEEK**

"SERVICE ABOVE SELF"

(Rotary International Theme 2005-06)

Program

Tonight: We welcome Barry Brown who will talk about his life in the Army.

Happy birthday to Bill Hardie on the 7th.

TASK	1 December	8 December	15 December
Greet/welcome/wheel	Jeremy Ferguson	Robert Wignall	
Cashier	Kris Elphick	Kevin Young	
Toast / thanks	Chris O'Brien	Bob Aston	CHRISTMAS
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NEXT WEEK : Our Annual General Meeting

COMING EVENTS:

DECEMBER IS FAMILY MONTH

2-4 December

RYPEN

15 December

Christmas party at Taylors \$25 a head.

18 December

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22 December

NO MEETING

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29 December

NO MEETING

5 January

Social night at the Astons, \$10, BYOG plus plate

12 January

Social night at Pub Hill Farm, \$10, BYOG plus plate

19 January

Social night at the Lovatts, \$10, BYOG plus plate

26 January

NYF

2 February

NYF

9 February

NYF

The week that was....

As President Richard has already said, we had a most enjoyable evening even though we didn't have a guest speaker.

Jeremy Ferguson spoke about the various people, usually young and from overseas, who Heather and he are often seen with at Taylors on a Friday night. They are 'Woofers' which stands for Willing Workers on Organic Farms. He said Woofers and host families are members of this organisation based in Victoria, cost \$45 a year.



It's a great way to travel around Australia. The host family provides board and in return they work four to five hours a day. Jeremy said it's a saviour for them in getting those jobs done that might otherwise not get done. They also meet some delightful people.

Marilyn Gibson have a great fines session based on the old style school reports, writing she says just seems to drip off the pen—won't say like what! For example, **Kevin Young's** efforts in mathematics have been particularly pleasing. She wishes him well in his sailing class next year and hopes he continues to keep the finances afloat. **Robert Wignall** on the other hand must pay attention more because he is too easily distracted by Guinness and soccer. **Kris Elphick** has settled in well to her new class and is making good progress in all key learning areas.

Neville Gough and **Peter Lynch** brought us up to date with the Ringlands track.

Club sponsors students to RYPEN

Our Club has two students from Narooma High going to the RYPEN camp this weekend—Anita Harris and April Healey. We hope to hear from the girls some time after their return.

RYPEN stands for *Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment* and aims to encourage the development of self esteem, leadership and confidence in young people aged 15 to 17 years.

RYPEN will be held at Waterslea, a modern Anglican Camp on the Shoalhaven River, 12 km west of Nowra .

Rotary World News

Combined clubs boost literacy for Mexican kids

For the first time, young children in impoverished Mexican communities now have access to Spanish-language storybooks, novels, biographies, and children's classic literature.

Rotarians and Rotaractors in three Rotary International districts in the United States and Mexico are providing these books to enhance literacy and education in schools and communities in the Mexican state of Sonora, adjacent to Arizona. Ten clubs are supporting the project, which is establishing seven separate school libraries and two children's reading rooms in community libraries.

Sally Montagne, president of the RC of Sierra Vista Sunrise in Arizona (District 5500) said the project grew out of friendships formed while their club was working with Mexican clubs on other Rotary projects in Mexico.

Her club and the RC of Agua Prieta clubs drafted an international service project plan, mobilised financial support from District 5500 (Arizona) and four additional Rotary clubs in the district (Bisbee, Douglas, Sierra Vista, and Sierra Vista South) and applied for matching funds from The Rotary Foundation. The project grew to include other Mexican towns and other Rotary clubs.

The Rotaract Club of Utah State University in Logan supported the project by doing maintenance work at one school for 70 students. One Rotarian with a computer store donated five new computers to one school, and a Sierra Vista church donated carpet for the library.

International Toast

Tonight's international toast is to the Rotary Club of Charleroi-Est in Belgium, District 1620.

Like us, it was chartered in 1958 but has 42 members.



ROTARY CLUB OF NAROOMA - MEMBERS AND PARTNERS 2006-6

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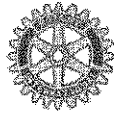
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(E)=Exempt from attendance

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 G=Past District Governor

#=Paul Harris Fellow
 %=Rotary Foundation Sustaining Member
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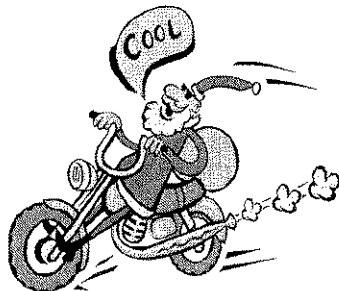
Richard's Rambles

Barry Brown had me driving home with both hands one at two o'clock the other at 10 o'clock. A very interesting man, not only with his skills at both driving and teaching driving, but his rise in the Army from a private to a Warrant Officer Class One in Army Transport. His awards, not given loosely, to the Order of Australia speak for themselves. Barry thank you for a most enjoyable presentation.

To-night we welcome April Healey - April was one of two girls who went to the RYPEN weekend at Nowra recently. Unfortunately Anita Harris is not able to join us this evening. We look forward to hearing from April what they both thought of the weekend.

We also have our AGM to-night and look forward to President-Elect Marilyn Gibson's nominated team for the Rotary Year 2005/2006.

President Richard



DECEMBER IS FAMILY MONTH

Program

Tonight: We welcome April Healey, just back from the Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment RYPEN last weekend, and her mother Cathy.

Happy birthday to Kevin Young (10th).

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Cashier	Kevin Young		
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 26 January **YOUTH NIGHT — Honeywell, NYSF night TBC**
 2 February **NYF**
 9 February **NYF**
 16 February **NYF**
 23 February **NYF**

The week that was....

What a wonderful surprise last week to see **Lin Morey** back! We look forward to his company on a regular basis as a visiting Rotarian from Mooloolaba for some months. Lin's company and his son Ross added to an excellent meeting with our guest speaker Barry Brown.

Robert Wignall, complete with Australian flag and gar of vegemite announced he became an Australian citizen on Monday. He was one of 21 new citizens in a gathering of 100 people hosted by Eurobodalla Mayor Neil Mumme. He said it had taken him 38 years to make the plunge. Congratulations Robert!. Robert Wignall is taking over from **Marilyn Gibson** as program organiser after Christmas.

Ian Thomlinson did a great fines session—everyone seems to be getting back into the swing again! Ian noted it was getting towards Australia Day awards and as usual Rotary was ahead of the game. Awards included **Chris O'Brien**—the Golden Globe Award for entertainment and lighting up our lives, **Neville Gough** the Dolphin Star Award by the Jacques Cousteau Foundation, **Lin Morey** the William Tell Award by the Australian Trade Commission for his flat-bottom apple.

Then it was over to our guest speaker **Barry Brown**. Hearing Barry's amazing story reminds me of the old saying that everyone has a story to tell. We have all seen Barry driving the school buses, but no one would have dreamt of his amazing story.

He was with the Army from 1968 to 2002. Went from the CMF to Kapooka to being a driver with RMC Duntroon, the Ambulance platoon, semi-trailers, to Holsworthy where he was in charge of transport driver training. He developed the dual cabin Unimog for driver training, saving the Army \$85,000 per vehicle I think it was. The army, every appreciative, recognised his efforts with a \$240 bonus a year.

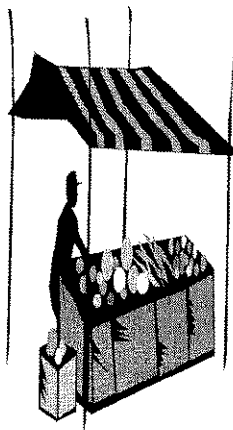
He went around the world in 1987 analysing driver training techniques, and he told of his amazing simulator as a result. He became Chief Driving Officer for the Army, Navy and Air Force, instigated defensive training techniques cutting the road toll to zero.

Highlights—a driver for Air Force One, receiving the Order of Australia in the Military Division. And some advice —'Where you look is where you go'. A great talk.

Market report from Sunday 27 Nov

What is it about the fourth Sunday of the month? When you look over the past 12 months, so many of the mornings have had either early downpours or inclement weather. That means those on early gate duty are faced with that often difficult decision of do we or don't we. We went ahead but during the morning there were further showers

We lost some marketers because they weren't prepared to risk it. An increasing number now have waterproof coverings on their gazebos—some even with sides.



Needless to say takings were down. Gate takings were \$415, van takings were \$225 of which the P & C received \$86. Here's hoping for clear skies on our pre-Christmas markets on the 18th — rosters going around tonight.

Thanks for everyone who helped at the markets— George Barker, Jack Wightman, Peter Lynch, Kris Elphick, Richard Lovatt, Jeremy Ferguson, Bob Aston, Neville Gough, Robert Wignall, Ian Thomlinson, Laurelle Pacey. A huge thanks to our markets manager Chris O'Brien who does an absolutely fantastic

A numerical chocolate mystery for Christmas

Courtesy of the Moruya bulletin

1. Pick the number of times a week you would like to have chocolate (more than once but less than 10).
2. Multiply this number by 2.
3. Add 5.
4. Multiply by 50.
5. If you haven't already had your birthday this year, add 1755. If you haven't, add 1754.
6. Now subtract the four digit year that you were born.
7. You should have a three digit number. The first is your original number. The next two numbers are your age!

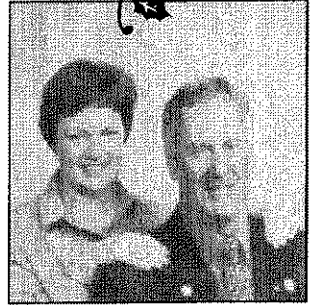
DG Noel writes ...



Dear Rotarians and Friends of Rotary,

Traditionally at the festive time of the year families usually try to get together and share in the joys of Christmas and share time with each other.

However in today's society many families are unable to be together because their family has been split. This not only affects the parents and kids, it also affects grandparents and other members of the extended family.



Sue and Noel Trevaskis

People can be lonely, sad, withdrawn and become depressed at this time of the year as they are unable to share in the festive season the way that would like to. Others will miss their wife, husband or partner because of death or it may even be the first time that they are alone because their loved one is in a nursing home or hostel.

We need to be aware of who will be lonely over the festive season and show them that we care for them. Especially those people whose wives, husbands or partners were Rotarians and are now by themselves, we need to have them at our Club Christmas functions.

It is all part of being a member of the Rotary family, not just showing that we care but telling them that we do care for them.

Our own Rotary family in District 9710 needs to grow and expand so that we can be an even bigger family> If you enjoy your Rotary, will you share it with someone soon and invite them into our family so that they can enjoy Rotary and be a part of our family?

Sue and I hope that all the family of Rotary in District 9719 have a Happy Christmas and a safe New Year.

*Noel Trevaskis
DG 2005-06*



Market roster Sunday 18th

(before Christmas Carols which start at 7.30 pm)

SATURDAY:

Marking out: Jack Wightman, Peter Lynch, Kris Elphick

SUNDAY:

1-3.30 PM: Chris O'Brien, Marilyn Gibson ?, Laurelle Pacey. Kris Elphick?

Put signs/bunting out: Laurelle Pacey

Tow van in: Jeremy Ferguson ?

Get food van going: ?

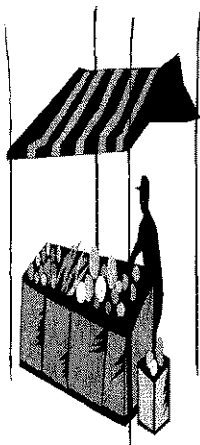
3.30-7 PM: 1. 2.

7-9.30 PM: Operate food van, pack up etc

1. 2.
3. 4.

TOW VAN BACK: Richard Lovatt, Peter Lynch.

PUT UP/TAKE DOWN BANNER: George Barker



Market roster Tuesday 27th

MONDAY?:

Marking out: Jack Wightman, Peter Lynch, Kris Elphick ?

TUESDAY:

6-9: Chris O'Brien, Kris Elphick?, Marilyn Gibson? Laurelle Pacey.

Tow van in: Jeremy Ferguson ?

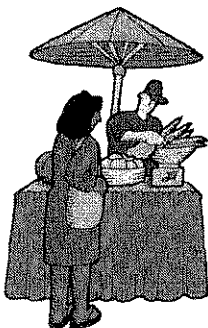
Breakfast: Jeremy Ferguson?, ?

Put signs/bunting out: Laurelle Pacey

9-noon: Robert Wignall, Neville Gough (?)

12-2 and pack up: Peter Lynch, Ian Thomlinson, Richard Lovatt ?

TOW VAN BACK: Richard Lovatt, Peter Lynch ?



News around the District

Bega club makes merry

Bega Club held its Christmas party last week. It was a great success with a large rollup and apparently a larger roll out after they had eaten the spread before them.

They held their party at the Tanja Rural Retreat where they were well catered for. The function was held in Veronica O'Leary's gallery and surrounds, so were surrounded with her wonderful paintings and with the Tanja starlight overhead. The music from The Eaglehawks enhanced the whole experience. A great night, according to the Bega bulletin.

Cross border clubs meet

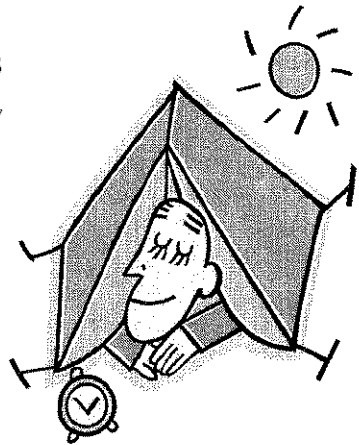
The Rotary Clubs of Bombala, Eden and Pambula held their annual joint Club meeting with the Rotary Clubs of Orbost and Maffra at Cann River. The District Governor of District 9820 Ray Stewart and our own District Governor both attended.

Moruya Club goes for seats

Moruya Club is looking at possibly providing seats along the pathways in Broulee, South Heads and Tuross.

Council has provided some paperwork for them to peruse before they decide whether to go ahead with it. Great Rotary project.

This weekend Moruya Rotarians plus partners and families are off camping at Belowra. Should be great. Their Christmas party isn't until the 21st.



Remember...

You don't stop laughing because you grow old,
You grow old because you stop laughing.

Rotary World News

Wilkinson for RI president

Wilfrid Wilkinson of the Rotary Club of Trenton, Ontario, Canada, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International in 2007-08 that convened at RI World Headquarters on 5 December. He will become the president-nominee on 1 January 2006 if there are no challenging candidates.

Wilkinson was a founding partner of Wilkinson & Company, Chartered Accountants. Since retiring in 2001, he has served as executive director of the Quinte Ballet School of Canada and Canadian coordinator for the National Association of Forensic Accountants.

A Rotarian since 1962, Wilkinson is currently a PolioPlus national advocacy adviser and a member at large of the PolioPlus Partners Task Force. Previously, he has served RI as district governor, International Assembly group discussion leader, consultative group member, committee member and chair, task force member, Foundation trustee, director, and vice president. Most recently, he was chair of the 2005 Chicago Convention Committee and vice chair of RI's Afghan refugee relief project.

The nominating committee members include Abraham Gordon, USA (chair); Edgar C. Hatcher Jr., USA (secretary); Gustaaf A. Annokke, The Netherlands; Jacques Berthet, France; Hee-Byung Chae, Korea; Gustavo A. De Obaldia, Panama; Gerson Gonçalves, Brazil; Rafael G. Hechanova, Philippines; and Shizuo Imai of Japan.

International Toast

Tonight's international toast is to the Rotary Club of Montrose in Tay-side, Scotland in District 1010.

Like us, it was chartered in 1958 but has 45 members.

