



Bulletin for Gloucester

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Coming Meetings and other Functions.

Tuesday 30th April Friends & Partners Welcome	Guide Dogs Australia: PUPPIES!! Update: there maybe ONE puppy. Nothing is confirmed, but nothing has been fully denied.
May 3, 6-10	Discovery Day, Science & Engineering Challenge. Volunteers Wanted
Saturday 4th May Community Event	Gloucester Motorcycle Expo (May the fourth be with you)
Tuesday 7th May Friends & Partners Welcome	Youth Protection and Insurance: Bianca Adimari [Insurance] and Di Reynolds [WWC]
Tuesday 14th May	Board Meeting Night.
Saturday 18th May Community Event	Federal Election: Aka Democracy Sausage Day!! 🌭🌭🌭
Tuesday 21st May Friends & Partners Welcome	Community Citizens Award
Saturday 25th May	International Towel Day: Celebrate Douglas Adams' legacy by carrying a towel with you all day. 🚀👽🛸
Tuesday 28th May Friends & Partners Welcome	Off site meeting. (Thai Night) TBC)
Tuesday 4th June Friends & Partners Welcome	Something is happening, its just not in the google calendar yet.
Tuesday 4th June	Joint Board Meeting

A note from the editor: My apologies for my absence, I have been unwell. But I think I am getting better and will be back on my feet soon. Thank you for your well wishes. Also, Sunday was my birthday, do what you will with that information.

And now for something completely different...



Tara & Greg Charles presented their “This is Our Life”. Tara spoke to us about the slave labour she endured in the family business, only being paid in magazines and experience. Something that she said has shaped her. Tara has been involved with Rotary in many different aspects over the years, including taking a year to be a part of Rotary Youth Exchange in Austria/Germany. This experience taught her to be tolerant of others and hopefully taught those around her, the same.

After her return to Australia Tara started studying at uni, and found her place in Public Relations. She has been able to work in many industries, including tourism, education and mining & energy. After transferring from Newcastle down to Sydney, Tara found her place with Transgrid and in charge of a team of about 7-17 people.

She met Greg at a Lovedale Long Lunch, it took a few months for them to reconnect again after first meeting and now they have a beautiful, growing family.

Greg was born in Adelaide, to “ten pound poms” in the 70’s, an only child, and relocated back to the UK. Greg was all set to follow in the family footsteps in Engineering. He gained qualifications in Aeronautical Engineering, among others. Greg loves adventures and camping and as a child was part of Scouts.

After uni, Greg had the opportunity to move to Cardiff, and became a graduate trainee in a consultancy company. During his time with this company, he worked his way up and through the ranks of many different positions. As Greg grew as an employee, so too did the company, and went from 13 employees to 60. He then moved on to become a Project Manager. He moved on from that job to working with Mars Chocolates in London, he enjoyed the job and the free chocolates that went with the position, which was the Global Program and Training manager, world wide.

Between jobs Greg travelled around the world reaching Australia and South Africa, where he accidentally stayed for 6 months. He drove all over South Africa with the timber industry. Greg really loved his time in South Africa. He said that Australia and South Africa are the places where he feels most at home. In Australia, there is a “get on with the job” kind of attitude, where you can wind down with the beach and other such things, where as in South Africa, there is a lot of poverty. Within the poverty, you will find a lot of happiness and people with big smiles on their faces, as long as they have some food to eat and somewhere to lay their head, they seem happy.

Greg hopes to travel around Australia again with his wife and two kids, but he isn’t counting his chickens.





He set up his own company after being made redundant with the chocolate company. But he landed a job in Sydney instead. Unfortunately that job fell through.

For the last 5 years Greg has worked as a contractor in Business and IT Project Management. He started out in the Property Development industry and moved on to such companies as News Limited and IAG. He also worked with software development companies.

Greg was adamant that he was not going to get involved with anyone before he's been in Australia for 12 months, and 51 weeks to the day, he meant Tara. Which he is very grateful for.

It wasn't all smooth sailing. The beginning of their relationship was long distance for a year, and as Tara's work brought her to Sydney, Greg's work took him to Canberra for a year, leaving Tara in Sydney alone. He became the Director of Education with the Bondi Surf Club during this time. (I'll be honest this whole bit sounds hectic.)

He now works for The Entourage, which is a small consultancy firm that specialises in Education and Training for Entrepreneurs and Business Owners. He is currently the Director of Operations.

Greg has been working with the Gloucester Rotary Duck Races for six years now. Both He and Tara are grateful for their families, as they are all so very supportive for all they do.

Thank you so much Tara & Greg Charles for sharing your story with us. We wish you both every success in the future.

ANZAC Day

It is customary for Rotary to make a presentation at the ANZAC Day Ceremony each year. Please find a picture of President Ernie presenting the book for Gloucester High School.



Now lets focus on PUPPIES!!

MEET THE FEDERAL CANDIDATES FOR LYNE



MEET THE CANDIDATES NIGHT 2019

FIND THE ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS.

LISTEN TO THEIR POLICIES

Election Date:
18th May 2019

Gloucester Bowling Club 04 1963275

In Order of Ballot Sheet:

Australian Labor Party - Phil Costa
The Nationals - Dr David Gillespie
United Australia Party - Garry Bourke
Conservative National Party - Ryan Golokopring
Liberal Democrats - Dean McFarlane
Australian Workers Party - Ed Canavera
Independents - Jeremy Miller
Christian Democrats - Catherine Zhao
Greens - Stuart Watson

Agenda:

5 Minute Policy Speech
General questions to all candidates *(round robin)*
Specific Questions to candidates *(open floor)*

Thursday May 9th
7pm
Gloucester Country Club

GLoucester COUNTRY CLUB (COUNTRY CLUB BUCKETS WAY SOUTH)



Sponsored by Gloucester Rotary as a Community Service

Gloucester Rotary presents

Leave time to work and play ... safe and sound:

Tuesday 7th May

8 for 8.30pm



What you should Know about: Working with Kids Insurance Working with Council

- Sporting Clubs
- Community Groups
- Churches
- Service Clubs
- Not For Profit (NFP)

This presentation will use Rotary Officers as an example.

Will be applicable to any NFP or Community Group.

The 2 speakers are professionals and delivering with a great message.

Allow us to work and play while enjoying the club in our activities.

GLoucester BOWLING CLUB

Booking Essential
Includes Dinner

Ph. Brian Beesley
0419634275

Book by Monday 6th.



In today's world we can still enjoy ourselves, run activities and make money but it makes sense to do it in an appropriate way that protects ourselves, those we work with and the organisations to which we belong.

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST of the things we think, say, or do

first...

Is it the TRUTH?

second...

Is it FAIR to all concerned?

third...

Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?

fourth...

Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

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