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Bulletin for Gloucester

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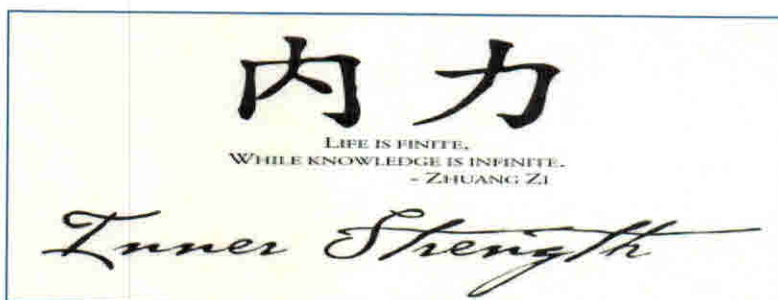
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Coming Meetings

Tuesday 6 th October	Board Meeting Night. Brian Beesley talk re his Europe Bike Tour
Tuesday 13 th October	Cluster Public Speaking Contest. Partner's Night. 6.30pm for 7pm.
Tuesday 20 th October	Kim Wiesner on her new role at Bucketts Way Neighbourhood Group. Men's Health
Sunday 25 th October (12.00pm midday)	Operation Cleft Fundraising BBQ Event. \$25 pp. Venue Change: 202 Bundook Road Gloucester (John & Barbara Read's house) BYOG. Salads and Sweets to share. Meat will be provided.
Tuesday 27 th October	Partner's Night. 6.30pm for 7pm. Fundraiser for St Josephs School. Guest Speaker Rotarian Ian Heard
Saturday 14 th November	Guess who is coming to dinner. More Info to Follow.
5 th March 2016	Bush Poetry In The Saleyards Event
22 nd /23 rd April 2016	Opera In The Church Event
5 th April 2016	Annual Gloucester V Walcha Boule tournament
30 th April/ 1 st May 2016	Motorcycle Muster Expo Event

PREVIOUS MEETING – 22nd SEPTEMBER 2015

Directors Report: -

President Sharee

On the 13th October, Gloucester Rotary Club will be hosting the Cluster Speak off. There are approximately 8 clubs getting involved in this interesting public speaking event. About six to eight 15 to 16 year old students from Taree, Forster, Wingham, will give an interesting talk on a topic (TBA). It is looking to be a very interesting and informative night. Family and Friends are welcomed. Please RSVP to Ray Martin's office.

Ashleigh, President Elect

Ashleigh talked about her current Interplast Project, Not All Boxes are Created Equal. These boxes are packed with precious equipments and medical supplies that are then transported overseas within the Asia Pacific region. The boxes are purpose built to ensure medical equipments and supplies are safely transported and remain fit for surgery. Often these boxes will travel many miles, right off the beaten path to where they are needed the most. To donate, please go the <http://chuffed.org/project/interplast> . Donations will go directly towards assisting Interplast carrying out life-changing surgery to those unable to access it.

Sam, Youth Services Director

Sam, John Walton and Grahame Stelzer were able to spend time talking with Emily Cameron, our outboard student for the Swap Exchange New Zealand Program. This year, we are sending Emily and Maddie Bignell on this program. Over the next few weeks, Peter Markey will try and organise for Emily and Maddie to be our guest speaker.

Sam also wants to thank John Faull for organising the 'Run Leg' volunteering of the Triathlon and also to Peter Markey for being the MC for the event. And a big thanks you to all volunteers.

Don, Communications Director

Don is reminding members that membership subscriptions (\$210) are due. As these were due in July 2015, **prompt payment would be appreciated.** If you are unsure, please contact Don or President Sharee.

Paul, Community Service Director

On the 16th of September, Paul and his team of volunteers help prepared the sausages BBQ for the Gloucester Primary School students. About 500 sausages were cooked in just under an hour and consumed by the hungry students in less than 15 minutes!! There were only a few undercooked sausages that weren't looking dark (or burnt) enough.... Overall, the feedback from the teachers and students were good.

Help is again needed for the BBQ stand at the Community Market on the 3rd of October. If you can help, please contact Grahame Stelzer (as Paul is away).

Ida Sevon, Exchange Student from Finland

Ida is still trying to learn the secret to sweet talk the Magpies. So until that happens, all the doors and windows are locked when the Magpies come visit and eat at the dog bowl at Sam and Megan's place. So this comes at no surprise that she has turned down Sam's offer to learn how to mow the lawn.

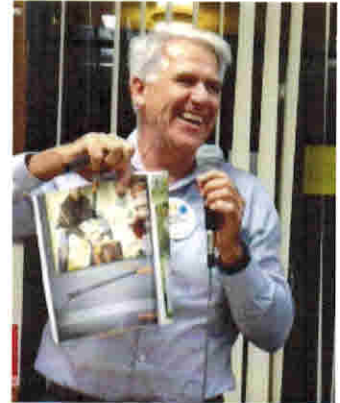
While walking around in the neighbourhood, Ida was very excited to see a breed of Finnish dogs. Apparently, there is a breeder that lives in Nabiac. Ida started speaking to the dogs in Finnish and promptly informed the owner that the language is in their blood!!

This week, Ida will be going on a tour to Lightning Ridge and she is looking forward to that.



Ida gave Ray and Paul a 'FISKARS' key ring as their birthday presents. Ray has not heard of this brand before. Last week, he happened to be browsing through his wife's Better Home and Garden magazine and guess what, he saw the FISKARS ad for the first time.

(A very amused Ray holding up the key ring present and the magazine ad.)



Letter from Maria Itzel (one of our past Gloucester Exchange Student) to Ann Martin:

“Mami, because I just won the national youth award for the top 20 young people in México for business and academic goals. And from may I got to be the representer for the Tourism of Health. I'm in charge of show to the world what México has in the spa business. I give conferences around some cities and

countries where I go. So, I have to deal with ministers and government. The Thailand one is very good friend of mine”

PDG 1971/72 Barry Titcume RIP

Message below received today from PDG Ken Hall

Maurie

I have just been informed that PDG Barrie Titcume died in Royal North Shore hospital last night.

The minister has my contact details and will let me know when the funeral will occur in Tamworth at St John's in Carthage Street.

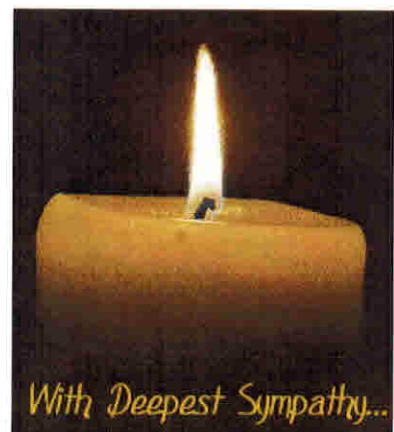
I have asked about a Rotary Guard of Honour as the coffin leaves and have been told that this would be appreciated.

More information will be coming as I get it.

Regards, Ken PDG Ken Hall

330 Forest Road, Tamworth NSW Australia

Executive Secretary e9650 Rotary Club



Guest Speaker: Dr Stephen Trebble

(Dr Stephen Trebble and his wife, Liz)



Dr Stephen Trebble has been working at the Gloucester Medical centre for the past 8 months.

Dr Trebble grew up in a small town just outside of Calgary, in western Canada. He grew up in a hobby farm about 100 acres. He went to school at the Red Deer Lake that is a small school that teaches Grade 1 to 9 with about 15 to 30 students per class. He was very lucky to be in a good year class and has a pretty good run of schooling from there. Dr Trebble then went to Calgary High School. In

Canada, you are able to start driving from a young age of 14 and there also do not have the 'L' or the 'P' plate requirements. So he was able to drive to High School and got his graduate license at 16 years of age. Dr Trebble believes the logic behind this is a 16 year old male driver tends to hit the pedal harder maybe due to the surge of testosterone in their bodies while a 14 year old is still young enough to be a bit afraid of speeding. So in technical terms, you get to be behind the wheels learning how to drive before you know how to drive! This may be the reason why there are less accidents in Canada.

Dr Trebble's father works at the University doing Chemical Engineering in Calgary. He was transferred to Western Australia for 3 months. Dr Trebble was in Grade 4 when they came to Australia and again in Grade 10 for 6 months. After spending time in Australia, his parents fell in love with this country and the beautiful sunny seasons, and the walks on the beaches. So after 30 years of living in Canada, they moved to Australia. Dr Trebble was able to graduate early in Canada and so was able to queue up for the Australia University. At first, he was unsure of what he wants to do. His father is an engineer and he loves Maths and Science, Biology and Chemistry. He knew he wanted to pursue a career in Science. He couldn't apply for Medicine at that time as he just sat the Canadian Provincial Test as he didn't get his results back in time. So his father talked to the Dean and said his son has the grades but he hasn't met your intake, would they take him. And because he is forth fee paying, they accepted him. So he did a year in Engineering but find that he did not have the passion for it. So he decided to pursue his career in Medicine and graduated from the Newcastle University.

After he graduated, Dr Trebble wasn't sure about what stream of medicine he wanted to do. He still enjoyed the Chemistry, he likes the idea of learning about drugs and their pharmacology. He did a term of Anaesthetics where he gets to paralyse people. And he found that pretty stimulating so he decided to take up Anaesthesia. In the city, it is harder to get continuity in patients. Usually, Dr Trebble will only get to see the patient twice before the procedure. So he likes the idea of practising in the regional area and that's when he decided to come to Gloucester. He found the town very welcoming, people have been very nice and kind and the practice has been very welcoming as well. Next year, he will be doing his year specialising in Anaesthetics in Maitland Hospital and then another year of practising where Dr Trebble haven't decided yet after which he then completed the Anaesthetics course.

PREVIOUS MEETING – 29th SEPTEMBER 2015

A late start to our meeting with a very relaxed beginning.

Pete Markey called order and welcomed the members back from Holiday. Brian Beesley, Chris Pritchard and Treasurer Vicki. Welcome also Jane Deen and Ida. Bees was asked to do an invocation.

President Sharee spoke about Andrew Harvey attending a Men's Health Conference at the Central Coast. After discussion which Pete Markey had told us previously, it was decided the club would support Andrew by donating \$200. This was brought to our attention by email from Kim Wiesner who is part of Bucketts Way Neighbourhood Group.

Secretary Don asked the question who attended the Tidy Towns meeting? Please let Don know as we maybe catering for a breakfast

Grahame Stelzer spoke about upcoming Friendship Exchange to India, Canada, Sweden and Italy. Please contact Grahame before 18th October. Sweden August/September 2016. Italy March/April 2016. Canada May/June 2017. India February 2017.

Ida is having a good holiday. House cleaning, eating. She is happy and has not been to school for a month. Next week back to school. Visiting friends and she likes Chinese food.

With the meal completed the Trifecta Tickets were folded and stapled they are Selling for \$2 per ticket and Available from Secretary Don McLeod. Please help.



Laughter

always the best medicine

Funnies from Rotarians....

Courtesy of Ashleigh:

A German Shepherd starts chasing rabbits and before long, discovers that he's lost. Wandering about, he notices a panther heading rapidly in his direction with the intention of having lunch. The old German Shepherd thinks, "Oh, oh! I'm in deep DooDoo now!"

Noticing some bones on the ground close by, he immediately settles down to chew on the bones with his back to the approaching cat. Just as the panther is about to leap, the old German Shepherd exclaims loudly, "Boy, that was one delicious panther! I wonder if there are any more around here?"

Hearing this, the young panther halts his attack in mid-strike, a look of terror comes over him and he slinks away into the trees. "Whew!" says the panther, "That was close! That old German Shepherd nearly had me!"

Meanwhile, a squirrel who had been watching the whole scene from a nearby tree figures he can put this knowledge to good use and trade it for protection from the panther. So, off he goes. The squirrel soon catches up with the panther, spills the beans and strikes a deal for himself with the panther. The young panther is furious at being made a fool of and says, "Here, squirrel, hop on my back and see what's going to happen to that conniving canine!"

Now, the old German Shepherd sees the panther coming with the squirrel on his back and thinks, "What am I going to do now?" But instead of running, the dog sits down with his back to his attackers, pretending he hasn't seen them yet, and just when they get close enough to hear, the old German Shepherd says...

"Where's that squirrel? I sent him off an hour ago to bring me another panther!"

Moral of this story...

Don't mess with the old dogs . Age and skill will always overcome youth and treachery!
Bullshit and brilliance only come with age and experience.



October Birthday Celebrations

Sam De Witte 6th October
Frances Montgomerie 14th October
Lorraine McLeod 18th October
Valda Barron 31st October



Sam & Megan De Witte 25th October

Meeting Preparation & Clean Up

June	Sam de Witte, Wayne Salvestro, Jane Deen,
July	Vicki Collett, Chris Pritchard Li Meng Wong,
August	Grahame Holstein, Brian Beesley, Geoff Slack
September	Lindy Dupree, Ray Martin, John Read
October	Ashleigh Hickman, John Read, Grahame Holstein
November	Karen Miles, Don McLeod, Donnelle Walker

Please if you do not have time to set up please let one of your team know.

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Four Way Test

Of all the things we say and do:
 Is it the truth?
 Is it fair to all concerned?
 Will it build goodwill and friendship?
 Will it be beneficial to all concerned?