



Bulletin for Gloucester

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 Club 17925, District 9650 Chartered 17th May, 1950.

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Dues: Why Are They Important?

- Provide members with resources and tools
- Improve your local Rotary experience
- Dues keep Rotary operating
- Dues are an investment in our future

Annual Membership Dues: \$250

If you choose to pay by 2 instalments, please have the final payment completed prior to 1st Jan 2019

Bank Details as follow: **Name: Gloucester Rotary Club.**

BSB : 721000 Account No. : 100181061 Ref : (Your Name)

Coming Meetings and other Functions.

Wednesday 5th September Partners & Friends Welcome	District Governor Visit : DG Lorraine Coffey. No Meeting on Tuesday 4th September. Venue: Gloucester Bowling Club Time: 6.30pm for 7.00pm . Pre-Nibbles
Sunday 9th September Volunteers Welcome	Gloucester "Mountain Man Tri Challenge. Rotary will be manning the "Run Leg"
Tuesday 11th September Partners & Friends Welcome	A Night with Ashleigh. Talking about the Rotary International Convention
Tuesday 18th September Partners & Friends Welcome	Rotary Network Night with Li . Special Guests : Get to know your Gloucester Interactors and their projects and fundraising ideas. Most importantly, their first project: Movie-a-thon for a cause to raise funds for the Farmers Drought Assistance.
Friday 21st September Partners & Friends Welcome	Interact Movie-a-Thon night. Venue : Gloucester High School Hall. 1st Movie starts at 5pm. BBQ volunteers required and will start that before the 2nd movie screening.
Tuesday 25th September Partners & Friends Welcome	TBA
Tuesday 2nd October Partners & Friends Welcome	TBA
Tuesday 9th October Partners & Friends Welcome	Board & Social Meeting. Knife sharpening with Dave Fraser
Tuesday 16th October Partners & Friends Welcome	Rotary Network Night with Li . Special Guest: TBA

Sergeant Ray Martin opened the meeting with the usual trivia questions. Rotarians had to answer three questions correctly. Well, this week, even though Ray said it was a hard one, Rotarians must have taken super brain pills cos they answered the first three questions correctly and with lightning fast speed. So Ray threw in two more questions and they was answered with speedy accurate answers too.

This week, we toast the Rotary Club of Coffs Harbour. This is the 4th Rotary club in Coffs Harbour that Ray have toasted in recent weeks.

RC of Coffs Harbour meets each Wednesday evening.

According to club secretary Lynnette Whalen, the members have a couple of big projects on the go at present

1. *The members are building shelters along at the jetty along the walkway that the members built a couple of years ago*



2. *The members have just picked up the BOOK FAIR following the recent surrender of charter by South Coffs Harbour. The members of South Coffs Harbour joined the other clubs in Coffs Harbour when their numbers dwindled to less than a dozen*

The members are currently looking for other building projects around the city of Coffs Harbour.

Last year the members earned about \$12,000 from their Melbourne Cup Calcutta night. That \$12,000 was raised for use by the Mens Shed

One of the members of the RC of Coffs Harbour is Elaine Walsh who is the GSE leader for the upcoming trip to Denmark in Sept 2018 (next month)



The RC of Coffs Harbour is hosted a YEP student Yanil from France and is supporting a local teenager Harvey to Norway. Harvey leaves in January 2019

DIRECTORS REPORT:

President Ernie welcome Rotarians, Guest Speaker, John Abbott from CareFlight, and Inbound Student, Angy and Outbound Student, Aryleah.

Treasurer Vicki spoke to members of obtaining a “Food Certificate” for volunteers may be required in any Food Handing activities. Midcoast Council will be providing a ‘Food and Safety Seminar” on the 16th October at the Anglican Church. This will start at 9.30am and it would be good for the club to have a few attendees. More info to follow



PP Sam needs volunteer to help man the “Leg” run for the **Tri Mountain Challenge**. Please let Sam know as soon as possible if you can volunteer.



Secretary Ashleigh received a preliminary notice from the Commander of Police re Invitation to sponsor their 'Golf Ambrose Day' for charity. Any Cash, Cheque or Prize Donations are welcome.

Inbound **Angy Marradi** went to Bonny Hills last weekend with the other inbound students. She had a lot of fun and also learned a lot, especially the Do's and Don'ts and what to expect.

Outbound **Aryleah Tull** went to Inverell for her briefing. She was the oldest student there as others were in Year 8 and 9. Most of them told Aryleah she was very lucky to be chosen to go to Italy as most of them also hoped to be chosen for that destination. Aryleah and Angy hope to arrange to meet Angy's family and her sponsoring club while she is there.

Rotarian Li Meng briefed members on the progress of the Interactors. Date of the Movie-thon has been set for Friday 21st September at the Gloucester High School Hall. Three movies have been selected for viewing and it will start at 5pm. The Interactors will meet this Thursday to prepare the Advertising and Promotional materials to place in the surrounding schools and town businesses. Some of the Interactors will also be attending the DG Coffey Rotary Night next Wednesday to officially receive their Certificate. Valda and Jade will also be helping with the Interactors especially during the months of October to December when Li will be unavailable to assist due to work commitment. Any Rotarian volunteers are all welcome.

Gloucester Rotary was gifted with a pamper pack from the Purple House. This was auctioned off on the night to raise money for Rotary Charities projects. With Peter Markey's auctioneer's skill, the hammer came down and the winner goes to Rotarian Paul Hedditch. Here's some pics of Paul and the Rotarians have a little sample testing from the Pamper pack. Congrats Paul.



Guest Speaker: John Ebbott (Care Flight)



President Ernie introduced John. John joined Care Flight in June 2008. John has many years experience in Information Technology and Technical Sales, however more importantly for his Care Flight role he has over 35 years of experience in Community Service, fundraising and running major community events.

John is an active member of the Rural Fire Service and the Lions Club of Crestwood. John is married to Kathy, and they have 2 adult sons, one of whom is married and a granddaughter and grandson.

John's involvement in the Care Flight team does not include operational missions but he has experience in Care Flight "special operations" having flown in as Santa at the last ten Care Flight kids Christmas parties.

Care Flight's service to regional New South Wales enters a new era as they commence a major long-term collaboration with the NSW Health Ministry.



Care Flight is a lead provider in a new service to fly patients needing specialist procedures or care only available at major tertiary hospitals, to and from their local hospitals.

These patients are not able to travel independently and require the specialist care of a trained flight nurse aboard a purpose-equipped medical aircraft.

The aircraft are based at Bankstown and Newcastle and supported by a fleet of custom-fitted patient transport vehicles. Additional vehicles drivers and nurses are located at Port

Macquarie, Coffs Harbour, Tamworth and Armidale, to support those centres and surrounding districts.

President Ernie thanked John for his very informative presentation.

Meeting closed with Assistant Sergeant Pete leading a fine session and raffles.



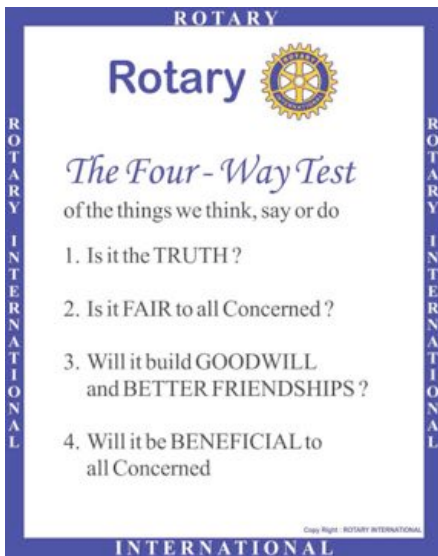
September Birthday Celebrations

Simon Griffin 13th , Ray Martin 16th & Lorraine Gillies 22nd

Wedding Anniversary Celebration

**Doug & Valda Barron 11th
Terry & Jillian Carson 14th**





Meeting Preparation & Clean Up

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

September	Lindy Dupree, David Elliott & Ray Martin
October	Paul Hedditch, Brian Beesley & Valda Barron
November	Ashleigh Hickman, Grahame Holstein, Denver Webb
December	Jade Spencer, Karen Mile & Brian Dixon

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