

Rotary



Bulletin for Gloucester

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Coming Meetings and other Functions.

Tuesday 14th June	Fellowship Night followed by Joint Board Meeting of both incoming and outgoing Boards
Thursday 16th June 6.30om for 7pm	"Meet The Candidates" night – Lyne Electorate Venue: The Senior Citizens Centre, Hume Street Gloucester
Tuesday 21st June	Wingham Rotary Club Changeover at RSL/Services Club Wingham
Saturday 25th June	District 9650 Changeover - Maurie Stack to Ian Jackson Venue: Rear of Exchange Hotel "Waterfront Room" Taree
Tuesday 28th June Partners & Guests Welcome	Gloucester Rotary Club Changeover Dinner. Sharee to Ash Theme: Black & White with a dash of Colour
Tuesday 19th July	Possible Christmas in July at Stroud Public School with Dungog Rotary

District 9650 Rotary Clubs Changeover Dinner

Club	Date
Gloucester	28/06/2016
Great Lakes	11/07/2016
Taree	17/06/2016
Taree North	15/06/2016
Taree on Manning	18/06/2016
Tuncurry Forster	22/06/2016
Wingham	21/06/2016

Directors Reports & others:

Peter Markey opened the meeting with the Rotary Grace.

John Read welcomed the nominees and their partners to the Unsung Hero Award Presentation night. We also welcome Anne Keen from the Gloucester Advocate.

Sam DeWitte asked for 3 volunteers to assist in the RYDA (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness) program in Taree next Tuesday 14th June. Volunteers will travel in the bus with the students and leave the school at 9am and return home at about 3pm. Jim DeSilva, Valda Barron and John Read have volunteered to go. Thank You!

Grahame Stelzer reported on some of our fellow Rotarians. David Laurie used to live in Gloucester before moving to Wellington and then to Cowra. Unfortunately, he passed away on Saturday 4th June and his funeral service was on Thursday 9th June. Hans Stenstrom has been admitted into Royal North Shore Hospital with a terminal diagnosis. He will not be coming home. Grahame and Kaye visited Geoff Teece in Tuncurry Nursing Home. He is full of joy and spring, especially after lunch! He loves visitors so pop in if you are in that area. Nursing Home is located in South Street Tuncurry.



Ida Sevon, our Finland Exchange Student, has finished her exchange year in Australia. She flew back home on Thursday 9th June. Ida thanked everyone for letting her come and get to know us. She also thanked everyone for getting to know the 'old' her and also the 'improvised new' her. For her 18th, her host parents gave her an Opal so for her farewell, President Sharee presented her with an 'Aussie Boomerang' (one of her bucket list wish). Ida ended her farewell speech with distribution of her 'Salty Licorice' to everyone. Thank you Ida for spending a year with us. We hope you have had a great experience. As PDG Brian Beesley quoted, 'We are also proud of you, some days more than other'.

Berrico Clearance Sale Event

Geoff and Lyn Slack thanked the club, especially the BBQ volunteers for helping out at the Clearance Sale on Saturday 4th June. Despite the miserable cold and rainy weather, there were a large turnout, more than what they have anticipated. **John Faull** gave a report of the day. Rotarians slaved non-stop over the BBQ stand for more than 5 hours. A crowd of about 300 was anticipated to turn up for this event, but it turned out to be in excess of 700 people. Peter and Terry had to go for more supplies, TWICE! **Ray Martin** exhausted his tears ducts.... He was allocated the onion chopping duty (about 5000 onions... layers and layers of onions!!). When the bread were all gone, people were still lining up so the crusts of the bread were sold as well as using paper plates as sandwiches when the crusts were sold out too!! Lyn and Geoff served up approx 250 cups of coffee and tea and biscuits. It was a successful event!



Brian Beesley is holding a private music concert with one of our special guest, Mike McClellan. All Rotarians and partners are invited but there's limited numbers. Cost will be \$30 per person. This cost will also help sponsor students to the Songwriter workshop held by Mike and to the Acoustic Festival. Please see Invitation attached to this Bulletin.



Peter Markey lead a fantastic 'fine' session with many cross fines on the Berrico BBQ. Jim and Sue DeSilva were both fined for forgetting it was their Anniversary Day and they didn't even sat on the same table! Their excuse for forgetting as Jim so lovingly put it, "That's because everyday is an anniversary day for them.." Awwwwwwwwww

Gloucester 2015-16 'Unsung Hero' Community Service Award



Community service is the heart of the Rotary movement.

The 'Unsung Hero' Community Service Award is run as an acknowledgement of the vital role that volunteers and dedicated employees play in our community, and the need to recognize their efforts.

The successful nominee is expected to have provided a community service that would be in the main a voluntary service over a number of years.

The nominees need to be a resident of, or provide a service within the bounds of the Gloucester Shire..

Last year's inaugural Gloucester Unsung Hero Community Service Award run by our Club was a resounding success and was even given time in "Business of The House in the Legislative Assembly".

A number of nominations were received and consequently our Club unanimously voted to run the award as an ongoing yearly event.

So here we are again in 2016 to recognise another 5 very worthy Gloucester citizens.

All of to-night's nominees will receive a Certificate of Appreciation plus this year's successful Awardee will be presented with a plaque and a cheque for \$500 to be donated to a community service / charity organisation of their choice.



John Hughes

"Mr Hughes has been part of Gloucester Soccer Club for 41 years. His children and grandchildren all attended Barrington School and he has given so much service in many capacities to the school. Approx 20 years ago, the school entered the small school soccer competition and John became the coach. Every year he has committed many hours, days and weeks to train the team and has travelled many distances to watch the games. He has taken Barrington to the state finals twice where they were placed 3rd. This year he has again willingly offered his expertise to coach the team."

(Nominated by Deb Faull)

Toni Laurie

"Toni Laurie has been training the Barrington tennis team over the past 3 years in preparation for the PSSA state knockout competition which is an annual event. Toni has a vast knowledge of tennis from her days in the U.S. on a College Scholarship. She has at times, had to teach the fundamental skills to novices as well as the rules and how to score. Toni has given up countless lunch hours to travel to Barrington to coach the kids and has even attended on the day of the game to support the team."

(Nominated by Deb Faull)



Ollie Rinkin (was unable to attend the presentation. He is represented by Trevor Bolton)

"Ollie Rinkin has been synonymous with hockey in Gloucester for his whole life. Primary hockey has made a resurgence in Gloucester in the last 4 years. This has led to Ollie coaching Barrington pupils in hockey during sport time as well as running an afternoon community session. This year, Barrington is entering the PSSA State Knockout Competition for the first time, thanks to Ollie's expertise and dedication."

(Nominated by Deb Faull)



Shirley Patmore

“Shirley has over many years helped and guided young people in our district to discover dancing in both a formal and informal way. She has organised Debutante Balls for years and assisted in local youth organisations. Shirley has been a regular organist in most churches in the community, playing at weddings and funeral services when called upon.”
(Nominated by Denver Webb)

(Supporting letter from Stuart Benson)

“For many years Shirley has made herself available, often at short notice, to play the organ or piano in the local churches. As well as Sunday worship, Shirley plays for weddings, funerals, seniors’ services and for the interdominational service at Gloucester Nursing Home on Sundays. Her willingness is greatly appreciated by the clergy, families and others. Participating in the fortnightly Mainly Music program for mothers and pre-schoolers is another area of service. With her husband Newman, Shirley has keenly assisted in the preparation of local youth to participate in Debutante Balls, teaching both ballroom dancing and ball procedure. Shirley has been an active participant in the Karios programs presented at Kempsey Correctional Centre since its inception several years ago. Shirley is a fine example of a woman willing to assist others before she addresses her own needs.”



Bob Tebbet

“Bob Tebbet is a retired Australian Federal Policeman of 35 years in Sydney. He is an elected Elder of the Uniting Church and passionate about encouraging City folks to look and visit Gloucester with the ‘Tree Change’ promotion. In August, he will take an exhibition to the NSW Regional Expo in Sydney. Bob Tebbet has to raise \$4000 to promote Gloucester at the Expo. Last year he arranged a Rubber Boot Throwing at the Gloucester Show. He made an enormous boot and the patrons loved it. He arranged a dinner and concert with the Bowden Boys singing on his property and proceeds of that concert went to the Rescue Helicopter. On Melbourne Cup Day for the past few years, he has invited neighbours for a Bakers Creek Cup. A truly fun day. Behind every good man there;s a good woman and Sandy is a worthy citizen of Gloucester”

(Nominated by Elaine Maslen)



Winner of this year’s Unsung Hero Award goes to Shirley Patmore. Shirley received an award and also a cheque of \$500. She is donating that cheque to the Neighbourhood Centre to go towards their Mobile Funding. Shirley also thanked her husband, Newman for supporting her in her commitments. Congratulations, Shirley and well done to all the nominees.



Lorraine & Trevor Bolton, Toni Laurie, Deb Faull, John & Wendy Hughes

Meeting closed with the National Anthem.



Greetings from our fellow travelling Rotarians



From Brian And Sue Dixon :



In Canada. Rotary Friendship Exchange Program going very well, stayed with a PDG in Camrose for five nights, one extra as we arrived a day early, and off to Edmonton today.



From Paul and Sue Hedditch:

Greetings from Camden Maine. Just arrived back in Boston from our 2 week road trip north. The car and ourselves survived with no dents but a few stories. The day we left Camden guess what the local Rotary club were doing? Rotary ideas get passed around!!



From Ashleigh Hickman:



Wonderful, wonderful Copenhagen. It is a lovely day. We meet our fellow passengers this evening. Caught the metro train to the city. This castle is beautiful and still having fun in Latvia.

Laughter
always the best medicine

Three sisters age 92, 94 and 96 live in a house together. One night the 96 year old draws a bath, puts her foot in and pauses. She yells down the stairs, "Was I getting in or out of the bath?" The 94 year old yells back, "I don't know, I'll come up and see." She starts up the stairs and pauses, then she yells, "Was I going up the stairs or coming down?" The 92 year old was sitting at the kitchen table having tea listening to her sisters. She shakes her head and says, "I sure hope I never get that forgetful." She knocks on wood for good measure. She then yells, "I'll come up and help both of you as soon as I see who's at the door."



1 June 2016

Dear Rotarians

DESTINATION GLOUCESTER

Over the past two months a small group of community members have been working together on an exciting project to promote Gloucester to the rest of Australia. I have been a part of this small group.

We now feel it is time to share our project and vision with the rest of the community. In order to do this we are holding a short presentation on Wednesday 15th June.

I would like to personally invite you to this presentation which will be limited to no more than one hour in duration. During this time we will be showing a promotional video that we have produced as well as explaining some other exciting initiatives.

VENUE: Gloucester Soldiers Club

TIME: 6pm to 7pm

DATE: Wednesday 15th June

RSVP: Bob Tebbet by Friday 10th June 2016

It is an important meeting where we are seeking to get the endorsement and support of our community as we move this project forward.

I really hope Rotary members can spare the one hour to attend.

Kind Regards

Bob Tebbet

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Gloucester Rotary Club

INVITATION

The members of **Gloucester Rotary Club** invite you to attend our annual

President's Changeover Dinner

to be held at
Gloucester Bowling Club

DATE: Tuesday 28th June 2016
TIME: 6.30 Hors d'oeuvres and pre-dinner drinks (Sit down meal at 7 pm)
COST: \$25 per person.

RSVP: *by 5 pm Thurs 23rd June 2016.*
Ray Martin's office. (Jenny Yarnold)
Ph 02 6558 2200 or email: rms@midcoast.com.au

The theme for this year's event is

Black & White

(with a splash of colour)

President: Sharee Abeysekera
President-Elect: Ashleigh Hickman

**By Invitation:
One Night Only**

An Evening with Mike McClellan

Where

House Concert

Heather and Brian Beesley's Home

4571 Bucketts Way Gloucester

(Gate is opposite Jacks Road)

*Bring your own
Drinks and
nibbles.*

**\$30 per Person
(Includes Supper)**

Wednesday
22 June 2016

Time: 7 for 7.30pm



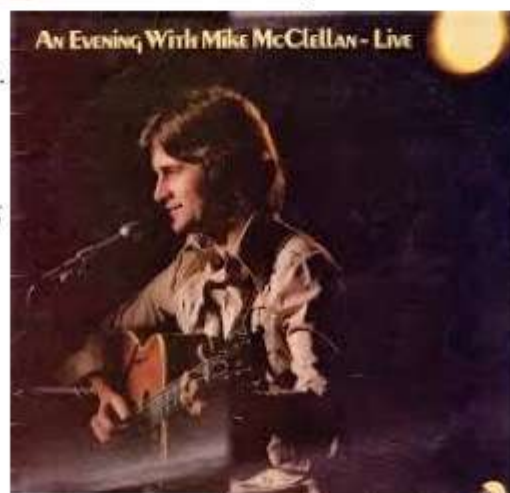
From Teacher to "Song and Dance Man".

Mike sings the journey of a life we can all identify with. He's been the imagination behind some of Australia's most successful brands. Hear him live in an intimate concert where you can sit back and imagine he's singing just for you.

The night will support and encourage the young song writers at Gloucester High School



Limited Bookings from:
Brian: brianbees@gmail.com or 0419634275





June Birthday Celebrations



Geoff Slack 4th



Simon & Hildegard 1st

Jim & Sue Desilva 7th

Ernie & Sharee Abeysekera 19th

Meeting Preparation & Clean Up

Please if you do not have time to set up please let one of your team know.

June	Karen Miles, Young Rustandi, Grahame Holstein
July	Sam de Witte, Wayne Salvestro, Jane Deen
August	Vicki Collett, Chris Pritchard, Pete Markey,
September	Ashleigh Hickman, Grahame Stelzer, Geoff Slack
October	Denver Webb, John Faull, Brian Beesley
November	Brian Dixon, Sharee and Ernie Abeysekera
December	Terry Carson, Ashleigh Hickman, Donnelle Walker



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?

Gloucester Rotary Club Executives

2015/2016		2016/2017	
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