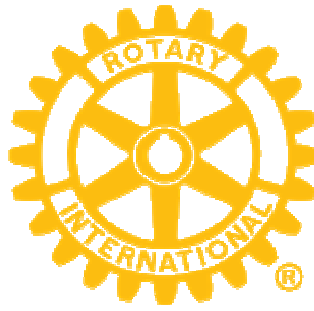


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Ring or email Ray Martin's Office for apologies and to include guests before 10am Tuesdays
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Coming Meetings and other Functions.

Tuesday 13 th October	Cluster Public Speaking Contest. Partner's Night. 6.30pm for 7pm. Please bring guests & inform Ray's office.
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 is John Herd, will enlighten us with stories of his career as an administrator of indigenous education the Top End. Cost is \$25

	per head. BYOG. Tea & coffee provided.
Tuesday 3rd November	Melbourne Cup Day & NO ROTARY Meeting.
Saturday 7th November	Platypus Festival Billabong Park. Rotary cooking BBQ.
Saturday 8th November	Tidy Towns cater for possible 100 delegates for breakfast at the Rec Centre. 0730 till 1030. Lions Club may be involved.
Tuesday 10th November	Guest speaker Grahame Stelzer his thoughts on his Friendship Exchange to Poland. He and Kaye were most impressed.
Saturday 14th November	Guess who is coming to dinner. Valda will have more Info once she is back in Australia. Suggestion we would like many of our friends to participate.
Tuesday 17th November	BOARD MEETING
Tuesday 24th November	Barefoot Bowls at the Bowling Club meet at 5.30pm and dinner at 7pm. This will be a chance to show off your bowling skills.
Tuesday 1st December	TBA
Saturday 5th December	Rotary at Tugwood Estate Winery with the Bowden Brothers. BBQ and a fundraiser for Mia Bowden out bounder YEP. Bus transport and more details as they come to hand. Time late afternoon evening.
Tuesday 8th December	Club Assembly Night. No guests please.
Tuesday 15th December	<i>CHRISTMAS PARTY at Bees home. Theme Hawaiian so lots of colour and lei's.</i> More information as it comes to hand.
	Christmas Break till Tuesday 12th January.
	The New Year of 2016. Forward Planning.
Saturday 13th February	Farmers Market Rotary BBQ
Saturday 5th March	Bush Poetry In The Saleyards Event
Sunday 27th March	Gloucester Duck Races
Tuesday 5th April	Annual Gloucester V Walcha Boules tournament at Nowendoc Hall
Fri Sat 15th & 16th April	Rotary 9650 District Conference in Taree.
Fri Sat 22nd/23rd April	Opera In The Church Event
Sat Sun 30th April/ 1st May	Motorcycle Muster Expo Event

Notes from meeting held 6th October.

Ashleigh will be doing the Bulletin for 3 months while Li is away and weekly as it suits her.

A very bright cheerful group of 24 attended the meeting. Chris Pritchard called order and recited the 4 Way test.

President Sharee

Welcomed us and mentioned 2 events the Cleft Pallet BBQ at John & Barb Reads and the invitation to attend St Joseph's fundraiser and bring your friends. See above for details.

Ida came to the mic and told us of her week. Her black YEP jacket was too hot so she took it off she was being sensible she said. She spent a few days with the Beesley's and went on a boat

ride with DG Maurie Stack. Holidays finished and back to school today and good to see her friends. It is really nice to be an exchange student and can keep in contact via the internet. Her Father told her of her Grandfathers passing and now she will keep her hair curly as she got it from him.



Directors Reports

Peter Markey [Club Service] was wearing an Hawaiian Shirt and looked very nice and then he revealed the reason. The Christmas Party at Bees Home 15th December.

Secretary Don. Roster for selling Trifecta Tickets outside the Chemist starting this week. Table and chairs supplied by Ashleigh. Please put your name on

the Roster.

John Read [Grants and Vocation] Has a notice to say \$5000 grant from AGL.

Grahame Stelzer on the BBQ sold Egg & Bacon rolls, they were excellent and thank you to the helpers.

Chris Pritchard Fines and Raffle Pete Markey suggested he nominates a member each week to be the sergeant and he will mentor them. He will get the lollies – Karen Miles did a great job as corporal and will be sergeant next week.

Li Meng spoke to us about Working with Children Check and there are many members who have not completed the paper work. Please see Li for help. All she needs is the wwc number.

Guest speaker Brian Beesley

Brian & Heather headed off overseas and met up with Linda in Northern Germany. Then headed to England to buy motor bikes. Now you cannot insure the bike in England so they hired bikes in France. They met up with friends James & Di Christian and many other Rotary Motor Bike enthusiasts. They spent 7 weeks living out of 35 litre panniers on the motor cycle ride. Lovely scenery and gardens in Scandinavia and Netherlands Everyone very friendly. It took a lot of planning and sign posting was not a lot of help. In the Chq Republic they had a tractor fest.

Some Motor bikes very innovative with different attachments.

In Germany refugees are housed in containers and the Germans are very benevolent. Not so good in Brussels. They met up with Felix's parents and also visited Helena.

Bees sent me notes see below.

On Board



with Bees and Heather



Is this our next Rotary Project ...

Our Outbound Youth Exchange
Rendsburg Germany



pedalling Booze Bus

Student Linda Beesley in

Trip was for 7 weeks

8500 km

Rode for 2 weeks with 28 people (Rotarians) who spoke 9 different languages

The ride was called the 3 Kingdoms ride through Denmark Norway and Sweden.

Independently we rode from Aachen where the bikes were hired through Netherlands into Denmark ... did the Nordic ride

Then back to Germany ... Cheq Republic ... Bavaria ... Black Forest ... London and Home

Bikes were new 1200 BMW GS

Top speed 220km per Hour

Lived for the entire time with only 2 panniers which held 35 litres of Gear

Bring on the next adventure which is Riding in India in January with the Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians (India)

Linda is learning heaps ... 60 % fluent in conversational German and now with her 3rd (and last) host family

Linda returns in early January to study Nursing in Sydney at University of Notre Dame

President Sharee thanked Brian for your presentation. The meeting closed with the National Anthem.

Board meeting followed.



Laughter
always the best medicine



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.

Our Executive 2015/2016

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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?



100 Days The following are 20 points for Youth Exchange Students.

by [luckybee96](#)

Today marks the day of having only 100 days left on my exchange. Now that may seem like a lot but believe me - the time goes fast! It seems like only a couple of weeks ago that I arrived for the first time beginning my 365 day exchange. In this time I've learnt a lot! I've learned important things about acceptance, living with others, priorities, cultural differences, developments in social skills and of course a brand new language. So without further ado, here is the top 20 things I've learned from my exchange year - enjoy!

- 1.** Being an exchange student is not easy, sometimes someone takes longer to adjust than others - but that's OK!
- 2.** You will make mistakes on your exchange - move past it and learn from them.
- 3.** This is how you look, and that's OK! It's also OK to be happy with that.
- 4.** You won't always get on with your host family so be prepared to make changes - you are the one coming into their family life, not the other way around.
- 5.** You will need to go to speak to others first in order to make friendships which is very important on your year away - don't be afraid to make the first move.
- 6.** It's OK to try new things even if you never thought you would do whatever it is - experiences add to your understanding.
- 7.** Find a host parent to be close to because when things go wrong you will always need them to turn to.
- 8.** A year is not forever - the things you left at home will wait but your exchange year won't
- 9.** Even if sometimes you think they do, the people at home won't forget about you.
- 10.** It's OK to put your phone down for an hour - I promise no one will die.
- 11.** Embrace the differences between families.
- 12.** I know you think you're invincible but the truth is you're not - bad things can happen, so take precautions.
- 13.** Don't go totally crazy.
- 14.** You will turn into a different person and because if that things will be different when you go home and that's OK! You are a better person for it.
- 15.** Don't forget your passions.
- 16.** Sometimes it's better to focus on the present rather than the future.
- 17.** Save the small and 'insignificant' coins in a jar so that at the end of your exchange you can buy your last ice cream.
- 18.** Don't be afraid to ask questions.
- 19.** Don't be afraid to be wrong.
- 20.** Spend as much time as you can with your people - friends, family and exchange students. Without then you can't have an exchange year.

Tschüß!