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**Phil Gaffney**  
**the Tuesday**  
**before the**  
**meeting on**  
**44765547 or**  
**you will be**  
**charged for**  
**your meal.**

## *The Rotary Club of Narooma Inc. Bulletin*

### **Ted's Tips**

Hi all,

What an interesting speaker we had in Maree Kingsley. The Ambassadorial Scholarships is another of Rotary's great programs.— The Foundation sponsors one of the largest international scholarship programs in the world. Scholars study in a different country, where they serve as unofficial ambassadors of goodwill. Since 1947, more than 47,000 scholars from 110 countries have received scholarships of more than \$476 million through The Rotary Foundation.

The Roster for the Blues weekend is almost complete. Any member not on the roster but wanting to serve please call and we can rearrange to suit. The weekend also has the monthly markets and a presence is also needed there.

Next week is our board meeting. Any issues you feel need to be discussed either at the board or at Club, give me a call or talk with a board member.

In November, Moruya Rotary are again involved in the Relay for Life, run by the Cancer Council, in Moruya. We have been approached to support it by putting up a team, more on this later.

Cheers

Ted

### **Tonight**

**The Board Meets!**

## Duties

TASK	18 September	25 September	2 October
Welcome/Wheel	Phil Gaffney	Tony Fahey	Blues Festival
Cashier	Tony Fahey	Angie Ulrichsen	Set Up
Toast / thanks	Angie Ulrichsen	Jeremy Ferguson	
4-way test	Jeremy Ferguson	John Messner	
3-minute talk	John Messner	George Barker	
FINES	George Barker	Laurelle Pacey	
Introduction	Laurelle Pacey	Bob Aston	

## Coming Events

18 September	Board Meeting
25 September	Katie Gfeller – Rotary Youth Exchange
28 September	Narooma Rotary Markets – NATA Oval
2 October	Blues Festival Set Up
3, 4 & 5 October	Blues Festival
9 October	Phil Armstrong – District Vocational Service Rep
16 October	Club Assembly
23 October	Board Meeting

### International Toast

This week's International toast is to a Rotary Club in an area of the world where the weather has been anything but kind. The Rotary Club of Galveston in Texas, USA,, District 5910, was founded in 1913. It has 153 members. The club usually meets on Wednesdays at noon at Fisherman's Wharf. I doubt that they will have a meeting this week but no doubt they will be in full Rotarian mode and helping with the work and community service that will be needed for some time to come. We wish them all the very best.

# New country added to Rotary map

By Ryan Hyland

Rotary International News -- 11 September 2008

Members of the first Rotary club in the island nation of Kiribati spent a week in August celebrating its charter.

On 11 August, RI General Secretary Ed Futa, on behalf of the RI Board, approved a charter for the Rotary Club of Kiritimati, Line Islands, Republic of Kiribati, adding another nation to the more than 200 countries and geographical areas on the Rotary map.

"Rotary will have an important and positive impact on improving the lives of people in Kiritimati (formerly Christmas Island)," says club president Ruta Uatioa. "Rotary represents leadership, something we are excited to adopt here."

The 35-member club, along with guest Rotarians from District 9920 and the United States, held its first official club meeting on 23 August, the kickoff to the weeklong festivities. As part of the week's programming, Kiritimati club members visited schools and hospitals to assess potential projects.

Participating in the activities were members of the Rotary Club of Commerce City, Colorado, USA, who led multiple World Community Service (WCS) projects on Kiritimati and were instrumental in introducing Rotary to the islands.

George Maybee, a member of the Commerce City club, has vacationed with his wife, Sharon, on the island for years. During a trip in 2006, Maybee became convinced his club should get involved with helping people there.

A year later, the club launched a multiphase WCS project consisting of improved medical care, water quality, and educational opportunities.

The club then joined efforts with Past District 9220 Governor Warwick Pleass, who was already working with RI to get a club chartered in Kiribati. Maybee and members from the Rotary Club of Suva East, Fiji, made several trips to Kiritimati to help a provisional club.

## Island nation

Kiribati (pronounced KEER-ah-bhass) consists of 33 islands scattered across 2,400 miles of the Pacific Ocean, with a population of more than 105,000. The three main groupings are the Gilbert Islands, Phoenix Islands, and Line Islands.

In 1995, Kiribati drew international attention when it petitioned to change the International Date Line, which divided the nation into two time zones. The entire nation now lies west of the date line, which zigzags around the easternmost islands.

Kiribati gets a large portion of its income from overseas, including fishing licenses, development assistance, and tourism.

"Our people are used to being on the receiving end of help," says Uatioa. "With the first Rotary club here, our members can now be on the giving end."

Projects in the works for the Kiritimati club include completion of upgrades to the Banana Village Medical Clinic; construction of working toilets for all six schools on the island; distribution of dictionaries provided by the Rotary Club of Brighton Early, Colorado; and distribution of toothbrushes and toothpaste.

"The future is bright; Rotary can surely look forward to a glowing success with the Kiritimati club, as well as an additional club in Kiribati," says Maybee. "I'm very much looking forward to seeing the Kiribati flag at the RI Convention in Birmingham."

## Last Week

As President Ted, indicated in his introduction we were fortunate to have Maree Kingsley, an Ambassadorial Scholar, from Texas with us last week. Maree provided us with a great insight into her part of Texas and her study whilst in Australia. The program is another great example of the work of our Foundation.

On to other things Jeremy gave a combined three minute talk and fine session – based around his recent trip to Borneo, although he ran close to the wind on a few occasions with his fines he managed to stay out of trouble. George won the port and the wine winner was .....

## September Celebrations

1 <sup>st</sup>	Pam Raynor
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Marilyn Gibson
12 <sup>th</sup>	Laurelle Pacey
12 <sup>th</sup>	Lin Morey

# The Funny Side

A couple had two little boys, ages eight and ten, who were excessively mischievous.

The two were always getting into trouble and their parents could be confident that if any mischief occurred in their town, their two young sons were involved in some capacity. The parents were at their wit's end as to what to do about their sons' behaviour.

The parents had heard that a clergyman in town had been successful in disciplining children in the past, so they contacted him, and he agreed to give it his best shot. He asked to see the boys individually, so the eight-year-old was sent to meet with him first. The clergyman sat the boy down and asked him sternly, "Where is God?"

The boy made no response, so the clergyman repeated the question in an even sterner tone, "Where is God?"

Again the boy made no attempt to answer, so the clergyman raised his voice even more and shook his finger in the boy's face, "WHERE IS GOD?"

At that, the boy bolted from the room, ran directly home, and slammed himself in his closet. His older brother followed him into the closet and said, "What happened?"

The younger brother replied, "We are in BIG trouble this time. God is missing and they think we did it!"

***Just in case you think you are TC (technologically challenged). The following is an excerpt taken from a Wall Street Journal article:***

1. Compaq is considering changing the command "Press Any Key" to "Press Return Key" because of the flood of calls asking where the "Any" key is.
2. AST technical support had a caller complaining that her mouse was hard to control with the dust cover on. The cover turned out to be the plastic bag the mouse was packaged in.
3. Another Compaq technician received a call from a man complaining that the system wouldn't read word processing files from his old diskettes. After trouble-shooting for magnets and heat failed to diagnose the problem, it was found that the customer had labeled the diskettes, then rolled them into the typewriter to type the labels.
4. Another AST customer was asked to send a copy of her defective diskettes. A few days later a letter arrived from the customer along with photocopies of the floppies.
5. A Dell technician advised his customer to put his troubled floppy back in the drive and close the door. The customer asked the tech to hold on, and was heard putting the phone down, getting up and crossing the room to close the door to his room.

6. Another Dell customer called to say he couldn't get his computer to fax anything. After 40 minutes of trouble-shooting, the technician discovered the man was trying to fax a piece of paper by holding it in front of the monitor screen and hitting the "send" key.

7. Yet another Dell customer called to complain that his keyboard no longer worked. He had cleaned it by filling up his tub with soap and water and soaking the keyboard for a day, then removing all the keys and washing them individually.

8. A Dell technician received a call from a customer who was enraged because his computer had told him he was "bad and an invalid". The tech explained that the computer's "bad command" and "invalid" responses shouldn't be taken personally.

9. A confused caller to IBM was having troubles printing documents. He told the technician that the computer had said it "couldn't find printer". The user had also tried turning the computer screen to face the printer - but that his computer still couldn't "see" the printer.

10. An exasperated caller to Dell Computer Tech Support couldn't get her new Dell Computer to turn on. After ensuring the computer was plugged in, the technician asked her what happened when she pushed the power button. Her response, "I pushed and pushed on this foot pedal and nothing happens." The "foot pedal" turned out to be the computer's mouse.

11. Another customer called Compaq tech support to say her brand-new computer wouldn't work. She said she unpacked the unit, plugged it in and sat there for 20 minutes waiting for something to happen. When asked what happened when she pressed the power switch, she asked "What power switch?"

12. True story from a Novell NetWare SysOp:

**Caller:** "Hello, is this Tech Support?"

Tech: "Yes, it is. How may I help you?"

**Caller:** "The cup holder on my PC is broken and I am within my warranty period. How do I go about getting that fixed?"

Tech: "I'm sorry, but did you say a cup holder?"

**Caller:** "Yes, it's attached to the front of my computer."

Tech: "Please excuse me if I seem a bit stumped, It's because I am. Did you receive this as part of a promotional, at a trade show? How did you get this cup holder? Does it have any trademark on it?"

**Caller:** "It came with my computer, I don't know anything about a promotional. It just has '4X' on it." At this point the Tech Rep had to mute the caller, because he couldn't stand it. He was laughing too hard. The caller had been using the load drawer of the CD-ROM drive as a cup holder, and snapped it off the drive!

## The Blues Festival Roster 2008

Time	Friday 4 October	Saturday 5 October	Sunday 6 October	Sunday Market	Monday 7 October
6:00am – 9:00am Market Gate				1 Laurelle Pacey	
				2 Angie Ulrichsen	
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9:00am – 12noon				1Kris Elphick	1 Ted Bladwell
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					3 Phil Gaffney
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12noon Power Check Health Inspection	1 Ted Bladwell				
12noon - 3:00pm		1 Kris Elphick	1 Max Reid	1Kris Elphick	
		2 Therese Aston	2 Pat Reid		
		3 Marilyn Gibson	3 John Messner		
		4 Jack Wightman	4 Marilyn Gibson		
3:00pm - 6:00pm		1 Max Reid	1Ted Bladwell		
		2 Pat Reid	2 Sam Bladwell		
		3 Ted Bladwell	3 Micki Thomlinson		
		4 Sam Bladwell	4 Ian Thomlinson		
6:00pm – 9:00pm	1Bob Aston	1Bob Aston	1Laurelle Pacey		
	2 Laurelle Pacey	2 Therese Aston	2 Katie Gfeller		
	3 Ted Bladwell	3 Jenni Aston	3 Scott Ferguson		
	4 Sam Bladwell	4 Clare Aston	4 Evan Langham		
9:00pm – 12:00 midnight	1 Laurelle Pacey?	1Bob Aston	1 Angie Ulrichsen		
	2 Katie Gfeller	2 Jack Wightman	2		
	3 Angie Ulrichsen	3 Jeremy Ferguson	3 Jeremy Ferguson		
	4	4 Neil Ferguson	4 Neil Ferguson		