

THE ROTARY CLUB of WOOLGOOLGA Inc.

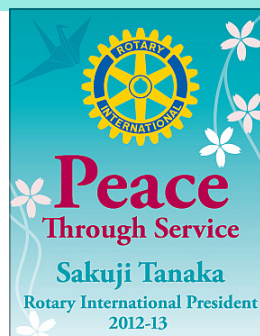
Woopi Whisper



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NO MEETING ON MONDAY 21 JULY... instead we are off to a CLUB SOCIAL FUNCTION at the Bunker Gallery for the Rotary Cartoon Awards

THIS WEEK (21 July)

Instead of our Monday meeting on 23 July, those who can make it will be attending the launch of the cartoon exhibition and Rotary Cartoon Awards at the Bunker Gallery in Coffs on Saturday evening from 6.30pm. This is an event put on by Coffs City Rotary Club. For those going Karen will be in touch with attendees' names in case anyone wishes to arrange carpooling. Cost is \$25 to be paid at the door (covers drinks and nibbles). Should be fun!



LAST WEEK (16 July)

Inspirational is the only word for **Sheridan Blayney**, our guest speaker. She committed herself to helping orphans in Ethiopia and in 2009 set up her own orphanage in Lalibela, working 2 jobs to save the money to do so. Sheridan has a law degree and a 20 month old toddler, so being busy didn't stop her. This wonderful woman is so young and has achieved so much through sheer determination and nous.



The orphanage currently has 10 children and cooperates to receive the most needy children via the local council as vacancies become available. It also employs 2 full time staff and 2 others part time.

Sheridan is currently saving for a mini-van which will assist the orphanage to become self sufficient and help get the children to secondary school as some of them begin to graduate from their current school (where they are all performing well). The orphanage costs Sheridan \$750 per month to keep running and has made a huge difference to the lives and futures of the children already. Eventually Sheridan would like to obtain land and purpose build an orphanage, but for now they rent. Thanks to Rob White's raffle efforts the Club was able to present Sheridan with a cheque for \$450 and we understand several members also wrote cheques after hearing Sheridan's presentation. Karen is running an additional fundraiser via a Swap Party on Saturday 11 August. The orphanage website is being developed at www.ashleyhaven.org.

CLUB SPEAKER

Peter Lacy told us about a wonderful Rotary event he attended recently at Southern Cross University (Lismore campus) run by the Rotary Club of Alstonville. It is an engineering camp for year 9&10 students to compete and learn (and have fun).

Peter assisted with the hovercraft day exercise where teams had to build a hovercraft out of ordinary things such as garbage bags, styrofoam, batteries, plasticine and balsa wood. The finished products had to manoeuvre through an obstacle course. Peter is keen for the club to sponsor and assist a team from Woolgoolga High next year, so we will indeed check it out (although we are a little concerned about Peter's masterplan to populate the world with engineers, civil or not!!)



Meeting Place

Woolgoolga C.ex (Bowling Club)

Monday Evenings

6.00pm for 6.15pm

Apologies to

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by 10.30am Monday



Sheridan Blayney
creator of
Ashley Haven Orphanage

STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians: nil

Visitors: Sheridan Blayney and partners: Sally, Marie, Helen, Ila, Bronwyn

Apologies: John, Rob, Ray, Terry, Trish, Gareth, Peter B, George,

Attendance: 16 (66.7%)

Raffle winner: Sally Lacy

Birthdays: Judy Jackson 28 July

Anniversaries: Rob & Edith White, 20 July; Graeme & Echah Wright 21 July.



"As for your amnesia problem, just try to forget about it!"

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SERGEANT'S SESSION

Sergeant Rod and Corporal Garry were in fine fanning form and past President Norm copped it for getting bogged on his nut farm...yet again. Mary paid for her husband's retirement and Keith paid re-entry tax after an absence. There were some rather risky "pile" puns, forgetfulness fines (I've forgotten what people forgot to deserve these!) and even boat taxes and handyman fines for some.

CLUB NEWS

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 midday 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. We have pre-registered Silvia for her first Woopi Rotary experience!

Cluster Evening with the new District Governor Brian Beesley & wife Heather. 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. Let Karen know in advance if attending.



SWAP PARTY fundraiser for Ashley Haven Orphanage is on Saturday 11 August at 45

Safety beach 2pm onwards. Cost is \$10 which includes afternoon tea. All proceeds to Sheridan Blayney's Ashley Haven Orphanage. For the swap part of the exercise bring something you have and don't want (bric-a-brac, books...whatever... but please note no swaps allowed for bring your spouse along!!!) **contact Karen for details.**

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.

**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
 13 August GSE applications for Netherlands
 close and interviews are 18 August.

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend			
Date	21 July instead of 23 July	30 July	8 August instead of 6 August (partners welcome)
Attendance	Instead of	Peter Lacy	Na
Welcome/ Fellowship	Monday 23 July meet- ing	na	District Governor
Club Speakers 3-5 minutes	We are having a so- cial event	GENERAL	Brian Beesley
Introduce Guest Speaker	Sat 21 July at	ASSEMBLY	Coffs Harbour Rac- ing Club
Vote of Thanks	Rotary		
Guest Speakers	Cartoon Awards Night Bunker Gallery	Norm Michener Update on the Heritage Walk	Coffs Coast Cluster Meeting

**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)