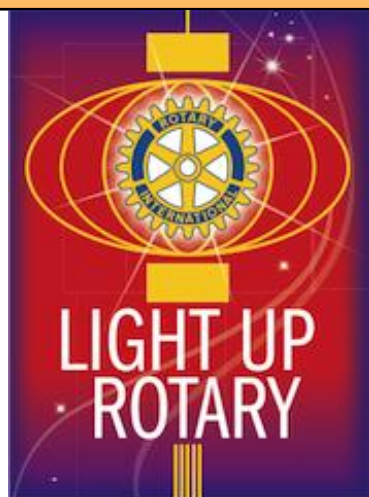


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Rotary Club Wellington Point ~ Weekly Newsletter

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From the President

Happy Christmas Wellington Point Rotarians

With our Rotary year now half way through, it's perhaps time for a little reflection on exactly what has been achieved this half.

If we are to reflect on the last six months, without being complacent, I think we can comfortably say we have helped where there has been a need, we have bonded together and we have taken steps to move slowly forward. When we talk about 'engagement' of members in our Club, there is no shortage of willing workers and your help is valued. We also enjoy a cordial working relationship with the other Clubs in our Redlands area.

We have had considerable involvement in combined events - the Drought Relief Garage Sale, the Billy Carts, the Classic Cycle Ride as well as our involvement as a Club with RYDA, RYPEN, Bowel Scan, Redfest, Twilight Markets, Bunnings BBQs, African Hearts, to name a few. We have also celebrated the success of our NYSF student, Lachlan Oberg and managed to have Lachlan featured on page 33 of the latest RDU.

We have had social outings - we have formed friendships - we have had happy and not so happy times - we've been there for each other - and we've

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been there to help in the community. There will always be on-going works to be done - that is what being a Rotarian is all about.

We have elected a new Board of Directors for the 2015-2016 year - there are some changes and I trust the good works begun by the current and previous Boards will continue - thank you everyone for your willingness to help and grow Rotary just that little bit further. I am enthusiastic and looking forward to continuing to work closely with you all during the remainder of my current Rotary year as well as my next term as President 2015/2016.

Just as this last Newsletter for the year goes to print, we can be proud of the huge effort put in by our members this last weekend both at the Twilight Markets and at the Bunnings Sunday Bar-B-Q. What an effort - all done cheerfully with many of our members fronting up at both vents. Thank you one and all - it will continue to be beneficial to all concerned.

On that note - my wish for you all is a Christmas you will share with loved ones in whatever way you choose. May it be a safe and happy time and I look forward to us all getting together again for the first meeting of the year on the 14th January 2015.

Stay safe one and all.

Lorraine Hooker

President: Wellington Point Rotary Club

From The editor

In this issue we have a photo of our enjoyable night out at the Spice Avenue to wrap up the year; a selection of photos from Gordon and Dianne's great walking adventure on the Camino track in Spain; and a little poem to lift you into the holiday spirit. Read it aloud and with feeling; it is great fun.

Cheers to all - John

***DG Phillip and Marlene Charles** took time out from their busy schedule to personally call Lorraine to wish all of the club members a merry Christmas and a happy new year – a nice gesture indeed.*

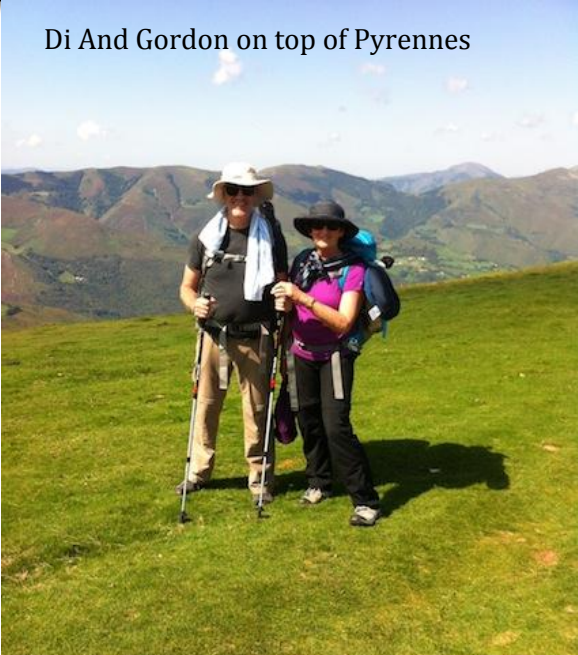


Dinner at the Spice Avenue Balti Restaurant in Birkdale, which serves English Indian cuisine

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Di And Gordon on top of Pyrennes



Dianne at The Spire at the highest point of the 800 km Camino walk



Marker Post – and still a long way to walk!



I met a man with a falcon...



On the track somewhere in Spain



Gordon with his favorite activity drinking red, eating food and people watching in a lovely town centre on the Camino



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On Sunday 14th the team had a great day and cracked \$1400 profit. The challenge was laid down at the last meeting – can the team on the 28th beat that?



Loosing team pays a \$1 each for a fine – so you have been warned. To win from here you have to be well organised, efficient, not miss a sale and upsell at every opportunity. So go at it!



Kenns Christmas lights put on a great display to brighten up the street – drop in and check it out. Well done Kenn and family.

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THE NIGHT BEFORE CHRISTMAS

by Clement Clarke Moore



'Twas the night before Christmas, when all through the house

Not a creature was stirring, not even a mouse;
The stockings were hung by the chimney with care,
In hopes that St. Nicholas soon would be there;

The children were nestled all snug in their beds,
While visions of sugar plums danced in their heads;
And mamma in her 'kerchief, and I in my cap,
Had just settled down for a long winter's nap,

When out on the lawn there arose such a clatter,
I sprang from the bed to see what was the matter.
Away to the window I flew like a flash,
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash.

The moon on the breast of the new fallen snow
Gave the lustre of midday to objects below,
When, what to my wondering eyes should appear,
But a miniature sleigh, and eight tiny reindeer,

With a little old driver, so lively and quick,
I knew in a moment it must be St. Nick.
More rapid than eagles his coursers they came,
And he whistled, and shouted, and called them by name;

"Now Dasher! Now Dancer! Now Prancer and Vixen!
On Comet! On Cupid! On Donner and Blitzen!
To the top of the porch! To the top of the wall!
Now dash away! Dash away! Dash away all!"

As dry leaves that before the wild hurricane fly,
When they meet with an obstacle, mount to the sky,
So up to the house top the coursers they flew,
With the sleigh full of toys and St. Nicholas too:

He was dressed all in fur, from his head to his foot,
And his clothes were all tarnished with ashes and soot:
A bundle of toys he had flung on his back,
And he looked like a peddler just opening his pack.

His eyes how they twinkled! His dimples how merry!
His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!
His droll little mouth was drawn up like a bow,
And the beard of his chin was as white as the snow;

The stump of a pipe he held tight in his teeth,
And the smoke it encircled his head like a wreath;
He had a broad face and a little round belly,
That shook when he laughed like a bowlful of jelly.

He was chubby and plump, a right jolly old elf,
And I laughed when I saw him, in spite of myself;
A wink of his eye and a twist of his head,
Soon gave me to know I had nothing to dread:

He spoke not a word, but went straight to his work,
And filled all the stockings; then turned with a jerk,
And laying his finger aside of his nose,
And giving a nod, up the chimney he rose:

He sprang to his sleigh, to his team gave a whistle,
And away they all flew like the down of a thistle.
But I heard him exclaim, ere he drove out of sight,
"Happy Christmas to all, and to all a good night."



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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 Peter Moody, at pasmoo@bigpond.com 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

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Duty Roster

| Date | 14 th January 2015 | 21 st January 2015 | 28 th January 2015 | | |
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| Chairperson | Matthew Knight | Terry Ryan | Tracey Deane | | |
| Attendance | Julie Clarke | Matty McKenna | Steven Knight | | |
| Wello Fellow | Peter Moody | John Chirio | Gordon Lawrence | | |
| Speaker Facilitator | | | | | |
| Speaker | | | | | |
| Activity/Topic | Start up for 2015 | | | | |
| Meeting Location | | | | | |
| Special Notes | FIRST MEETING FOR 2015 | | | | |