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Phil Gaffney
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The Rotary Club of Narooma Inc. Bulletin

Ted's Tips

As Bob has advised, Katja has arrived. Those of you that attended the Ringlands BBQ will have already had the opportunity to meet her! For the rest of us we will have to wait till Thursday to make her welcome. Thanks to Bob and Therese for their efforts on the Club's behalf.

I look forward to a report about the work done at Ringlands this Sunday. This is one of our Club's projects and it will be great to have it to a standard needing only a small amount of maintenance from now on. Thanks must go to the Eurobadalla Council's Norm Lenahan for his help over the past months in organizing the volunteers.

Was thinking of the meeting last week and I am sure Vice President, Lin was able to handle it with his usual flair. I will be back for the next meeting providing I can be surgically removed from the seat of the motor bike.

Cheers for now,
Ted

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Tonight

Kristen & Megan, Narooma Pre-School

Duties

TASK	24 July	31 July	7 August
Welcome/Wheel	Jeremy Ferguson	Marilyn Gibson	Lin Morey
Cashier	Marilyn Gibson	Lin Morey	Ian Thomlinson
Toast / thanks	Lin Morey	Ian Thomlinson	Bob Aston
4-way test	Ian Thomlinson	Bob Aston	Chris O'Brien
3-minute talk	Bob Aston	Chris O'Brien	Kris Elphick
FINES	Chris O'Brien	Kris Elphick	Phil Gaffney
Introduction	Kris Elphick	Phil Gaffney	Tony Fahey

Coming Events

24 July	Kristen & Megan, Narooma Pre-School (think they might talk to us about children)
31 July	Maureen Manning, Assistant District Governor
7 August	Cora Num, will talk to us about genealogy
14 August	no meeting
16 August	50 th Anniversary Celebrations at Narooma Golf Club
21 August	District Governor's visit
28 August	Board Meeting

Last Week

Ted was away last week enjoying the wilds of the outback and his twin grandchildren. From all reports he was into the farming thing as quick as a flash. I understand that Lin did a great job as the acting president, everything was just apples!

Because the Editor was also away a fuller report of the meeting is not available!



Exchange Student

Tonight we welcome our exchange student for the next twelve months. Katja (Katie) Gfeller comes to us from the village of Lindau near Zurich in Switzerland. She is 16 years old (turning 17 in December) and has an older brother Thomas. Both of Katie's parents work in airline related industries at Zurich Airport.

No doubt we will hear more in the coming months.

I am sure that Katie will have a great time in Narooma. Already she has enjoyed some of the sights of town including Ringlands, Buckridge Lookout and walks along the beach.

G8 renews commitments to polio eradication

By Dan Nixon

Rotary International News -- 18 July 2008

At their 8-9 July summit meeting in Japan, the G8 nations agreed to "maintain momentum towards the historical achievement of eradicating polio."

To do so, their joint statement continued, "We will meet our previous commitments to maintain or increase financial contributions to support the Global Polio Eradication Initiative [GPEI], and encourage other public and private donors to do the same."

Together, the G8 countries -- Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States -- account for more than half of all funding of the GPEI. The initiative is led by the World Health Organization, Rotary International, the U.S. Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, and UNICEF.

The G8 first placed polio eradication on its summit agenda in 2002. It has renewed its commitment to eradication at every summit since then, but not all member countries have completed their financial contributions.

In addition to raising funds, G8 countries work as a group to advocate broad support for ending polio. Advocacy by G8 leaders for the four remaining polio-endemic countries -- Afghanistan, India, Nigeria, and Pakistan -- is critical to ensure eradication of the disease.

The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation welcomed the G8's renewed commitment to finishing polio. Following release of the G8's 2008 summit communiqué, the Gates Foundation stated, "In recognition of the G8's continued attention to polio eradication, the foundation will commit at least US\$150 million to fight polio this year. This is in addition to the \$250 million we have committed to date toward polio eradication efforts."

Finishing polio worldwide remains Rotary's top goal. Vital to helping achieve that goal is Rotary's US\$100 Million Challenge, the three-year funding effort to match the Gates Foundation's \$100 million grant to The Rotary Foundation for polio eradication.

The Funny Side – Thanks to Micki

A good laugh.....Washington Post Neologism contest

Once again, The Washington Post has published the winning submissions to its yearly neologism contest, in which readers are asked to supply alternate meanings for common words.

The winners are:

1. Coffee (n.), the person upon whom one coughs.
2. Flabbergasted (adj.), appalled over how much weight you have gained.
3. Abdicate (v.), to give up all hope of ever having a flat stomach.
4. Esplanade (v.), to attempt an explanation while drunk.
5. Willy-nilly (adj.), impotent.
6. Negligent (adj.), describes a condition in which you absent mindedly answer the door in your nightgown.
7. Lymph (v.), to walk with a lisp.
8. Gargoyle (n.), olive-flavored mouthwash.

9. Flatulence (n.) emergency vehicle that picks you up after you are run over by a steamroller.
10. Balderdash (n.), a rapidly receding hairline.
11. Testicle (n.), a humorous question on an exam.
12. Rectitude (n.), the formal, dignified bearing adopted by proctologists.
13. Pokemon (n), a Rastafarian proctologist.
14. Oyster (n.), a person who sprinkles his conversation with Yiddishisms.
15. Frisbeetarianism (n.), The belief that when you die, your Soul flies up onto the roof and gets stuck there.
16. Circumvent (n.), an opening in the front of boxer shorts worn by Jewish men.

International Toast

Hi Rotary Colleagues,

Tonight we toast the Katja's sponsor Club the Rotary Club of Zurich-Flughafen in Rotary District 2000.

The Club meets every Thursday at 12:15pm at the Hotel Hilton Glattbrugg,

Anniversaries and Celebrations

Happy Birthday to Maureen Nankerbis and Phil Gaffney celebrate their birthdays today.

Congratulations to Kevin and Maureen Young who celebrate their wedding anniversary on 25 July



Top left
Clare and Katie at Telstra Tower on Saturday

Other photos
The Crew at Ringlands on Sunday –
Be wary of a Rotarian and school principal with a knife