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Rotary Club Wellington Point ~ Weekly Newsletter

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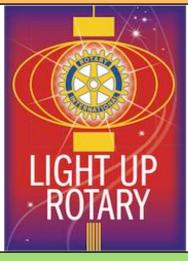
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## Volume 6, Issue 6, 20th August 2014 From the President

Hello everyone We've been a busy bunch!

Firstly - I have been remiss - a big thank you to Gordon for stepping back into the Presidency while I was hiding amidst a box of tissues. Doing so at such short notice was much appreciated.

The Billy Carts was a memorable day for all the right reasons - no-one got carted away and this was an achievement in itself. What a great weekend - what a great Sunday! Unlike Saturday when it rained all day for the set-up, Sunday showed blue skies and plenty of kids and carts!

A huge thank you to Mitch for co-ordinating this event, keeping us informed of progress as it happened and also a big thank you to the Carindale Rotary Club for involving us in this event. Thank you to the numerous volunteers from our Club who helped on the day - and who had reminders of the event for a few days afterwards!

We learnt heaps - we had fun - we built goodwill and better friendships.

Lorraine Hooker - President

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## **Billy Cart Day**

Carts a plenty - and all having fun Lucky for them - it was a downhill run The Mums and Dads were there looking ever so proud

Joining the cheering which came from the crowd

Haybales cushioned the spills down the hill The kids kept coming til they'd had their fill Receiving medals, their chests puffed with pride The smiles on their faces were so ever so wide

For the Rotarians who worked on this busy day Some went home in a state of almost disarray Joints creaking and groaning and trying to unfold Somehow those bodies must just be getting old

But the day was all about families and having fun And fortunately for us it was all done in the sun So huge thanks to all for the memorable day The memories were great in every single way







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## The Roundup...

I'd like to say a big thank you to our Sergeant **John** (God bless him) who has certainly provided some mirth with his Sergeant's sessions of late - it's brought a new dimension to our meetings, not to mention the resultant wallet-opening exercise that accompanies our so-called indiscretions.

#### **Drought Relief Garage Sale**

Liaison has been occurring with the Presidents of St George, Mitchell, Roma and Charleville Clubs regarding distribution of the moneys raised through the combined Rotary Clubs Drought Relief Garage Sale - a sale in which our Club played a vital part.

As has been intimated in the past, funds will be available to those who are drought affected and this will be done by way of vouchers enabling the recipients to spent same in their local areas, thus keeping their local economies afloat.

Interestingly enough, I believe donations are still being received - isn't that wonderful. Now out west, they need more rain!

#### Last week's meeting

A huge thank you to **Wendy** who, amidst a busy schedule, found time to come and share with us the diversity of her role as a local Councillor - from pathways to playgrounds; the city future plan to cycle ways; employment strategies to economic strategies; infrastructure to finances; it is a BIG picture.

We had 16 Rotarians at this meeting with only one member being away due to sickness and we all managed comfortably to fit into the RSC Boardroom.

Wendy - from us all - a big thank you - you're special to us as a person, as a Councillor, and as one of our very own Rotarians.

Also at this meeting **Matty** shared with us details of her weekend 'short' bike ride - a huge number of charity raising kilometers in inclement weather. Well done Matty - thanks for sharing with us but I think we have made a mental note, if ever you ask us to go on a short bike ride, we will ask you full details first – 224 kms is some journey!

Matty and Martin were two of the four members of team Orica Brisbane and Matty said that she wasn't sure if she would be able to ride at all on the second day - but she managed every kilometre on both days.

The Brisbane event had 1124 riders and the riders and supporters raised \$3.8m for the Berghofer Institute for their cancer research programmes. Team Orica Brisbane raised \$11,250 of that. A great effort and shows what can be achieved.

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We bade our Director of Foundation **Terry** farewell last week as he leaves with wife Isabel on a holiday taking in Singapore and South Africa. You'll be up for departure tax and incoming tax payable in the Sergeant's session on your return and we wish you safe travels.

**Kenn** shared with us some of the highlights from the Public Relations and Membership workshop he attended at Caboolture in the weekend. It necessitates some more brain storming and actioning of all the good points raised at this workshop. So for me, again, it was reiterated that one of the most relevant things we can do in gaining new members is simply to **ask!** Invite someone along to our meetings - they are interesting, they are alive and hopefully people will find the meetings and us very welcoming.

#### So - what's coming up?

That brings me to announce our next **Friday Friendly!** A big thank you to **Tracey** and Keiran for inviting us to share their home on Friday evening, 12th September for our Friendly Friday.

Last Friday friendly we went to join the local high school's chaplaincy in their Trivia Night. This time - it's a **Pot Luck Dinner** - please, no fuss, no bother - simply turn up on the night around 6.45pm with a smile, a dish of food to share and whatever you would like to drink. I'll be asking nearer the time for numbers because --- Tracey and I will provide some taste-tempting desserts for you! Sound like a good idea - we hope so!

#### **Classic Cycle Ride**

As you know we are partnering with Bayside Rotary to host this event and our responsibility is the food on the day.

It's getting closer to the event and names are being gathered for the various duties on the day. There is plenty to be done and many areas that you can lend a hand with. Don't be shy - this is a wonderful local event which has been organised primarily by Bayside Club as they have done it before - logistically there has been a lot to do, and Bayside have taken care of it admirably - traffic control - marshaling - etc. It all gets underway very early in the morning and you're guaranteed of the afternoon off!

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<u>Condamine Capers</u> - Had you thought of a weekend out in the country enjoying fellowship with other Rotarians? If so - Condamine Capers just could be for you!

Obviously the event is at Condamine - and there is plenty of accommodation available in the town by way of camping, caravan parks, motels and hotels.

This is promising to be a weekend of fun, fellow and fund raising and bookings close for this event on 31st August. Bookings are essential! See Lorraine for details.

#### **District Conference - Toowoomba**

Yes, you heard right - March next year - in Toowoomba, from March 13th -15th March 2015.

Registration forms are out for this District 9630 Conference and I'd urge you all to think about registering for this event. From the Conference held in Maroochydore last year, I can tell you, you won't be disappointed - it's a very worthwhile event.

So you will see - plenty has happened - and plenty still happening.

Thanks everyone for the fellowship engendered along the journey - I will catch you all some time.

**Lorraine** - President - Wellington Point Rotary

## From the Sergeant (God bless him) and also From the Editor

Like Gordon and Terry I too will be taking some time off - three weeks. During this time there will be no update to the newsletter but I am sure that the Administration Director will provide you all with the details of the most important things – meeting rooms and event calendars.

I am travelling to the Northern Territory for a tour to Uluru, Kata Tjuta (the Olgas), Kings Canyon, Alice Springs and environs taking in the sites and some of the local aboriginal culture: Then on up to Tennant Creek, Katherine, Kakadu, Darwin and Litchfield National Park.

We fly back to Brisbane for a check up on things at home and to reorganize before going to Broadbeach on the Gold Coast for a week of rest and recreation – sand, sun, good food and lots of books.

Out modern life style, our work, our homes and being in Rotary can make us very busy – sometimes too busy for our own good. My wife Carmel is a school teacher and she is finally taking some long service leave and will have six weeks off. To do this she has had to work extra hard to progress her class and to prepare a hand over to the replacement teacher. One of her recent tasks was to prepare the staff assembly and as part of that she presented the following piece called "TAKE TIME". I hope you don't mind me sharing this with you.

While I am away perhaps someone else will be Sergeant (God bless him) and that you will all continue to support him or her with your usual good humour. And remember; I'll be back...

John

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#### "Take Time"

Take time to think: it is the source of power.

Take time to read; it is the foundation of wisdom.

Take time to play; it is the secret of staying young.

Take time to be quiet; it is the opportunity to see God.

Take time to be aware; it is the opportunity to help others.

Take time to laugh; it is the music of the soul.

Take time to be friendly; it is the road to happiness.

Take time to dream; it is what the future is made of.

Take time to pray; it is the greatest power on earth.





Take time for justice; It is the beginning of peace.

Take time to look afresh; It will fill you with surprise

Take time to search; It is the secret of eternal youth.

Take time for solitude; It revives the spirit.

Take time with the earth; It speaks of harmony and balance.

Take time at home; It renews the heart.

Take time to heal; It is full of hope.

Take time to love and be loved; it is God's greatest gift.

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#### **AND FINALLY**

The grandson of slaves, a boy was born in a poor neighbourhood of New Orleans, known as the "Back of Town".

His father abandoned the family when the child was an infant. His mother became a prostitute and the boy and his sister had to live with their grandmother. Early in life, he proved to be gifted at music and with three other kids, he sang on the streets of New Orleans. His first gains were the coins that were thrown to them.

A Jewish family named Karnovsky, who had emigrated from Lithuania to the USA, took pity on the seven year old boy and brought him into their home. He remained with this Jewish family where for the first time in his life, he was treated with kindness and tenderness. When he went to bed Mrs Karnovsky sang him a Russian lullaby and he would sing with her.

Later he learned to sing and play several Russian and Jewish songs, and over time the boy became the adopted son of this family. The Karnovskys gave him money to buy his first trumpet as was the custom in Jewish families, and they sincerely admired his musical talent. Later, when he became a professional musician and composer, he used these Jewish melodies in compositions such as St James Infirmary and Go Down Moses.

The little black boy grew up and wrote a book about the Jewish family who had adopted him

in 1907. In memory of this family and until the end of his life he wore a Star of David, and he said that it is in this family that he had learned "how to live a real life, and determination".

This little boy was called Louis Armstrong.

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| Event Planning Calendar   |                            |  |  |  |  |
|---|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| DATE  | Event                      | Volunteers or Action required                      |  |  |  |
| Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept  | Bunnings Bar-B-Q           | Peter is coordinating                              |  |  |  |
| Sat 6 <sup>th</sup><br>September                                | Red Fest                   | TBA  |  |  |  |
| Sun 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | Red Fest                   | TBA  |  |  |  |
| Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> Sept                                       | Ryda Commitment            | Barry Melgaard                                     |  |  |  |
| Thurs or Friday<br>18 <sup>th</sup> or 19 <sup>th</sup><br>Sept | Redlands Classic Bike Ride | Compulsory briefing for Marshals.                  |  |  |  |
| Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept                                       | Redlands Classic Bike Ride | Afternoon set up marquees for catering commitment. |  |  |  |
| Sun 21st Sept   | Redlands Classic Bike Ride | Cooking and marshalling 6.30 am to 12 noon         |  |  |  |



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#### Links

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

Capalaba: <a href="http://www.rotarycapalaba.org/">http://www.rotarycapalaba.org/</a>

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

Redland Sunrise: <a href="http://www.redlandsunrise.org.au">http://www.redlandsunrise.org.au</a>

Wynnum-Manly: <a href="http://www.wynnum-manly.rotaryclub.asn.au/">http://www.wynnum-manly.rotaryclub.asn.au/</a>

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

District 9630: <a href="http://www.rotary9630.org/">http://www.rotary9630.org/</a>

Rotary International: <a href="http://www.rotary.org/">http://www.rotary.org/</a>

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 <a href="mailto:pasmoo@bigpond.com">pasmoo@bigpond.com</a> 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

| RYDA Schedule                    |                                      |           |            |        |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|------------|--------|--|--|--|--|
| DATE                             | SCHOOL                               | VOLUNTEER | MOBILE No. | E-MAIL |  |  |  |  |
| Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> September   | Carmel College                       |           |            |        |  |  |  |  |
| Fri 26 <sup>th</sup><br>November | Cleveland District State High School |           |            |        |  |  |  |  |

| Duty Roster            |                             |                           |                              |                            |                             |  |  |  |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|
| Date                   | 27 <sup>th</sup> August     | 3 <sup>rd</sup> September | 10 <sup>th</sup> September   | 17 <sup>th</sup> September | 24 <sup>th</sup> September  |  |  |  |
| Chairperson            | Peter Moody                 | Julie Clarke              | Mitchell Parsons             | Kenn Van Noort             | Glen Brown                  |  |  |  |
| Attendance             | Tracey Deane                | Terry Ryan                | Matty McKenna                | Barry Melgaard             | John Chirio                 |  |  |  |
| Wello Fellow           | Glen Brown                  | Matthew Knight            | Peter Moody                  | Don Baxter                 | Tracey Deane                |  |  |  |
| Speaker<br>Facilitator | Peter Moody                 |                           | Peter Moody                  |                            |                             |  |  |  |
| Speaker                | Melissa Simpson             |                           | Bruce Howden                 |                            |                             |  |  |  |
| Activity/Topic         | Heart Kids                  |                           | Order of Australia<br>Medals |                            |                             |  |  |  |
| Meeting<br>Location    | Front Room of<br>Auditorium | Golfers' Lounge           | Front Room of<br>Auditorium  | Board Room                 | Front Room of<br>Auditorium |  |  |  |
| Special Notes          | Board Meeting               |                           |                              |                            | Board Meeting               |  |  |  |