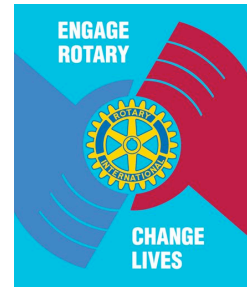




Bulletin Gloucester



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19th November 2013

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Treasurer – Bruce Montgomerie
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District Governor Rob Anderson
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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

NOTICES:

- **Community Relay on 9th November was won by ROTARY!** The team consisted of Ray Martin, Sam de Witte, Pete Markey and a 'ring-in', Ray's nephew, Paul Sullivan. They swam exactly to their submitted time of 171 seconds – and arrived on Tuesday night proudly sporting their medals and trophy.



Only 10 teams swam – which at least was a huge increase from the zero entered by Friday. A big thanks is given to Rod Menzel, for his effort with the timing and computer recording on the day. Unfortunately, there were not enough spectators to eat all the meat ordered and therefore very little profit will be made from the event.

- Next week, **19th November will be a fund raising dinner for Barrington School**. The dinner is at Barrington Hall, starting at 6pm for nibbles, then at 6.30 the students will do a small performance, followed by dinner at 7pm. Extra guests are welcome, please ring Brian Beesley
- Pete reported that **Ken Graham** is doing well after getting his 2 new knees and had been transferred to Newcastle for rehabilitation.
- **Christmas party** is down for the 10th but Brian is having difficulty getting a venue therefore it was suggested to change the night to the Wednesday – 11th December so that the Tennis Clubhouse can be used. Uniting Church could cater and special steaks and gourmet sausages could be barbequed. Any change to this plan will be notified ASAP.
- **29th November is the transfer meeting to the newly formed club at Old Bar**. Bookings need to be made through the website www.rotaryoldbar.org.
- **25th November is the Public Speaking Finals in Taree**. Sam is going and taking our contestant, Sophie Kingston. Others are welcome. Please see Sam for more details.
- **Santa will be in Gloucester** from Saturday 30 November to Saturday 14 December 2013 to have photo sessions with you. Santa's House will be at the old NRMA Building opposite the Roundabout. This is a Fund raising project so all Businesses, Clubs, Sporting Groups, Schools, Churches, Charities and Adults are encouraged to participate.
- **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.
- **Bush Poetry in the Saleyards in 15th March 2014**
- **Opera in the Church is 22-23rd August 2014**

Urgent Need for Financial Help for the Philippines

The most effective way is to send money direct to the area affected. District Governor Edgar can use the funds where they believe it is most effective. Food , water , medicines etc. are in great need and can be sourced from other parts of the Philippines.

Treasurer Bruce will accept any cheque or cash from our members and send a lump sum payment to the District 3860 Disaster Fund account in the next week or so. President Ray already has funds to hand to Bruce. Therefore, please add to this amount.

PREVIOUS MEETING

Last week was our AGM and Club Assembly.

- The minutes from last years meeting were read and approved.
- At present, we have no volunteers for office bearers – please see Ray if interested or willing!!!!
- General Business – (Don probably has better minutes on this section)
 - Thankyou to Stratford Coal/Yancoal for their donation of \$2000 towards our project of exercise equipment in the park. Thankyou also to John Reed for doing all the paperwork. Council is keen to meet with our team to decide on the site and get the DA approved. This will allow them to apply under the Community Grants scheme. Plan to do this project in 3 stages and we'll need about \$23,000 for Stage 1 equipment. It was suggested that we advertise any future fundraising events as going towards this project so that the community are aware.
 - Stuart asked that an update of present members be posted in the Bulletin – See below for this.
 - The website hasn't been updated for a long time and Jim suggested that we approach the high school for tuition and/or help.
 - The trifecta hasn't been claimed as yet. A notice will be placed in the Advocate.
 - Terry informed us that the pine forest is not a Christmas tree forest anymore due to lack of pruning.

He asked for volunteers to help fell some trees too close to John's house.

- Vicki said she'd been looking at some Bulletins from other clubs that Brian had forwarded her and suggested maybe a roster to share the jobs at meetings (but this has been tried before) and had enjoyed the 'mix up' of meetings lately – some transfer meetings and other 'nights off' and this maybe more enjoyable to encourage new members.
- Another lively fines session by Pete followed with Chris making sure money was donated.

SOMETHING FOR FUN

This comes from Walcha Rotary Club

Apologies to Dr. Seuss on computers. (Read out loud)

If a packet hits a pocket on a socket on a port, and the bus is interrupted at a very last resort, and the access of the memory makes your floppy disk abort, then the socket packet pocket has an error to report.

If your cursor finds a menu item followed by a dash, and the double-clicking icon puts your window in the trash, and your data is corrupted cause the index doesn't hash, then your situation's hopeless and your system's gonna crash!

If the label on the cable on the table at your house, says the network is connected to the button on your mouse, but your packets want to tunnel to another protocol, that's repeatedly rejected by the printer down the hall.

And your screen is all distorted by the side effects of gauss, so your icons in the window are as wavy as a souse; then you may as well reboot and go out with a bang, 'cuz sure as I'm a poet, the sucker's gonna hang.

When the copy on your floppy's getting sloppy in the disk, and the macro code instructions are a necessary risk, then you'll have to flash the memory and you'll want to RAM your ROM, and then quickly turn it off, and be sure to tell your Mom!

Coming Events	
Tuesday November 19th	Fund raising Dinner for Barrington Public School at Barrington Hall 6pm
Tuesday November 26th	No Meeting on the 26th Transfer meeting to attend Old Bar Charter Night 29 th November. Need to book online through the Old Bar website www.rotaryoldbar.org . Cost of the dinner \$35 pp with fellowship from 6.15pm & formalities of the dinner from 7pm. Venue Club Old Bar 1 Belford Street Old Bar. Pete driving the bus.
Friday 29th November Transfer Meeting	Charter Night for the Rotary Club of Old Bar. Numbers please and Pete Markey will drive the bus.
Tuesday 3rd December	District Governors visit. Partner's night. Board meeting at 5.30 pm.
Wednesday 11th December	Rotary Christmas Party. Tennis Clubhouse. No meetings from 17th Dec till 14th Jan 14.
Thursday 12th December	Apex Carnival. Rotary is helping run the Santa Sleigh Ride as we did last year.
Tuesday 14th January 2014	Fellowship evening to commence the year. Venue TBA

Important Dates for November

	Birthday	Anniversary
Fred & Joy Myers		4 th
Joy Myers	10 th	
Fred Myers	10 th	
Bill and Pat Radford		17 th
Bernie Tresidder	21 st	
Denver Webb	24 th	
Susan Dixon	25 th	
Li Meng Wong	27 th	
Barbara Read	28 th	
Andy & Rosy Deliyana		29 th

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

Rotary meetings – Set up and Put away

Please have organised at least 30 minutes prior to Meeting

November	Chris Pritchard, Terry Carson, Brian Dixon
December	Grahame Holstein, Vicki Collett, Sharee Abeysekera

Our Executive 2013.-.2014

President:	Ray Martin	65581455
Vice President :	Sam de Witte	65581734
Immediate Past President:	Peter Markey	65582550
Secretary:	Ashleigh Hickman	65582031
Treasurer:	Bruce Montgomerie	65589113
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Youth Services	Sam De Witte	65581734
Community Service	John Faull	65581722
Vocational Service	Sharee Abeysekera	65588158
Public Officer	Don McLeod	6558 4297
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?