

The Wello Hello

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WHO WE ARE

Rotary is a global network of 1.2 million neighbours, friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who come together to make positive, lasting change in communities at home and abroad.

For more than 110 years, our 35,000+ clubs have worked together to:

- Promote peace
- Fight disease
- Provide clean water, sanitation, and hygiene
- Save mothers and children
- Support education
- Grow local economies

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LOGGING IN WITH LORRAINE

Thank you - whilst at the Musical on Friday night, our friends from Lions asked for some catering assistance this coming week at a funeral for one of their members - they only need a few helpers but the response was immediate. Rotary in action - thank you girls.

Nunsense !! What a talented and fun performance at Mary Mackillop Primary School where we enjoyed the music and frivolities of a fantastic musical on Friday night.



Lovely to catch up with many friends there as well - and a big thank you to Matty for organising this event for us.

We talked about going to Vanuatu - we went - and I know we will talk about it for a long time to come!

Whilst it was officially to hand over the previously completed classroom facility in Mele Village to the people of that area, there were some less formal moments as well. Handing over the classroom facility and realizing the huge difference it will make in the lives of these people is humbling. Likewise, our trip to Mangaliliu and Takara where we visibly took in the devastation of the recent cyclone and identified the needs in that area has the effect of keeping us focussed on moving forward and providing as much assistance as we can, knowing that people are so appreciative and lives will be changed along the way.

Memories are created and lives are challenged and put into perspective when one travels with six other members of their Rotary family primarily to hand over the classroom facility to the people of Mele Village, Vanuatu.

- There's the family atmosphere of 'what's on the programme for today'?
- Who's buying and cooking what for dinner tonight' - or shall we eat out?
- Who's doing the dishes'?

- Anyone feel like snorkelling?
- Now - which wine will go with our meal tonight?
- Who needs a hand up on the bus?
- Who needs extricating from the water after swinging on a rope hanging from a tree?
- Which little person wants to hold hands and play ringa rosey'?
- Who's going to catch the chook for the President to hold!'
- Who's feeling well today!'
- Or the simple nightly toast as we remembered our families and other members of our Rotary family back home who were not able to be with us. You were not forgotten.

The interaction with our fellow Rotarians from the Rotary Club of Port Vila - and with Stephanie Neilsen from the Sharm Foundation - the reliability and warmth of our bus driver Sam are all facets contributing to the wonderful memories of this trip.

- Who will always remember the feast prepared by the people of Mele Village and the kava which followed the official handover of the school facility!
- The delight of the children and appreciation from the village elders remains firmly etched. The memories of the many games of ringa rosey played with the kids with merriment and fervour.
- Then there's the less formal early morning walk where there was always a little hand wanting to be held as they walked along a very

dusty road to school on an uneven surface - in bare feet.

- Who will remember the joy of the kids who received a gift of some new knickers?
- Who will remember driving out to the village of Takara and visibly seeing the effect of the cyclone - looking at a school building and realizing that when it rains, the structure leaks.
- Looking at the blackboard at the timely reminders to children about manners -

Please	-	'plis'
Thank you	-	'tangkiu'
Yes please	-	'yes plis' -
No thank you	-	'no tangkiu'
Excuse me	-	'ekskius mi'.

And still these people smile, are engaging and welcoming - are delighted and appreciative of the opportunity to share their lives with us. I thank them for these memories - But never say 'enough' - there's more work to be done!

On the home front the home fires are still burning - I thank those involved who have spent time looking at the pros and cons of power for our storage shed - of diligently performing an inventory and asset register of just what is in the shed and many more jobs that just don't get done by themselves - thank you Rotarians. Thank you to those who represented us at the recent Mayoral breakfast and at the launch of Redfest.

Coming up we have the opportunity to give as much or as little as we can of ourselves to our activities just around the corner - and to name just a few:

- Selling raffle tickets in our forthcoming raffle
- A theatre night out to enjoy 'Nunsense'
- Another Bunnings bbq
- Giving a hand at Redfest over the weekend of 8/9/10 September
- Our District Governor's visit on 13th September - you might like to bring your wife/husband to share the evening with our DG
- Cleaning up the Point under the Adopt a Road scheme and playing bocce after morning tea - 17th September
- Helping out at the waterstops for the Diabetes walk on 15th October
- Making sure you keep 18th October free to share with local Chad Sherrin taking us on a virtual tour of the Kokoda Trail
- Training for and swimming in the swimathon - 4th November
- Getting into Christmas present wrapping project mode in the lead up to Christmas



Our Rotarians out and about in Vanuatu



We have members who have lost loved ones recently and to them we extend our heartfelt sympathy. We have members who are away travelling - we wish them safe travels.

Wellington Point Rotarians are travelling well - and I thank each of you for the privilege of travelling life's journeys together - embracing life and making little positive differences along the way.

President Lorraine - logging out!



Wonders of VANUATU





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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 Di Thompson phone 0408985527 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
Saturday 2 nd September	Sausage Sizzle (Rotary Club of Port of Brisbane)	
Wednesday 6 th Sept	Bunnings BBQ	John Chirio co-ordinating
September 8 th – 10 th	Redfest	Roster sheet has gone around
September 10 th	RLI (Rotary Leadership Institute)/ Carindale RC- Billy Carts	
September 17 th	Clean up Wellington Point	Volunteers needed
April 6 th – 22 nd 2018	Rotary Club of Pakuranga – Tour of NZ	Peter Hawkins / John McMillan

FIVE WEEK ROSTER

Date	30th August	6 th September	13 th September	20 th September	27 th September
Chairperson	Tony Mills	Kenn Van Noort	Barry Melgaard	John Chirio	Bruce Douglas
Attendance	Di Thompson	Peter Moody	Mitch Parsons	Sandra Racine	Gordon Lawrence
Wello Fellow	Matty McKenna	Glen Brown	Stephen Knight	Tracey Deane	Terry Ryan
Speaker Facilitator	Gordon Lawrence	TBA	N/A	Gordon Lawrence	N/A
Speaker	Sgt Graham Hedges	Cr Paul Bishop cancelled TBA	Visit from DG	John Roberson	N/A
Activity/Topic	Bike 4 Burns			RAWCS	Board Meeting
Meeting Location	Front Room Auditorium	Front Boardroom	Front Room Auditorium	Front Room Auditorium	Front Room Auditorium
Special Notes	Vanuatu presentation				

