

The Wello Hello

Rotary Club Wellington Point ~ Fortnightly Newsletter

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President Journal

Fellow Rotarians

The last couple of months has been a busy and exciting time for myself and for Lorraine as we prepared for the annual Changeover meeting and attended multiple District commitments.

But we are finally here, the new Rotary Year is underway. Lorraine can relax a little bit more, like not contributing to the newsletter which she has done magnificently for two years, and I have to lift my game; alas.

The Changover went well and I thank everyone for coming and being in good spirits to make the evening a very pleasant and successful one. My first meeting was made memorable by a considerable crowd in the board room. We had a visitor (Mike Smith) from New Zealand who thought he had earned a dollar but then copped a fine in good style; and two new potential members dropped in – mother and daughter team Cheryl Tollis and Sarah Evans.

Looking forward we have a busy time for many of us as we work through the following.

We have two major international projects; to build a

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three room school block in Mele Village in Vanuatu and to build a Village of Hope in Kyerima, near Kampala the capital of Uganda. Both projects are underway with the Mele Village project requiring to firm up on quotes before the building phase - it will be finished this year. The Ugandan project is in its early stages only, is much larger, will be done in phases and will take years to complete. In Uganda we work with an NGO called African Hearts and are partnering with the Rotary Club of Nansana.

In August on Wednesday the 10th we have been asked to assist the Nandeebie Retirement Village and Nursing Home (Alexandra Hills) with their Ekka day by doing the Bar-B-Q and helping with various stalls and the animal farm. *Now who wants to be on the shovel?* This day is the Brisbane public holiday for the Royal Qld Show, so if you have the day off and choose not to go to the Ekka on this day it will be a good day to do a community service.

On Saturday 6th of August we have volunteered to assist the Redlands Sunrise Club with a fundraiser for the Calisto Park Equestrian Centre which provides riding lessons and therapy for disabled people. And of course, horses are very expensive to maintain. This fund raiser is timed to coincide with the opening ceremony of the Olympic Games. There will be an 8.30am breakfast in the Carriage Room with live streaming of the opening ceremony and later an event in the arena with the theme "Come to a Rio Beach Party".

Our meetings will be enlivened by the visit of the District Governor on the 27th of July (I will have to be on my best behaviour) and by the interesting speakers Matty has found for us, one of which will be me. Well, I will be a speaker though not necessarily an interesting one.

We are planning to reserve a meeting night for a Club Assembly which provides an opportunity for members to have a say in the club's operation and activities. Also the directors will have some time each to explain their roles and activities. This is an educational evening for new members and a time to reflect on what we do and how we do it.

As President I would like to see as many people contributing and participating as possible. We can't all take on a major project or be a director but we can all contribute in small ways. This is why we rotate the roles of Wello Fello, Attendance and meeting Chairperson. Little things like this, and putting in some hours on projects, organising a social event etc all add up and I will be encouraging directors to, wherever possible, seek to have a committee to support them. I believe that a positive attitude and enthusiasm makes the difference, lifting ho-hum to lots of fun.

I finish my first contribution with the words I used to close my acceptance speech;

If you want to go fast, go alone
If you want to go far, go together

So let's travel together, go far, and enjoy the journey.

John

President

The Emergency + App

Are you aware of Emergency + App. I myself wasn't before Terry Ryan emailed me this week. The Emergency + App is a free app developed by Australia's emergency services and their government and industry partners.

The App uses GPS functionality built in to smart phones to help a Triple Zero (000) caller provide critical location details required to mobilise emergency service.

So what are you waiting for search for Emergency + in your app store or go to

<http://emergencyapp.triplezero.gov.au/>

Mitch

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From the Editor

Well we have certainly got off to a cracking start with a return visit from Mike, our adopted kiwi 'cuz' rotarian and two potential new members.

We all know that our past president Lorraine has been a prolific contributor to our newsletter, but did you know she also writes sometime for Rotary Down Under. In the July edition she wrote an article on the Build a Village of Hope Dinner at Ormiston. She did well getting this published given the volume of material they receive from New Zealand and Australia. This is the second article she has written for the magazine to be published, the first being on Lachlan O'Berg, our NYSF student a couple of years ago. Well done Lorraine!

Mitch

ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Humanity in motion at Wellington Point

THE Rotary Club of Wellington Point, Dist. now six years in the making and with a membership of 21 people, has been excited over recent months to partner with the African Hearts organisation, and has as its vision the building of a Village of Hope in Kyerima, Uganda. This will include a toilet block, well and medical centre. The club intends to proceed with a Global Grant application to enable this to happen.

The club recently had the pleasure of having African Hearts executive director Lutaiya Abdul - Abby, as they call him - attend their District 9630 Conference in Roma, forming an even closer bond and allowing members to understand his vision and the love he has for his people.

Abby's story is compelling. He has

never met his father and grew up living with his grandmother, eventually living on the streets. Finding food was a daily struggle; he would eat from rubbish bins and had to eat fast, before the bigger kids got the food.

But Abby has gone on to improve his life - he is an amazing trumpet player; has had some education and has rescued kids from similar situations as his own, taking them into the security of his grandmother's garage. He now gives back to the people in his village, empowering them in ways we can only begin to comprehend.

Australian coordinator of African Hearts Ainsley Winton has been working closely with the Rotary Club of Wellington Point to produce a corporate dinner to heighten awareness and gain support for the cause.



The Rotary Club of Wellington Point is going to great heights to build a Village of Hope in Kyerima, Uganda.

The dinner recently saw close to \$60,000 raised in one night - all through the generosity of 150 diners, who enjoyed a fine dining extravaganza and a performance from a high energy African acrobatic duo. Putting aside the cause for one moment, it was a night members and guests will long remember. *

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Our President with visiting Rotarian Mike Smith



John and his lovely wife Carmel dressed to the nines for district Changeover

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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 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
Tuesday 5 th July	Cleveland R.C. changeover 18:00 @ Cleveland R.S.L.	RSVP Ross Pollock rdmlp@bigpond.net.au
Wednesday 6 th July	Bunnings BBQ @ Capalaba	Barry is coordinating
Sunday 10 th July	Redlands Sunrise R.C. changeover 11:30 @ Pine Lodge	RSVP Rosemary Skelly

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Duty Roster

Date	6 th July 2016	13 th July 2016	20 th July 2016	27 th July 2016
Chairperson	Dianne Thompson	Glen Brown	Gordon Lawrence	Barry Melgaard
Attendance	Terry Ryan	Tracey Deane	Wendy Boglary	Jan Gilchrist
Wello Fellow	Ken Van Noort	Loraine Hooker	Louise Broekman	Matthew Knight
Speaker Facilitator	Barry Melgaard	Matty McKenna	Terry Ryan	John Chirio
Speaker	Peter Moody	Michael Manning	Paul Fitzpatrick	D.G.
Activity/Topic	Members corner	About Accupuncture	Crimestoppers	Year ahead
Meeting Location	Front Room of Auditorium	Front Room of Auditorium	Front Room of Auditorium	Board Room
Special Notes				Board meeting