

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WOOLGOOLGA INC.

WOOP WHISPER

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Peter Lacy

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Meeting Place

**Woolgoolga
Diggers**

**Monday Evenings
6.00pm for 6.15pm**

Apologies to

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TONIGHT (22 Jun)

Tonight is Changeover Dinner (RSL Club) ... so come along and join our invited guests to help President Peter celebrate the year that was and welcome incoming President Geoff...as they say in the classics “The King is dead...long live the King!!!”

LAST MEETING (15 Jun)

Guest speaker **Brett Cameron from “Channelled Growth”** hypnotised his audience with a fascinating presentation about the therapeutic use of hypnosis. He explained that the state of hypnosis was simply a more relaxed stage of concentration with heightened awareness induced by suggestion. In hypnotherapy the patient is put into a “light trance”. Some of our more squeamish members expressed concern that they might reveal state secrets while in such a condition, but were reassured that this was unlikely, that they would remember everything when the session had ended and that trust and confidentiality were part of the practitioner/client relationship.

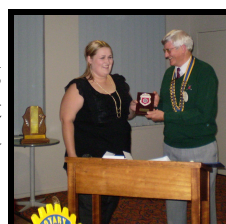


Brett explained that hypnotherapy is used to treat a range of conditions such as weight issues, stress & anxiety, smoking and other habits or behaviours. Increasingly there is a lot of work with teenagers on self esteem/self worth issues as well as work on academic or sports motivation and performance.

Hypnotherapists do not work with small children, dementia patients, people on anti-depressants or under the influence of alcohol or other drugs and often work in conjunction with the client’s doctor. Although Brett confirmed that some surgery and dental work is sometimes performed under hypnosis instead of anaesthetic, Dick, who had just been to the dentist, did not look too keen on the idea.

Club speaker Geoff Rogers presented a great explanation of how Lotto and Powerball work. He explained that when they made OzLotto dearer they reduced chances of winning from 8 million to 1, to 45 million to 1, but it became more popular because of the bigger prizes. Despite reassurances that 70% of ticket sales must be offered as prizes, the Fayles did not win the \$40 million the following day.....sucked in!!!

The evening was also a special occasion for **Pride of Workmanship Award** winner Nicole Towers (“Nikki”) pictured at right receiving her well-deserved award from President Peter. Nikki has a smile that would dazzle the grumpiest of customers at the local newsagency where her professionalism and enthusiasm wins her many friends.



STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians : Nil

Visitors: Jenny Benson, Brett Cameron, Nikki and Andrew Towers, several partners

Apologies: John, Clive, Ray, Rob, Terry, Karen, George, Trish

Attendance: 17/25
(60.8%)

Lucky Draw: Ila

Birthdays: none we know of.

Anniversaries: none we know of

(July looks much better for celebrations!!!)

SERGEANT'S SESSION

Norm fined himself for gloating over Collingwood's 3rd successive win and moved on to Brian for a poor Rabbitos' performance in the League. Brian's special pleading about swine flu was ignored (bunnies can't catch pig diseases Brian!!). David F was fined for not doing as he was saying and cutting his arm on a rusty nail at the auction just as he was telling Norm to be careful of said offending objects!! David E was fined for a flamboyant introduction of our guest speaker and the Italian night delivered a couple of fines too—Merv for best outfit (something from his Sicilian Brotherhood days complete with mysterious instrument case) and Norm for taking a bottle of red into a high school.



CLUB NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

YEP student, Minami, in her last few weeks in Australia was last heard from in Coober Pedy experiencing freezing conditions overnight on her "first and last time camping"!!

This month's auction turned in above average earnings despite seemingly lower numbers attending and fewer goods on offer....must have been our new auctioneers whipping the crowd into frenzied bidding...keep up the good work!!! Thanks to Mullaway and Woolgoolga Rural Fire Services for their great efforts on the day too.

Italian Dinner at Woopi High was a fabulous demonstration of the students' skills, top marks for desserts say the sweet-tooths. Thank you to our student chefs, teachers, musicians and waiting staff for a great evening.

Rotary Foundation Group Study Exchange (GSE) reminder—see **Patty with nominations before end July.**

GSE is an opportunity for business and professional people to study their profession in another country. Applicants must demonstrate what they hope to gain professionally from the program. GSE pairing in 2009 -10 will be with District 5440 in the USA, located in the American Mid West (Wyoming, parts of northern Colorado, Eastern Idaho and Western Nebraska). Applications for Team Leaders close Friday 31 July 2009 and applications for team members close Friday 28 August 2009. There is a syllabus for study and reporting requirements, team members must be 25-40, currently in full-time or permanent part-time employment and not Rotarians or their children/grandchildren. If you know of suitable candidates in our community...talk to Patty .

CLUB NOTICES

22 Jun Changeover Dinner
 "The Future of Rotary is in your hands"
 24 Jun YEP student Minami departs
 4 Jul Next Auction
 13 Jul Next Board Meeting
 25 Jul YEP student Laura arrives from Germany
 27 Jul Assembly:- goal-setting for the coming year
 17 Aug DG Neville Parsons' Visit
 20 Aug RYDA (youth driver awareness)
 30 Sep GOTD (Woopi High getting out there day)

DISTRICT NOTICES

21-24 Jun RI Convention Manchester England
 27 Jun District Changeover Tamworth
 4-5 Jul YEP long term briefing
 26 Jul RAWCS meeting Walcha
District Website: www.rotary9650.org.au
 June is Fellowship Month
 July is Literacy Month
 August is Membership Month

Your Rotary Club Needs YOU

IMMEDIATE VACANCIES

Help with
 AUCTION PICK-UPS
 (see Dick or Sel)
 AUCTIONEERS
 For 1st Sat of the month
 (See Sel & Keith)
 BOARD Vice President
 (see Geoff)
 RYDA helpers for 20 August
 (see Keith)

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend			
Date	22/6/09	29/6/09	6/7/09
Attendance	Terry Booth	Patty Delaney	David Edwards
Welcome/ Fellowship	MC Pam Fayle	Dick Matthews	Norm Michener
Club Speaker	n/a	Sel Rogers	George Smede
Vote of Thanks	-	Rod Mackenzie	Echah Wright
Guest Speaker	CHANGEOVER DINNER	David Fayle "Belgian Waffle & Champagne!!"	tbc