



The Rotary Club of Narooma Inc. Bulletin

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Apologies and additional guests to Rolf Gimmel the Tuesday before the meeting on 44762274 or email rolfs@dodo.com.au OR you will be charged for your meal.



MARCHING ALONG TO THE OYSTER FESTIVAL

And then the crowds came and we were ready! What a great job, including the Narooma High P&C and John who cooked like there was no tomorrow. Laurelle, Angie & Bob Aston kicked us off on Friday night with Donuts and Saturday it was all hands on deck making everything as quickly as possible. Thanks to Jeremy for getting the van there and the Shooting Club for towing it back. More pg 3 & 4.

Brian Gorman former teacher who was recruited to the Foreign Service and “sent abroad to lie for your country” was our guest speaker last Thursday night. Brian added that working for Australia meant you didn’t have to lie much, unlike some other countries. During his time he served in many exotic locations and some fairly scary ones. He explained that Australian Embassy staff were expected to obey the laws of the country they were in and it is rare that they claim Diplomatic Immunity; they pay all their own fines! After visiting Polititions, embassy parties, receptions and diplomatic manoeuvres, Brian concluded “in addition to the lies, are the secrets – which I’ll leave for now”.

TONIGHT:

Board Meeting

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES:
None this week

COMING EVENTS

26 th May	Meeting at Moruya with Bay and the US Consul.
23 rd May	MARKETS
3 rd June	Susan Pryke
10 th June	TBA
17 th June	Joint Board Meeting
24 th June	TBA
27 th June	Markets

DUTIES

TASK	20th May	26th May	3rd June
Cashier	Terry Irvine	At Moruya	Angie Ulrichsen
3-minute talk	John Mesner		Bob Antill
Wheel	Bob Aston	US Consul	Lin Morey
FINES	Ian Thomlinson		John Mesner
Introduction			Laurelle Pacey
Thanks			Bob Aston

INTERNATIONAL TOAST:

RC Bayeux, Pernambuco in D4500, Brazil. Chartered in 1991
They have only 8 members who meet on Tuesdays at 8 pm at the Sede Propria.

"I'm going to disagree with the Prime Minister. I don't consider myself a hero. I'm an ordinary girl who believed in her dream"

Jessica Watson – 16yr old solo round the world sailor at the end of her epic voyage in Sydney last Saturday.

JACK'S JOURNAL

What a great result! Takings from the van at the Oyster Festival amounted to nearly \$2,600 including a handy \$362 from donuts on the Friday evening. We are indebted to all who got the van ready and supplied for the task, worked hard to stay ahead of demand for sizzling steak sangers, etc., and cleaned and packed up. Congratulations and thanks to Laurelle, Kris, John, Bob & Bob & Merinda, Jeremy, Ian & Micki, and Angie who went the extra mile to make the most of this opportunity for fundraising.

And Chris deserves a medal for managing to get the parade assembled to start Saturday's program punctually at 9.00 o'clock – talk about herding cats! – well, dogs and lions were there, the Lions behind Rotary and ahead of Quota in the order of march.

The difficulty we have in filling rosters for these events does place an unfair burden on the relatively small number of members who can find (or make) time to do duty. Their willingness and enthusiasm are likely to decline without an influx of new members to share the load. Whilst some members have undertaken to secure prospective members, it is a responsibility we must all take. We should continually be on the lookout and must not hesitate to approach people and interest them in what we do – because we have a lot of competition from other community groups always seeking new members.

It was by a narrow margin, 263-250 votes, that the Council on Legislation approved an enactment to add a fifth Avenue of Service, adopting an amendment to change the name from “Youth Service”, as originally proposed, to “New Generations”. In fact, RI has long recognised New Generations as an arm of the General Program of Rotary, together with Vocational Service, Community Service and International Service, stating in the Manual of Procedure that it is the responsibility of each Rotarian to prepare the New Generations – all young people up to the age of 30 – by improving their life skills to ensure a better future, while recognising the diversity of their needs. This we do with several Rotary Youth programs and a bequest, yet maybe there are other things we can do to meet fundamental needs of the New Generations – health, human values, education and self-development.

It's interesting to know that we may have indirectly supported a program called *Tuning in to Kids – Emotionally Intelligent Parenting* with our donations to Australian Rotary Health which part-funded an evaluation of the program in 2006-07-08. It was designed to guide parents of 4 and 5 year old children with behaviour problems, teaching them to engage with their child's emotional life so the child can learn to understand and manage his/her emotions, and so avoid developing a condition known as Conduct Disorder. Definitely a New Generations program!

Yours in Rotary Fellowship,
President Jack.



26th May Wednesday meeting at Moruya (Instead of Thursday)... PARTNERS NIGHT... we need numbers tonight. If we have enough people we can take a small bus.



Brian Gorman thanked by Rolf.



An aquarium is an interactive television for cats!
Dogs believe they are human. Cats believe they are God.

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