

The Beacon

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Marilyn's Message



Dear Fellow Rotarians and Friends,

Last week's meeting was a memorable one as we were fortunate to have two young leaders from our community speak to us about local youth and their value to the community. Both Josh & Kristy were very impressive young people who spoke confidently and kept us all guessing with a quiz about young people and their unique culture. We now know what an 'emo' is! Many thanks to Kim Bush for arranging for Kristy and Josh to speak to us.

Also at last week's meeting we welcomed Tony Fahey to our club. Tony is currently a member of the Cowra Rotary club but following his appointment as Principal of Narooma High School, Tony will be transferring to our club. A very warm welcome Tony!

It was also great to have Ted's guest Brian with us again last week. Brian is a potential new member so please help make him feel welcome.

This week we look forward to having Barney Barnbrook as our guest representing his daughter Ame. We recently applied for a \$5000 grant to assist Ame to live independently at University in Wollongong and we look forward to the presentation of these funds on Thursday night.

Many thanks to everyone who helped out at the markets on Sunday. Bob will be pleased to note that we sold the leather designer items on the white elephant stall for a very respectable price!

See you all on Thursday.

Have a great week everyone!

Luv,
Pres. Maz

The Foundation Snippet

This one is about PolioPlus Partners. PolioPlus Partners is a special program created in 1995 to allow Rotarians in polio-free countries to partner with Rotarians in polio-endemic countries by providing support for National Immunization Days and other critical activities. Over US\$33 million has been contributed to over 400 projects since then. There is still a need today. The Partners program allows Rotarians to support a specific project or to apply donations to the highest priority. A list of Open Projects in need of funding is available on the Rotary website. These projects support our fellow Rotarians in the last battles against polio. Please consider giving them your support.

Program

Tonight: Barney Barnbrook

TASK	26 April 2007	2 May 2007	17 May 2007
Greet /welcome/wheel	Ian Thomlinson	Cinders	Bill Hardie
Cashier	Bill Hardie	Trophy	Ted Bladwell
Toast / thanks	Ted Bladwell	With Moruya Club	Phil Gaffney
4-way test	Phil Gaffney		Lin Morey
3-minute talk	Lin Morey		Chris O'Brien
FINES	Chris O'Brien		George Barker
Introduction	George Barker		Bob Aston

If you can't make it to the next Rotary meeting, please ring our attendance officer Ted Bladwell the day before 4476 4676 or you will be charged for your meal. (R) signifies a Rotary talk, if you can.

COMING EVENTS: Next Week Cinders Trophy Wednesday 2 May at Bodalla Bowling Club

3 May **No Meeting – Meeting moved to Wednesday night**

10 May **No Meeting**

12 May **Working Bee at Rotary Rainforest walk. Commencing at 10.00am. More details at this week's meeting**

17 May **Pride of Workmanship Award – Partners Night**

24 May **Board Meeting**

27 May **Narooma Rotary Markets at NATA Oval**

31 May

7 June **David Ashford – Rotary Club of Batemans Bay – Walking the Kokoda Track**

Last Week

Unfortunately the Editor was away again! So no direct report on the night – however, I am told that our guest speakers were outstanding – great representatives of young people in our community.

From the International Service Director

The Board has adopted a literacy project which benefits children and adults in countries of the South West Pacific -

The Ranfurly Library Service. Through this RAWCS service second-hand books are collected in Sydney, sorted and forwarded according to needs. Here in Narooma the local Branch Library has agreed to receive donations of books which we will sort and send to the Sydney distributors.

They need reading books for infant, primary and secondary levels (including novels), encyclopaedias (complete sets less than 20 years old), National Geographic and Australian Geographic magazines, Readers Digest magazines, geography, science and travel books (less than 25 years old), atlases and dictionaries, trade manuals, nursing text books and First Aid books, and basic text books on Maths, Economics, History, Music, etc. Such books should be reasonably clean, without torn or missing pages, broken spines or scribbling.

There's sure to be a wealth of material we can find for the Ranfurly Library Service. Tell your friends and colleagues about it too, and encourage them to contribute as well. Make sure the Narooma Library staff is told that the donations are for Rotary's Ranfurly Library Service.

Celebrations

Bill and Lillian celebrate their wedding anniversary today! I wonder if Bill will be present tonight or will he be shouting Lillian to a romantic dinner for two at some swish restaurant?

From all accounts Bill and Lillian's wedding out did Charles and Diana's for class and style with many A-List personalities from all over the world present on the day to give their blessing!

The Funny Side

A FIRST GRADE TEACHER collected old, well known proverbs. She gave each child in her class the first half of a proverb, and had them come up with the rest.

As you shall make your bed so shall you ***mess it up.***

Better be safe than ***punch a 5th grader.***

Strike while ***the bug is close.***

It's always darkest before ***daylight savings time.***

You can lead a horse to water but ***how?***

Don't bite the hand that ***looks dirty.***

A miss is as good as a ***Mr.***

You can't teach an old dog new ***math.***

If you lie down with the dogs, ***you'll stink in the morning.***

The pen is mightier than ***the pigs.***

An idle mind is ***the best way to relax.***

Where there's smoke, ***there's pollution.***

Happy the bride who gets ***all the presents.***

A penny saved is ***not much.***

Two's company, three's ***the musketeers.***

Laugh and the whole world laughs with you, ***cry and you have to blow your nose.***

Children should be seen and not ***spanked or grounded.***

When the blind leadeth the blind ***get out of the way.***

Tonight's international toast

This week we toast the Rotary Club of Luxembourg which was chartered in 1929 in District 1630.

With a population of less than 500,000 in an area of 2,585 sq km (say, 50 x 50 km), the country has the highest Gross Domestic Product per capita in the world - US\$68, 800 in 2006. The club (one of three in the city of Luxembourg) has 96 members and sponsors a Rotaract club.

APRIL IS MAGAZINE MONTH

THE OBJECT OF ROTARY

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the Ideal of Service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster:

- 1. The development of acquaintances as an opportunity for Service;*
- 2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of worthiness of all useful occupations and the dignifying by each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;*
- 3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life;*
- 4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.*

The 4-Way Test

of the things we think, say or do:

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Rotary Grace

O Lord and giver of all good.

We thank Thee for our daily food.

May Rotary friends and Rotary ways.

Help us to serve Thee all our days.

The Narooma Rotary Beacon

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