

# Rotary



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## Coming Meetings and other Functions.

<b>Tuesday 21st March</b> Partners & Friends welcome	Away Meeting with Wingham Rotary Club at Kings Creek, Krumbach. BYOG and have a good time with our "Mother" Club !!! Gluten Free and Vegetarian option available. Cost \$20pp Bus leaves Bowling Club car park at 6.00pm.
<b>Thursday 30th March</b> Partners & Friends welcome	Guest Speaker: Jenny Da Rin (Australia High Commissioner to Vanuatu). <b><u>Please Note: There is no meeting on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March.</u></b>
<b>Wednesday 29th March</b> Partners & Friends welcome	"Gloucester Mini Science Challenge" – Estimate 60 kids from 3 schools. Volunteers required to man BBQ for the day. Please see Paul or John if you can help. Venue: Gloucester High School
<b>Tuesday 4th April</b> Partners & Friends welcome	<b>Guest Speaker: Joe White.</b> Joe is a Cattle Breeder from Bulliac
<b>Tuesday 11th April</b>	Fellowship and Board Meeting
<b>Sunday 16th April</b>	<b>Easter Duck Races</b>
<b>Saturday 6th May</b>	"Gloucester Motorcycle Expo". 9am to Midnight. Special evening performance from the Bowden Brothers. Tickets: \$20 at the gate or \$15 online . Lucky Gate Raffles <b>(<a href="http://www.gloucestermotoexpo.com.au">www.gloucestermotoexpo.com.au</a>) "Café Atmosphere" Theme</b>
<b>Friday 19th May 2017</b>	Science and Engineer Challenge Event. Discovery day program will run from 22nd to 26th May. More details to follow. Volunteers required.
<b>6th &amp; 7th October 2017</b>	<b>Opera In The Church</b>

**Sargent Beesley** opened the meeting with a project + prize. Change is as good as a holiday. Over the next few weeks, if you do good for Rotary, you get to write your name on the back of a raffle ticket. One ticket for one good Rotary deed. At the end of the month, a winner will be drawn and the prize is a brand new luggage.

Bees also hosted a couple of guests that came to the Saleyard Bush poetry night. As a donation, they each contributed \$100 towards Rotary.

### **President Ashleigh Report:-**



Welcome to Rod Sturrock, visiting Rotarian from Mosman Club who also attended the Poetry night. The Bowden band was excellent. It was a great turn out. Grahame and Lindy were selling raffles and raised \$654 from that. The venue was absolutely packed. People were also dancing to the music. At the end of the night, Grahame and Kay and the Bowden Brothers were presented with a Silver Award from the Rotary Foundation.



Last Thursday, Ash went to Taree and hear Gemma speak. It was a very interesting speech. To read more about the School of St Jude, please visit their website (<http://www.schoolofstjude.org/about-us/our-history.html>)

May is Bowelscan month. 100 kits have been ordered. \$15 per kit and it will be the last year this Club will be doing this.

Ash will be the delegate for this coming district conference. There were a few votes that the members have voted. For more details, please email president Ashleigh.

Quota is having a Meet and Greet on the 25th March from 2pm to 4pm. There will be speakers invited to this event. This is aimed at showing the community what various Service Clubs there are in Gloucester and what they have done in their club. Members are encouraged to come and bring friends along to this event.

There is a proposal to extend a Corporate Membership to Anna Burley from the BWNG. An email will be circulated to the members once Board has approved this proposal.

Soles4Souls project will be advertised in the Gloucester Advocate newspaper. So far, there have been a few shoes already donated to the Imelda Shoe Shop.

The event co-ordinators for the Bakers creek concert will be borrowing our BBQ for their event.

21st March is the King's Creek retreat event. Secretary Lindy will organise a bus and it will leave the Bowling Club parking lot at 6pm. It will be a Pasta and Pizza Night with BYOG. Cost is \$20 pp.

Sue DeSilva had her operation on Tuesday and is recovering well. Jim thanked everyone for their well wishes. If you would like to visit them, please give Jim a call.

### **Paul Report:-**

BBQ volunteers require for the Gloucester Weekend Show.

Wed 29th March is the Science Show at the High School. Volunteers required for lunch BBQ

Other dates : 8th April (Farmers Market) and 17th April (Easter Duck Race)



## Secretary Lindy Report:

Club has been approached to confirm a date for the annual St Joseph Fundraising Dinner.

In this month Rotary magazine, there is a muster for Mental Health. Good reading information.

Rego for the Motorcycle muster has been sent

## Sam Report:-



Lindy has received the first cheque for the site. Sam handed out a lot of flyers to pubs when he went to his PETS meeting.

Being at his PETS weekend is about networking with like minded people and clubs. It's interesting to hear what clubs are doing, struggling with. They are surprised at how much activities we do in our Club. One member from the Quirindi Rotary Club went to a RYLA week and came back very excited. Since then, 7 members under 30 have joined the club. 4 of these members are on the board and 3 only joined less than a year ago. They are keen to get the club fired up again. So members are encouraged to attend conferences.

District Assembly will be held on 30th April at Kempsey and 21st May at Armidale. There are lots to learn from this event so it will be good for members to attend. Sam will be attending the 21st May is anyone would like to join him.

## Valda Report:-

Valda has started her Reading Volunteering at Gloucester High School every Tuesday morning. Since she started this, she realised how lucky we are and very surprised at how little some of these children know. They are given a list of questions to ask students e.g. What does this word mean etc. These children are in their year 7 and 8 and not keeping up with classes. Time is 9am to 11am. Contact person at the school are Margo Cameron and Ann Martin. Or you can go to the office at the high school.

Bees led a fine session where it's a honesty fine to each member to dope themselves in. Meeting closed.

## Updates From Interplast Australia:-



In May, Interplast volunteer speech pathologist Sarah Florisson travelled to Samoa to find out what more can be done to support children born with cleft lip and palate.

There is a high incidence of the condition throughout the Asia Pacific, but in the Pacific region, there are very few healthcare professionals with skills and knowledge to help families navigate the challenges. While surgery is usually the major step

in changing futures for such children, there is much more that can be done before and after surgery to ensure quality of life. The aim of Sarah's visit was two-fold: to identify ongoing opportunities to build the knowledge of healthcare professionals about cleft lip and palate; and to engage with parents to offer immediate support and learn about the issues they face. (For the full story, visit website <https://www.interplast.org.au/quality-life-cleft-palate-takes-surgery/>)

## Rotary Duck Races 2017



As in previous years the Gloucester Rotary Club will be providing plenty of entertainment on the Easter Sunday with their Duck Races. Visitors, children and families love the fun atmosphere of watching the plastic ducks race down the Gloucester River chasing the winner's prize.

There is a BBQ and drinks available, an easter egg hunt for the kids, and a **feature duck race** with first prize being a JOY FLIGHT OVER SYDNEY for 3 people. These ducks are sold off by auction and always create a lot of crowd participation.

Located on the Gloucester River between the Caravan Park and Minimbah Gardens, this venue usually draws a big crowd of race fans with the first race at 11.30 am. There are 16 races in all, with loads of easter eggs to win! Entry is \$1 kids, \$2 adults and \$5 for a family so it is an inexpensive day out for all the family.

1. Please assemble at the river about 10.30 am.
2. **If your name is not on this roster, or you have a friend who will help, please advise Peter Markey.**

Name	Duty	Location
Brian Beesley	Announcer	River bank
	BBQ	Rear trees
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	Chief Judge	Finish line
	Duck catcher	River
	Duck catcher	River
	Duck catcher	River
	Gate entry	South gate
	Gate entry	South gate
	Gate entry	North gate
	Gate entry	North gate
	Prize Steward	River bank
	Prize Steward	River bank
	Starter	River
	Starter/Runner	River
	Ticket seller	Crowd
	Ticket seller	Crowd
	Ticket seller	Crowd
	Ticket seller	Crowd
	Egg Hunt & BBQ	?
	Assist egg hunt	?

# March Birthday Celebrations



John Read 13th, Ron West 16th, Sue De Silva 16<sup>th</sup>

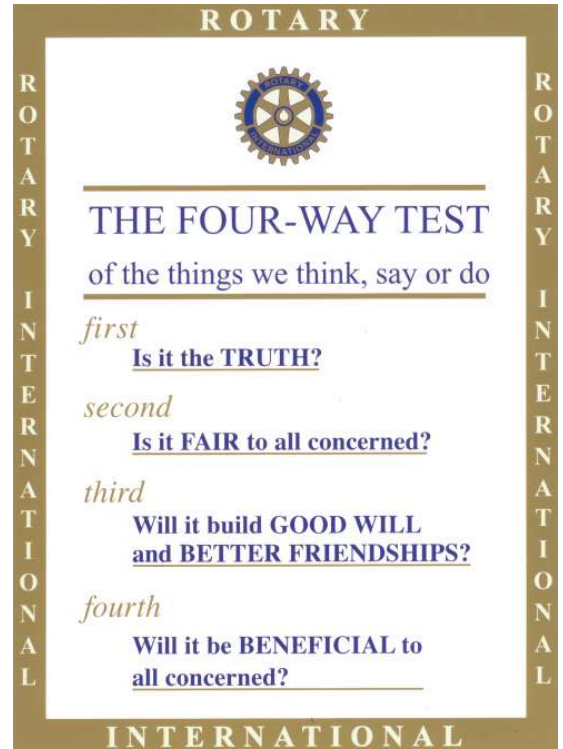


Ray & Anne Martin 9th

## Meeting Preparation & Clean Up

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

March	Peter Markey, Paul Hedditch, Bruce Montgomerie
April	Ray Martin, Lindy Dupree, Sam DeWitte
May	Vicki Coombes, Valda Barron, Grahame Stelzer
June	Li Meng Wong, Brian Beesley, Karen Miles
July	Grahame Holstein, Denver Webb, John Faull



## Our Executive 2016/2017

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