



Bulletin Gloucester



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Club 17925, District 9650 Chartered 17th May 1950

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RI President 2013 -14:
Ron Burton; Rotary Club of Norman, Oklahoma

Ring Megan de Witte 6558 2790 for apologies no later than 11.00 on Tuesdays. Additionally, please advise number and name of guests for each meeting.

Whilst there is an answer phone to take your message, it would be more appropriate if you would email absentee numbers to Megan at imeldasshoes@bigpond.com

**** Last week, 23 were expected for dinner – only 16 turned up so please email Megan with numbers****

NOTICES and DATES for your DIARY

- **Board meeting 11th February after normal meeting**
- **Transfer meeting Monday 24th February 2014.** Dungog Rotary Club has invited Gloucester and Patterson clubs to a combined meeting. The guest speaker is John Boag from Tamworth who is RI Director. Brian is organising a 'bus trip with extras' to transport us to Dungog for the meeting.
- **Taree on Manning Exchange Students Dinner 8th March at Waterfront Room.** RSVP 8/2. See Ash for more info.
- **Bush Poetry at Saleyards 15th March** – Council will waive venue hire as sponsorship.
- **Gloucester Show 4/5th April** – Gloucester AH&P have asked us to run the BBQ
- **Duck Races 20th April**
- **Ambrose Golf Fun Day 27th April.** Chris, Valda, Bill & Denver are organising this fundraiser for ROMAC and exercise stations.
- **Motorcycle Muster 3/4th May** Sam has been approached by a Vintage Motorcycle club who want to run a race event – this will increase our numbers.
- **May is Bowel Scan Month.** We'll have a stand outside the Chemist shop as in previous years.
- **Opera in the Church 22nd-23rd August**

Some of the members at last weeks meeting - guess which table were listening to Ray!



Other Information from Last Week's Meeting

President Ray

- Ray is meeting with AGL with the hope of more money for the exercise equipment
- Sam has organised free transport for the exercise equipment from Melbourne. Denelle Transport from Gloucester and Crouch Transport from Wagga are donating this – Many Thanks
- The cost of the concrete is being negotiated and hopefully some donations.
- Australia Day BBQ on Sunday morning
- RYLA – have 5-6 names of interested young people but at funding of 50% of \$900 each may need to cull numbers.

Correspondence from Secretary Ash

- Shire Council has asked for a \$300 sponsorship for the Sports Awards
- Gloucester Public School thanked us for donation
- Gloucester CWA provided \$250 for their new club signs at town entry

Pete led a good fine session, which kept Brian busy running between tables collecting money from those fined as well as those he just put the kookaburra in front of.

GUEST SPEAKER – Don McLeod – RAWCS in District 9650



Don gave us an informative list of the projects undertaken of the last 5 years by RAWCS.

The 7 major projects are:

1. Project Tafea, Tanna Is, Vanuatu – emergency repairs to Lenakel Hospital after the cyclone followed by maintenance, repairs and replacement; developed community skills centres at Yarki village and Lenakel Hospital
2. Papua New Guinea – Kokoda & Port Moresby Hospital renovations, distribution of excess school furniture to centres, construction of staff quarters and water tanks at Kokoda hospital, solar lighting on Kokoda trail, computer and sewing training on donated equipment
3. Solomon Islands – Kiluufi Hospital, completion of Molotabi Health clinic
4. Timor Leste – installation of solar lights, maintenance & training at Railco district school (High school students involved in computer training)
5. Shelterbox/Disaster Aid –
6. NIAS Island Indonesia – after the 2007 Tsunami construction of Hostell & Mini Medical centre
7. Mera School Nepal – established school building & community greenhouse

The 8 secondary project areas are:

1. Adopt a School – Student & teacher Resource kits developed and distributed
2. Donations in Kind – surplus educational & medical equipment
3. FAIM – liaison of all volunteer teams
4. Pacific Training Aid – selection of personnel to undertake 'on the job training' – mainly nurses
5. Rotarians against Malaria – promotion of bed nets, alternative treatments & educational campaigns
6. Safe Sanitation & water Saves Lives – water storage & reticulation facilities
7. Marketing –
8. Baby Kits – distribution of kits of baby clothing which also encourages the mothers to visit the clinics

Funding

1. Projects may be self funded, club donations, Rotary Foundation Matching Grants, Aus Aid and others
2. District RAWCS funds are in a healthy position
3. In 2012/13 National RAWCS expenditure exceeded \$23million

An excellent presentation by Don – I learnt a lot – especially as I took notes & then had to type it all !!

Coming Meetings, as organised by Brian	
28th January	Leanne Wakefield (GPS Principal) – Books for babies
4th February	Donnelle Walker – ‘This is your life’
11th February	Krambach
18th February	
25th February	Nowendoc

Email any messages or contributions for the bulletin to vcoombes54@gmail.com

Something for Fun – with acknowledgement from Walcha

Two Kiwis in black singlets, shorts and thongs arrived at the pearly gates. St Peter took one look at them and said, “Nick off. You look like wharfies. We know all about you thieving Kiwis. Pinch anything that wasn’t nailed down. Nick off.”

St Peter informed God he had just got rid of two Kiwis. God went berserk. “You can’t do that. Every one is entitled to get to heaven. Go and get them back.”

St Peter went off to do his bidding but soon returned.

“They’ve gone,” he said.

“Who the Kiwis?”

“No, the bloomin’ Pearly Gates,” said St Peter

Rotary meetings – Set up and Put away

Please have organised at least 30 minutes prior to Meeting

February	
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Important Dates for February

	Birthday	Anniversary
Jillian Carson	1st	
Di Pritchard	3rd	
Chris Pritchard	4th	
Anne Martin	4th	
John & Barbara Read		6th
Catherine Webb	15th	
Peter Markey	23rd	
Bruce Montgomerie	28th	

Our Executive 2013.-.2014

President:	Ray Martin	65581455
Vice President :	Sam de Witte	65581734
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Community Service	John Faull	65581722
Vocational Service	Sharee Abeysekera	65588158
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International Service	Valda Barron	6558 2992

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?