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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,

We returned safely from the no longer Mystery trip to Coila Inn, after an entertaining talk from John Petherbridge about some of his experiences in his role as an Australian Ambassador, and we had the pleasure of the company of Katie, Pam Rayner and Matt and Jen from the Whale. All were home by 10.00pm. There are many spots a short distance around us, so another such night is planned. Thanks to all who attended.

Katie, Max & Pat and Sam & I are off to Sussex Inlet to the Rotary Conference this weekend for 2 days of fellowship and to learn what Rotary is doing in the District and World wide. It should be an interesting time. Next meeting you will hear all about it!

Remember the meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> with David Shackelton as our Guest Speaker, is the opportunity to ask someone to join us for the night and to maybe become keen enough to join Rotary.

An approach has been made to us to put a team up for the 'Relay for Life' on behalf of the NSW Cancer Council, on the 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> November. All that is required is a small registration fee and the stamina to walk around the Moruya oval a few times with long breaks and lots of fun. More on this next week.

For those not present last night, we have a luncheon planned for the 16<sup>th</sup> November at Pubhill, courtesy of Micki and Ian. This will take the place of the meeting of the 20<sup>th</sup> November.

All for now, off to Sussex.

Cheers  
Ted

### **Tonight**

### **Conference Report**

## Duties

TASK	6 November	13 November	20 November
Welcome/Wheel	George Barker	Laurelle Pacey	No
Cashier	Laurelle Pacey	Bill Hardie	Meeting
Toast / thanks	Bill Hardie	Lin Morey	In –Lieu
4-way test	Lin Morey	Bob Antill	Of
3-minute talk	Bob Aston	Marilyn Gibson	Lunch at
FINES	Marilyn Gibson	Chris O'Brien	Ian's & Micki's
Introduction	Chris O'Brien	Paul Smith	On 16 November

## Coming Events

6 November	Conference Report
13 November	Rear Admiral David Shackleton RAN (Rtd.)
16 November	Lunch at Ian and Micki's
20 November	No 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 it was off on Ted's magical mystery tour. We did get a little hint as to the possible destination when Ted said that we were travelling north and those of us who lived in Dalmeny could get on at the Dalmeny bus stop. Therese and I arrived at the designated pick up spot with a couple of beers for the trip (you can never go on a bus trip without a couple of beers). Also waiting were Pam Rayner, Paul and Ann Smith and John and Ann Petherbridge – John turned out to be our mystery guest speaker!

Heather Ferguson started a book on the most likely destination; sadly those who backed Bodalla (The pub, Bowling club or Malibu Mex), Potato Point and Tuross lost their money. Just as we were settling in to the trip from the Tuross turnoff into Moruya we suddenly veered right into our secret destination – *The Inn at Coila!* And the winner was Ted! (Somehow I think it was rigged).

We had a great night, the food was good. Bob Antill gave a three minute talk on terrorism and its different meanings across the world and George Barker won the raffle – a couple of bottles of wine. (How come George, who never drinks always wins the wine?)

John Petherbridge gave an amusing and insightful talk on his career as a diplomat from the late forties to the early eighties. John served with distinction in many places including Ireland, USSR, India, Scandinavia, Sri Lanka, Pakistan and Afghanistan. A couple of the most interesting points were his journey into the USSR by train at the height of the cold war and the implementation of the *Australian Room* at many diplomatic events held in Pakistan.

## The Partners' View Of Rotary Food.....

By Micki Thomlinson

The Narooma Rotarians have hit the jackpot with their meals at the Whale! Some years ago Rotary met at what is now the Lasallian Motel. The food they were served was so awesomely, so unbelievably vile that Ian would return from meetings and I would ask "what did you eat tonight"? To which he would reply "I have no idea". Indeed the fare was so horrible that the late Rotarian Paul Rayner refused to eat there and would have dinner at home before arriving at the meetings! One morning we tuned in to the ABC local news to hear that the Lasallian Centre had had a huge fire, thought to have started in the kitchens! I immediately called Paul and said "I know you hate the food there but this is a bit of over-kill isn't it? You didn't have to go quite this far". Paul always denied having anything to do with the fire and the culprit remained at large!!

Mary Maclean

It is with sadness that we report that Mary Maclean – wife of Peter, has passed away. A memorial service for Mary will be held sometime this week in Narooma. Ian will keep us informed via email.

Peter is an Honorary member of the Club, a former President, a PHF and a former long time treasurer

# The Funny Side

## How to give a cat a pill

Pick cat up and cradle it in the crook of your left arm as if holding a baby. Position right forefinger and thumb on either side of cat's mouth and gently apply pressure to cheeks while holding pill in right hand. As cat opens mouth pop pill into mouth. Allow cat to close mouth and swallow.

Retrieve pill from floor and cat from behind sofa. Cradle cat in left arm and repeat process.

Retrieve cat from bedroom, and throw away soggy pill.

Take new pill from foil wrap, cradle cat in left arm holding rear paws tightly with left hand. Force jaws open and push pill to back of mouth with right forefinger. Hold mouth shut for a count of ten.

Retrieve pill from goldfish bowl and cat from top of wardrobe. Call spouse from garden.

Kneel on floor with cat wedged firmly between knees, hold front and rear paws. Ignore low growls emitted by cat. Get spouse to hold head firmly with one hand while forcing wooden ruler into mouth. Drop pill down ruler and rub cat's throat vigorously.

Retrieve cat from curtain rail; get another pill from foil wrap. Make note to buy new ruler and repair curtains. Carefully sweep shattered figurines and vases from hearth and set to one side for gluing later.

Wrap cat in large towel and get spouse to lie on cat with head just visible from below armpit. Put pill in end of drinking straw, force mouth open with pencil and blow down drinking straw.

Check label to make sure pill not harmful to humans, drink 1 beer to take taste away. Apply Band-Aid to spouse's forearm and remove blood from carpet with cold water and soap.

Retrieve cat from neighbours shed. Get another pill. Open another beer. Place cat in cupboard and close door onto neck to leave head showing. Force mouth open with dessert spoon. Flick pill down throat with elastic band.

Fetch screwdriver from garage and put cupboard door back on hinges. Drink beer. Fetch bottle of scotch. Pour shot, drink. Apply cold compress to cheek and check records for date of last tetanus jab. Apply Whiskey compress to cheek to disinfect. Toss back another shot. Throw t-shirt away and fetch new one from bedroom.

Ring fire department to retrieve the \*\*\*\*ing cat from tree across the road. Apologize to neighbour who crashed into fence while swerving to avoid cat. Take last pill from foil-wrap.

Tie the little bastard's front paws to rear paws with garden twine and bind tightly to leg of dining table, find heavy duty pruning gloves from shed.

Push pill into mouth followed by large piece of fillet steak. Be rough about it. Hold head vertically and pour 2 litres of water down throat to wash pill down.

Consume remainder of Scotch. Get spouse to drive you to the emergency room, sit quietly while doctor stitches fingers and forearm and removes pill remnants from right eye. Call furniture shop on way home to order new table.

Arrange for RSPCA to collect mutant cat from Hades, and ring local pet shop to see if they have any hamsters.

### **HOW TO GIVE A DOG A PILL:**

01. Wrap it in bacon.

### **Happy Halloween (Thanks to Fred Doctor)**

A cabbie picks up a Nun.

She gets into the cab, and notices that the VERY handsome cab driver won't stop staring at her.

She asks him why he is staring.

He replies, 'I have a question to ask you but I don't want to offend you.'

She answers, 'My son, you cannot offend me. When you're as old as I am and have been a nun as long as I have, you get a chance to see and hear just about everything. I'm sure that there's nothing you could say or ask that I would find offensive.'

'Well, I've always had a fantasy to have a nun kiss me.'

She responds, 'Well, let's see what we can do about that:

#1, you have to be single and

#2, you must be Catholic.'

The cab driver is very excited and says, 'Yes, I'm single and Catholic!'

'OK,' the nun says. 'Pull into the next alley.'

The nun fulfills his fantasy with a kiss that would make a hooker blush.

But when they get back on the road, the cab driver starts crying.

'My dear child,' says the nun, 'why are you crying?'

'Forgive me but I've sinned. I lied and I must confess. I'm married and I'm Jewish.'

The nun says, 'That's OK. My name is Kevin and I'm going to a Halloween party.'

# BARE FOOT BOWLS



The Inaugural  
Batemans Bay - Moruya - Narooma

## Barefoot Bowls Challenge

A barefoot bowling day has been arranged  
at the Bodalla Bowling Club.

We will field, 14 teams of 4,  
but will also need a strong team of supporters.

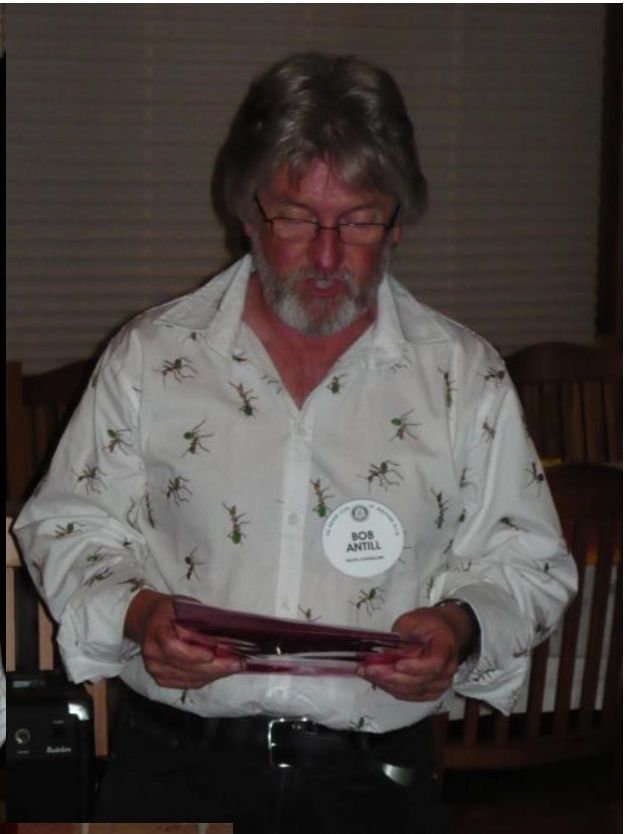
**Date: January 17, 2009**

**Time: 10.30am for 11am**

The cost will be \$15pp. This provides a Chinese banquet lunch, trophies and prizes throughout the day.

Teams will be mixed, one person from each club. There will be winning team as well as an overall winning player. So, get moving organise members and partners and let make this a day to remember





Above left

Our guest Speaker and former Australian Ambassador John Petherbridge at the conclusion of his speech.

Above  
Bob Antill on  
Terrorism

Left  
John and Pat in deep  
conversation

## Pubhill Farm

Ian and Micki have kindly offered to host us at Pubhill Farm on 16 November. The details are below. Note there will be no meeting on Thursday 20 November 2008.

Lunch at Pub Hill Farm, 566 Wagonga Scenic Drive, Narooma

Date: Sunday 16 November

Time: 12.30pm

Lunch will be a spit roast / BBQ

Cost: \$20 per head, all profits for the Club admin account

For Rotarians and family members

BYOG

Numbers will be asked for at this week's meeting and for those receiving this bulletin by email; you are very welcome to reply direct to Ian and Micki by phone or email.

We do hope for a really good turnout.

## The Market Report for 26 October 2008

Gate	\$ 670.50
Van	\$ 584.50
Wishing Well	\$ 103.70
Rotary Treasure	\$ 83.20
Total	\$1441.60

Pretty good effort (partly thanks to the Muswellbrook Probus Club).

### International Toast

International toast this week is to the Rotary Club of Sydney Cove, NSW - District 9750. The Club was chartered in 1988 and has 103 members who meet on Friday evenings at 7.30 pm aboard The John Cadman 11 at Wharf 6, Circular Quay. Some Rotarians really do it tough!!!

Be inspired!  
Maz