

THE ROTARY CLUB of WOOLGOOLGA Inc.

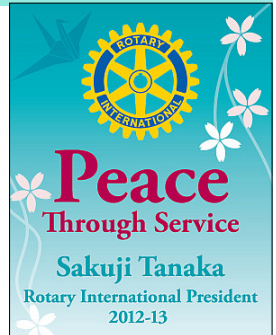
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NO MEETING ON MONDAY 25th - SOCIAL OUTING ON 27 FEB.

THIS WEEK (27 Feb)

We're off to a Bollywood movie premiere, for those who can make it (bring your partner, bring some friends). This is a fundraiser for Curryfest, which will not be charging an entrance fee this year and is instead raising some funds to boost money from sponsorship.

Tickets cost **\$20** and President Pam has lots or you can buy them at Woolgoolga Newsagency. You **MUST** pre-purchase tickets.

The movie is on Wednesday 27 February with a pre-movie event starting at 6.15 and the movie starts at 6.45.

Bring some extra cash for raffle tickets and prepare to be entertained at the pre-movie event as well as the movie.

This is a Coffs Coast premiere of this movie (only released internationally on 15 Feb), It is a romantic comedy and is in Punjabi with English subtitles. Sure to be a hit with our local Sikh community given the title "Singh vs Kaur".



Meeting Place

Woolgoolga C.ex (Bowling Club)

Monday Evenings

6.00pm for 6.15pm

Apologies to

**6654 0373
by 10.30am Monday**



Amanda Hill

"Supporting Schools in Kenya"

LAST MEETING (18 Feb)

Amanda Hill and her team (Deb Dovers, Paul Hill and Noel MacKay) told us about their efforts to support Mwadi Primary school near Kisumu Kenya. Amanda stumbled upon this remote, poorly resourced, barely viable school, a mud hut with 250 kids, when visiting Kenya to visit the child she sponsored through World Vision.

She has used her own money and done a lot of fundraising to build up the school and visits every few years when she can, paying her own travel and living costs so that all the funds raised go to the school and the children there. These days there are 550 students at this primary school and 15 teachers are employed there. The teachers are paid by the government but things such as text books or even just connecting the electricity to the school buildings are paid for by Amanda and her team of helpers. A specialist teacher has been engaged to teach the children tailoring skills so they have employment and so the school can raise some funds. \$350 buys a sewing machine and \$300 would connect the electricity to the school building. Food for thought.



NEW KINDY CLASS

STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians: nil

Visitors: Amanda Hill, Deb Dovers, Paul Hill, Noel MacKay and partners Marlies and Helen.

Apologies: Rod, Rob, Ecnah, Garry, Gareth, Kirpal, John, Peter B, Peter L, Mary, Keith, David E.

Attendance: 12 (50%)

Raffle winner: Paul Hill

Birthdays: Rotary's 108th birthday on 23 Feb. Graeme Wright 29 Feb.

Anniversaries: nil

SERGEANT'S SESSION

A range of interesting fines from acting Sergeant Glenda including a “moving furniture fine”, a “sore paw” fine, bothering council fines and media fines. There was an “ears in the shirt” fine for one who had their head down hoping not to be fined, a wet iPad fine, lots of visitors’ tax and even a Ground Hog Day fine for good measure.

CLUB NEWS

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) nominations are being sought. If you know any young people 18-26 who are showing leadership potential at work or in the community and would benefit from this week long residential course, then talk to Norm. We can only fund or part fund one candidate but all nominations are welcome.

District Conference Registration is open. The conference (11-14 April) clashes with Club involvement in Curryfest. Nevertheless there may be some who wish to attend the conference which is being held in Taree this year and the club should be represented. Silvia will attend. See www.rotary9650.org.au.

Curryfest Please reserve Saturday 13 April in your diaries if you are in town for Curryfest. We will be putting together a roster. There is no gate/entrance fee this year but Lions and Rotary will be covering entrances to Market St. with donation buckets throughout the day so we will need to roster club members for a 1-2 hour duty. There will also be some tasks for the group of Rotarians/spouses who are also friends or members of Woolgoolga Art Gallery. We will be putting together a team to cooperate with the gallery to organise exhibits and hang them during the week leading up to Curryfest and to man the opening of the exhibition on Friday 12 April 5 - 6.30 pm. To tempt you to join this team, there is likely to be a TwoTails Wine tasting at this event.

Heritage celebrations: The date for the Heritage Walk opening and the big Heritage parade to celebrate Woolgoolga’s 125th birthday, has been set for Sunday 9 June—the long weekend—to maximize number of visitors we get for the event. Echah has joined Pam’s planning team to start the ball rolling and is fizzing with ideas having been cooped up with her neck injury. If you are interested in helping out, let President Pam know.

HERITAGE UPDATE AND PHOTO

Peter Gaudron (right; for whom Gaudron’s Road is named) with an early crop of bananas in the 1930s. Ex Prussian soldier Herman Rieck (left) grew bananas at the bottom end of the Weelgoolga cattle run (Sapphire/Korora) from 1881; his Fijian varieties thrived. However, closer to Woolgoolga it was not until the 1930s that a number of small holdings began growing bananas commercially. Stan Bultitude arrived in 1939 to grow bananas, & the industry became more substantial from World War II on.



Check out our new **Heritage Walk Website**

www.woolgoolgaheritagewalk.org/

CLUB NOTICES

02 Mar Auction (Woolgoolga High P&C)
 11 Mar Board Meeting
 16-17 Mar Fish auction
 12-14 April Curryfest
 9 June Heritage Walk Opening & Parade
 (Woolgoolga’s 125th celebrations)

DISTRICT NOTICES

23 Feb Rotary’s 108th birthday
 2-3 Mar PETS Armidale
 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	Wed 27 Feb social outing	4 Mar	11 Mar (board)
Attendance	Social Outing	Peter Lacy	Sel Rogers
Welcome/ Fellowship	In lieu of the meeting on 25 Feb	Gareth Owen	Karen Sedgwick
Club Speakers 3-5 minutes	We are off to a Bolly- wood movie premiere in Coffs	Trish Baker	Kirpal Husna
Introduce Guest Speaker	6.15 for 6.45 start	Rob White	Patty Delaney
Vote of Thanks	Bray St Theatre	Patty Delaney	Glenda Kennedy
Guest Speakers	“Singh vs Kaur”	Rod McKelvey LandCare	Mark Spencer

**Your Rotary Club
Needs YOU**
 Want to be on the
BOARD? - (see 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)