

The Beacon



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Laurelle's Musings

What a busy last weekend and now the Blues and what should be a fun weekend! Brace yourselves for the ride! I, for one, love the buzz in town over this weekend

Thanks to everyone who helped with the balloons last Saturday morning. We blew up balloons in the Blues colours at the primary school (thanks Marilyn) and delivered them to various businesses on the flat and in the centre of town for the Chamber of Commerce to help create a show of colour and support for the Blues Festival.

Great markets on Sunday – spring is here so many old and new marketers are back. We also did a big cleanout and stock-take of the van thanks to Phil, Bill and Kris.

Sounds like a great week last week with Graham Harding of Eurobodalla Shire Council talking about fireweed. Thanks Ian for standing in for me. Greatly appreciated.

By Tuesday you will have a finalised roster with each shift with our names plus those of our Queanbeyan West colleagues – (I must include a map of the site for them so they can find us!) Now thinking breakfast for them in Rotary Park on Monday morning. Will talk more about this Thursday night.

Tonight we meet at the food van on the Blues site for a final set-up and check... followed by dinner at Taylors.

Enjoy the evening.

President Laurelle

From the International Service Director

This is to introduce Interplast Australia & New Zealand which was founded in 1983. This came about as a result of participation in an Interplast America program by a plastic surgeon from Melbourne. [Interplast America was formed by a surgeon who had operated to repair the cleft lip of a child he saw during a holiday in Mexico. He subsequently found many more children there suffering the same condition because no plastic surgeons were available.]

Interplast in Australia and New Zealand is a partnership between the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons and Rotary District 980 (now 9800). It was established to provide voluntary medical teams to carry out plastic and reconstructive surgery in countries of the Asia Pacific region. It delivers 25-30 programs each year. In total, it has sent 600 volunteers on nearly 400 programs, performed over 28,000 consultations and nearly 17,000 life-changing operations, and sponsored 60 doctors and nurses for training in Australia.

The need for Interplast services is high and limited only by funding. Other Rotary districts have joined with D9800 to support it, with Terry Spencer of RC Jerrabomberra representing it in our District 9710.

SEPTEMBER IS YOUTH ACTIVITIES MONTH

Program

Tonight: Club Assembly followed by Board Meeting

TASK	4 October	11 October	18 October
Greet /welcome/wheel	Kris Elphick	Chris O'Brien	Marilyn Gibson
Cashier	Chris O'Brien	Marilyn Gibson	Kevin Young
Toast / thanks	Marilyn Gibson	Kevin Young	Bob Aston
4-way test	Kevin Young	Bob Aston	Lin Morey
3-minute talk	Bill Hardie	Lin Morey	Phil Gafney
FINES	Lin Morey	Phil Gafney	Ian Thomlinson
Introduction	Phil Gafney	Ian Thomlinson	Neville Gough

If you can't make it to the next Rotary meeting, please ring our attendance officer Brian Hastie at Narooma Real Estate the day before 4476 2169 or you will be charged for your meal. (R) signifies a Rotary talk, if you can.

COMING EVENTS: Next week (4 October 2007) Bob Chalmers from Goulburn on his recent trip to Antarctica Partners Night

18 October	TBC
25 October	TBC
28 October	Narooma Rotary Markets on NATA Oval

Last Week

Well what a busy few days it has been. Last Thursday night we met at the Blues and checked out the van – it was as good as gold thanks to Laurelle, Ted, Kris, Phil and many others. Afterwards we enjoyed a relaxing meal at Taylor's.

The weekend was flat chat with the van in operation from 6.00pm on Friday to midnight on Sunday night, and of course our Blue's Market was in full swing on Sunday morning. The Festival was a great success with just about everything sold by the time the last shift arrived on Sunday night. It was great to have our friends from Queanbeyan West with us – I don't think we could have managed without them.

From the RI Website

Kenny is choice for 2009-10 RI president

Rotary International News

10 September 2007

John Kenny, of the Rotary Club of Grangemouth, Central, Scotland, is the selection of the Nominating Committee for President of Rotary International in 2009-10. He will become the president-nominee on 1 December if there are no challenging candidates.

Kenny is a past dean of his local law faculty, a judge, and a notary. He is active in scouting and earned the Medal of Merit for helping form new scout groups in Eastern Europe. An elder of the Church of Scotland, he's served as session clerk and presbytery elder. Kenny was also appointed deputy lieutenant of his district by Queen Elizabeth II. He is a past president of both the Forth Valley Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Federation of Scottish Junior Chamber of Commerce. He is also past general legal counsel of Jaycees International.

A Rotarian since 1970, Kenny served Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland as president and vice president. He has served RI as director, executive committee chair, Rotary Foundation trustee, institute moderator, district governor, convention vice chair and group leader, president's representative, and committee member and chair. He's been a delegate, member at large, and parliamentarian at several Councils on Legislation.

Kenny is a Major Donor to The Rotary Foundation and a Bequest Society member and has received the Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award.

The nominating committee members are Ray Klinginsmith (chair), USA; G. Kenneth Morgan (secretary), USA; Jacques Berthet, France; John T. Blount, USA; Hee-Byung Chae, Korea; Gerson Gonçalves, Brazil; Abraham Gordon, USA; Sushil Gupta, India; Lynn A. Hammond, USA; Rafael G. Hechanova, Philippines; Toshio Itabashi, Japan; Jorma Lampén, Finland; Gerald A. Meigs, USA; David D. Morgan, Wales; Jiichiro Nakajima, Japan; Stan Tempelaars, The Netherlands; and Luis F. Valenzuela, Guatemala.

The Funny Side

I JUST KNEW I WAS IN BIG TROUBLE AT WORK WHEN...

- ...the new policy on sexual harassment included a photo of me.
- ...the Security guard made a complete inventory of my work area.
- ...my assistant began responding to my memos with, "Yeah, whatever."
- ...my new Pentium was replaced with an 386sx-16 last weekend.
- ...the Human Resources Dept requested an update of my arrest record.
- ...the Boss asked if I still had a copy of my 5 year contract.
- ...I noticed co-workers measuring my office when I arrived at work.
- ...my parking spot was relocated next to the dumpster.
- ...my secretary sez things like "Get the phone, my nails aren't dry."
- ...three people began helping me write a "desk manual" for my job.
- ...the LAN suddenly began backing-up my computer every 10 minutes.
- ...a large paper recycling box was placed next to my file cabinets.
- ...the receptionist began saying "Who ????" to anyone calling on me.

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 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.*

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