



# Woolgoolga Whisper

The Rotary Club of Woolgoolga Inc.

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Club President  
Pamela Fayle  
District Governor  
Bob Ryan  
Rotary International  
President  
Ian Riseley

Meetings each month  
1st Sat: auction shed  
8:30-3:30  
2nd & 4th Mondays  
6-8pm Woolgoolga C.ex  
3rd Monday  
Board meetings VIC  
if 5th Monday,  
contact Secretary

## TONIGHT (WEDNESDAY 4 OCT) DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT

A WEDNESDAY meeting during the *first* week of October! The **District Governor's** visit to our club is traditionally the most important meeting of the year except for Changeover. The meeting is in our normal meeting room at the normal time, and will be preceded by a meeting of the Board with the DG, and before that, an ordinary Board meeting starting at 4:15 pm *in the C.ex Cinema Room*.

DG **Bob Ryan** comes from the Rotary Club of Armidale North with partner **Margaret**. Bob has been a member of Rotary for 41 years, joining the Rotary club of Dubbo West in 1974. Prior to Rotary, Bob was an active member of Apex.



Bob has been a member of 7 Rotary clubs: Dubbo West; Tamworth West; Quirindi; Scone; Taree North; Charlestown; Armidale North. He has held all possible Board Positions (duplicated several times), only missing 5 years of service on club boards. Rotary **District Service** has been also extensive, having served numerous positions with two district committees 9650 & 9670 from 1975 until the present time.

Bob has been happily married to Margaret for 49 years and they have two children and five grandchildren. Margaret has been an active member of Probus for a number of years, and was the charter Treasurer then Secretary and President of the Valentine Probus Club, Newcastle. Bob has been a very active sportsman over many years as a representative Rugby League and Hockey player and also a representative coach.

Born in Maitland, raised and educated in Dubbo, Bob joined the Dept of Main Roads as a Junior Clerk. During 9 years with the DMR he completed his PSA qualifications, Local Government Certificate, Accounting, Management and Industrial Relations. After a career in GRE Insurance, from 1980-89 Bob ran his own company in Finance, Insurance and Business Brokerage; owned and ran a hotel in Quirindi; and then became a hospitality industry administrator (particularly in the Club Industry), to trade out or amalgamate clubs in financial difficulties until his retirement in 2013.

## AUCTION 7 OCT

The auction will be a biggie, as we still have a monster stock of items. Most pickups on the list will have to wait until auction morning, as there is very limited room to store new items, so again, please spread the word that many items are available for sale during the inter-auction period for any buyer wishing to make a decent offer. Woolgoolga Rural Fire Service will be our helpers on the day – hopefully Sunday's rain will have dampened the bush enough to reduce any risk of a call-out.

Love Op-shopping?  
Your once-a-month chance to check out our offerings is on

7th October

**Rotary Auction**

Bargain Table from 8:30 am.  
10 am Shed opens for sales  
10 am Inspection of Auction items  
1 pm Auction of large items

Cash only.

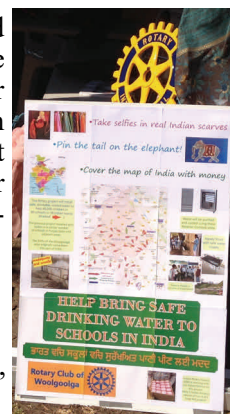
## MONEY RAISED TOWARD PUTTING SAFE WATER INTO INDIAN SCHOOLS

**Pam Stone** and her Curryfest team (photo) raised a further \$180 toward the District project to put safe drinking **water into Indian schools**. As the poster said: This Rotary project will install safe, drinkable, cooled water to help 40,000 children in 80 schools in 38 Indian towns (red arrows on map). Water will be purified and cooled using Reverse-Osmosis units that cost about \$1,000. The previous project installed girls' toilets in a similar number of schools in Punjab State and adjacent areas. Indian Rotary District 3090 is working with our Rotary District on these projects.

The Sikhs of the Woolgoolga area originally came from this part of India.

## PUT THESE IN YOUR DIARY NOW

Christmas function Monday 18 December. Time & details yet to be sorted, but note the date. Also, Melbourne Cup Eve at Micheners' on Mon 6 Nov.



**STATS AT A GLANCE**

Visiting Rotarians:  
YEP:

Guests: partners Helen, Marie, Dianne

Attendance: 12 (50%)

Apologies: Harjinder, John A, David E, John M, Gareth, Rod, Pam S, Lyndee, Echah, Peter, Geoff, Karen

Raffle: none

Birthdays: Lisa Owen 2 Oct, Leslie Casey 3 Oct, Rod MacKenzie 4 Oct, Karina Bettison 12 Oct, Sally Lacy 17 Oct, Pamela Fayle 21 Oct, Cathie Mitchell 21 Oct

Anniversaries: –



## REPORT – (25 SEP) DINNER AT ART GALLERY (+ SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING)

The meeting at the Woolgoolga Art Gallery was a refreshing change, & we thank WAG's catering team of **Carolyn Boyden, Jane Mann and Karen Wyborn** for the delicious meals. Plenty of lively conversation and ideas flowing. At the Special General Meeting members adopted the revised Constitution & Bylaws.

## CURRYFEST THANK YOU – HUGE SUCCESS



**If you were there at Curryfest, Eat Street or a Curryfest cooking demo, please fill out the [survey](#).**

Curryfest main day was very successful, as were the associated events (especially the next Saturday's phenomenally popular Eat Street – who could have predicted those crowds?)

Swapping hats from Rotary President to Curryfest Chair, **Pamela**

**Fayle** thanked all those Rotarians and friends who worked on the Queen St gate and/or the Rotary stall or elsewhere: "Well, it's a week since Curryfest and we are pulling ourselves together. A VERY BIG THANK YOU to all of our volunteers for the help in running Curryfest. It is a fantastic community effort and we simply could not have a festival without you."

The Curryfest organisers will again be donating a significant portion of profits to community groups:

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| Woolgoolga Scouts                        | Woolgoolga Red Cross   |
| Woolgoolga Athletics Group               | Woolgoolga Art Group   |
| Woolgoolga Surf Life Saving Club Nippers | Woolgoolga Garden Club |
| Woolgoolga Meals on Wheels               | Woolgoolga Rotary      |



The Curryfest gate takings, + sponsorships, grant funds & stallholder fees must cover the **cost of running Curryfest**, which **exceeds \$0.1 million dollars** – a fact that many people do not understand. Despite this, the Curryfest team were able to fund the fabulous Eat Street with free entry, paying hiring fees for rubbish bins, legally required fence, toilets, generators, marquees, performers, street closure etc, which could not be done without Curryfest gate money.

Pam adds: "we spent \$80,000 on equipment + goods & services just with Coffs Coast businesses (including \$42,000 spent just in Woolgoolga). This is a great boost for the local economy. It is a very successful outcome and the town should be proud given the number of locals who have contributed their efforts over the years to establish and grow the event. And of course the profits go back to the community." (Including Rotary!)

Eat St helped spread bumper benefits to the Market St restaurants, Woopi Backpackers and those with stalls (including Seaview Tavern) and provided another reason for tourists to stay in town longer.

## ROTARY CHARITY GOLF DAY – SUNDAY 5TH NOVEMBER [2017 Rotary Charity Golf Day Entry Form](#)

Fundraiser for Coffs Harbour City Rotary: 1.00pm shotgun start (4-person Ambrose). Entry fee includes lunch + drink vouchers.

CLUB NOTICES

4 Oct (Wed) District Governor's visit (usual room)  
 7 Oct Auction (Woolgoolga Rural Fire Service)  
 4 Nov Auction (Coffs Harbour Interact Club)  
 26 Nov-3 Dec Dive course for YEP students  
 2 Dec Auction (Red Cross, + Woopi High students)  
 18 Dec Christmas Function (details tba)

DISTRICT NOTICES

26-29 Oct RYMARINE (Coffs)  
 5 Nov Charity golf day (Coffs Harb City Rotary)  
 25-26 Nov Pre-PETS (President-elect Training) Tamworth  
 10-11 Feb 18 District Training  
 24-25 Feb 18 PETS (President-elect Training) 2018-19, A'dale  
 9-11 Mar 18 District Conference Armidale  
 7-14 Apr 18 Bookfest (Coffs Harbour South Rotary)

### MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend

Date	Wed 4 Oct Board At C.ex	Wed 4 Oct DG's visit usual room	16 Oct Meeting	23 Oct Meeting	30 Oct No event	6 Nov
Attendance	4:15pm Cinema room	Lyndee Hagar	Leslie Casey	David Edwards	No event-Melbourne Cup eve	Melbourne Cup eve
Welcome/Fellowship	Prior to meeting	Pamela Fayle	Kim Thompson	Echah Wright	Function on Monday	Michener's Emerald
Introduce Guest Speaker/s	DG at 5:30pm	Patty Delaney	Glenda Kennedy	Patty Delaney	6 Nov instead	Beach
Vote of Thanks		Dick Matthews	Peter Lacy	Karen Sedgwick		Details tbc
Guest Speakers or Event		District Governor Bob Ryan	Recreational Vehicle Fellowship of Rotarians visit	Elisabeth de Halleux on her life since YEP	Melbourne Cup eve	

**Your Rotary Club Needs YOU**

Want to be on the BOARD? - (see Pam or Geoff)

Can you help with AUCTION PICK-UPS or auctioneering? (See Dick)

WISH TO PROPOSE A NEW MEMBER? (Contact Pam)

KNOW A FAMILY INTERESTED IN HOSTING A YEP STUDENT? (See Patty)