

# The Wello Hello

Rotary Club Wellington Point ~ Fortnightly Newsletter

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Greetings fellow Rotarians

What a privilege to have the President of Queensland Police Legacy, Greg Tutt visit us recently and after hearing the extent of help given by Legacy to those related to the Police Service, it was a delight to be able to hand over the proceeds of our Christmas present wrapping service project conducted from the end of November up until Christmas eve.



Be a gift  
to the world

### *Directors*

**Effective Services:** Julie Clarke

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**New Generations:** Glen Brown

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A special thank you to Terry for bringing this project to the Rotary table and to Peter for doing the mammoth job of rostering the manpower required to effectively carry out this project. Many of our Rotarians put in very long hours and to each of you, I say thank you - yet another job - well done!

District Conference is around the corner and Matty, Glen, John and I will be making the trip out to Roma to engage in all things Rotary. Showcased at Conference will be African Hearts and with a combined Rotary meeting and the Gala dinner just around the corner, what better time than this to showcase Ainsley's African Hearts project 'Building a Village of Hope' in Uganda, to our fellow Rotarians.

Sunday morning saw a few of us get up a little earlier than normal - we didn't ride our bikes - we didn't make a splash, but we were there to help with duties related to the Raby Bay Triathlon.

Twas Sunday morning - we didn't look our best  
But getting up early we put on bright yellow vests  
Both young and old - the contenders were there  
Sunglasses on to protect from early morning glare

First of all it was into the water for a swim  
Endurance paid off - not all would aim to win  
They emerged from the sea, bodies all wet  
Struggling to put on clothes and a bike helmet

Then on to the bikes and begin pedalling so fast  
This leg of the journey was rapid - it didn't last  
Then ditch the bike - and head for the track  
Keep on running - and dare not look back

While Rotarians Glen, Tracey, Jan, Lorraine and Mike  
Were the land based custodians of 'all things bike'  
Thanks my friends for helping last Sunday at the bay  
Triathalons for us: well, I somehow think that's another day!



*Wellington Point Rotarians bright and early at the triatholon*

Emerging from our Board meeting last week was the totally positive news that after much planning, and much hard work having been done over a long period of time by Wendy, Barry, Kenn and John and any others I may not be aware of, our storage shed should commence being built very very soon. Much planning over a considerable period of time has gone into this - and sincerely it is appreciated. Barry and John have recently met with relevant Council officers - decisions have been made - i's dotted, and t's crossed - and soon we can stop paying shed rental, and have a storage facility more suitable to our requirements. Thank you one and all.

Also from this Board meeting was the approval to put a little bit more money into the Helping Hands project and I really look forward to this 'assembly' of prosthetic hands on 13th April with our Redlands Rotaract and Alex Hills Mens Shed friends.

Further stepping a little out of our comfort zone and this time making a splash, I am happy to report we are soon to participate in 'celebrity dunking' - watch this space for more news - but your participation with assistance at the Million Paws Walk on 15th May will be welcomed.

But wait - there's more ----- throw in the rights to the opening night of a local theatre play night and

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your culinary skills can again be put to the test! This is a great avenue for us to showcase Rotary - not to mention the 'fund' and 'fun' raising opportunity - again - watch this space!

Paramount in the success of anything that we do is 'planning' and 'involvement'. We couldn't do all that we do without your help - but please know - your help is immeasurably appreciated. There are many things particularly in relation to the Shed construction that I just don't have the expertise to do - but those with those skills, just get in, and do what needs to be done. That's what our Club is all about! Your involvement is what makes our Club and Rotary involvement part of the privilege that it is.

On that note - remember to keep the afternoon of Sunday 13th March free for our social afternoon down at the Point - there'll be good food, good company and some good games of bocce I'm sure.

See you all next week.

Yours in Rotary Service

President Lorraine

*Lorraine Hooker*

### From the editor

Hi folks. Greetings from the Philippines, home of the Durian fruit, spider fighting and Balut (developing duck embryo boiled in the shell, a delicacy in the Phillipines). As I write this I await with some trepidation a knock on my door as the exploration manager has asked some of the junior geologists to bring some back from the nearest village on their supply run. I don't know about you but I think I might pass and just watch my colleague try one. I'm all for being adventurous but this particular delicacy doesn't sound that appetising or humane.

I was having a beer last night with some of the locals and one of them related to me the below short story written by Mark Twain. I was amazed to find myself in

the middle of a rice field 1000's of km from home and listening and laughing with the locals to a story written by an author I loved to read as an adolescent. It just goes to show the amazing power the written word has and how literature can bring us together. I found it quite entertaining and hope you do to.

### The jumping frog of Calaveras County

Jim loves to gamble and will offer to bet on anything and everything, from horse races to dogfights to the health of the local parson's wife. He catches a frog, names it Dan'l Webster, and spends three months training it to jump. When a stranger visits the camp, Jim shows off Dan'l and offers to bet \$40 that it can out-jump any other frog in Calaveras County. The stranger, unimpressed, says that he would take the bet if he had a frog, and Jim goes out to catch one, leaving him alone with Dan'l.

During this time, the stranger pours lead shot down Dan'l's throat. Once Jim returns, he and the stranger set the frogs down and let them loose. The stranger's frog jumps away while Dan'l does not budge, and the surprised and disgusted Jim pays the \$40 wager. After the stranger has departed, Jim turns Dan'l upside down and it begins to cough up the lead shot. Realizing that he has been cheated, Jim chases after the stranger but never catches him.

It just goes to show you don't necessarily have to be well educated to be clever, nor is a good education a defence against getting fooled.

Have a great week!

*Mitch*

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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 Matty McKenna, at [matty.mck@gmail.com](mailto:matty.mck@gmail.com) or phone 0402284289 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 Matty.

DATE	Event	Volunteers or Action required
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> February	Capalaba Rotary – Peace and Conflict Resolution	RSVP to Capalaba/Mitch
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Bunnings BBQ	John is coordinating
Fri-Sun 4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> March	Rotary District 9630 Conference, Roma	Lorraine is coordinating
Saturday 12 <sup>th</sup> March	Wellington Point Primary School Fete	John is coordinating
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Cleveland Rotary – The Outlook for Queensland & Australia	RSVP to Cleveland/Mitch

## Duty Roster

Date	2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2016	9 <sup>th</sup> March 2016	16 <sup>th</sup> March 2016	23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2016
<b>Chairperson</b>	Don Baxter	Gordon Lawrence	Glen Brown	Julie Clarke
<b>Attendance</b>	Tracey Dean	Wendy Boglary	Barry Melgaard	Bruce Douglas
<b>Wello Fellow</b>	Julie Clarke	Kenn Van Noort	Lorraine Hooker	Matty McKenna
<b>Speaker Facilitator</b>	John Chirio	Terry Ryan	Lorraine Hooker	Barry Melgaard
<b>Speaker</b>	PDG Bob Aitken	Lutaaya Abdul (Abby)	Mitchell Parsons	David Moriarty
<b>Activity/Topic</b>	Australian Rotary Health	African Hearts	Members corner	Astronomy
<b>Meeting Location</b>	Board Room	Front Room of Auditorium	Board Room	Board Room
<b>Special Notes</b>	(was Golfers lounge)			Board meeting