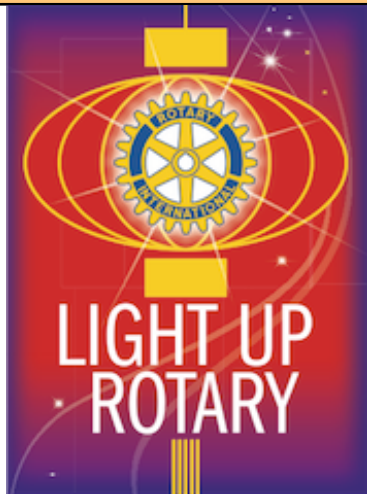


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Rotary Club Wellington Point ~ Weekly Newsletter

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From the President

Greetings fellow Rotarians

Newsletter time comes around fairly quickly!

I certainly learnt a lot from our recent speaker Bob Uhr from Redland Bay Men's Shed and have a great appreciation for the work that these men's sheds are doing in building self esteem, enhancing skills, learning new skills and generally in helping our menfolk. Having the health and well being at the cornerstone of their operation certainly has allowed Redland Bay Men's shed to move forward healthily since its inception and the men are to be congratulated on the number of community hours they give. Thank you Bob for visiting us - please feel free to drop in on us any time.

We had a great RYDA day last week when over 200 senior students from Wellington Point and Redlands College took part in this worthwhile programme.

Reluctantly due to sickness, I missed out on a great night at Thai River - from all accounts it was a great night and was enjoyed by all - thank you Peter for organizing this.

Our friends the Davidsons - it is nearly bye bye to them as they head to their new lives at Mango Hill.

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Sadly Bill has deteriorated considerably and Lyn is being one very strong lady. It has been a pleasure to help them clear out their property, clear out their house, purchase their needs for the next leg of their journey – not to mention the pleasure of all working together as a team to make this happen. Our fundraising account has had a boost in recognition of our much needed help and we have a lovely canteen of cutlery to raffle at some future date as a token of the Davidsons appreciation. We do wish Lyn and Bill well and hopefully a few of us will be able to visit them once they get settled into their new abode.

Today, Sunday we ran the second garage sale for the Davidsons and managed to reshuffle a few unwanted items realising in a good return and I will have pleasure in giving you some money from the Lyn and Bill on Wednesday evening to be channeled into rebuilding the lives of the Nepalese.

We say welcome home to Gordon and it will be good to hear first hand the impact of the ravages of nature that have fallen on Vanuatu. The resilience of these people is amazing and in the next few weeks I'm sure Gordon will be sharing with us and letting us know how in the future we can help them further re-build their lives and livelihoods. Gordon is also looking for helpers for a dinner in aid of Nepal to be held at the Museum on 1st June - if you can help with food serving etc, please do not hesitate to contact Gordon.

We've also been to Trivia - in support of the High School chaplaincy with 9 of us pitting our skills, enjoying food and friendships while all the while racking our brains in a trivial fashion! See separate article! T'was a good night and I'm sure the Chaplaincy benefitted hugely from the good planning that went into this successful event.

We're getting into change-over mode and it may well be that you would like to support some of our local clubs by attending their changeover dinners. Please see me for further details if this is something you would like to do!

And with State of Origin upon us - it's called 'FFFF' - freedom for faithful followers; you've had a reprieve from normal Board meeting night to the following night - refer to earlier memo sent to all!

On that note - stay safe and I'll catch you on Wednesday when we have a General Meeting WEAR YOUR COLOURS - MAROON OR BLUE!!!!

Yours in Rotary Service

Lorraine Hooker

President - Rotary Club of Wellington Point

T'was a trivia night at the Wellington Point High School

We were told to be intelligent – t'was no place to be fools:

We came with good food and ready for some fun
We were in with a chance, when all said and done.
Blue balloons flew high each sporting a prize
For this little exercise we didn't need to be wise
John's prize of rose' was definitely not to his taste
But an auction at the table ensured it didn't go to waste

Lorraine's prize was for some very small icecreams
For her grand kids it will fulfill a lucious weekend dream

There was heads and tails, hands on heads and bums

Looking like a mini aerobic session had just been run

At the silent auction, bidding wasn't quiet, but keen Rotarians outbidding each other, bordering on mean!

While the quiz questions posed some racking of brains

For the next trivia night, looks like we will have to train

But at the end of the night, when all said and done
T'was a truly good night of healthy Rotary shared fun

Lorraine

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Left – The Rotary Rockets assembled to win the trivia competition held by the Wellington Pt High School Chaplaincy. We gave it a nudge but booster rockets failed to ignite.

Above – the healthy club members assembled for dinner at the Thai River.

Below – a beautiful outdoor church service to celebrate Pentecost and to thank Rotarians for their efforts in helping to develop the Community Hub gardens.



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Public recognition and thanks from the
Uniting Church minister for our efforts and
below – the finished product.

Pictured above left are Bill (friend of
Rotary), John, Barry, Rev Linda Hamill and
Wendy



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My Week in Vanuatu

I spent a busy week in Vanuatu last week with 4 days in northern Vanuatu (Santo) and 2 days in Port Vila. I had a great time and it reinforced my belief that their people are amongst the friendliest in the world, even though they are a 'third world' standard country.

I stayed with Father Luke who you may remember visited and spoke to our club three or four years ago. It was pleasure to stay with him and we talked for hours about his people in the banks and his love for this region.

I my short time in Vanuatu I visited two islands, a coffee plantation, Cascades Waterfalls, swam in Port Vila Harbor and visited Mele Village where we are planning two classroom rebuilds. Also met up with a couple of Santo Club Rotarians and presented a set of uniforms to the local Santo football club.

I thought the week in Vanuatu would be a learning experience for me but it exceeded my expectations and has me keen for another visit soon.

Gordon



Above left – One of the beautiful children of the islands.

Above top – one of the potential classroom rebuild sites. Hopefully any new work can be stronger than what was there or the destructive cycle just gets repeated.

Above – a sign of people getting on with life amidst the destruction.

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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

DATE	Event	Volunteers or Action required
Monday 1 st June	Nepal Fundraising Dinner at Museum	Gordon is coordinating
Tuesday 2 nd June	Changeover Dinner Meeting	Peter is coordinating
Wednesday 3 rd June	Bunnings BBQ	Peter is coordinating
Friday 12 th June	RYDA – Alexandra Hills High School (Don Baxter & Matty McKenna)	Barry is coordinating
Tuesday 23 rd June	RYDA – Faith Lutheran College (Barry Melgaard & Lorraine Hooker)	Barry is coordinating
Saturday 18th July	Change Over Dinner	Peter is Coordinating

Duty Roster

Date	27 th May 2015	3 rd June 2015	10 th June 2015	17 th June 2015	24 th June 2015
Chairperson	Terry Ryan	Steven Knight	Glen Brown	John Chirio	Gordon Lawrence
Attendance	Don Baxter	Julie Clarke	Peter Moody	Don Baxter	Terry Ryan
Wello Fellow	Gordon Lawrence	Matthew Knight	Matty McKenna	Matty McKenna	Barry Melgaard
Speaker Facilitator		Lorraine Hooker	Peter Moody	Lorraine Hooker	
Speaker	Gordon Lawrence	Margaret Hayes	Troy Bailey	Don Baxter	
Activity/Topic	Trip to Vanuatu	ROMAC	Backpack Bed	Member's Corner	
Meeting Location	Front Room of Auditorium	Front Room of Auditorium	Front Room of Auditorium	Board Room	Front Room of Auditorium
Special Notes		Board Meeting			Board Meeting