

# The Wello Hello

Rotary Club Wellington Point ~ Weekly Newsletter

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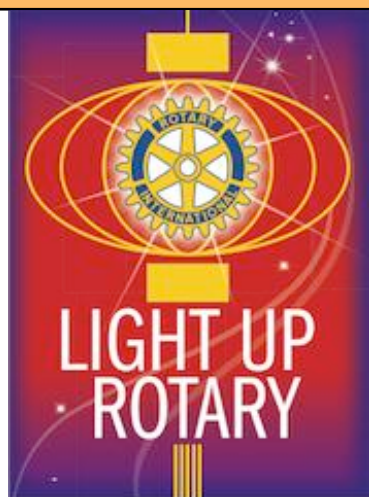
## **From the President**

Greetings in the name of Rotary

Thanks again to everyone for another fortnight of getting behind all things Rotary - thank you to the ever faithful team who worked at our Bunnings Baqr-B-Q, those who cleaned up the Point - those who attended the Little Black Dress committee meeting and the Days for Girls fundraiser - those who joined Sunrise and the Rotaractors at the Museum for the Helping Hands projects - not to mention those who are heading off this coming weekend for the District Conference in Toowoomba.

What a privilege to welcome Amanda Lazarakis from NRG who gave us such an insight into how NRG and an e-club works. The range of projects undertaken by this Club since their charter is amazing - and we know we are welcome to visit this Club at any time, whether on line or at their fortnightly in-person meetings. It's a newer concept for some of us - well done.

This week's speaker from Y-Lead, Matt Kershaw shared his personal journey as well as the Y-Lead message with us - and what a journey. In the words of Benjamin Franklin - 'Tell me and I forget, show me and I remember, Involve me and I learn' and Matt with his living out of a personal passion for



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**Effective Services:** Matthew Knight

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the mentoring of youth is testimony to the fact that leadership is any action that makes the world he touches a better place. We were touched by Matt and thank him for sharing some of his time with us.

I can't help commenting again what an amazing night when we joined the Rotaractors and Sunrise to help assemble the 10 prosthetic hands for land mine victims. Overseen by John Paskin and his wife Sandra, and encouraged to join in by our friends in Redlands Sunrise, working alongside everyone was a project which brought everyone together - this epitomises Rotary. It leads me to ask of each of us - where else can we 'lend a hand'?

A big thank you to Peter Moody for all the work he has done with the Bowel Scan programme - it has been appreciated, and likewise, a thank you to Tracey Deane who has taken over project coordinating this important project.

This week the combined committee from Wellington Point and Redlands Bayside met to further advance the Little Black Dress event on the 20th June. Currently we are sourcing 45 or so raffle prizes for use on the day - if you can help by way of contributions, either Julie or myself would love to hear from you.

Terry spoke last week of the value of Centurian membership - your contribution towards the work of the Foundation is always valued - we have three Centurian members this Rotary year within our Club - can we raise the bar a little?

And then there's 'Gorpedo' who again this year aims to raise a wonderful amount of money through his sponsored swimathon - all of which will go towards children suffering from severe life threatening illnesses. Please get behind Gordon - whether it be by sponsoring him in his estimated 15km swim or by just being there to add some ambience on the day - 28th March is the big splash - I'm sure we will hear more from Gordon prior to the event.

Every meeting we vocalise the Rotary 4-way test. Building goodwill and better friendships for me is such a healthy state of mind. Putting this into practice - our next **Friday Friendly** is a 'fish n chip' or 'pizza' or 'whatever you like to eat' night - meeting down at the gazebos at Wellington Point on Friday 20th March at 6.30pm for an hour and a half of good Rotary fellowship. Who's going to join me? It's BYO everything.

When this goes to print - I'll be at District Conference in Toowoomba - so until next meeting - best wishes to all and remember - if anyone you know of is doing it tough for any reason, particularly within our Rotary family, and they either need a hand or a listening ear, you have only to pick up the phone.

*Lorraine Hooker*

President of Wellington Point Rotary



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## Redlands North Community Hub (and Gardens)

### The HUB

On Saturday morning I met with people from the Uniting Church and talked about the local 'Community Hub'. I think I have a clearer picture of this (Hub) now and what is intended.

Community Service Organisations (CSO) in our immediate area will be invited to have representatives attend regular joint meetings to discuss their projects. This will allow organisations to work together (where practical) to provide the best outcomes for both the people we are all trying to support and the CSO's, for example; reduce duplication of effort/costs etc.

I see this as a positive step in identifying local community issues, something we do not usually have visibility of, yet are desperately trying to do so in order to help the people around us who need it. Hub members might be from Blue Care, Lions, Rotary, Apex, a church etc.

We await the in next step in its formation.

### The Garden

The Uniting Church has been awarded a RCC community grant to construct a raised garden bed. The goal is to eventually have a row of these garden beds alongside the existing 'church community' gardens in the church grounds.

The produce from these garden beds will be provided to community members in need / on the poverty line. CSO (of the Hub) will assist identify the people in this unfortunate position.

### Our Task

WPRC are being asked to assist by constructing the raised garden beds. It is a construction task only, no digging, no mixing cement, no planting veggies etc.

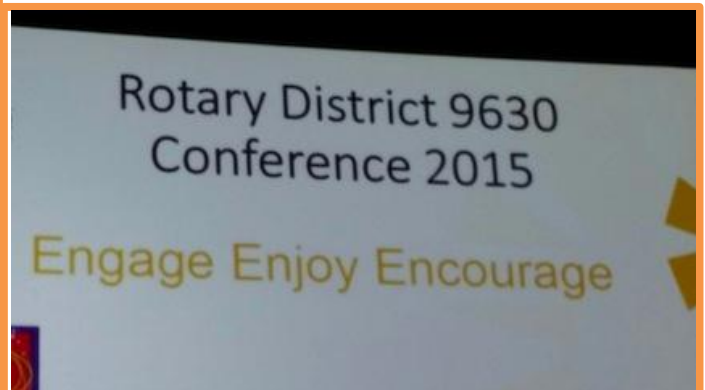
The church project coordinator is sending me the plans and equipment list and will be available for any questions. I understand the material is treated pine sleepers which we need to cut/drill and bolt together. When I receive the plans I will bring them to our meeting to discuss.

YIR ..... Barry

## Membership

What a pleasure to be able to present Terry with a blue Rotary pin in recognition of his personal sponsoring of our newest member, Steven Knight. This pin comes from Rotary International and recognises the personal sponsorship of new Rotary members - well done Terry and thank you Steven for your willingness to join us in all things Rotary

*Lorraine*



friendships, the inspiration gained from all the keynote speakers, this year's Conference was all that it set out to be.

There were parts that were personally challenging, parts that were humorous, parts that were motivating, parts that made you feel humble, - there was something special about even the ambience of Toowoomba's Empire Theatre which housed the bulk of the activities.

I really don't know where to start - what challenged me most - there was so much!



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\* Was it the presentations by Man-Young Chang who is RI President's Ambassador who attended Conference

\* Was it just the sheer hard work and dedication put in by our DG Phillip Charles and his wife Marlene, along with the Conference committee.

\* Was it the friendliness and comradeship shared with our DG Elect John Crawford and his wife Di or DG Nominee Doug St Claire and his wife Sue.

\* Was it any one of the keynote speakers - Major General Hon Michael Jeffery, Alan Hannaford, Bob Pennicot, Karni Liddell, the Guest MC Nigel Domann, or Dr Tonelle Handley, Damian Topp, Simon McMillan, Maryanne Walsh, Anne Brand, or 11 year old Mac Millar and his Soccer Balls for kids presentations - or was it the moving Anzac tribute.

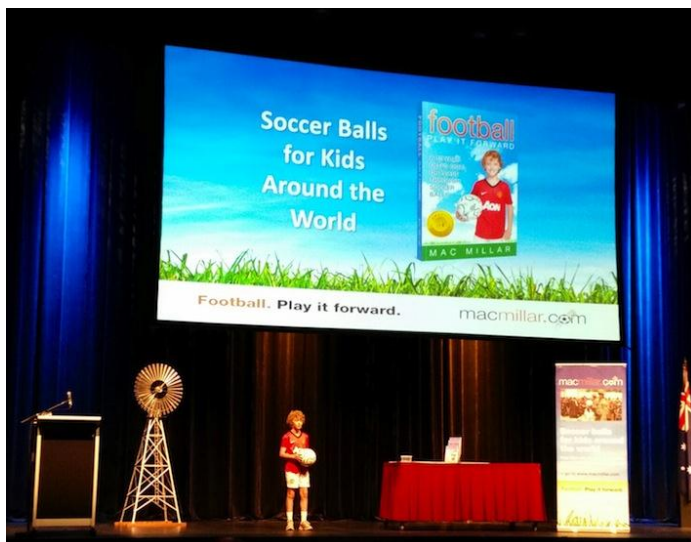
\* Was it just the fellowship of 400 like minded Rotarians all striving to Engage, Enjoy and Encourage.

Yes - it was definitely all of the above!

Next year's Conference is in Roma on the weekend of 4, 5 and 6 March 2016.

Can I **encourage** you to **engage** in this event, which I know you will **enjoy**.

*Lorraine*



Opening of Conference with Rotaractors, Interactors and Rotarians all enjoying Brendan Walmsley's singing

Keynote speaker Karni Liddell - paralympic swimmer - this young lady was diagnosed at birth with a degenerative muscle wasting disease spinal muscular atrophy. The diagnosis at the time was that she would not walk, sit up or live past her teenage years.

With her determined parents began a self-invented programme which helped them realise that one of the greatest pleasures in life is achieving things people say can't be done. Karni walked - she also established herself as one of the best swimmers in the world.

This young lady was a speaker at Conference and she demonstrated the power of belief and choice. People cried - people laughed: She was an inspirational speaker



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## Links

Wellington Point: <http://www.rotaryclubofwellingtonpoint.org.au/>

Capalaba: <http://www.rotarycapalaba.org/>

Cleveland: <http://www.rotarnet.com.au/users/9/96308/index.htm>

Redland Sunrise: <http://www.redlandsunrise.org.au>

Wynnum-Manly: <http://www.wynnum-manly.rotaryclub.asn.au/>

Redland Bayside: <http://www.redlands.bayside.rotaryclub.asn.au/>

District 9630: <http://www.rotary9630.org/>

Rotary International: <http://www.rotary.org/>

The Four Way Test: Let's all learn it and live by it!

Of all the things we think, say and 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?

## Apology System

If you are unable to attend a meeting, please advise your apologies to Peter Moody, at [pasmo@bigpond.com](mailto:pasmo@bigpond.com) or phone 0421 053 568, by 5pm on the Tuesday prior to our Wednesday meeting. If you are rostered for duty and are unable to attend, it is your duty to ensure a replacement is found for that duty, either by direct arrangement or, if there is sufficient time, by rearranging with Peter

DATE	Event	Volunteers or Action required
Friday 20th March	Friday Friendly at Wellington Point Reserve	Lorraine is coordinating
Saturday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	Swimathon	Gordon is coordinating

## Duty Roster

Date	18 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2015	1 <sup>st</sup> April 2015	8 <sup>th</sup> April 2015	15 <sup>th</sup> April 2015
<b>Chairperson</b>	Don Baxter	Barry Melgaard	Gordon Lawrence	Glen Brown	Matty McKenna
<b>Attendance</b>	Kenn Van Noort	John Chirio	Terry Ryan	Matthew Knight	John Chirio
<b>Wello Fellow</b>	Tracey Deane	Matty KcKenna	Steven Knight	Julie Clarke	Peter Moody
<b>Speaker Facilitator</b>	Barry Melgaard		Lorraine Hooker	Lorraine Hooker	Lorraine Hooker
<b>Speaker</b>	Catherine Smith		Julie Clarke	Ann George	
<b>Activity/Topic</b>	NYSF		Member's Corner	Love and Care	
<b>Meeting Location</b>	Board Room	Board Room			
<b>Special Notes</b>		Board Meeting			Board Meeting