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### *Tappings from Terry.*

Last Thursday we learnt a little about our newest member Orit, and Bob Antill is learning how to pronounce Jewish lady's names. I don't remember her telling us what her name means, according to Google it means: "light". For my part, when I told Annette that Orit had lived in Elat she reminded me that she has an Elat stone ring, and that we nearly missed the plane leaving Lod airport when she bought it. That was a long time ago when we used to sell fragrances that were made in Israel and we had visited the factory. The owner was running late for her meeting with us, as she had attended a compulsory civil defence session at her child's pre-school. When we left Israel, it was and is the only time the meal tray on the flight included a prayer, which sort of gave a mixed message. Orit has had such a varied life there is probably some more details she could share with us on other occasions.

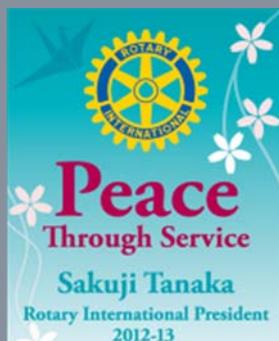
On Monday, John M, Jack and I will meet with a trio headed by Matt Deveson from the Chamber of Commerce to develop a proposal to Council for a joint venture to produce Community Notice Boards around Narooma.

We should be able to present more information at the Board Meeting to be held this Thursday, I remind members that all are welcome to attend the Board Meeting, and we will appreciate their input, even though only Board Members will vote on any proposals.

Those of you who heeded my suggestion last week to sign on for newsletters from RI, will have received one during the week headed: "Are you using Rotary Showcase? -- Weekly Update", it then directs the reader to The Rotary Showcase, which has an article of particular interest for Charmaine, but also reminds us of the wonderful work being done by Rotary around the World. Some of the stories require knowledge of other languages or the use of Bing for the translations, but it inspiring to see the diversity of work performed.

Have Fun with Rotary

Terry



## *Tonight Board Meeting*

### *Coming Events*

Date	Event
<b>23 August</b>	Martin Howard from India. Founder of the school which we supported with a Matching Grant, giving us an update on progress. Partners' Night
<b>26 August</b>	Narooma Rotary Market
<b>30 August</b>	Charmaine White. Report on Rotary International Convention in Bangkok

### *Duties*

Duty	16 August	23 August	30 August	6 September	13 September
<b>Chair/Rotary History</b>	George Barker	Charmaine White	Ian Thomlinson	Bob Aston	Angie Ulrichsen
<b>Cashier/Wheel</b>	Charmaine White	Orit Karney - Winters	Bob Aston	Angie Ulrichsen	Chris O'Brien
<b>Invocation</b>	Orit Karney - Winters	Bob Aston	Angie Ulrichsen	Chris O'Brien	Rolf Gimmel
<b>3 Minute Talk</b>	Jack Wightman	George Barker	Chris O'Brien	Laurette Pacey	Bob Antill
<b>Fines</b>	Bob Aston		Laurette Pacey		

### *The Week that Was*

Last Thursday we were joined by a number of guests including Peter Bull Neil & Joan Shepherd visiting Rotarians from Victoria, friends of Rotary Brendan and Beth Wilson, Patrick Butt from the Rotary Club of Moruya and Anne a guest of Angie's

For those who have been in the Club for some time will recall that Peter Bull was a former member and President. Peter and wife, Karen have returned to Narooma to retire so no doubt we will be seeing more of them at our Club meetings.

Bob Antill was the chair for the evening and in this role he gave us an outline of 'What is Rotary'.

Laurette ran the wheel with Terry winning the bread, Orit the eggs and wine and Bob Aston won the honour of serving the port.

Our guest speaker was our newest member, Orit Karney – Winters. Orit was born in Israel in 1973. Her mother is Spanish/Moroccan/French and her father English/Yemeni! At a young age Orit began to work in her mother's post office doing the accounts, later she went to military school in Haifa, she was the only girl in her class and she studied aero mechanics. At seventeen and a half she joined the army as a part of her military service; she served in the infantry section and began officer training, towards the end of her time in the army Orit worked as a recruiting officer – a job she greatly enjoyed.

When she finished in the army Orit returned to her home town, ending up as 2IC at her mother's post office. Shortly afterwards she met her husband, an Australian and a military man. They moved to Australia where she saw many army bases as the wife of a soldier. In 2003 she arrived in Canberra, although she didn't want to go she ended up loving the city. She worked a manager and later she purchased a shoe shop, unfortunately increased competition led to Orit closing the shop and moving into consultancy, advising shop owners on how to build their business. Orit then expanded out to visiting China to research business opportunities. Later she caught up with an old friend in Narooma and fell in love with the town, she is now a local!

*From the Secretary*

**District Conference 26-28 October 2012**

We have been advised that registration for the conference is now open. You may register on-line through the District website [www.rotaryd9710.org.au](http://www.rotaryd9710.org.au) or on a hard copy form which Secretary Jack can give you if that is your preferred way of doing it.

Either way, you can pay with your registration for any of the following optional functions:

Welcome to the Water party	Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> 6.30 pm for 7.00	\$35
Packed lunch for the beach	Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> 1.00 pm	Free
Back to the Beach party	Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> 7.00 pm for 7.30	\$45
Breakfast with the Animals	Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> 7.00 am	\$20
Sand Dune Sausage Sizzle	Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> 1.00 pm	Free

The Sunday breakfast is at Mogo Zoo and the Sausage Sizzle is at St Mary's School Moruya. The Friday and Saturday events are at Batemans Bay – Welcome to the Water at Bay Waters Resort, and Back to the Beach at the Soldiers Club.

The conference venues are Batemans Bay Soldiers Club on the Saturday and St Mary's Arts Centre, Moruya on the Sunday. When registering you can indicate whether you will be attending Saturday morning and/or Saturday afternoon and/or Sunday morning. There is no charge for attendance at the conference.

Check-in to collect your badge and function tickets on Friday at Bay Waters Resort after 4.00 pm or at Batemans Bay Soldiers Club from 7.45 am. If you can help at the Registration Desk let Conference Secretary Clare Hack know – phone (H)4474 4191 or email [hack.clare@gmail.com](mailto:hack.clare@gmail.com)

Look up the District website for the guest speaker program and additional information about the conference – it is not to be missed

*Rotarians share tips for recruiting new members*

By Arnold R. Grahl

Rotary News -- 9 August 2012

Eight years ago, Géné Villaça-Crestia was asked by her district governor to start a new Rotary club in her country, Benin.

She had been a Rotarian for only four years and didn't really know where to begin. But she had a few things working in her favor: Villaça-Crestia is extremely passionate about Rotary, and she doesn't take no for an answer.

"I don't hesitate to drive to people's places and come back again," says Villaça-Crestia of her recruitment style. "I don't wait for them to get back to me and tell me they don't have time. I insist and go after them until they understand what Rotary is all about and the good it will do them to join."

Villaça-Crestia's techniques have been extremely effective. Within three months of her district governor's request, she helped launch the Rotary Club of Cotonou Rive Gauche, Benin, and became the charter president. During the next two years, she helped form three other clubs, including two composed almost entirely of younger Rotarians.

This year, she and her son, Boris Crestia, a public relations specialist and Rotary Public Image Coordinator for Zone 20A, have teamed up to recruit advertising, public relations, and media professionals for another new club, which will soon be seeking its charter. Members have set goals of promoting basic education and literacy in Africa and serving as a public relations resource for other clubs.

### **Be passionate and persistent**

Villaça-Crestia says the key to recruiting new members is to show them how passionate you are about Rotary and be persistent.

“People say they came to Rotary because they felt my passion and I could communicate it to them,” she says. “In this state of mind, any challenge is never really impossible.”

“More than once, I had to wait hours in a reception area in order to meet an important or busy person and be able to convince them to join Rotary or give to The Rotary Foundation,” she adds. “But when you just explain to people, for instance, that the same money they pay for a nice meal in a good restaurant could help immunize a great number of families against polio, most people are sensitive to this and react immediately.”

Villaça-Crestia says her favorite thing to say to prospective members is that by being Rotarians, they can be a bridge between the millions of dollars available through The Rotary Foundation and the poorest populations of the world. “Knowing that, and not becoming a Rotarian, is almost criminal,” she says.

### **Be involved in service and be visible**

Brazilian Claudio Spiguel is another Rotarian who has succeeded in recruiting members. When Spiguel became president of the Rotary Club of Guaxupé in 2005, the club was hovering below 20 members and in danger of losing its ability to make a significant contribution to the community.

By focusing on getting members involved in service projects and publicizing those projects, he had helped raise membership to 34 by the end of his second stint as president. While serving in various leadership roles since, he has spread that enthusiasm to other clubs in the district, with similar effect.

Spiguel shared the following tips:

- Teach club members the Foundation’s grant process and immediately engage them in pursuing projects that benefit well-known service organizations in need in your community. “To date, we have done five Matching Grant projects, and each has improved our credibility in the community.”
- Broadcast the results of your work through partnerships with local media. “We created a weekly program at a regional TV station called ‘Rotary in the Community,’ a talk show with interviews and presentations about our work and Rotary in general. It has reached many people with our message.” ( [Read a blog post from Spiguel](#))

## *The Funny Side*

### **Babies**

There were three fathers to be in a hospital waiting room, waiting for their babies to be born.

The first nurse comes out and tells the first father, "Congratulations you're the father of twins!" He says, "Great! I am the manager for the Minnesota Twins."

The second nurse comes out and tells the second father, "Congratulations you're the father of triplets!" He says, "That's cool! I work for 3M."

The third father opens the window and jumps out.

The third nurse comes out, and asks, "Where's the third father?"

One of the other fathers said, "Oh he jumped out the window."

The nurse asks, "Why?"

He replied, "He works for Seven Up!"

### **God will save me**

There was an old man sitting on his porch watching the rain fall. Pretty soon the water was coming over the porch and into the house.

The old man was still sitting there when a rescue boat came and the people on board said, "You can't stay here you have to come with us."

The old man replied, "No, God will save me." So the boat left. A little while later the water was up to the second floor, and another rescue boat came, and again told the old man he had to come with them.

The old man again replied, "God will save me." So the boat left him again.

An hour later the water was up to the roof and a third rescue boat approached the old man, and tried to get him to come with them.

Again the old man refused to leave stating that, "God will save him." So the boat left him again.

Soon after, the man drowns and goes to heaven, and when he sees God he asks him, "Why didn't you save me?"

God replied, "You dummy! I tried. I sent three boats after you!!"

## Significant Dates in August

Inductions		Birthdays		Anniversaries	
16 <sup>th</sup>	Angie Ulrichsen	6 <sup>th</sup>	Kerry Messner	11 <sup>th</sup>	Terry & Annette
		10 <sup>th</sup>	Anne Barker	18 <sup>th</sup>	Ian & Micki
		22 <sup>nd</sup>	Merinda Antill		
		31 <sup>st</sup>	John Messner		

## Coming Event

*Fun and Games Arvo*

*Sunday 2 September 2012 - 2.00 pm onwards*

*at*

*Lynn Hardingham's home 35 Eucalyptus Drive Dalmeny*

*BYO drinks and your inner child*