

THE ROTARY CLUB of WOOLGOOLGA Inc.

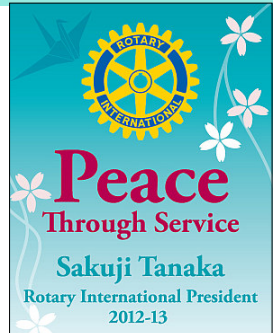
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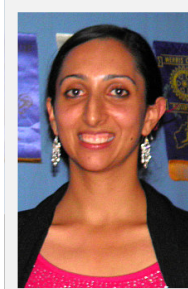


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DON'T FORGET IT IS AUCTION THIS SATURDAY 1 DEC, TO HELP PURCHASE A WATER TANK FOR MAU MAU SCHOOL near PORT VILA

THIS WEEK (3 Dec)

It is time to celebrate some special people in our community who take great pride in their work and are well known for going the extra mile for their customers and clients. The Club will be presenting three "Pride in Work" awards. It is a partners night and our guest speaker is a past recipient of the award, pharmacist Meena Singh, who is another wonderful example of the hard working, dedicated people we have here in Woolgoolga. Come along and be inspired.



LAST MEETING (26 Nov)

Bill Roffey took us through the wonderful work that SES volunteers do. Throughout NSW there are over 10,000 volunteers ready to assist in times of storm, flood and other disasters and emergencies that affect communities. The organisation was set up in 1955 and in those days civil defence was a big part of the organisation's remit as people feared nuclear attack during Cold War years.



These days the SES protect people, rescue them, plan ahead to avoid disasters and undertake damage control. They work closely with police and fire services. In 2009, the Coffs SES filled over 10,000 sand bags to deal with various storms and floods. They do a lot of work repairing rooves, removing fallen trees and many other activities such as assisting police to search for missing people, providing emergency lighting, backup for bushfire fighting and assisting at car accidents. They even participate in air and marine searches, attending to industrial

disasters and rescuing animals.

Some interesting facts:

Coffs is proud of its average 7-minute response time (the first vehicle leaves the base to head for the emergency, on average within 7 minutes from receiving the call). Victoria's and NSW's SES organisations are the two largest providers of road crash rescue services in the world.

DIVE SCHOOL

Wonderful to have so many young people from all over the world with us again. As well as our Silvia, we have Mao and Shiho from Japan, Hassan from Finland, Fran from France, Alma from Sweden, Thomas from Belgium, Victoria from Switzerland, Joao and Ana from Brazil, Josela from Argentina, Helene from Norway, Antonia from Austria. This year began with a surf safety course.



Meeting Place

Woolgoolga C.ex (Bowling Club)

Monday Evenings

6.00pm for 6.15pm

Apologies to

**6654 0373
by 10.30am Monday**



Bill Roffey,
SES Controller Coffs

STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians: nil

Visitors: Bill Roffey, YEP-PERS: Silvia, Mao, Shiho, Hassan, Antonia, Fran, Alma, Victoria, Josela, Joao, Helene, Thomas, Ana,

Apologies: Echah, John, David E, Peter B, Peter L, Gareth, Karen, Rob, Mary,

Attendance: 15 (62.5%)

Raffle winner: Terry

Birthdays: Surinder Kaur, 1 Dec, Sue Smede 5 Dec.

Anniversaries: nil

SERGEANTS SESSION

It all began with an oldie but a goodie about getting the kids home for Christmas. Then Sergeant Rod extracted a media fine from Norm, bad writing fine from Garry, a French speaking "chateau" fine from Geoff (had to be there) as well as late fines from several who obviously had their minds on the cricket!! Dick scored a "beer level" fine and David F was fined for not being fined!!



Pam, George, David & Dick at the Supa IGA BBQ (sans Rob)

CLUB NEWS

Christmas Donation: Board has again agreed to support the All Nations Cafe with their ongoing activities and Christmas meal for volunteers and those in need. President Pam will be presenting a cheque for \$500. If you are available and willing to help out with serving Christmas dinner on Wednesday 19 December let us know.

Volunteers BBQ will be held on **5 December** behind the bowling club 5.30pm. See Norm if you can help. Lions & Rotary will be doing the organisation and cooking. Cost is \$5 a head. Please invite anyone you know who is a carer or a volunteer in our community. **If you have been allocated organisations to invite please contact them soon.** It is time to say thanks and to share some Christmas spirit.

Movie fundraiser in Coff's, Bray St Theatres: Thursday 6 December from 6pm (movie starts 6.45pm) This is a fundraiser Sheridan Blayney has organised to support Ashley Haven orphanage in Ethiopia. The movie to be shown is "Life of Pi" and tickets are \$20 (available from Norm/Karen and only one or two left).

Christmas Party. We are off to Grafton on **Sunday 16 December** to see the Archibald prize finalists at the Grafton gallery followed by lunch at the Duke St restaurant (1 Duke St) nearby at 12. Confirm attendance with Karen.

AGM Notice Our AGM will be held Monday 10 Dec at the end of the meeting, so **NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN**. If you wish to nominate for a board position in the 2013-14 Rotary year (beginning mid June) then please let incoming President Karen or President Pam know.

HERITAGE UPDATE AND PHOTO

In the days of bullock teams unloading timber at Woolgoolga jetty, "logging on" and "logging off" had an entirely different meaning to locals!! (photo at right taken near the jetty is reproduced from Jim Longworth, *The Jetty and Sawmill Tramways of Woolgoolga*, Australian Railway Historical Society Bulletin Feb 2007).



Check out our new **Heritage Walk Website currently under construction:**
<https://sites.google.com/site/woolgoolgawalk/>

CLUB NOTICES

1 Dec	Auction/Xmas Stall (Mau Mau school tank)
3 Dec	Pride in Work awards night
5 Dec	Volunteers Day BBQ
6 Dec	Life of Pi fundraising movie event
10 Dec	AGM
16 Dec	Archibalds & Christmas Party in Grafton.

DISTRICT NOTICES

December	is Rotary Family Month
14 January	Cluster BBQ Sawtell Boambee reserve
11-14 April	District Conference Taree
27Apr -4 May	RYLA, Keepit
5 May	District Assembly, Walcha
17-18 May	MUNA, Port Macquarie
22 Jun	Rotary International Conf Portugal

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend

Date	3 Dec (partners)	10 Dec (board mtg)	Sunday 16 Dec Christmas Party
Attendance	Dick Matthews	Keith Minhinnett	Karen Sedgwick
Welcome/Fellowship	David Fayle	Peter Lacy (and introduce Ben)	Visit Archibald prize finalists
Club Speakers 3-5 minutes	Pride in Work presentations	Ben Paynter, report back on Honeywell School	Time tbc at Grafton Art Gallery
Introduce Guest Speaker	Terry Booth	n/a AGM from 7.15pm	Followed by
Vote of Thanks	Norm Michener	George Smede (Ben)	Lunch at 1 Duke St
Guest Speakers	Meena Singh Pharmacist, past Awardee	AGM for the last half hour or so of meeting.	At 12 midday

Your Rotary Club Needs YOU

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

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

WISH TO PROPOSE A NEW MEMBER? (See David E)

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