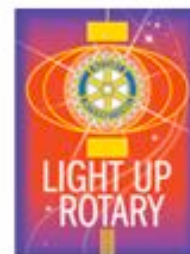




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## Coming Meetings

24 <sup>th</sup> February Partners night	Meet Dungog Rotary Club at Central Hotel Stroud. David Marston speaking on how our world will handle energy in the future. Bus booked leaving 5.20pm. \$30pp including bus transport. Chinese New Year so dress in colour.
3 <sup>rd</sup> March Partners night	Barrington School Dinner and fundraiser.
7 <sup>th</sup> March	Bush Poetry in the Sale Yards. \$20. Tickets at Gloucester Health
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Meeting at Nowendoc Hall with Walcha Rotary. Hall is booked & food arranged. Boules tournament. More details later with time and travel arrangements.
13 <sup>th</sup> , 14 <sup>th</sup> , 15 <sup>th</sup> . March	Rotary District Conference in Inverell. DG Greg Moran.
17 <sup>th</sup> March	Board meeting.
24 <sup>th</sup> March Partners night	'Taste of Hong Kong' Special Chinese night at the Bowling Club. \$30pp. Max 60 people
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Rotary Club Wine tour as a fundraiser for Interplast. John Faull and Valda organising. 54 seater bus booked. \$60pp
31 <sup>st</sup> March Partners night	Wingham Rotary Club Dinner at Krumbach Hall. Fundraiser for the School. Other clubs invited.
7 <sup>th</sup> April	How Buckett's Radio operates and what we can do to support it. Shane & Calida Holstein and Lorna Tomkinson.
26 <sup>th</sup> April Bring your Partners	Off site visit to Moppy. Norm Bartlett will supply the spit roast. BYO drinks, picnic tables & chairs and nibbles, salads and desserts to share.
May	Bowel Scan month
19 <sup>th</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> May	Science & Engineering Challenge – No charge for Mid North Coast Schools due to sponsorship. Need to check our schools have responded.

### **Other important info:**

#### **110<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Rotary International**

February 23 - On this day in 1905, Rotary founder Paul Harris formed one of the world's first service organizations, the Rotary Club of Chicago, as a place where professionals with diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships. Since then, Rotary has continued its commitment to service by providing clean water, improving maternal health, awarding scholarships, fighting diseases, and improving lives around the world.

This year, also marks the 30th anniversary of the PolioPlus program. Since the fight to end polio began, 2 billion children have been immunized, 10 million children have been saved from lifelong paralysis and 125 countries have been declared polio-free. During the week of February 17 – 23, share with others how we are “this close” to ending polio and highlight Rotary's 110 years of service.

#### **District Conference : 13-15<sup>th</sup> March at Inverell.**

There will be 56 clubs represented and some great guest speakers.

Go online to check out the latest program and register. There is a late fee after Feb 15<sup>th</sup> and closing date is 1<sup>st</sup> March.

#### **Gloucester 2014-15 'Unsung Hero' Community Service Award**

2, possibly 3 nominations so far. Continue to promote the award if you know of any other worthy recipients.

#### **Quota's 50<sup>th</sup> year celebrations – 18<sup>th</sup> April at Gloucester Soldier's Club**

**Gloucester Tree Change Showcase Weekend – 27 -29<sup>th</sup> March.** Organised by Gloucester Uniting Church. For more information contact Bob Tebbet 65150510

#### **Previous meeting – 17<sup>th</sup> February**



President Brian inducted more new members to our Gloucester Rotary Club.

- **Ernie Abeysekera**, mentored by his very capable wife Sharee
- **Wayne Salvestro**, mentored by Bruce Montgomery
- **Jane Deen**, mentored by Vicki Collett

(apologies for Jane and Wayne's photo being unfocused)

## Director's reports

- John Faull – Thankyou to helpers for the Farmer's market BBQ. Made \$475.
- Don – Quota Celebration is Lunch on 18<sup>th</sup> April
- Ash – Updates to our program ( see info in Coming Meetings section )  
BowelScan – now in a reply paid envelope and claimable from private health funds. Sell for \$15
- Sam – 2 students interested in Long Term Exchange. Bike expo coming along with 4 confirmed exhibitors, motorcross and band organized.



## Guest Speakers – Libby Bleakley & Teresa Beck

Both are members of Rotary. Libby was in the NSW Police and Teresa in the Queensland Police. They both wanted to do international work so moved to the Federal Police 7 years ago, where they met and have worked together in East Timor.

Timor Leste gained independence 14 years ago. Dili is the most populated area but it has 70% unemployment. 66% are under 30 with a birth rate of 5.5 per family. 54% of children are malnourished and 73% of the population is below the poverty line. Domestic violence is a huge problem. The unemployed youth often get involved in gangs, which are now outlawed.

Some findings from East Timor are that the community is fearful of Police; young people like training and are then less likely to use drugs & alcohol; Communities with strong leaders are safer and education increases employment;

Therefore the Proposal Libby and Teresa came up with is to run a project like a PCYC to increase employment by education and teaching English and to reduce domestic violence and other crime.

They need \$300,000 to build 2 classrooms, gym equipment and a meeting area. They have raised \$35,000, have chosen the land and have community involvement.



The AFP have approved Libby and Teresa to fundraise and organize the project. The centre will be built in Cormoro an area of Dili with the worst crime rates.

In the future they would like to take back skilled persons to help in the community and train locals. The project has been registered by RAWCS.

Don thanked Libby and Teresa an example of 2 girls who have overcome obstacles and started raising money to help others.

## **Something for Fun – from Fred Myers**

**A husband went to the sheriff's department to report that his wife was missing.**

**Husband: My wife is missing. She went shopping yesterday and has not come home....**

**Sergeant: What is her height? Husband: Gee, I'm not sure. A little over five-feet tall.**

**Sergeant: Weight? Husband: Don't know. Not slim, not really fat.**

**Sergeant: Color of eyes? Husband: Never noticed.**

**Sergeant: Color of hair? Husband: Changes a couple times a year. Maybe dark brown.**

**Sergeant: What was she wearing? Husband: Could have been a skirt or shorts. I don't remember exactly.**

**Sergeant: What kind of car did she go in? Husband: She went in my truck.**

**Sergeant: What kind of truck was it?**

**Husband: Brand new 2015 Ford F150 King Ranch 4X4 with eco-boost 5.0L V8 engine special ordered with manual transmission. It has a custom matching white cover for the bed. Custom leather seats and "Bubba" floor mats. Trailing package with gold hitch. DVD with navigation, 21-channel CB radio, six cup holders, and four power outlets. Added special alloy wheels and off-road Michelins. Wife put a small scratch on the drivers door. At this point the husband started choking up.**

**Sergeant: Don't worry buddy. We'll find your truck.**

## **Rotary meetings – Set up and Put away**

January & February	Bill Radford, Vicki Collett, Terry Carson
March	Donnelle Walker, John Faull, Brian Dixon
April	Brian Beesley, Valda Barron, Chris Pritchard
May	Bruce Montgomerie, Jim DeSilva, John Read
June	Li Meng Wong, Sam de Witte, Denver Webb
July	Ashleigh Hickman, Simon Griffin, Bill Radford
August	Sharee Abeysekera, Bernie Tresidder, Grahame Stelzer
September	Grahame Holstein, Geoff Slack, Valda Barron
October	Peter Markey, Young Rustandi, Donnelle Walker
November	Ray Martin, Ashleigh Hickman, Denver Webb
December	Don McLeod, Vicki Collett, John Faull

## Our Executive 2014.-.2015

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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?