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

### **Ted's Tips**

Hi all,

As I write this, another monthly market been and gone. We are suffering the same as most public functions are in that our attendance is dropping and some of the stall holders are pulling out due to financial reasons, so we have to come up with ideas to improve numbers. We were fortunate today in that a bus load of Probus members travelling through swelled our funds considerably.

Last weeks Club Assembly brought to light some items for the board to consider such as the Manning of the Van with the P & C and the duck Race.

Lets start thinking now of possible people to ask to the meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> November, to hear David Shackelton speak on his experiences as head of the Navy. This is not a designated Partners night, but Partners are of course welcome. Don't feel that you have to grab anyone for the night, but someone who may be interested in joining us.

In just over a months time we have the Annual General Meeting. So time again to elect President for the year 2009/2010 as well as the President for 2010/2011, and the board members for next year.

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### **Tonight**

**Ted's Magical Mystery Tour (Partners' Night)**

## Duties

TASK	30 October	6 November	13 November
Welcome/Wheel	<i>Ted's</i>	George Barker	Laurelle Pacey
Cashier	<i>Magical</i>	Laurelle Pacey	Bill Hardie
Toast / thanks	<i>Mystery</i>	Bill Hardie	Lin Morey
4-way test	<i>Tour</i>	Lin Morey	Bob Antill
3-minute talk	<i>Meet</i>	Bob Antill	Marilyn Gibson
FINES	<i>at</i>	Marilyn Gibson	Chris O'Brien
Introduction	<i>Visitor Info Centre</i>	Chris O'Brien	Paul Smith

## Coming Events

30 October	Ted's Magical Mystery Tour (Partners' Night) Meet at Visitor Information Centre
31 October 2 November	District Conference at Sussex Inlet
6 November	Conference Report
13 November	Rear Admiral David Shackleton RAN (Rtd.)
20 November	Board Meeting
23 November	Narooma Rotary Markets – NATA Oval
27 November	TBC
4 December	No Meeting
6 December	Cocktails @ Chez Aston
11 December	Club AGM
14 December	Carols by Candlelight
18 December	Club Christmas Party

## The Week that was

Last week President Ted presided over a Club Assembly. As far as I remember no major issues were raised. There was some discussion about the Club taking over the Van at the markets and Jack gave an informative update on the Foundation.

Ted also advised that the meeting on 13 November would be a prospective members night and that barefoot bowls will be one of the highlights of our summer program.

Lin gave an interesting three minute talk on his recent trip to Norfolk Island. Lin liked the idea of a 40km/h speed limit on the Island – It would be no good to me.

Laurelle reported that she had spoken with Frank (his health is not the best) and Neville's son-in-law. Neville is going well – swimming on a regular basis and enjoying life. It seems that the family will be down this way later in the year.

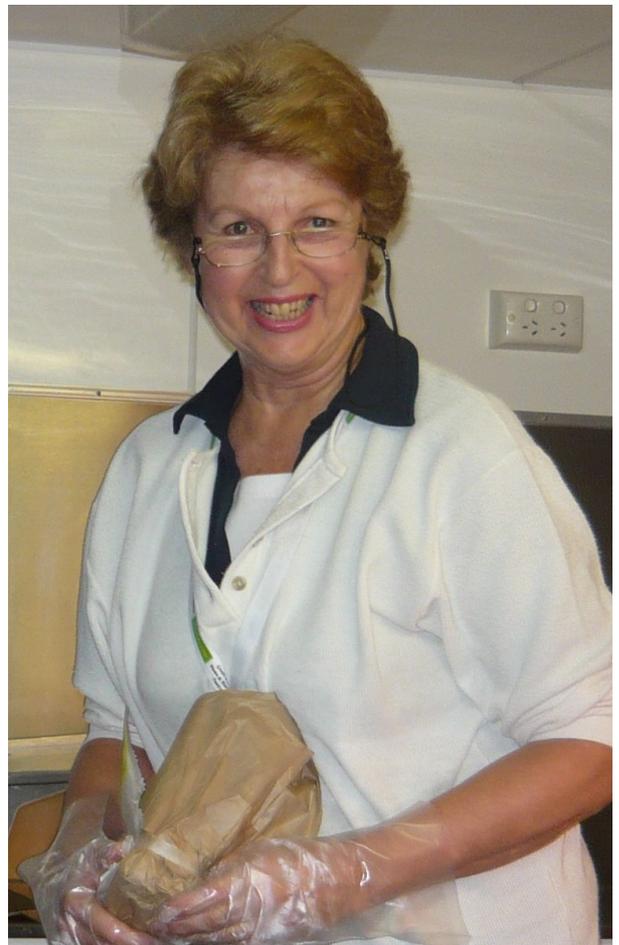
Bob Aston gave a fine session on *Wicked, The Rocky Horror Show* and the GFC (that's Global Financial Crisis). It seems that Ted and Ian were fighting it out as the best looker in fishnets, garters and red lipstick!

Laurelle won the port and Jack (again) the wine!

## The Partners' View – Sam Bladwell

Rotary for me has been a happy part of my life for over 60yrs. My Father joined Rotary when I was 5yrs. Old and remained a member till 1987. I remember many great activities and functions growing up. Ted has similar connections with both his Father and Grandfather being members of Goulburn Rotary for long periods. Rotary of course has changed, especially over the last 15yrs. But it is still a wonderful opportunity to meet people and be part of the community and also to serve the community.

Sam.



# Messages

November 2008

Dear fellow Rotarians,

The mission of The Rotary Foundation is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education, and the alleviation of poverty.

It sounds so simple, yet it means so much.

It means so much to every one of the people touched by Foundation-supported programs every year – the children too poor to go to school, the families who have lost everything in a disaster, the communities that lack sanitation, clean water, and medical care.

It means so much to the two billion children now living lives free from polio. Because of the work that the Foundation has helped support, five million cases of paralysis and more than 250,000 deaths from polio have been prevented.

Today, we are in what we hope will be the last stages of the fight against polio. All of you have helped through your support of our Foundation. Through the Foundation, we are able to be part of the day-to-day work of polio eradication by helping supply the transportation, the fliers, the advertisements, and even the lollipops to ensure we reach all children with the essential oral polio vaccine and make each round of immunization a success.

Those of you who have participated in a National Immunization Day know exactly what I'm talking about when I say there's nothing like it – nothing like knowing you're being a part of saving lives and making history. And if you can't be there yourself, then being part of the work through our Foundation is the next best thing.

Why do we have a Foundation? We have a Foundation because our Foundation lifts Rotary up. It lets every club and every district do the most it possibly can. It allows every one of us to be part of all of Rotary's work, and it brings that work to greater and greater heights.

As we celebrate Rotary Foundation Month, we should all remember that The Rotary Foundation is *our* Foundation. It's here for us and because of us; it allows us to do more, to be more, and to bring more hope to the world. The responsibility for keeping our Foundation strong lies with each of us.

Dong Kurn (D.K.) Lee  
President, Rotary International

## The Funny Side

The golfing nun

A nun walks into Mother Superior's office and plunks down into a chair. She lets out a sigh heavy with frustration.

"What troubles you, Sister?" asks the Mother Superior. "I thought this was the day you spent with your family."

"It was," sighed the Sister. "And I went to play golf with my brother. We try to play golf as often as we can. You know I was quite a talented golfer before I devoted my life to Christ."

"I seem to recall that," the Mother Superior agreed. "So I take it your day of recreation was not relaxing?"

"Far from it," snorted the Sister. "In fact, I even took the Lord's name in vain today."

"Goodness, Sister!" gasped the Mother Superior, astonished. "You must tell me all about it!"

"Well, we were on the fifth tee...and this hole is a monster, Mother; 540 yard Par 5, with a nasty dogleg left and a hidden green...and I hit the drive of my life. I creamed it. The sweetest swing I ever made. And it's flying straight and true, right along the line I wanted...and it hits a bird in mid-flight not 100 yards off the tee ."

"Oh my!" commiserated the Mother. "How unfortunate! But surely that didn't make you blaspheme, Sister!"

"No, that wasn't it," admitted Sister. "While I was still trying to fathom what had happened, this squirrel runs out of the woods, grabs my ball and runs off down the fairway."

"Oh, that would have made me blaspheme!" sympathized Mother.

"But I didn't, Mother Superior." sobbed the Sister. "And I was so proud of myself! And while I was pondering whether this was a sign from God, this hawk swoops out of the sky and grabs the squirrel and flies off with my ball still clutched in his paws."

"So that's when you cursed," said the Mother with a knowing smile.

"Nope, that wasn't it either," cried the Sister, anguished, "because as the hawk started to fly out of sight, the squirrel started struggling, and the hawk dropped him right there on the green, and the ball popped out of his paws and rolled to about 18 inches from the cup ."

Mother Superior sat back in her chair, folded her arms across her chest, fixed the Sister with a baleful stare and said...

"You missed the #\$\$\$%\$# putt, didn't you?"

## **Some More Jokes (Thanks to Tony)**

Mensa is an organization whose members have an IQ of 140 or higher. A few years ago, there was a Mensa Convention in San Francisco, and several members lunched at a local cafe.

While dining, they discovered that their saltshaker contained pepper and their pepper shaker was full of salt. How could they swap the contents of the bottles without spilling, and using only the implements at hand? Clearly this was a job for Mensa! The group debated and presented ideas, and finally came up with a brilliant solution involving a napkin, a straw, and an empty saucer. They called the waitress over to dazzle her with their solution.

"Ma'am," they said, "we couldn't help but notice that the pepper shaker contains salt and the salt shaker..."

"Oh," the waitress interrupted. "Sorry about that." She unscrewed the caps of both bottles and switched them.

A lawyer dies and goes to Heaven. "There must be some mistake," the lawyer argues. "I'm too young to die. I'm only fifty five."

"Fifty five?" says Saint Peter. "No, according to our calculations, you're eighty two."

"How'd you get that?" the lawyer asks.

Answers St. Peter, "We added up your billable hours."

## **Ted's Tips (Cont from Page 1)**

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Our 'away' time from regular meetings starts with a Sunday Lunch at Pub Hill Farm on the 16<sup>th</sup> November, Cocktails at the Astons on the 6<sup>th</sup> December with our Christmas Party on the 18<sup>th</sup> December, all the you buet fun of manning the Food Tent at Bar Beach over the Christmas/New Year Period, of course that's after Santa comes!!

Cheers for now, don't forget, be at the Visitor's Centre 6.50pm this Thursday evening for the bus to Dinner. We are going North so there will be a pick up at the Dalmeny Bus stop. Please advise if you are at Dalmeny, as we will then not expect you in town.

Cheers

Ted