

ROTARY CLUB OF NAROOMA INC

BEACON

Tappings from Terry



President Terry with Georgie Staley and Dave O'Brien

It was good to have the club's first lady member, and the first lady president return to the club last Thursday: Georgie Staley - though she was our guest speaker and her subject: Diamonds are Forever. Georgie gave us an insight into the production of diamonds in Botswana, while showing us photos from a recent trip she made with her jewellery buying group.

It was a very informative presentation, I for one was surprised to learn of Botswana's place in the economy of African countries and spurred me to take a quick look at Wikipedia to increase my knowledge of the country.

As I write this after spending the morning at the markets, and having moved the van on site yesterday, there are a few special things I must mention. Our new engineer member: Brendan has restored stability to the van through some clever welding. Thank you Brendan the van had been perilous for some time, it is good to be able to enter and exit now without risk of harm to the donut cooker.

For a while it looked as though we would be challenged in staffing the van this Sunday, but our frequent visiting Rotarian Colin Holmes, and his wife Enid stepped into the breach and ably assisted us. Thank you Colin and Enid.

Last night Annette and I attended the Quota change over. It was good for Annette to have her previous service as District Governor recognised in presenting a toast, and the candle lighting ceremony reminded me that some things in life do not change. One thing of significance though is the Quota Ladies ability to raise money for an extensive list of charities, it puts us to shame.

At this stage I have not seen the results from today's market, but I felt the chill in the air I experienced from 7am, might have kept a number of potential customers away. I appreciated Bob Antill allowing me an early mark by offering to tow the van back.

Maintaining the roster for the van gives us the chance to relate to each other a little bit more, and have fun with Rotary. Terry

The Week that Was

As Terry has indicated in his Tappings it was great to have former member and president Georgie Staley to talk to us about the world of diamonds. We had a packed house of guests, visiting Rotarians and partners to make it a great night. PE Charmaine White gave a great three minute talk on the power of Rotary to help out. Charmaine told a story of how when she was the president of a club in Hobart a program to reduce vandalism at a school led to a child learning to read.

Bob Aston won the bread and Laurelle cleaned up the eggs and wine.

On Saturday night Terry, Kevin, Laurelle and Bob Aston attended the Quota Changeover at Club Narooma. Quota have had a great year raising in excess of \$20 000.00 for local charities. It was great to see Kevin Young out and about with Maureen. Kevin is progressing well, he hopes to be back to Rotary soon and he asked that I pass on his regards to all members.

On Sunday it was Market Day - it was a beautiful day and despite the disruption caused by road works the turn out wasn't bad for a May Market. Concerns about too few members being available to help out were unfounded, in the end we had more than enough workers to make the day run efficiently. The official takings:

Stall holders: \$566.00

Van: \$564.30

Wishing Well: \$ 64.50

Members also assisted the Salvation Army by manning a stall at the Market

Bowel Care

Club members are reminded that the sale of Rotary's BowelCare kits ends this Saturday and used kits must be returned to participating pharmacies by Saturday 15 June at the latest. Rotary's annual BowelCare campaign began earlier this month, assisted by Rotary Clubs throughout the south-east including Narooma Rotary Club. Our Club supports this bowel cancer awareness campaign each year because it is such a simple and cheap test that could save someone's life.

President Terry Irvine reminds us that bowel cancer is the second most common internal cancer in Australia, but it is also one of the most curable if detected early.



Jack Wightman picks up a BowelCare kit from Narooma Pharmacy assistant Julie Wilton.

Medical authorities warn that it often has few symptoms, can strike at any age, and more than 75% of people who develop bowel cancer have no family history of bowel cancer. They recommend annual testing for all men and women over 40 because that is when the risk starts increasing.

BowelCare uses the Guaiac test kits which are available for \$10 from pharmacies in Narooma, Bermagui and Cobargo until this Saturday.

It is a quick and simple test you do at home, and you then return the completed test kit to your local pharmacy.

The \$10 covers the cost of the kit, pathology by an accredited laboratory which tests for invisible faecal blood, and notification of results by the BowelCare Medical Advisor via your specified GP.

Confidentiality is maintained at all times.

Date	Event
30 May	Montague Island Revisited
6 June	Pride in Workmanship Awards
13 June	Changeover! Partner's Night
20 June	Board Meeting
23 June	Narooma Rotary Market
27 June	Dr Catherine Dale GM Eurobodalla Shire
30 June	District Changeover – Narooma Golf Club
4 July	DG Official Visit
11 July	Club Assembly
28 July	Adult Diabetes - prevention & treatment

Duty	30 May	6 June	13 June	20 June	27 June
Chair/Rotary History	Jack Wightman	Mike Young	Changeover	Charmaine White	Laurelle Pacey
Cashier/Wheel	Mike Young	Charmaine White	Changeover	Terry Irvine	Brendan Wilson
Invocation	Charmaine White	John Messner	Changeover	Laurelle pacey	Terry Irvine
3 Minute Talk	John Messner	Chris O'Brien	Changeover	George Barker	Rolf Gimmel
Fines					

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

HOSPITAL BILL

You don't have to be Catholic to appreciate this one!!

A man suffered a serious heart attack while shopping in a store. The store clerks called 911 when they saw him collapse to the floor.

The paramedics rushed the man to the nearest hospital where he had emergency open heart bypass surgery.

He awakened from the surgery to find himself in the care of nuns at the Catholic Hospital. A nun was seated next to his bed holding a clipboard loaded with several forms, and a pen. She asked him how he was going to pay for his treatment.

"Do you have health insurance?" she asked.

He replied in a raspy voice, "No health insurance."

The nun asked, "Do you have money in the bank?"

He replied, "No money in the bank."

"Do you have a relative who could help you with the payments?" asked the irritated nun.

He said, "I only have a spinster sister, and she is a nun."

The nun became agitated and announced loudly, "Nuns are not spinsters! Nuns are married to God."

The patient replied, "Perfect. Send the bill to my brother-in-law."

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