



Bulletin for Gloucester

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Coming Meetings and other Functions.

<p>Tuesday 29th January <i>Partners & Friends Welcome</i></p>	<p>Second Formal Rotary Meeting of 2019 Offsite Meeting - Gloucester Hardware store - BYO</p>
<p>Tuesday 5th February <i>Partners & Friends Welcome</i></p>	<p>"Fitness" Bring your workout / active wear. More information to come.</p>
<p>Tuesday 12th February <i>Partners & Friends Welcome</i></p>	<p>Social Night and Board Meeting Night Westpac Helicopter Talk Membership Push so bring a friend or someone who might like to join Rotary.</p>
<p>16th - 17th February</p>	<p>ROTARY PETS Training WEEKEND - Tamworth</p>
<p>Tuesday 19th February <i>Partners & Friends Welcome</i></p>	<p>Terry Snow Visit - "Corporate night" More information to come</p>
<p>Saturday 9th March <i>Partners & Friends Welcome</i></p>	<p>"Bush Poetry At The Saleyards". Feature poet: Carol Heuchan alongside local treasure, Claire Reynolds, Bob Bush and many more... Music by Bowden Brothers Tickets \$25pp. On Sale from Gloucester Visitors Centre, Bowe & Lidbury and Gloucester Health Foods.</p>
<p>8th - 10th March</p>	<p>ROTARY DISTRICT CONFERENCE WEEKEND - ARMIDALE</p>
<p>Tuesday 12th March <i>Partners & Friends Welcome</i></p>	<p>Social Night and Board Meeting Night</p>
<p>Saturday 4th May</p>	<p>Gloucester Motorcycle EXPO</p>

First Formal Meeting of 2019

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Welcome back for 2019!! I just wanted to say a quick hello to everyone and thank Li for passing the baton on to me. Thank you for your trust, I promise I will do my best to keep the bulletin as fun and informative as my predecessors.

Cheers

Jade

Firstly, a huge congratulations to Ray Martin for becoming a Grandfather for the 8th time, a lovely little girl. Congratulations to his son Damian & his family. Also, Peter Markey is proud of Damian for selling his first house.

Brian brought a guest along for the evening. Brian had met Mark 36 hours prior when he accosted Mark on the side of the road to talk shop about his Camper van. Mark is a former president of the Mildura Rotary club. His current club is Parramatta City and he is currently parked, camper van and all at Brian's house. - Thank you for joining us Mark.

President Ernie Welcomed everyone and thanked Li and David for a fantastic night the Tuesday before, where Jade became reigning champion of Giant Jenga, and promptly retired.



ANNUAL COMBINED SERVICE
CLUBS OF GLOUCESTER DINNER

INVITATION to all members of
Quota International of Gloucester Inc and
Rotary Club of Gloucester Inc.

Wednesday 6th February 2019

Anglican Parish Hall
Hume Street Gloucester

6.30 for 7.00 pm

\$25.00 a head BYO drinks

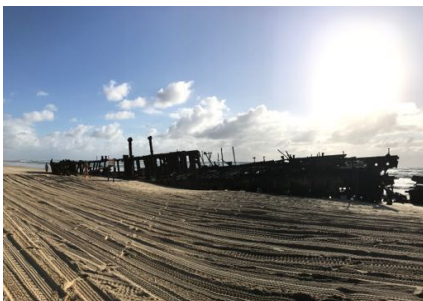
NB: Special dietary requirements on request
(please advise ASAP)

Guest Speaker from Beyond Blue
Raffle - proceeds to Beyond Blue

R.S.V.P - Friday 25th January 2019

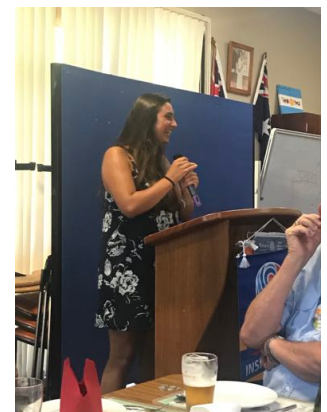
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The lovely Angie (right) spoke to us about her trip to Fraser Island (left). She was there for 2 weeks and saw many dangerous creatures. She stayed in a resort but also went camping. Christmas was a bit different, because it snows where she lives. Angie also updated us on Ayrleah. She

has arrived in Italy, she was greeted at the airport by Angies family (below right). Angie lives 20-30 minutes away from where Aryleah is and Aryleah is very cold. Ernie and Angie had a tan off, and somehow Ray won.



David updated us on the Australia Day BBQ's. The morning one will be held at 8am and the Interact one will begin around 7pm, both in Billabong Park on the 26th. The Mens Health Van will be in Gloucester on the 19th & 20th of February. It will be

next to Ray White in the vacant block, a huge thank you to Ray Twomey for providing the space for the van.



Graham S, has plenty of grapes for the picking and eating, if anyone wants any. Thank you Graham. He also talked about the Bush Poetry Night. Gloucester Food and Wine club has moved their event so that the 9th of March is free for us. Thank you G-town food and wine club. Our head line act for the night is Carol Herchan, for those of you who would like to learn some more about this talented woman, please click the link <http://www.carolpoet.com.au> and if you're reading this printed out, please click the link as much as possible, it won't do anything but I will be amused. We're all looking forward to this event.



Raffle winners for the night were 1. Special guest Speaker, Mo, 2. Terry, 3. John, 4. Paul, 5. Denver. Thank you Peter Markey for getting the prizes. All evidence of any winnings was consumed.



Our special Guest Speaker, Mo Hjorth, gave an entertaining talk about her life. She left out the sex, drugs & rock n roll, but I'm sure they'll be in her upcoming book.

Mo was born in England and started on stage at the age of 3, the daughter of a Ballerina and and Lawyer. At age 14, she auditioned for a weekend program at a drama school and impressed them so much, was offered a place in their full school program. She performed the role of "Lucy" in the stage production of *You're a good man Charlie Brown*, after a gruelling audition process.

Mo then created a list of things she wanted to achieve in the entertainment industry and then set about doing them. On that list was to record music, which she recorded some demo's for Lulu for the Eurovision Song contest. I will google who that is, and a few other people while I am at it. She also wanted to work on musicals, live in New York, and perform in Las Vegas. While sailing around the world performing her Cabaret show on various cruise ships, Mo was given the opportunity to work in New York City. She eventually completed her bucket list, including performing in Las Vegas, by the time she was 35. Mo made her way to Australia where she worked for the federal public service and met her husband and when it was time to retire, they moved to Gloucester. However, Mo didn't seem to retire for long as she became an integral part of the Gloucester Shakespeare Festival, The GACCI Players and started doing workshops with the Gloucester Youth. She even directed the high school musical. On working with the young people of Gloucester, Mo said "*I want to give them the confidence to get out there and know they can do it, because they can.*"



Thank you Mo for sharing your story with us all. You will be a great addition to the Gloucester Rotary, Welcome.

AUSTRALIA DAY

January 26th saw Australia Day celebrations at Billabong Park. Rotary, along with Lions, CWA, and other service clubs delivered an excellent breakfast to many who came out to celebrate. There was a great turn out for the morning with this year being the second year the Gloucester community welcomed brand new citizens.



Interact movie night raised \$97 for their LifeStraw Project. The movie on offer was "Oddball" the story of a dog who was terrible at guarding chickens, but fantastic at guarding penguins, starring Shane Jacobson.



We had a small turn out for the evening, the heat was not our ally that night. The sun didn't go down until about 8pm, so we ran a half hour behind and another hiccup we incurred was the batteries for the DVD player wouldn't work. But it was an enjoyable evening with enjoyable people, and we look forward to the next one.



There were many winners of the community awards. The Lions club won for raising funds for drought effected farmers. The Citizen of the year award was won by our very own Jade Spencer (its kind of weird writing this about myself.) She gave a rousing speech about "Think Globally, Act Locally" (at least I hope it was rousing.)



Meeting Preparation & Clean Up

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

December	Jade Spencer, Karen Mile & Brian Dixon
January 2019	Ray Martin, Li Meng Wong, Terry Carson
February 2019	Jodie House, Jane Deen, Sam de Witte
March 2019	Ashleigh Hickman, Mo Hjorth, Jim de Silva

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