

# THE ROTARY CLUB of WOOLGOOLGA Inc.

## Woopi Whisper

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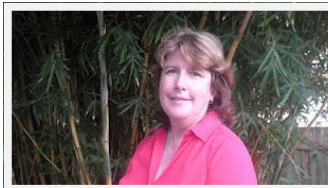


Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

**REMINDER: Partners night and make sure you wear a hat for Hat Day—\$5 donation to Rotary Health for mental health research please.**

### THIS WEEK (21 May)

**Mental Health Hat Day** will be the focus of our meeting with a **hat competition (with prizes)**. We are hoping as many members, partners and guests as possible will pop into the Salvation Army family store on River St. and help them out by purchasing an “interesting” hat to wear on the night. Extra points may be awarded for cross dressing,



make up and accessories. Entry in the competition is \$5 which goes towards a club donation to Rotary Health for mental health research. There may be a \$10 imposition on those who don't bother to locate a hat! Invite partners and some friends along for this one as we have a good speaker to address us on mental health issues—**Ingrid Vet**—who is a mental health first aid facilitator (photo above r.). The Board has also decided to donate \$400 to Lifeline (half the cost of training a counsellor).



### LAST MEETING (14 May)

Many in our Club are travelling at this time of year and this was one of our lower attendance nights as a result. For those of us who were there it was a cosy event. President Norm provided a huge table of pamphlets about various sorts of legal assistance available for members of the community. He discovered these while investigating a legal challenge to a fine. As this week is National Law Week, Norm invited some very interesting stories from those present about their experiences with the law. Members should note that during Law



Week, Slater & Gordon offer a free on-line will service. Members should also be aware that the Cancer Council has a network of supporting solicitors which enables them to provide a free legal service and advice for cancer patients. Remember to ensure Enduring Guardianship and Power of Attorney documents are in place for the elderly in your life.



### HERITAGE WALK PROJECT

The Heritage Walk project is now under way and a planning/consultation meeting was held with community representatives on Tuesday 15 May at the Information Centre. Planning is also under way for a special Heritage Dance fundraiser to compliment the state government grant (see Patty with suggestions/ offers of assistance for this event which is likely to be in late July).



Project concept originator Don Clinch, Lisa Nicholls, David Fayle, Barry Kelly, Trish Stabback, Norm Michener, Cherele Brooke

Meeting Place

**Woolgoolga  
Bowling Club**

Monday Evenings

**6.00pm for 6.15pm**

Apologies to

**6654 7700  
by 10.30am Monday**

### IMPORTANT

**Our Club has indicated to State Govt our support for a Multipurpose Centre. Please register individual support on the site for community feedback**

[www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/nsw2012](http://www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/nsw2012)

### STATS AT A GLANCE

**Visiting Rotarians:** nil

**Visitors:** nil

**Apologies:** John, Rod, Rob, Peter L, Echah, Ray, Dick, Garry, Glenda, Sel, George, Gareth, Trish

**Attendance:** 11 (45.8%)

**Raffle winner:** Norm (drew his own name out of the barrel!!)

**Birthdays:** Karen Sedgwick 18 May, Keith Minhinnett 26 May

**Anniversaries:** nil

## SERGEANT'S SESSION

Some interesting burlesque fines and who knew that a spaghetti circus is where they juggle pasta!! There were flat tyre fines and auction injury fines and lots of fines for festive occasions from weddings to Mother's Day events. The future of the club is looking good for a long time given how many members spent Mother's Day with mothers who are in their 90s....some good genes around.

## CLUB NEWS

**PLANT STALL 2 June** We are holding an autumn/ winter produce & plant stall at 2 June auction. **Contact Pam for details.** Proceeds will be boosted from club coffers and allocated in 3 directions: an orphanage in Ethiopia, an orphanage in Nepal and to assist with payment for the new auction shed fence.

Those who want to put their viewpoint on local development issues to State Govt should *promptly* register & make your point at [www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/nsw2021](http://www.haveyoursay.nsw.gov.au/nsw2021). Most of you would not be aware that OUR area's priorities were "set" by a meeting at Port Macquarie in Feb! That Regional Action Plan list, along with the Discussion Paper, which has lots of pretty blue space, both lack specifics on local issues like a Multifunction Centre for Woolgoolga's youth/community, affordable transport to work/school, inadequate cultural/ performing arts facilities, etc.

**Kits for Kids** which sends basic educational materials to students on Tanna Island will go ahead again this year thanks to fundraising undertaken by Rob White who has raised \$1,000. The Board has matched this with a \$1300 contribution from the Club. Others working on this project include Sel, Ila & Geoff Rogers and George Smede.

**Auction Fence** is now in place and locks and security will be arranged shortly. Please take note as you drive past and let Dick or David F know if any rubbish is left outside the fence (or try to put it inside if you have a key).

**SUNDAY 3 JUNE bus shelter party..12 midday bbq to thank local tradesmen and council workers who helped repair & beautify the Rotary Bus shelter. Meet at the shelter then visit Big Garden Furniture Showroom & Gallery across the road for a BBQ.**



**13th Rotary Wine Enjoyment** is on Sat 19 May at the Pacific Bay Resort Marquee from 2.30pm to 5.30pm. Lots of wine & fine cuisine to sample + a silent auction - proceeds to Rotary charities via Coffs City RC. \$20 pp- tickets: Thrifty Car Rental Marcia St, ph 6652 8622, or BYO Cellars Orlando St, ph 6652 5455.

**Cartoons, Kisses & Canapes** on 25 May in the gardens of the Pet Porpoise Pool, 6.30-9.30pm. Cost: \$25. Guest Cartoonist Eric Lobbeke; music - 'Nitebeat'; games; activities. Funds to the 24th annual Rotary Cartoon Awards.

**Emerald Beach Fair** is on Sun 27 May - the organisers are looking for some volunteers to help on the day with selling raffle tickets etc. **Contact club member Peter B.** if you can help out.

**Curry Pack update:** Gross sales are now \$1,476 (\$985 net of costs). Packs have been placed in Corindi PO, Woolgoolga Tourist Information Centre and the Beachside Caravan Park and will be sold at Bollywood markets.

### CLUB NOTICES

21 May	Hat Competition for Mental Health Day
2 June	Auction and winter produce & plant stall
3 June	BBQ and industry visit at the bus shelter and Big Garden Furniture (across the rd)
4 June	Board meeting only
18 June	Changeover Night at the Seaview Hotel

### DISTRICT NOTICES

16-18 May	International Conference Bangkok
18 May	Mental Health Hat Day
18-20 May	MUNA at Port Macquarie
20 May	District Assembly Kempsey
26-27 May	YEP outbound selections, Walcha
30 June	District Changeover in Port Maqu.

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

Date	21 May partners	28 May	3 June Sunday Social event
Attendance	Echah Wright	Patty Delaney	Na
Welcome/ Fellowship	Geoff Royal	George Smede	NO MEETING on Monday 4th
Club Speakers 3-5 minutes	Hat competition	David Edwards	Instead... please come along
Introduce Guest Speaker	Karen Sedgwick	Peter Lacy	on Sunday 3 June at 12 noon
Vote of Thanks	David Edwards	Garry Kennedy	To the bus shelter
Guest Speakers	Ingrid Vet Mental Health First Aid Facilitator	Frank Dean & our MUNA teams debrief	And a bbq across the highway at Big Garden Furniture

### Your Rotary Club Needs YOU

Want to be on the BOARD for 2012-13? - (see Norm or Pam)

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

WISH TO PROPOSE A NEW MEMBER?

(See Pam)

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