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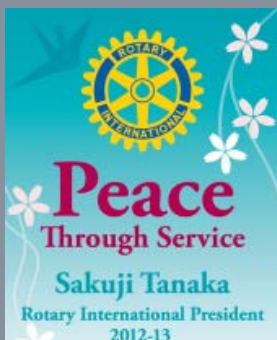
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Tappings From Terry!

The story of the deaf frog.

There once was a bunch of tiny frogs who arranged a climbing competition. The goal was to reach the top of a very high tower. A big crowd had gathered around the tower to see the race and cheer on the contestants. The race began. No one in the crowd really believed the tiny frogs would reach the top of the tower.

Heard throughout the race were statements such as, "Oh, way too difficult", "They will never make it to the top", "Not a chance they will succeed", and "The tower is too high".

The tiny frogs began collapsing, one by one - except for those who, in a fresh tempo, were climbing higher and higher. The crowd continued to yell, "It is too difficult! No one will make it!"

More tiny frogs got tired and gave up. But one continued to climb higher and higher. This one refused to give up!

At the end of the race, all had given up climbing the tower except for the one tiny frog who, after a big effort, was the only one who reached the top!

All of the other tiny frogs wanted to know how this one frog managed to do it. They asked him how he had found the strength to succeed and reach the goal.

It turned out that the winning frog was deaf!

If we really want to accomplish something, we can always choose to become deaf, especially when the people around us say negative or discouraging things.

"You don't have a Soul. You are a Soul. You have a body."

For those who missed out on the District Conference that finished today, you missed out on a wonderful weekend, and an adaptation of the above story was just one of the powerful messages that came from the speakers, but it was one of those cases that they saved the best until last - Ahn Doh was sensational, a blend of self-deprecating humour, pathos, and inspirational messages, there was no surprise that he got a standing ovation, his message from his father - "give it a crack and see what happens!"

Tonight: Review of District Conference by club attendees

Date	Event
8 November	Margaret Perger, Euro Toastmasters
15 November	TBA
21 November Wednesday	Joint meeting with RC Moruya and RC Bateman's Bay at Moruya.
22 November	No Meeting
25 November	Narooma Rotary Markets
6 December	Barefoot Bowls - Club Narooma
13 December	Annual meeting, Election of office bearers
20 December	Club Christmas Party!!!!

Duties

Duty	1 November	8 November	15 November	21 November	6 December
Chair/Rotary History	Kris Elphick	John Rungen	George Barker	Combined Meeting	Barefoot
Cashier/Wheel	John Rungen	Bob Antill	Jack Wightman	With	Bowls
Invocation	Bob Antill	Jack Wightman	Laurelle Pacey	Batemens Bay	
3 Minute Talk	Jack Wightman	Laurelle Pacey	Kris Elphick	Moruya	
Fines	Peter Bull			At Moruya	

If you cannot do your allocated duty please arrange a replacement then advise the editor

Terry's Tappings (Continued from Page 1)

The good news is that next year's conference at Merimbula will be October 11-13 and therefore will not be in conflict with our Market.

It would be good to get the attendance trophy from Tumba bloody rumba that won it this year.

And a personal message especially for the ladies who have not yet asked, the wedding that kept us away from the GSE team's meeting was sensational! Ask me about the Translate App for your mobile phone, for when your granddaughter marries a Frenchman!

Check out this YouTube video clip www.youtube.com/embed/auSo1MyWf8g?rel=0 <

Have fun in Rotary.

Terry



GSE Visit - Thanks to Ian

The visitors from Mississippi were released into the care of the Rotary Club of Bombala last Sunday. We can be grateful to the gods that the weather for their coastal experience at Narooma was absolutely perfect. No doubt the highlights of their time with us were the Montague Island trip and a very entertaining and interesting visit to the Hoyer's dairy at Sherringham Farm, Tilba where they were looked after well by the farm manager Robyn Lucas, Norm Hoyer's daughter who is very passionate about her farm and the dairy industry in general.



Conditions for the island trip were ideal and the group was privileged to be guided on the NPWS boat and the island by Cass Bendixsen to whom we owe great debt for her time and expertise. A tour such as they had is very special and no doubt will be one of the highlights of their entire visit to Australia.

Side trips enabled the group to see Tilba and Bermagui and for some members of the team the lure of our surf and golf course proved irresistible.



A wonderful farewell BBQ was provided by Bob and Merinda at their Corunna property for the team and host families and it was quite evident from comments made by the team leader and members that they were thrilled by the visit, particularly the genuine welcome and hospitality shown by our club starting at our welcome dinner at the Whale right through to their departure on Sunday morning.

I would like to express my thanks to all club members who made them feel so welcome, especially the host families John and Kerry, Peter and Karen, Bob and Merinda, Charmaine, and to Micki who was so patient during my planning for the visit, and for hosting Judy the team leader at Pub Hill.

We all enjoyed the GSE visit immensely - Ian

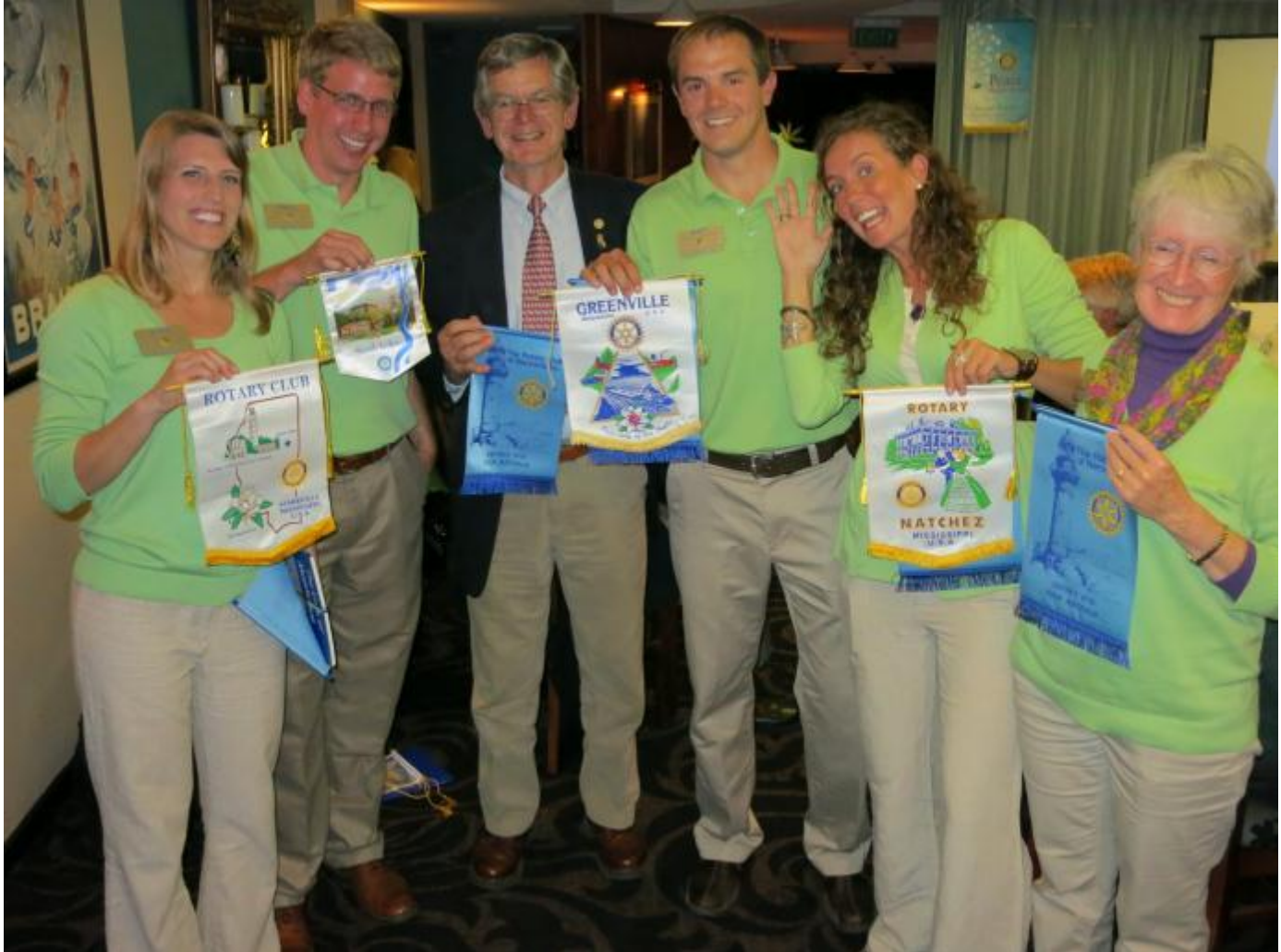


Photos: Top to Bottom

The Team getting the *Lure of Montague* from Laurelle; waiting for the boat out to the Island; Matt Goddard and Alonda Wright meet the goat at Robyn Hoyer's farm; On the way to Bega an unscheduled stop to check out an Echidna

Some More from Team leader Judy

It's hard to believe we are already past the midpoint of our stay. Our GSE team from District 6820 has been having a fantastic time in District 9710. The people we've visited have been very welcoming. We've had very informative discussions during our vocational visits and also during social interactions. The opportunity to clarify misperceptions and share information has been wonderful. ACT and NSW have some of the most amazingly beautiful sites in the world. We are extremely grateful for this terrific experience.



The GSE Team Left to Right: Katharine Frantes, Paul Foster, Judy Lyons (Team Leader) Alonda Wright and Matthew Goddard with Ian Thomlinson.

The Market Report

A Great Effort, Team Rotary Narooma

Gate takings	\$850.00
Wishing Well	\$107.25
Food Van	\$714.65
Total	\$1,671.90

The District Conference

It was a busy weekend with the District 9710 Conference on at Batemans Bay/ Moruya was well as our usual Narooma Rotary Market on Sunday.

The Back to the Beach Conference was fantastic – Congratulations to DG Phil and his dedicated organising committee – The Services Club looked resplendent in its beach theme and the speakers were entertaining and thought provoking.

Saturday morning started off with a great rendition of *Advance Australia Fair* by our very own Merinda Antill followed by a heartfelt Welcome to Country by Muriel Slokee. Our Rotary Youth Exchange Students then completed the parade of national flags.

RI President Personal Representative, John Lawrence, reminded us of the great we as Rotarians do across the world.

It was then over to Professor Gordian Fulde who delivered an address that reminded us of the need to keep up with first aid and emergency care (Can you do CPR?). Gordian also talked about the perils of over indulgence of alcohol, both to the community and individual. Alcohol is a depressant that can lead to suicide. It can also lead to homelessness and serious illness. The Professor also talked about drug use especially Australia's use of prescription drugs such as Benzodiazepine, evidently we are in the top 10 of users!

After morning tea it was the final of the Four Way Test Speaking Competition – All gave though provoking speeches. The final was followed by an informative New Generations Key Note by David Shakya from Nepal. David is a key figure in Rotaract in his home country – Rotaract is a growing organisation in Nepal, in some part due to David's drive and enthusiasm.

The next speaker was Alan Hannaford a cattleman and drover from Braidwood. Alan spoke about the best year or so of his life droving cattle with his wife, daughters, dogs and horses in the eighties. This man can tell a fantastic yarn, he had us all laughing and giggling in the isles! The message; treat others with respect and kindness and they will repay you in spades.

Unfortunately I had to leave after lunch. Laurelle tells me that the afternoon speakers continued the theme of Rotary and the wonderful work it does in the community including GSE, RAWCS and the Foundation.

As you can read in Terry's message Sunday was just as useful, especially the outstanding keynote by Anh Doh.

The Club was represented by

President Terry, Bob and Merinda Antill, Ian and Miki Thomlinson, Jack Wightman, Bob Aston, Laurelle Pacey, Chris O'Brien, Angie Ulrichsen, Charmaine White and friend of Rotary Pat Reid helped out YEP students.

Thanks to Bob Antill and Laurelle Pacey for the photos – see following pages



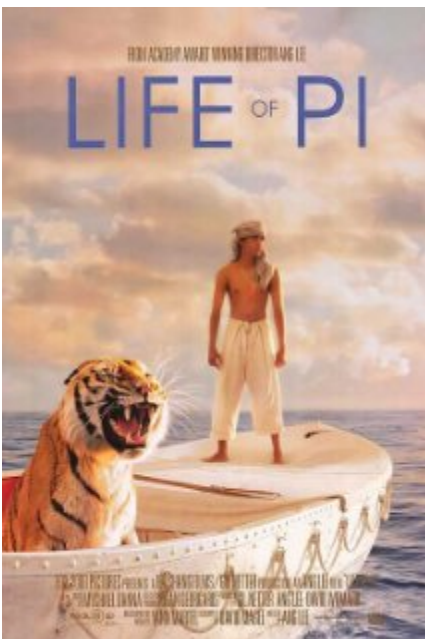
ROTARY CLUB OF BATEMANS BAY

3D MOVIE NIGHT

“END POLIO NOW”

Fundraising Evening

Life of Pi (2012)



The story of an Indian boy named Pi, a zookeeper's son who finds himself in the company of a hyena, zebra, orangutan, and a Bengal tiger after a shipwreck sets them adrift in the Pacific Ocean.

Director:

[Ang Lee](#)

Writers:

[David Magee](#) (screenplay), [Yann Martel](#) (novel)

Stars:

[Suraj Sharma](#), [Irrfan Khan](#) and [Adil Hussain](#)

Thursday 6 December 2012

At Bay City Cinemas

6.00pm for a 6.30pm start

Tickets - \$20.00

Price includes wine, pizza and the movie

Reserve tickets from the Grays: garryandvere@bigpond.com

The Funny Side

It was the end of the school year, and a kindergarten teacher was receiving gifts from her pupils. The florist's son handed her a gift. She shook it, held it overhead, and said, "I bet I know what it is. Flowers." "That's right!" the boy said, "But, how did you know?" "Oh, just a wild guess," she said.

The next pupil was the sweet shop owner's daughter. The teacher held her gift overhead, shook it, and said, "I bet I can guess what it is. A box of sweets." "That's right, but how did you know?" asked the girl. "Oh, just a wild guess," said the teacher.

The next gift was from the son of the liquor storeowner. The teacher held the package overhead, but it was leaking. She touched a drop off the leakage with her finger and put it to her tongue. "Is it wine?" she asked. "No," the boy replied, with some excitement. The teacher repeated the process, tasting a larger drop of the leakage. "Is it champagne?" she asked. "No," the boy replied, with more excitement. The teacher took one more big taste before declaring, "I give up, what is it?" With great glee, the boy replied, "It's a puppy!" SURPRISE!

