

THE ROTARY CLUB OF WOOLGOOLGA INC.

WOOP! WHISPER

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PARTNERS NIGHT : IF YOU HAVEN'T ALREADY MARKED IT ON LAST WEEK'S INTENTIONS SHEET, BRING YOUR PARTNER ALONG AND PHONE THE CLUB TO LET THEM KNOW FOR CATERING PURPOSES.

TONIGHT'S MEETING (22 February)

Tim Fayle is a Crime Scene Officer working as a fingerprint expert with the NSW Police Force and will be talking to us about the world of forensic crime detection as well as sharing some examples from past casework, including recent, well-publicised murders in Sydney. If there's time left over, Club speaker will be **David Fayle**, reporting on a recent cheesemaking course.

LAST MEETING (15 February)

There should be a few healthier Rotarians around this week as we all learned some useful tips from local pharmacist **Meena Singh** last Monday night. Meena got our attention by telling us that one-third of unplanned hospital visits by the elderly are due to medication-related issues and that 50% of those are preventable. She provided a range of valuable information on the Amcal Pharmacy's services including counselling and management of prescriptions (and did you know you can have your blood pressure checked free of charge by dropping in?...or that the Pharmacy will safely dispose of old out-of-date medicines for you?).



Meena talked about the way drugs work, side effects, problems of combining medicines (including certain foods you should avoid with particular drugs) and explained some common errors with medication - the "do's and don'ts" of prescription drugs.

Her small but enthusiastic audience bombarded her with questions afterwards which she handled expertly - even when Norm con-

fronted her with a challenging question about those little blue pills!! (A fine coming your way Norm!)

CLUB SPEAKER

Peter Lacy cemented a few friendships with a densely constructed presentation complete with concrete examples (literally!). Who knew the old Roman inventions of cementum and concretus could be so complicated. For those mixing their own recipe for paths, steps etc...beware the amount of water in the mix and given it's a hot climate, you might want to pour your concrete at night or even refrigerate the water before you add it!!

Meeting Place

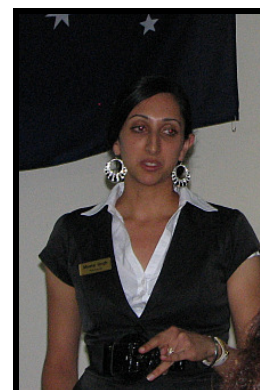
Woolgoolga Diggers

Monday Evenings

6.00pm for 6.15pm

Apologies to

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STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians: nil

Visitors: Laura Hohrein

Apologies: John, Clive, Rob, Brian, Trish, Ray, Echah, Mark, George, Alastair, Merv, Rod, Sel

Attendance: 11 (45.8%)

Lucky Draw: Karen.

Birthdays: Graeme Wright 29 Feb; Ian Fitzgerald's 70th on 22 Feb; Leslie Fitzgerald on 26 Feb

Anniversaries: Ian and Leslie Fitzgerald 27 Feb

SERGEANT'S SESSION:

The Irish were targeted again (does Karen really have a green car??) and the sags and wrinkles of old age were an easy target. Ed. was fined for errors in the Whisper (it's easy to assume Sergeant Norm has magical powers and is there even when he's not!). A few losses at the auction drew fines (someone probably bid for and bought Norm's blue and yellow ropes and Patty's work gloves!!)

CLUB NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

Public Speaking Pam and David attended the semi finals of the Harvey World Travel Public Speaking Competition in Walcha, where the Club's candidate, Holly Wall, made it through some tough competition to reach the finals which will be held at the District Conference on 13 March in Port Macquarie. First time Woolgoolga has got someone as far as the finals, so congratulations Holly (2nd from right and next to Harry Durey in the photo to the left and in full swing with her talk, 'How to Spot a Liar' to the right).



Bowel Scan Don't forget to let David Edwards know about your availability to join the roster for manning the desk at the Plaza in the week 7-14 March. If you are off to the District Conference, take a slot earlier in the week.

New tanks for Vanuatu: The Club is providing \$2,500 to RAWCS as a 50% contribution towards 3 tanks for the District project in Tanna. Recent track record of delivery of tanks has been good. Water is a key international priority for Rotary service projects this year, and the tanks will save women of the area a 3-hour hike to collect water.

Polio Plus The Club donated A\$1200 to The Rotary Foundation for PolioPlus. At 1 Jan, Rotarians had raised US\$107 million of the target \$200m to match \$355m from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to support immunization campaigns in developing countries. NB... **Mark still has delicious Xmas cakes at the bakery for PolioPlus.**

Coffs Rotary Club's 60th birthday Woopi Club members are invited to join the celebrations at the Deep Sea Fishing Club at 6pm on Sat, 20th March. Please let Secretary David know by 10 March if you wish to attend.

Visit of GSE Team from District 5440 (USA) There will be a combined Coffs Rotary meeting at Coffs Surf Club 6pm on Wed 3 March. If planning to attend please RSVP by 1 March to neale_parmenter@optusnet.com.au.

CLUB NOTICES

26 Feb RYLA Closing Date for Applications
 6 Mar AUCTION
 8 Mar Board Meeting
 7-14 Mar **Bowelscan week in Woopi**
 27-28 Mar Fish Auction date
 14-16 May MUNA
 21 Jun Changeover

DISTRICT NOTICES

12-14 Mar **District Conference Port Macquarie. Register on-line by 20 Feb to save late fee.**
 10-17 April RYLA at Bonny Hills
 14-16 May MUNA
 12 Jun District Changeover
 20-23 Jun International Convention Montreal Canada

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend			
Date	22 Feb	1 March	8 March
Attendance	George Smede	Brian Armstrong	Terry Booth
Welcome/ Fellowship	Dick Matthews	Norm Michener	Alastair Milroy
Club Speaker	David Fayle	Rod Mackenzie	Dick Matthews
Vote of Thanks	Alastair Milroy	Merv Richardson	Sel Rogers
Guest Speaker	Tim Fayle Forensic Scientist, fingerprint expert and Crime Scene Investigator with NSW Police	John & Valerie Toffs Zimbabwe to Rainbow's End (Halfway Creek): the Journey	Carl Freeman Youth Centre Update

Your Rotary Club Needs YOU

Vacancies for Secretary and Vice President 2010-2011, and President-Elect 2011-2012
 See Geoff or David F.

Help with
 AUCTION PICK-UPS
 (see Dick or Sel)

AUCTIONEERS
 For 1st Sat of the month (See Sel & Keith)