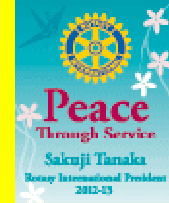


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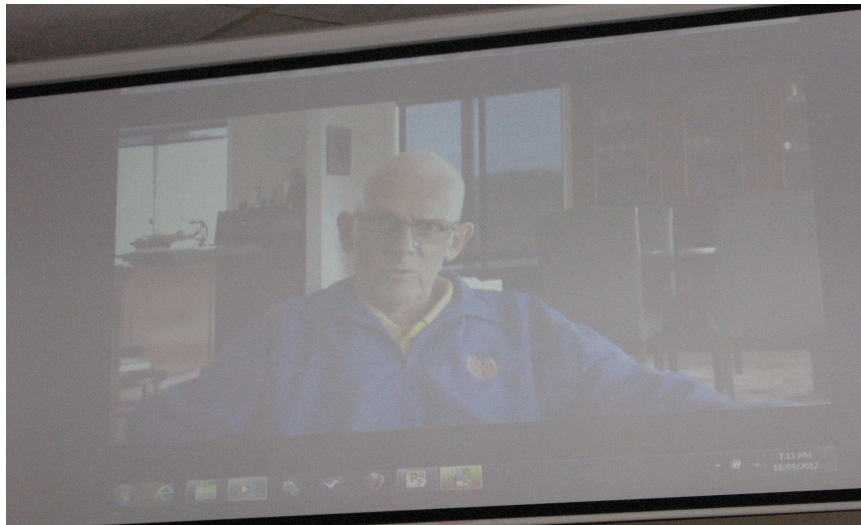
Rotary Club of Yaghio Saitama, JAPAN

Tonight we welcome Wade Penfold to our club as well as our annual staple event. But first let's reflect on last weeks' Nova Scotia experience and the visit of District Governor Brian and Heather Beesley at our club meeting at Gloucester:-

We were taken by surprise!

No not by Benny Barba and another Bulldog try but by our own doggered President Rick as he appeared via video to wish the club well. A great surprise!

Tonight our club is hosting 10 Rotarians including partners (4 couples and 2 single ladies) for three nights and two days having arrived late Sunday afternoon and departing Wednesday 19th. It was a fun night getting to know more about Nova Scotia, Newfoundland and Canada generally.



Excuse the quality of the picture but what a surprise to see President Rick. He showed off his new hair style But I for one hope not to meet his hairdresser!
Good to see you Rick!

New Rotarian

DG Beesley presented new Gloucester Rotarian Vicki Coombes with her membership pack as well her membership pin. Vicki was supported at this special event by her partner, Paul Collett, Ros and Arthur Poynting, Sue and Paul Hedditch. At this event we also met up with Donell and Steve Walker.

Welcome Vicki, we hope that you enjoy your new home at Gloucester Rotary, and that it gives you many happy hours carrying out meaningful activities within our community.



Smiles as Vicki receives her certificate of membership. (Ray smiles at the thought of another member to share the BBQ!)

Rotary Friendship Exchange

As mentioned previously, we welcomed a number of guests from District 7820 Canada:-

Stella and Paul Roy Rotary Club of Halifax Harbourside

Evelina Dunlap is also a member from Halifax Harbourside.

Greg and Claudia Coldwell from New Minas Sunrise Rotary Club

Elva Heyge is a member of Rotary Club of Kentville

Leslie and Susan Reid from Windsor Rotary Club

Bill and Cindy Osmond of St Johns Rotary Club, Newfoundland. (Much mirth was made of Bill coming from Newfoundland I suppose its' the equivalent of saying you're a member of Wingham Rotary.) Bill says, it like being a Tasmanian The left over bit of Canada but this is now changing as the Canada's wealth seems to be generated from Newfoundland at the moment.

We enjoyed the presentation each member made relating to their lifestyle and background.



The Friendship Exchange Group look at the special cakes made in their honor by local Gloucester friends.



District Governor Brian prepares his speech as Rotarians look on in disbelief that a Brian Beesley talk could be considered as 'bat shit'.

The District Governor Speaks

Brian introduced his talk as being better than 'bat shit'. (And it just about achieved this goal.) Brian relayed a chance meeting at a club where he would be introduced as the DG and would give a talk. Prior to being introduced Brian sat next to an old member who said 'You've chosen a bad time to come to the club tonight son, we are expecting the new DG. It will be as exciting as 'bat shit' I'm sure.

Brian talks well, is colourful and presents well. He spoke about change. Changing with the times. He spoke of enjoying an experience ...albeit a new experience ... and a need to replenish ideas!

To demonstrate his point Brian took an ancient indigenous musical instrument and blew the 'cra-'.... out of it. It shows that a good tune can be played out of an old fiddle!

Brian invited a Canadian guest to join him in making music so in conclusion Brian demonstrated that Rotarians can make music together.!

(Brian as a person who is in the business of creating new ideas ALL THE BLOODY TIME! Perhaps Brian, the real question is to RE-FOCUS on objectives rather than RECREATING 'the new'. It is interesting that in a recent survey of London's 10 most popular modern architects all but one live in period houses! Your use of an ancient musical instrument proves the point. RE-FOCUS!)

It was good to hear from you Brian. See you again soon.



Rotarians Making Music!

Directors Speak

- Graeme Stelzer spoke a little of the up coming events for our Gloucester Meetings as he would be away sometime showing off District 9650 to the Exchange Group.

Dates to keep in mind.

- 25th September The 'Folding of Boxed Trifecta Tickets' an annual staple event that at times can bring tears but always a good financial return to the club will take place at a Club Event. Keep this date in mind as many hands will make the time flow fast!
- 24th October Cluster Final Public Speaking at Waterfront Room Taree. Located rear of Exchange Hotel Cnr Victoria and Manning Sts, Taree. Run by Taree North Club 6:00 for 6:30pm and we look forward to our representative for the event.

General News

- Welcome home John and Sue Watts.
- While Rick is away the Board has decided the following Roster be set up to assist with Chairperson duties in his absence.

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| Sept 11 th and 18 th | PP Sam de Witte |
| Sept 25 th and October 2 nd Includes Board meeting | PP Denver Webb |
| October 9 th and 16 th Includes Board meeting | PP Jim de Silva |
| October 23 rd and 30 th | PP Terry Carson |
| Nov 6 th and 13 th | PP Graham Holstein |
| Nov 20 th and 27 th Includes Board meeting | PP Brian Dixon |
| December 4 th and 11 th | PP John Hopkins |
| December 18 th Christmas Party | |

Our Rotary Family News

- Our thoughts and prayers continue for the improved health of President Rick as he rests up at home.
- Our thoughts and prayers extend to Judy and John Hopkins as Judy prepares for surgery (perhaps, some day soon).
- Our thoughts to all club members who are ill or unable to meet with us on a regular basis.

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?

Ring Megan de Witte 6558 2790 for apologies no later than 1100 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 Megans at imeldasshoes@bigpond.com

Our executive for 2012- 2013

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| President: | Rick Bowen-Thomas | 6558 1610 |
| President Nominee: | Ray Martin | 6558 1455 |
| Immediate Past President: | Rod Menzel | 6558 4190 |
| Secretary: | John Watts | 6558 9769 |
| Treasurer: | Chris Pritchard | 6558 9991 |
| International/Rotary Foundation | PP John Hopkins | 6558 4231 |
| Club Service | PP Grahame Stelzer | 6558 4370 |
| New Generations | PP Ash Hickman | 6558 2031 |
| Public Relations/Club membership | PP Peter Markey | 6558 2550 |
| Community Service | PP Sam deWitte | 6558 1734 |
| Vocational Service | PP Jim DeSilva | 6558 9248 |
| Public Officer | PP Don McLeod | 6558 4297 |

ANNIVERSARIES:

| September | | |
|------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Martin, Ray | 16 th | |
| McLeod, Don & Lorraine | | 27 th |
| Watts, John | 28 th | |
| McLeod, Don | 30 th | |

Club Meeting Times / Places in our Rotary Cluster 4 District 9650

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| Forster- On – Wallis | Tuesdays 7am |
| Great Lakes | Mondays 6:30pm at Club Forster |
| Taree | Mondays 6:15 pm at Club Taree |
| Taree North | Wednesdays 6:30pm at Waterfront Room, Exchange Hotel |
| Taree | |
| Taree-On-Manning | Wednesday 12:30 pm at Exchange Hotel Taree |
| Tuncurry/Forster | Wednesday 6:30pm at Club Forster |
| Wingham | Tuesday 6:30pm Bowling Club Combined St Wingham |

Coming Events

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| Tuesday 25th | <p>Meeting 4 Bowling Club</p> <p>Guest: Mr Wade Penfold Australian Deaf Rugby Football player</p> <p>Trifecta Staple Staple Event as well as Board Meeting</p> |
| Tuesday 2nd October | <p>Meeting 1</p> <p>Off site Meeting to be held at Uniting Church Hall, Cowper St</p> <p>With small concert in the church. Josela Concert Pianist and a couple of her friends.</p> <p>A partners night, probable cost \$ 20 pp.</p> |
| Tuesday 9th October | <p>Meeting 2 Bowling Club</p> <p>Guest Speaker Gil Gendron, Director of Technical Services Gloucester Shire Council.</p> <p>Introduced by Geoff Slack and thanked by Brian Dixon.</p> |
| Tuesday 16th October | <p>Meeting 3 Bowling Club</p> <p>This is My Life Ken Graham Introduced by Ken Graham and Thanked by Ken Graham obviously in keeping with his life?</p> <p>Board Meeting</p> |
| Tuesday 23rd October | <p>Meeting 4</p> <p>A Night at the Movies. I Spy produced and directed by Samuel Faull (son of John & Bebbie).</p> <p>Presented by Rod Menzel and thanked by all!</p> |
| Tuesday 6th November | <p>Meeting 5 is a POTENTIAL BREAKFAST MEETING TBA</p> |

ROTARY MEETINGS – SET UP AND PUT AWAY

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| MONTHLY ROSTER – Necessary to be organized at least 30 minutes prior to Meeting | |
| SEPTEMBER | Holstein, Radford, Hickman |
| OCTOBER | Montgomerie, Menzel, Hopkins |
| NOVEMBER | Martin, Markey, Benson |
| DECEMBER | Read, McLeod, Griffin |
| JANUARY | Graham, Faull, Dixon |
| FEBRUARY | De Witte, De Silva, Collett |
| MARCH | Carson, Benson, Bowen-Thomas |
| APRIL | Barron, Abeysekera, Hickman |
| MAY | Read, Radford, McLeod |
| JUNE | Montgomerie, Menzel, Hopkins |
| If you can't attend your rostered time please organize a swap. | |