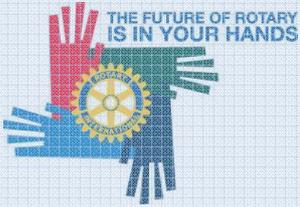


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The Rotary Club of Narooma Inc. Bulletin



WELCOME TO 2010 –

THE BEGINING OF THE SECOND DECADE OF THE CENTURY.

January is a time relax a little and prepare for the year ahead. Our meetings will be social events for all the family to come and enjoy. May you all have a fantastic year ahead in Rotary and on the home front. But first a look back at our Christmas meeting!!

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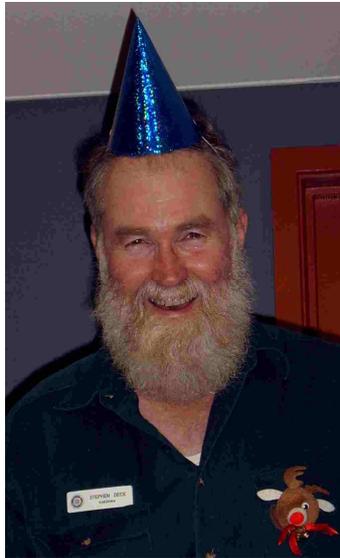
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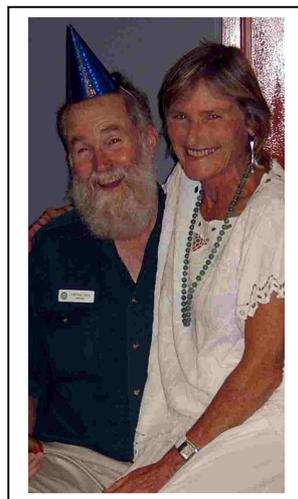
MarilynGibson@det.nsw.edu.au OR you will be charged for your meal.



Our Christmas dinner at the Whale was a great night but special thanks must go to Steve Deck for being such a wonderful and spontaneous Santa. I'm sure that he'll have a new career when he finishes wandering around the bush.

Chris O'Brien organised games and trivia and Christmas Carols, well done Chris and our thanks. Also special thanks to Angie and Merinda who joined Chris for the Carols. Next year we'll have the words for all to join in!

Jack's page has a full run down and more (page 3.) And last but not least to everyone involved in running the van at the Carols, Market and at the boat ramp. Thankyou to Max and Ted for going the extra mile.



Yes we had a good time!! More on page 4

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES: This month the 4th has Steve Elphick celebrating his birthday and Bob and Therese Aston have a Wedding Anniversary on the 6th

COMING EVENTS

7th January - BBQ at Bob and Merinda's
36 Corunna Rd (off the Old Highway) third house on right – 4476 3048
6pm

\$7.50 pp \$5 kids \$25 family

(this will cover cost of meat ,soft drink etc)

Please bring: A salad or desert (call first please), Walking shoes (if you want to wander up to the shack) BYO (wine etc) and a big smile.

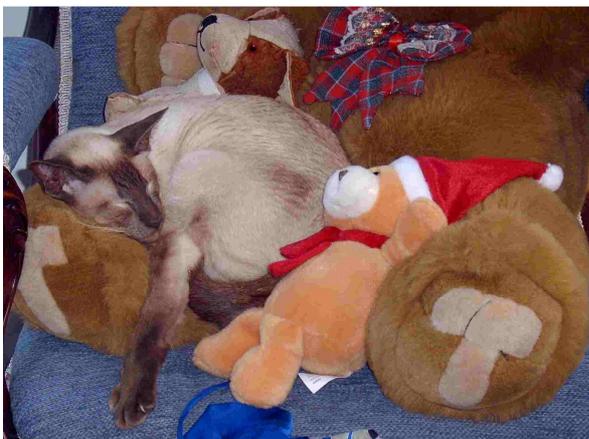
14th January - BBQ at Max and Pat's
44 Dawn Pde Kianga (last on left) – 4476 1676
6pm

\$7.50 pp \$5 kids \$25 family

(this will cover cost of meat soft drink etc)

Please bring: A salad or desert (call first please), A chair; plate, knife,fork & spoon ; BYO (wine etc) and a big smile.

21st January – Details TBA
Either at Taylors for Fish & Chips or BBQ in a Park.



MARKETS on the 24th

DUCK RACE ON THE 26th of January
Sell your tickets, hand up to help set free and capture them and our other duty at the Australia Day ceremony.

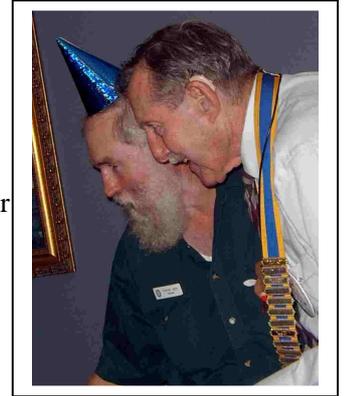
Meetings commence again on the first Thursday in Feb at the Whale.

Winston Antill "the party cat" survived Christmas!

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Of all the (9) Christmases I have enjoyed with the club I venture to say that our Christmas Dinner at the Whale on 17 December was one of the most enjoyable. The food was excellent - a good, hearty meal enjoyed in the company of Honorary Rotarian Pam Rayner, visiting Rotarians PDG Noel Trevaskis and Brian Webster and their partners, Norm and Kath Hoyer (guests of George), the aforementioned Noel and Sue (guests of Ted), and partners of the members present. We missed the Astons, the Gibsons and the Byrnes (apologies) and the Smiths (Paul on leave).



We appreciated Rolf's donation of mince pies for the wheel raffle, won by Lin and Maureen who won the port to go with them. Stephen was shanghaied to play the part of Father Christmas and received a lot of loving attention for doing it so graciously. After dinner we had some marvellous entertainment, thanks to Chris who tested our knowledge of Christmas with a quiz and our interpretation of charades on the titles of songs and films – great fun! Pam's Christmas Hamper raffle was won by Bob Aston, and to wrap up the evening Chris, Merinda and Angie led us in singing a medley of Christmas carols.

For enhancing personal development, leadership skills and good citizenship, the Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) is one of the most worthwhile programs we can offer to young people in the 18-25 years age bracket. It began in Queensland in 1959 and was adopted by the RI Board of Directors as an official program of Rotary International in 1971. After scouting the field locally for applicants we have selected Scott Ferguson to attend the District RYLA 2010 camp which will be held at Greenhills, near Canberra, in the week 18-23 January.

Our club, at the discretion of the president of the day, is privileged to be able to award scholarships each year to assist students who have completed Year 12 at Narooma High School to undertake tertiary studies. These scholarships, known as "Narooma Rotary Club Scholarships", are funded from a bequest by Alexander Birch for which we maintain an investment account. Following the precedent established by past presidents we award a scholarship to one student each year to be held for three years subject to the student making satisfactory progress. I determined that the value of the 2010 scholarship will be \$3,000 per year (the same as before), and with the assistance of Youth Sub-Committee chair Laurelle Pacey and a selection panel comprising Ian Thomlinson, Marilyn Gibson and Angie Ulrichsen, I was pleased to offer it to Alice Hanigan of Mystery Bay. After a gap year, Alice will undertake a Bachelor of Planning course at the University of New South Wales with a view to a career in town planning.

Some excellent news on the fundraising front. First, our thanks to Pam Rayner for the Christmas Hamper to raffle – the net proceeds were \$310.00. Next, to the crew on the van at Carols by Candlelight, whose work brought in \$536.30. Finally, to all who were involved in the market on 27 December – their collective effort added \$2,360.75 to the Charity kitty. All departments, the market, the van, the wishing well and the white elephant, made considerably greater contributions than usual to get this result. With the van (not the tent) at Apex Park, and the Duck Race raffle under way, we look like having a prosperous New Year.

I see that Bob Antill has given details about the forthcoming barbecues in this bulletin. Please give Bob/Merinda and Max/Pat plenty of notice that you, your partner and any guests are attending (not later than the Tuesday beforehand). Consider taking advantage of these informal meetings to bring guests including prospective members you wish to introduce to the club.

Yours in Rotary fellowship,
President Jack.

P.S. Membership some subs are overdue!



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Clockwise from top: Our wonderful hosts at the Whale Mat & Jen ; The winner is Sue Trevaskis and Pam Rayner draw "Pam's Hamper" ; Merinda stumps Kevin and Chris during charades ; Laurelle grabbing for a camera ; Angie singing during Carols ; Like all good boys Ted was rewarded ; Steve asks if Chris had been a good girl!