

# 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

We're back from Vanuatu and it has been lovely to share this unique experience with you all - to share our photographs - to share our stories - to tell you about these lovely people - to reflect - to just embrace the moment - and to think further of taking action!

Even this week I had the pleasure of an email from Noella Seru (Noella is the wife of our bus driver Sam - and this couple embraced us as much as we embraced them). Following our departure from Vanuatu, Noella distributed some more of the goodies we had left behind - she did this on the day of our departure - and one would only have to look at the facial expressions of the recipients to realize how much our small contributions were welcomed.

Here's what Noella had to say ---

*Good morning Lorraine,*

*So happy to have your email. How I have missed you all, since knowing you all for a short period of time gives me a lot of warm pleasures. We have been experiencing lately internet issues and with our telecom line here so we could not get hold of this beautiful email.*

*Yes, I have distributed the said goods before last Sunday on that day you actually left.*

*Good in knowing you all in person and knowing how you guys are of generosity to the people of Vanuatu. You all have passion for the people and God will always guide and bless you for your generous giving.*

*Our weather is cold and hot - (not sure what it means) hehehe but we are used to it. I hope you like our beautiful place and we hope to see you all next time.*

*Sam is in a 2-week long tourism workshop and he is learning a lot from it and hope to make the best tour operator for your next trip hahaha.*

*I am at work at the moment and will be finishing up and will go out with the community after this and with remarks from the distribution, the community were so happy indeed and **THANKING YOU ALL FOR YOUR HEART.** They wish you all well in your job.*

*Again, with love always,  
Noella and Sam*



Distribution of goods at Vanuatu

Our recent speakers Ray and Grant Brady also provided us with not only entertainment, but their devotion to raising awareness and raising money for Cancer research by their participation in the Shitbox Rally was motivating to say the least. What a shame we can't all rush out to buy \$1,000 vehicles - paint them up, hit the road - raise awareness - raise money - and have a ton of fun along the way. And it went further than that - those cherished moments when father and son could have quality time together that will be remembered for a life time. Sheer gold!



Shitbox Rally vehicles

### Membership matters

Good to know our Glen is now out of hospital and taking it a little easier at home, with a proviso that he takes life very carefully until his health is back to where it should be. Glen assures me that he and his mum are doing well and that there is no every-day help required by them - however, Glen is not permitted to drive his vehicle for a little while - so once he's ready to return to the ranks, we will arrange transportation to meetings for him. Keep up the good progress Glen - we're thinking of you.

With extreme work conditions at the moment, and at his request, Vice President Kenn has received Board approval for leave of absence from Wednesday meetings until the first meeting in January, and in the interim I congratulate and thank PP Gordon Lawrence for stepping into this role.

### Bunnings barbecues

Two successful barbecues in two successive weeks - and I thank all involved with the running and staffing of these events. Significant fundraising dollars have been generated and the help of all who put in the hours cooking, serving or cashiering is truly appreciated. These barbecues are such a reliable source of fundraising dollars - there's a fair bit of 'behind the scenes' work goes into each barbecue we run and after December, when John takes up permanent residency down the Gold Coast, we are going to have to work things differently. Would **you** like to be involved - very soon we will be sharing the need that we have to do things a little differently with you - and we'll be looking for some help.



District Conference

This is to be held in the Redlands (Shine on Redlands) on 9th - 11th March 2018 - and this will be an event not to be missed. Amazing guest speakers - wonderful venues - embracing lifelong friendships - and jolly good Rotary fellowship.

Our Club will be responsible for hosting some Club dinners on the Friday night and once registrations are further advanced, we will have an idea what type of venue we should be booking for this event. The attendees will be paying for their own dinners - we are just there to provide that friendly Rotary host hospitality and to help where we can.

Please lock in your diaries the weekend of 9th - 11th March 2018 for District Conference 2018.



2018 District Conference

District Governor's visit

Our District Governor Elwyn Hodges and his wife Allison will be our guests when they visit us this coming Wednesday 13th September 2017.

Could Board members please be at the Club at 6pm to meet with Elwyn - and our general meeting, where the platform belongs to our District Governor, will be at 7pm. We'll also have some tempting tasty treats for you to enjoy.

Succession Planning

The first Wednesday in December is the time that you will be able to formalize your Rotary involvement for the next Rotary year when our AGM is conducted.

What would **you** like to do in OUR Club this next Rotary year?

All positions at this meeting will be declared vacant and now is the time to start thinking whether you would like to be on the Board of Directors - what way can you serve - what talents do you have that you would like to share - what skills do you want to further build on - how can you help - how can you make your Rotary experience a more rewarding one - now's the time to start thinking!

Community Service

Redfest is on this weekend in the Redlands and a big thumbs up and thank you to the many volunteers from our Club who will help with gate attendance, parking or on the Rotary information booth. Your help is appreciated hugely.

On that note - see you all next week -

This is President Lorraine logging out

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

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## Five Week Duty Roster

Date	30th August	6 <sup>th</sup> September	13 <sup>th</sup> September	20 <sup>th</sup> September	27 <sup>th</sup> 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				

