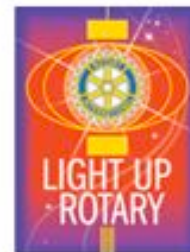




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## Coming Meetings

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. <b>Numbers to Jenny at Ray's office by 10<sup>th</sup> March</b>
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Rotary Club Wine tour as a fundraiser for Interplast. John Faull and Valda organising. 54 seater bus booked. \$60pp. <b>Still vacancies, Money needed by 10<sup>th</sup> march</b>
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:**

**Bush Poetry at the Saleyards: Saturday 7th – still need to sell some more tickets!!! \$20**

Bowden Brothers will perform before poets, at interval and into the night.

Poets are: Greg North who is known for his rendition of The man from Snowy River in 15 different accents. He was awarded the Album of the Year at the 2014 Bush Laureate Awards as well as the Single Recorded Performance for his Frackin' Fricker. Local Poets are Wyatt Hall, Gabby Colquhoun and Claire Reynolds – the current NSW Female Champion.

**Rotary Friendship Exchange:** District Committee is currently communicating with the following countries with a view to exchanging with some of them in 2016. This is just an advance notice of what “ might “ happen in 2016.

Countries involved are: Scotland, Sweden, Turkey, Korea, South Africa, England, Malaysia, Canada and Mauritius.

If any members of our club are interested in Friendship Exchange and/or wish to visit any of these countries please contact Grahame Stelzer.

**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 – 24<sup>th</sup> February – thanks to Pete, Valda & France for photos.**



Li explained that Red and Yellow are good luck colours and candy is given so that the year will be filled with sweetness. She had organized a trivia quiz to complete over dinner.

Brian thanked Li and David for the Chinese New Year decorations and welcomed Dungog Rotarians.



Fine session was long winded but raised \$100 for Rotary Health.



**Guest speaker – David Marston**

It is possible to be self sufficient for energy by using wind, hydro, solar, methane pits, geothermal, wave or tidal energies. In practice, though, we still rely on fossil fuels.

Some examples:

King Island – 60% self-sufficient using solar & wind. New Zealand gets 13% from geo thermal. Perth supplements energy with wave generation.

Germany plans to use 80% renewable energy by 2050. South Australia gets 23% of its energy from wind & solar.

For Gloucester to be self sufficient we would need 15 wind turbines and 30 hectares of solar.



In Australia, large renewable resources are often away from the population and Government funded transmission lines have been built to link coal and hydro electricity plants. Possibly a privatized system may provide changes. Problems in moving towards renewables include State rivalries, the government not building more lines as thinking of privatising, the huge lobby from the fossil fuel industry, social apathy in not needing to change and the economics of large investments needed in the short term for long term benefit.

David sees some possibilities for Australia with wind farms across mid Australia to use the 'roaring 40's'; solar in central Australia, hydro in all dams as well as the Snowy; some geothermal; wave energy in the west and east and tidal in northern areas. Australia could technically produce enough renewable energy now but possible economically by 2030 but we need a sizeable government backflip!



## Something for Fun – another from Fred

Late in the night he regained consciousness.

He found himself in agonizing pain in the hospital's ICU, with tubes up his nose, wires monitoring every function and a gorgeous nurse hovering over him.

He realized he'd obviously been in a serious accident.

She gave him a deep look straight into the eyes, and he heard her slowly say, "You may not feel anything from the waist down."

Somehow he managed to mumble in reply, "Can I feel your tits, then?"

## 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?