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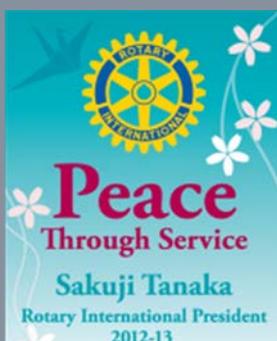
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### *Tappings from Terry in the Tropics!*

Last Thursday's meeting: Charmaine's insights into the RI Convention gave us an indication of what a wonderful experience it can be at an event that represents the Internationality of Rotary and gave us an incentive to be present at the Convention when it is in Sydney in 2014. Chris gave us an illuminating presentation for her 3 minute talk and introduced, or re-introduced, us to Light Emitting Diodes and lumens and from whence the lighting of the future will be beamed.

On a personal note: I managed to get home without falling asleep or meeting any wildlife, we set off the next morning at 7.45am in the coach to Sydney, and the flight got us to Darwin smoothly and we were into the hotel room by 2 am. We slept in, met up with our family, celebrated the 21st Birthday of Jason, our youngest Darwin grandchild and met up with a number of old friends and got onto the midnight ferry to the other side of Darwin harbour, where are now, in Brad and Naomi's home on the beach, in the suburb of Wagait Beach, if you are fascinated by Google Maps you can see where we are at: <https://maps.google.com.au/maps?hl=en>.

As I write this it is Father's Day, for me, our eldest, Rod, woke me with his wishes at 8.30am and a little later Andrew phoned from Queensland, he had flown a group of fellows to the gulf for a fishing trip and is on his way back to Wagga. Brad of course is here, remarkably well for someone who had good reason to celebrate the anniversary of his son's birth, and co-incidentally his own retirement from employment by the NT Government.

I hope all the fathers in the club and the fathers of club members had a good day being spoilt by the family.

I will prepare a précis of the Australian Rotary Success Conference Canberra July 21-22, for my presentation at this week's meeting, on the assumption that you do not want to hear the whole six pages and accompanying slides from the conference.

Have Fun with Rotary.

Terry

## *Tonight*

President Terry. Rotary Success Conference July 2012

## *Coming Events*

Date	Event
<b>13 September</b>	Club Assembly and Board meeting.
<b>20 September</b>	Ashley Overholt. Fighting Colorado wild land fires. <b>Partners night</b>
<b>23 September</b>	Narooma Rotary Market
<b>27 September</b>	TBC
<b>4 October</b>	Kevin Stevens. Auswide Projects
<b>11 October</b>	Board Meeting
<b>14 October</b>	Ringlands clean up and BBQ
<b>18 October</b>	GSE Team from Mississippi arrives. GSE Team Presentation at dinner meeting. <b>Partners night</b>
<b>19 – 20 October</b>	GSE Team visit
<b>25 October</b>	Regular Meeting Cancelled
<b>26 – 28 October</b>	District 9710 Conference
<b>28 October</b>	Narooma Rotary Markets

## *Duties*

Duty	6 September	13 September	20 September	27 September	4 October
<b>Chair/Rotary History</b>	Bob Aston	Angie Ulrichsen	Chris O'Brien	Rolf Gimmel	Chris O'Brien
<b>Cashier/Wheel</b>	Angie Ulrichsen	Chris O'Brien	Rolf Gimmel	Bob Aston	Rolf Gimmel
<b>Invocation</b>	Chris O'Brien	Rolf Gimmel	Bob Aston	Peter Bull	John Messner
<b>3 Minute Talk</b>	Laurelle Pacey	Bob Antill	Peter Bull	John Messner	Orit Karny-Winters
<b>Fines</b>			John Messner		

## *The Week that Was*

We had another great meeting last Thursday night. Charmaine gave an interesting and engaging talk on the recent Rotary International Convention at Bangkok, Thailand – The Land of a Thousand Smiles. Charmaine said that it was great fun meeting like-minded people from all over the world as well as learning more about the great work of Rotary.

We had Angie's nephew from Germany with us, Bob came along with Merinda and their German exchange student.

Laurelle presented an enjoyable fine session based on whales and Chris gave an enlightening talk on the ever changing world of light and light globes. Chris even went to a light convention recently! George won the wine and Bob Aston the eggs – the editor can't remember who won the port or bread!

### *Attendance Matters*

All members are reminded to inform John Rungen of apologies or additional guests by Tuesday even or first thing Wednesday morning. Members are reminded that they will be charged for their meal if they do not attend and an apology is not tended.

### *Global grant provides water, sanitation for school children in Mozambique*

By Vanessa Glavinskas

Rotary News -- 20 August 2012

Rotarian José Rui Amaral stood in the bathroom of the Hulene A school for only a minute before he couldn't stand it anymore. "The smell was horrible," he says.

The primary school outside Maputo, Mozambique, lacked money to update its crumbling sanitation system, built decades earlier, when the school served 700 students. It now serves 2,500 students and staff.

The plumbing was so deteriorated that school officials were forced to close the bathrooms and set up makeshift stalls in a neighboring open area -- one side for girls, the other for boys.

Not only were the bathrooms in disrepair, but the school lacked running water. There were two taps on the playground that ran for only two hours a day.

When the Rotary Club of Maputo began looking for a water project, its members approached Mozambique's Ministry of Education for a list of schools with water and sanitation problems. Club members visited schools on the list one by one, and the choice became obvious.

"When we went to Hulene A, it was horrible," says Amaral. "There was no water."

The Maputo Rotarians obtained several price estimates to upgrade the sanitation system and install a water tank and began looking for an international partner to finance the US\$55,100 project.

"Our club was looking for a Foundation project, as we had funds to use," says Stein Schierenbeck, a member of the Rotary Club of Skanderborg, Denmark. "Being a club in the test district for the new global grant setup, we looked for areas of need within another test district. Contacts through our district and Rotary Denmark to District 9400 (Botswana, part of Mozambique, South Africa) led us to this project and need in Maputo."

Once the clubs connected, they applied for and received a Rotary Foundation Global Grant. It took two months to complete the bathrooms, dig a water hole, and install a 5,000 liter tank. A ceremony was held in October 2011 to celebrate the new facilities.

Maputo's minister of education attended the ceremony and told Amaral that the new facilities were "luxurious" compared with typical standards.

School officials are now charged with maintaining the sanitation system and water tank, which came with a one-year guarantee and were built to require little maintenance. The Rotarians involved were also careful to make sure the contractor agreed to provide regular maintenance of the sanitation system and tank.



Above Left  
Chris shows off the latest in LED Light technology

Above  
Peter Bull shares a joke with Bob Aston

Left  
Charmaine presents Terry with RI Convention Banner

Photos  
Laurelle Pacey

*Significant dates in September*

Inductions		Birthdays		Anniversaries	
25 <sup>th</sup>	Bob Antill	10 <sup>th</sup>	Lin Morey	9 <sup>th</sup>	John & Denise Rungen
		12 <sup>th</sup>	Laurelle Pacey		

## *The Funny Side*

An old man lying on a bed in the kitchen was dying, his wife was baking. He said, "Dear is that a raisin pie your baking?" she said "yes"-- He said "Can I have a Piece?" She said "NO" -- it's for the wake.

There was once a clairvoyant little boy, who could foresee the future. One night while saying his prayers, the little boy was heard to finish, "God bless Mommy, God bless Daddy, God bless Grandma, goodbye Grandpa." The next day his grandfather dropped dead of a heart attack. A few weeks later, the little boy was praying, "God bless Mommy, God bless Daddy, goodbye Grandma." The next day poor grandmother was hit by a bus while crossing the street-she never felt a thing.

A month or so later, the little boy was praying and said. "God bless Mommy, goodbye Daddy." His father panicked. He had himself driven, very carefully and slowly, to work, by an armed guard in an armoured security truck he hired. He couldn't concentrate, however, thinking about those words, "Goodbye Daddy." He finally came home early, but very carefully. He was met at the front door by his wife, who said, "What do you think happened today, dear? The most awful thing--the milkman dropped dead on the back porch."

Fred & Don had been really good friends - Don had died and was in heaven just wandering around and came onto Fred. Don asked him what he had died of - and Fred said hypothermia. Don said he had died of a heart attack. He had suspected his wife of having an affair and was trying to get some proof. He went home early one day and looked all over the house, trying to do it without making his wife suspicious. He looked high and low and got so worked up, he had a heart attack & died. Fred said, "If you had looked in the freezer, we both might have lived."

Adam & Eve had been in the Garden of Eden for a month & Adam didn't seem to understand that one of his purposes there was for procreation. He just wasn't catching on. So God appeared one day & suggested to Adam that he go & give Eve a hug. Adam said "What's a hug?" God told him to go & ask Eve & she would demonstrate it for him. Shortly Adam returned with a smile on his face. In reply to God's query as to how it was, he said that it was great. God then told Adam to go & give Eve a kiss. Adam went through the same routine & this time returned with a huge grin on his face volunteered that it was great. God thought Adam was properly prepared now & told him to go & have sex with Eve. In a very short time, Adam returned with a puzzled frown on his face. God said "How was it?" Adam replied "What's a headache?"