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The Rotary Club of Narooma Inc. Bulletin

Ted's Tips

Hi Everyone

Last meeting turned out to be a very full one. Not only in terms of numbers but also in content.

Are you coming to Rotary or not! This is a continuing concern for our attendance Officer Phil. We are very fortunate that so far we have not been cautioned by the Whale management for not giving the correct number for Dinner each week. The rule is that, if you are not coming please advise Phil, if you are bringing a Partner or a Guest please advise Phil. He will assume you are attending unless you either phone or e-mail him by Wednesday noon at the latest.

Welcome Katie! Hope by now everyone has had the chance to meet and talk with our Exchange Student Katie. We are very lucky to have such a delightful young lady as ours for this year. If an opportunity arises to take Katie away for the day or for a meal, please do so.

At this weeks meeting we will be welcoming our new Assistant District Governor, Maureen Manning, who will tell us of the district news and expectations of the DG for the year. Again the main emphasis will be on membership and Maureen will report on the recent Presidential Membership Conference held recently in Canberra with our Rotary International World President D.K.Lee.

Planning is continuing with the 50th Celebrations. Don't forget to keep this date, 16th August, in mind as your help will be needed as we approach the big day.

Ted

Tonight

Maureen Manning, Assistant District Governor

Duties

TASK	31 July	7 August	14 August
Welcome/Wheel	Marilyn Gibson	Lin Morey	No Meeting
Cashier	Lin Morey	Ian Thomlinson	50 th Celebrations
Toast / thanks	Ian Thomlinson	Bob Aston	At The Golf Club
4-way test	Bob Aston	Chris O'Brien	16 August
3-minute talk	Chris O'Brien	Kris Elphick	
FINES	Kris Elphick	Phil Gaffney	
Introduction	Phil Gaffney	Tony Fahey	

Coming Events

31 July	Maureen Manning, Assistant District Governor
1 August	Swiss National Day
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

Subs are now due

\$100.00 for half year or \$200.00 for the full year

Please pay Treasurer Kris, as soon as possible

Last Week

What a great meeting it was last week. We had so many visitors and guests Kris and Chris had to sit in the gallery. Chris O'Brien entertained us with a wonderful fine session on book titles. The editor informed us about blue water in his three minute talk and the crew from the pre-school gave an enlightened presentation on their daily lot. In all 90 students attend the pres-school for one, two or three days a week and Kristen, Megan and their support staff implement a range of quality programs from painting, to reading, gardening and caring for the chooks. At the end of the meeting PP Laurelle presented a cheque for \$500.00 to the pres-school. The funds will be used to upgrade the bike fleet!

We also celebrated Phil's and Maureen's birthdays. WE also welcomed Katie Gfeller as our exchange student for the next twelve months.

Thailand Peace Studies Program becomes permanent

By Diana Schoberg

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Call it a step toward a lasting peace -- or a lasting peace program at least.

The Rotary Foundation has announced that the peace and conflict studies program at Chulalongkorn University, Bangkok, Thailand, will become a permanent peace education initiative.

The three-month professional development certificate program began in 2006 as a three-year pilot aimed at mid- to upper-level professionals working for government and nongovernmental organizations in need of a shorter program than the two-year peace studies master's degrees offered at the other six Rotary Centres for International Studies.

The certificate and master's degree options will now be integrated into one program. Applicants will be able to use the same application to apply for all seven of the peace studies centers, and administration of the master's and certificate programs will be streamlined.

While the Rotary Centre at Chulalongkorn University will continue to offer two sessions -- January to April and June to August -- applications for both sessions will now be due on 1 July, at the same time as the master's degree option.

The Funny Side – Thanks to Fred Doctor and Tony Fahey

Baptizing A Drunk

A man is stumbling through the woods totally drunk when he comes upon a preacher baptizing people in the river. The drunk walks into the water and subsequently bumps into the preacher.

The preacher turns around and is almost overcome by the smell of booze.

Whereupon he asks the drunk, 'Are you ready to find Jesus?'

'Yes I am' replies the drunk, so the preacher grabs him and dunks him in the river. He pulls him up and asks the drunk, 'Brother have you found Jesus?'

The drunk replies, 'No, I haven't.' The preacher, shocked at the answer, dunks him into the water again, but for a bit longer this time. He pulls him out of the water and asks again, 'Have you found Jesus, my brother?' The drunk again answers, 'No, I have not found Jesus.'

By this time the preacher is at his wits end so he dunks the drunk in the water again, but this time he holds him down for about 30 seconds.

When the drunk begins kicking his arms and legs, the preacher pulls him up. The preacher asks the drunk again, 'For the love of God, have you found Jesus?' The drunk wipes his eyes and catches his breath and says to the preacher...

'Are you sure this is where he fell in?'

Some more on old age

Hospital regulations require a wheel chair for patients being discharged. However, while working as a student nurse, I found one elderly gentleman already dressed and sitting on the bed with a suitcase at his feet, who insisted he didn't need my help to leave the hospital.

After a chat about rules being rules, he reluctantly let me wheel him to the elevator.

On the way down I asked him if his wife was meeting him.

'I don't know,' he said. 'She's still upstairs in the bathroom changing out of her hospital gown.'

Couple in their nineties are both having problems remembering things. During a check-up, the doctor tells them that they're physically okay, but they might want to start writing things down to help them remember

Later that night, while watching TV, the old man gets up from his chair. 'Want anything while I'm in the kitchen?' he asks.

'Will you get me a bowl of ice cream?'

'Sure.'

'Don't you think you should write it down?' she asks.

'No, I can remember it.'

'Well, I'd like some strawberries on top, too. Maybe you should write it down?'

He says, 'I can remember that. You want a bowl of ice cream with strawberries.'

'I'd also like whipped cream. I'm certain you'll forget that, write it down?' she asks.

Irritated, he says, 'I don't need to write it down, I can remember it! Ice cream with strawberries and whipped cream - I got it, for goodness sake!'

Then he toddles into the kitchen. After about 20 minutes,

The old man returns from the kitchen and hands his wife a plate of bacon and eggs. She stares at the plate for a moment.

'Where's my toast?'

A senior citizen said to his eighty-year old buddy:

'So I hear you're getting married?'
'Yep!'
'Do I know her?'
'Nope!'
'This woman, is she good looking?'
'Not really.'
'Is she a good cook?'
'Naw, she can't cook too well.'
'Does she have lots of money?'
'Nope! Poor as a church mouse.'
'Well, then, is she good in bed?'
'I don't know.'
'Why in the world do you want to marry her then?'
'Because she can still drive!'

Three old guys are out walking.
First one says, 'Windy, isn't it?'
Second one says, 'No, it's Thursday!'
Third one says, 'So am I. Let's go get a beer.'

A man was telling his neighbour, 'I just bought a new hearing aid. It cost me four thousand pounds, but it's state of the art. It's perfect.'
'Really,' answered the neighbour. 'What kind is it?'
'Twelve thirty.'

Morris, an 82 year-old man, went to the doctor to get a physical.
A few days later, the doctor saw Morris walking down the street with a gorgeous young woman on his arm.
A couple of days later, the doctor spoke to Morris and said, 'You're really doing great, aren't you?'
Morris replied, 'Just doing what you said, Doc: 'Get a hot mamma and be cheerful.'
The doctor said, 'I didn't say that. I said, 'You've got a heart murmur; be careful.'

International Toast

Hi Rotary Colleagues,

Tonight we travel to the Rotary Club of Wick, Highlands in District 1010. Chartered in 1962, with 34 members, this club meets on Wednesday evenings at Mackay's Hotel.

Birthdays and Anniversaries

6 th August	Kerry Messner
10 th August	Anne Barker
14 th August	Heather Ferguson
18 th August	Ian & Micki's Wedding Anniversary
31 st August	John Messner



Clockwise from top left

Chris in fine form, Laurelle is delighted to give away some money, Phil blowing out 60 candles, Katie & Jenni enjoy a sausage sandwich at Ringlands and Ted presents a Narooma Rotary Banner to Terry Walsh

