

THE ROTARY CLUB of WOOLGOOLGA Inc.

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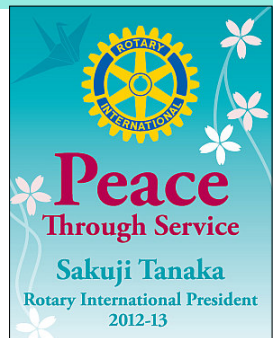


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AUCTION this Saturday so come help out if you can—even an hour or so helps. Our partners are Sherwood Creek Rural Fire Service

THIS WEEK (3 June)

Silvia is going to tell us all about her adventures on YEP safari. Guests are welcome. During our Club Suggestion Box time we will be discussing the new arrangements we are trialling for meetings next year. This is an opportunity to have a say at our last standard meeting for the year.



LAST MEETING (20 May)

Joelle Bridger told us all about Zonta, an organisation that has only some 30,000 members world wide but does an enormous amount to help women in many countries. Internationally they have projects such as helping prevent mother to child transfer of HIV; an obstetric fistula program in Liberia and programs of saying no to violence to women, including one in Honduras which is designed to train women to be more aware of dangers in highly urbanised areas. Zonta is auspiced through the UN for this work.

Locally Zonta in Coffs is involved in providing birthing kits to places such as PNG, Vietnam and Cambodia. They are also involved with the Samaritan Safe House project and provision of breast feeding cushions.

Within our own community Zonta supports Warrina Women's Refuge and Headspace and does a lot to encourage future female leaders through a local award (which our YEP out-bounder Rachel Hall won prior to embarking on her year of exchange and our waitress and former Club speaker Sarah Gleeson also won last year). They also provide a tertiary SCU scholarship in a field where women are under-represented.

Zonta in Australia is also involved in encouraging more women to take on leadership roles through their efforts to have more women appointed to company boards. Joelle provided some interesting statistics showing that companies with more women on the board are more successful and profitable (a few investors in the room clamoured for more details!!) Joelle reminded us that 70% of the world's poor and two-thirds of the world's illiterate were women and that there were millions of girls missing and being bought and sold throughout the world. Even in Australia, on average, women are still paid 82 cents to the dollar men get for the same work and Australia has slipped in World Economic Forum rankings from 15th to 20th place in terms of conditions for women. Zonta meets on the 3rd Wednesday of every month but also has social film or fashion nights through the year.

CHECK IT OUT

Heritage Celebrations are about to begin. There are three things you can check out in advance of the long weekend's events:

- ◆ Pop into the Woolgoolga Art Gallery in Turon Parade (10am-4pm 7 days) to see the Heritage art & craft exhibition complete with heritage items and photos on display
- ◆ Check out the foyer of NAB which has interesting heritage items on display.
- ◆ Grab a map from Norm and do the Heritage Walk...the panels are up already. Start at the Sikh temple and head down River St, across Hastings, down Scarborough, pop over to the Art Gallery then along Beach St to the Caravan Park/Reserve.

Meeting Place

**Woolgoolga C.ex
(Bowling Club)**

Monday Evenings

6.00pm for 6.15pm

Apologies to

**6654 0373
by 10.30am Monday**



Joelle Bridger
Zonta,

Coffs Harbour

STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians: nil

Visitors: Joelle Bridger, Judy Boyle, Helen Michener

Apologies: Gareth, Peter B, John, Mary, Kirpal, Rob, George, Garry, Terry, Echah, David

Attendance: 10 (41.7%)

Raffle winner: Helen Michener

Birthdays: Helen Michener 2 Jun, Lyn Bannister 4 Jun

Anniversaries: Sel & Ila Rogers 7 June.

SERGEANT'S SESSION

Birthday fine for Helen, a fussy eater fine (nothing escapes notice!), heritage fines and even wet t-shirt fines. Trish gets the prize though for suggesting that the timber train locomotive that some old timers think is buried somewhere in Woolgoolga is in her back yard (cleverest attempt to get free garden digging services we have heard of - though quite likely true we hear).



CLUB NEWS

Bowlescan week is done and dusted, though numbers were down on previous years with just over 300 kits sold. Big thanks to David E for his organisation of the program and thanks to all those who did a stint selling kits.

Changeover is upon us and the upstairs room in Seaview Tavern is booked: 6 for 6.30pm, Monday 17 June. Invitations are going out soon. Let Secretary David know if there is someone you wish to invite either as a paying guest or a Club guest. Come along and hear Pam give a sigh of relief and welcome our great new President Karen.

HERITAGE CELEBRATIONS

Celebrations are soon and we will need all hands on deck on Sunday 9 June for a range of tasks from decorating and manning (or womaning) the Rotary float, setting up the PA system and using it for marshalling the floats prior to the Mayor starting the parade for us, setting up chairs and a ribbon at the Timber Panels for the official opening of the Walk, setting up, manning and clearing road blocks for the parade, setting up marquees, tables, chairs and the PA system at the Reserve, organising the activities, manning the Rotary stall and cleaning up afterwards.

At this stage we have the following participants in the Parade: Coffs Coast Pipe Band; Surf Lifesaving Club marchers & boats on trailers x 2; Netball Club marchers; Individual costumed marchers (including school children); Scouts (tbc); Marine Rescue marchers, tractor & boat on trailer; Art Gallery marchers with banners; Retirement Village vehicle with elderly citizens; All Nations Church float (tbc); Baptist Church float (tbc); Red Cross float & marchers; Garden Club float; Lions Club float; Sikh temple float; Rotary Club float; Meals on Wheels float; Mullaway Public School float; Senior Citizens Club float; Seniors Centre float; SES float; Songbird singers float; Woolgoolga Rural Fire Service engine/s; Woolgoolga Fire Station engine (tbc); Lorraine Nicholas horse drawn cart; Echah Wright plus driver in horse & carriage (tbc); Coffs Vintage Car club (6-12 vintage vehicles); Alex Slater bullock team plus a pooper scooper convict bringing up the rear! Others yet to confirm participation.

On the Reserve we have Woolgoolga Croquet Club demo, CWA heritage afternoon tea stall, Uniting Church afternoon tea stall, Rotary stall with the reprint of Yeates History of a Village on sale; Mandrake the Magician will do two half hour shows (2.30 and 3.30); Rotary and Scouts will run horseshoe throwing, boot tossing, sack races etc; Songbird singers gaslight songs at 3pm; carriage rides and music from the early 1900s over the PA system.

Check out our new Heritage Walk Website: www.woolgoolgaheritagewalk.org

CLUB NOTICES

- 1 Jun Auction (Sherwood Ck Rural Fire Service)
- 9 June Heritage Walk Opening & Parade
- 17 June Changeover (Seaview Tavern booked)
- 6 Jul Auction (Corindi Red Rock Surf Lifesaving)
- Sept Next plant stall.

DISTRICT NOTICES

- 22 Jun Rotary International Conf Portugal
- 29 Jun District Changeover Gloucester
- 10-18 Aug National Science Week

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend			
Date	3 June Board meeting	10 June Long weekend	17 June
Attendance	Norm Michener		David Fayle
Welcome/ Fellowship	Karen Sedgwick	Public Holiday	Na
Suggestion Box	IDEAS (new meeting schedule)		CHANGEOVER
Introduce Guest Speaker	David Fayle	NO MEETING	Na
Vote of Thanks	Peter Lacy		
Guest Speakers	Silvia Rodriguez, on the YEP safari	(Sunday 9 June Her- itage Celebrations)	Changeover Dinner at the Seaview

**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)