

# THE ROTARY CLUB of WOOLGOOLGA Inc.

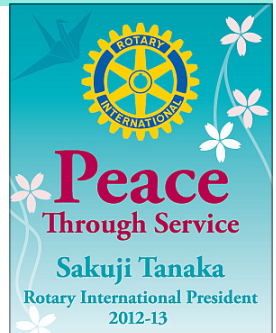
## Woopi Whisper



Club President  
**Pamela Fayle**

District Governor  
**Brian Beesley**

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**Sakuji Tanaka**



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**PARTNERS' NIGHT MONDAY SO LET KAREN KNOW NUMBERS. IT'S A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO INVITE GUESTS & POTENTIAL NEW MEMBERS.**

### THIS WEEK (16 July)

**Sheridan Blaney** is going to update us on Ashley Haven Orphanage, which we have supported in Ethiopia. Some of the children have recently done very well in their school exams after poor education records prior to entering the care of the orphanage so Sheridan will have some nice news to impart.



### LAST WEEK (9 July)

**Ian Wade**, who lives locally, talked to us about forum sentencing which is proving successful in dissuading offenders from reoffending. It is not available for those who have already been in gaol or have committed violent or major crimes, but often an alternative to gaol time for first offenders, drink drivers and theft cases. Participation by victim and offender is voluntary. If either pulls out then the case goes back to court. The offender's case is well researched and their situation assessed. The offender and the victim can bring family members and friends to support them and the forum produces a deliverable plan which might include a written apology and community service (like helping at a Rotary auction?). A magistrate can veto or modify the plan before it is finalised and a good behaviour bond or suspended sentence is often imposed to ensure the offender complies with the plan.

Meeting Place  
**Woolgoolga C.ex (Bowling Club)**  
Monday Evenings  
**6.00pm for 6.15pm**  
Apologies to  
**6654 0373**  
by **10.30am Monday**



**Ian Wade**  
Facilitator for  
"Forum  
Sentencing"

### CLUB SPEAKER

**Karen** entertained us with information on left handers. Apparently 13 August is Lefties Day. Karen, herself a left hander, explained that the differences are not just physical. Left-handers tend to be more emotional & more creative, but suffer a higher incidence of dyslexia, schizophrenia and alcohol/drug addictions. They are 5 times more likely to be involved in road accidents and tend to die 8-9 years earlier than their right handed friends (on average). Karen tells us that many famous people were left handers, from Queen Victoria to Einstein to Bill Gates, not to mention many famous sports stars as well as artists such as Michelangelo and Leonardo Da Vinci. The clincher for Karen is that left handers tend to be more intelligent according to MENSA membership statistics...so there!

### ONE FOR THE BOOKS!



At last weekend's auction **Elizabeth Phipps** retired after 16 years organising and manning the book and toy section in our auction shed. Elizabeth has a great love of books and says she has enjoyed meeting all sorts of interesting people as well as discovering the odd interesting book (or more) donated by local residents. Regulars will miss her.



### STATS AT A GLANCE

**Visiting Rotarians:** nil  
**Visitors:** Ian Wade  
**Apologies:** John, Rob, Ray, Terry, Trish, Echah, Mary, Keith, Gareth, Peter L, George  
**Attendance:** 13 (50.5%)  
**Raffle winner:** Glenda  
**Birthdays:** nil  
**Anniversaries:** Rob & Edith White, 20 July; Graeme & Echah Wright 21 July.

## SERGEANT'S SESSION

It was tool time at Saturday's auction and Garry did a roaring trade. Men started queuing at the tables after word got around town that there were 2nd hand tools for bargain prices. Garry was of course fined for being a "tool"... had to happen. There were birthday fines and footy fines and Dick of course scored a "good weather" fine because it didn't rain on the auction.



## CLUB NEWS

**Bunker Gallery Rotary Cartoon Awards night 21 July** please **let Karen know numbers** for booking this social event which will replace our 23 July meeting. Cost is \$25 per head and includes drinks/canapés.

**YEP update** Our new student **Silvia** arrives from Spain at 12.40 Friday 27 July. President Pam, David and Counsellor Patty will be there to meet her but come along to Coffs Airport to say "Ola" if you can. There will be a welcome bbq at the Beach Reserve on Saturday 28 July at mid-day if you can make it. (**contact Patty for details**)

**Curryfest** The Chamber of Commerce has invited Rotary to be represented on the advisory group to discuss the way forward for Curryfest. **President Pam will attend meetings on behalf of the club** so let her know if you have views or ideas to inject. The proposed date for Curryfest 2013 is 27 April, but even that is open for discussion.

**Charity Bowling Day to raise funds for Can Do** which supports cancer patients & their families is on again this year on Sunday 29 July. Trish is again putting a team together so **contact Trish or Karen** to register your interest in participating this year.

**Cluster Evening with the new District Governor Brian Beesley.** The new district governor will be visiting to address and meet with Rotarians from all clubs in the cluster on Wednesday evening 8 August from 6pm at the Coffs Harbour Racing Club. This is instead of individual club visits and we will move our 6 August meeting to enable members to attend on 8 August if they wish.

**RYDA Youth Driver Awareness** is being held on Thursday 16 August this year so please mark that date in your diary as we need lots of helpers on the day to make it all happen. Helpers are mostly needed 8.30ish until 2pm-ish.

**Donations:** The Board has recently agreed to donations of \$120 to MedicAlert Foundation; \$250 to Starlight Children's Foundation, and \$750 to our auction helpers, Woolgoolga Scouts. In addition, thanks to Rob White's raffle, \$800 will go to Project Tafea; \$450 to the Social Development Centre orphanage we support in Nepal and \$450 to the Ashley Haven orphanage we support in Ethiopia. Thanks Rob.



**The Board has decided to keep fees at the current level (\$200 pa or 6 month installments of \$100).  
Treasurer Geoff says dues are now due!**

### CLUB NOTICES

27 July Silvia our new YEPPER arrives from Spain  
28 July Welcome bbq for Silvia 12am Beach BBQs  
29 July 9.30 on CanDo Bowls Day fundraiser  
4 August Auction (Northern Beaches Care)  
16 August RYDA Driver Awareness Day  
30 August Getting Out There Day

### DISTRICT NOTICES

July New YEPPERS arrive.  
July is Literacy Month  
12 July Cluster Presidents mtg at Coffs  
8 August Coffs cluster meets with DG  
August is Membership Month  
September is new generations Month

| MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend |   |  |   |
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| Date  | 16 July partners                          | 21 July instead of 23 July             | 30 July   |
| Attendance  | Glenda Kennedy                            | Instead of                             | Peter Lacy                                      |
| Welcome/<br>Fellowship                                      | Dick Matthews                             | Monday 23 July meeting                 | na  |
| Club Speakers<br>3-5 minutes                                | George Smede                              | We are having a social event           | GENERAL   |
| Introduce Guest<br>Speaker                                  | Karen Sedgwick                            | Sat 21 July at                         | ASSEMBLY  |
| Vote of Thanks  | Mary Bryant                               | Rotary                                 |   |
| Guest Speakers  | Sheridan Blaney<br>Ethiopian<br>Orphanage | Cartoon Awards Night<br>Bunker Gallery | Norm Michener<br>Update on the<br>Heritage Walk |

**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)