

Rotary



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Ring or email Ray Martin's Office for apologies and to include guests before 10am Tuesdays
Phone 65582200 or email rms@midcoast.com.au

Don't forget it is **July** and change of members to set up.

Coming Meetings

Tuesday 28th July	Rotary meeting with Dungog Rotary at Stroud. Stroud Public School fundraiser. \$25 for dinner plus bus. Meet at Bowling Club 5.30pm.
Sunday 2nd August	4 person Ambrose Golf Day. Funds raised go to Rotary Projects. Shotgun start at 10 am. There are a number of novelty events. \$30 per person with teams of 4. Includes a BBQ lunch. Ring Valda Barron 6558 2992 If you do not have a set of golf clubs they can be provided. Also if only one person and no team that also can be accommodated. See Valda or Chris Pritchard. See email for roster
Tuesday 4th August	Rachelle Worth Devil Ark update.
Saturday 8th August	Farmer's market BBQ
Sunday 25th October	BBQ at 'Rotary Hill' to support 'Operation Cleft' . More info from Valda

Other important info:

Details for Direct deposit into Gloucester Rotary's bank account are:

Rotary Club of Gloucester Incorporated

BSB 062543

Account Number 00800089

Bowling Club membership: \$15 Swipe membership card at the bar for discounts on purchases.



Our new **Youth Exchange student Ida Sevón** from Finland has arrived in Gloucester (a day later than we expected her)

Her first host parents are Sam & Megan deWitte and her mentor is Jane Deen.



Previous Meeting : 21st July – Helena's farewell

Helena's host families and a group of her friends were amongst the guests on the night.

The entertainment was a song performed by Helena, Jamie Lee Bird and Casey Wilson.

Helena then spoke. (Apologies if the notes I took were incorrect)

Hi for the last time!

Thankyou for all coming to say goodbye. I arrived 346 days ago and it doesn't feel like a whole year has gone by. My Mum is looking forward to my return.

My first family was the Hall's. At home we only have a dog. It was a great experience being on farms with cattle, horses, dogs and wide open spaces. It was hard to leave this first family to go to the Edwards'. They have younger children and I was the eldest! They also had lots of animals. My next family was the Maslen's. They have 620 cows – wow – 27 cows would be a lot in Germany! They also had a Piano. My last family has been the Markey's – they only have a cat and it is nice & quite.

Apart from the Rotary Safari which was fantastic I've been taken to Port Macquarie, Tamworth for the Country Music Festival, Sydney & Coonamble.

I don't really want to leave. I'm different now and going home to how it was will be hard. I'm very keen to return to Australia.

Thankyou all very much for the support and friendship. Thanks to Sharee, Sam & Brian for the organisation and planning. She hopes to see us when we visit her in Germany.



Thankyou to the host families for their time and money spent on her and for letting her into their lives and homes. Thankyou to her friends for accepting her into their school and classes.

I should be looking forward to seeing my family – but – they’ve been their all of my life and I want to stay here!

Pete presented Helena with a farewell gift of a RM Williams whip and a DVD on how to crack it. Look out Germany!

Helena then sang her farewell song that she wrote herself. You have been sent a U tube link from Brian (via Don) if you wish to listen to the song.



Meeting Preparation & Clean Up

April	Grahame Stelzer, Paul Hedditch, Valda Barron
May	Ashleigh Hickman, Bernie Tresidder, Denver Webb
June	Sam de Witte, Wayne Salvestro, Jane Deen,
July	Vicki Collett, Chris Pritchard Li Meng Wong,
August	Bruce Montgomerie, Brian Beesley, Geoff Slack
September	Lindy Dupree, Ray Martin, John Read
October	Grahame Holstein, Young Rustandi, Peter Markey
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?