



Bulletin for Gloucester

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Coming Meetings and other Functions.

Tuesday 12th November Partners & Friends Welcome	Guest Speaker: Lyn Stewart and her new book "Searching for Margaret Murphy from Tipparary"
Tuesday 19th November Partners & Friends Welcome	GHS Year 8 Debate - It will be a very interesting and Challenging Night! Derek Tink for Business Direct
Tuesday 26th November Members Only Night	Gloucester Rotary Annual Assembly - AGM . Members Only Night. Please come along and voice your vote
Tuesday 3rd December Partners & Friends Welcome	Guest Speaker: Pam Howard from NSW Farmers Local Branch
Tuesday 10th December Partners & Friends Welcome	***** Rotary Christmas Party ***** Venue: Fauls Ridge Winery . More Details to follow
Tuesday 17th December Partners & Friends Welcome	"Jingle & Mingle" – Christmas In July. Hosted by Rotary Club of Taree on Manning RSVP – janemackenzie168@gmail.com . BYO nibbles, drinks & glasses
FORWARD PLANNING	
7th & 8th March 2020 Partners & Friends Welcome	Mind Matters Marathon Event More Details to Follow. Anyone interested in helping, please email Li
Sat 14th March 2020 Partners & Friends Welcome	Bush Poetry In The Saleyards . Volunteers needed !!
20th, 21st & 22nd March 2020 Partners & Friends Welcome	Rotary District Conference at South West Rocks https://www.rotary9650.org.au/district-conference
Sat 30th May 2020 Partners & Friends Welcome	Gloucester Rotary 70 th Birthday Celebration Venue: Gloucester RSL . More details to follow

Funny Thoughts of the week..... LOL^_^



Directors Report:



Sargent Merv welcomed Rotarians, Guests and Students to the meeting. He opened the meeting with the usual ex-policeman/farmer humour .. With the room laughing, he handed over to President Li

President Li spoke about the DG visit on 22nd October. Rotarians and Interactors wore hats of vocational to highlight the Mental Awareness Fundraising Project, Lifeline, that Browyn Hafey has chosen. Two winners were picked out for their creative Hats, Sergeant Merv won with his two hats, Policeman cap and farmers hat, and Valda won with her Microsoft hat.



Students with their hats of books



Valda with her microsoft hat and Li with her Pharmacy Hat



David with his 'Hot Hot Hot' hat & Sam with his Truck and Motorbike hat



Ashleigh with her Nurse Hat, Mo with her Drama Hat



The Dixons with their Farmers Hat



Valda's Microsoft Hat with Hubby Doug "I'm with her" hat

DG Hafey also spoke about the importance of Clubs supporting their community by choosing to do a community project.



DG Phil and AG Difford with Gloucester Board Members

Secretary Ashleigh Report:

1. Gloucester Rotary received an Australian Rotary Health Recognition Certificate for our contribution.
2. Ron Hindmarsh from Wingham Rotary has had a Stroke. He was recovering in Manning Hospital but he is now back home. As a result, he has a weak arm and leg but is working on improving the movement.
3. Rotary Foundation Australia PDG Maurie Stack will be heading up the Rotary Foundation Australia. Our club is once again recognised as 100% \$100 US per member.
4. Invitation to attend Uniting Church hosting Rev Bill Crews - 9th November.
5. Rotary in Australia is turning 100. Century of Rotary Australia. There is going to be a publication from our District and any worthwhile or memorable projects please send to PDG's Harry Dury or Ian Dyball. (Approx 200 to 300 words)
6. Showcase weekend Tamworth High School 23rd & 24th November. District get together always interesting.
7. Simon Griffin and Tara Charles have decided to resign from Rotary. We wish them all the best.
8. Invitation to attend the Colour Fun Run Bucketts Way neighbourhood Group celebration 30th Birthday Sunday 3rd November. Rotary manning the BBQ.
9. Gloucester Rotary supports the Shelter Box Operation. Current operation Board. Bahamas- Hurricane, Paraguay - flooding, Ethiopia - Displacement, Somaliland - Drought, Syria - Conflict, Nigeria- Conflict, Cameroon - Conflict.



Combined Clubs Meeting between Wingham and Gloucester At Krambach Pub

Rotarians from Gloucester and Wingham had our annual get together at the Wingham Pub on 15th October. It was a wonderful night with scrumptious meals served by the friendly staff at the Krambach Café.



Jade brought along muffins baked by the Interactors to sell. The Interactors had organised a movie night but unfortunately it was cancelled due to the much welcome downpour! So all the muffins were sold and the money will be go towards the Interactor's local project, Drought Relief. Gloucester Rotarians also seized the opportunity to sell some Trifecta Tickets on the night. One of the exchange students from Brazil spoke about her hometown and also her experience in Australia so far. She was very entertaining.

After dinner, Wingham Rotarian, Ron Hindmarsh, donated one of his paintings "Before The Rain" to auctioned off for their Drought Relief Project. It was a heated auction and Gloucester Rotary took home the painting. It was a great night of fun.



Rotary Public Speaking Event held on 29th October



Every year, students from Gloucester High School were encouraged by the teachers to participate in the Rotary Public Speaking competition. Youth Directors, Sam, Mo and Jodie, liaise with the GHS teachers to try and promote this program. Benefits to the participating students include exposure to the ideals and ethical values of Rotary, proficiency in the art of public speaking and confidence and self-esteem gained from presenting to audiences. This year, two students, Elizabeth Howarth and Zeke Llewellyn, led by teacher, Ms Layne Ross, competed in this event.

The speech competition is based on the theme of the Rotary Four-Way Test:
“Of the things we think, say or do

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?”

Both students were outstanding in their speech. Judging panel, Chris Pritchard, Claire Reynolds and Leonie Hooke, had a hard time trying to pick a winner. In the end both participants were scored with one point difference. Both Zeke and Elizabeth were invited to compete in the Cluster competition held on the 4th November at Taree.



Unfortunately, Zeke was not able to go due to other commitments. Elizabeth went with a group of supporting Rotarians. We are very proud to announce that Elizabeth came FIRST and will now proceed onto the next round of competition at the District Conference in February 2020. Well done Elizabeth !!



November Birthday Celebrations

David Francis 20th, Bernie Tresidder 21st, Denver Webb 24th ,
Susan Dixon 25th , Li Meng 27th , Barbara Read 28th



Meeting Preparation & Clean Up

Please if you do not have time to set up

Please let one of your team know.

November	Jane Deen, Ray Martin, Mo Hjorth
December	David Elliott, Ashleigh Hickman & Grahame Holstein



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