

# THE ROTARY CLUB of WOOLGOOLGA Inc.

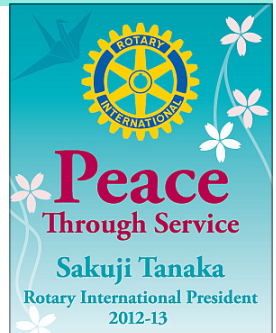
## Woopi Whisper



Club President  
**Pamela Fayle**

District Governor  
**Brian Beesley**

RI President  
**Sakuji Tanaka**



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**AUCTION THIS SATURDAY 4 AUGUST, SO HELP OUT IF YOU CAN—AUCTION PARTNERS ARE NORTHERN BEACHES CARE. NO MEETING MONDAY 6 AUGUST.**

### THIS WEEK (6-8 August)

**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 for a 6.30pm start at the Coffs Harbour Racing Club. This is instead of individual club visits and so we have moved our 6 August meeting to enable members to attend on 8 August if they wish. Partners are welcome as are non-Rotarian guests of club members. **Let Karen know in advance if attending.** Cost: \$15 pp for a selection of finger food; buy your own drinks at the bar.



### LAST WEEK (30 July)

A great roll up for club assembly: President Pam introduced a few points on screen and a good discussion followed. On international services we seem to be on track with consensus that in emergency/disaster situations, basic shelter & clean water needs are paramount and well served by shelter boxes or aqua boxes. However, club members do like to retain flexibility to respond early in other appropriate ways when peoples' lives are affected.

There was interesting discussion about longer term efforts with building projects, orphanage funding and education & training. There were some concerns with providing equipment/infrastructure but not training and tools to back it up, but also good input on the need to understand that often the culture does not readily lend itself to concepts of ongoing maintenance. Again, club members prefer not to lock the club into long-term funding in any one location but to retain flexibility for individual members to bring projects to the board and the club, or for us to respond to guest speakers' projects that appeal to a majority of members as capable of making a difference in the world.

We discussed our youth programs with an update on RYDA (driver awareness) and the need to scrutinise "Getting Out There Day" re value for money. Some prefer youth programs such as these that benefit a large number of students though there is strong support for engineering/science school and club scholarships which help individuals, but have other spin offs. Most members still grapple with wanting to do more to help the "strugglers" or disadvantaged rather than the "leaders" and we recognised there are no easy solutions.

Community & vocational services, membership and fundraising will be the focus of next club assembly. We decided to hold a social networking forum with local school teachers and an outing to Grafton art gallery for Christmas for the Archibald exhibition.

### HERITAGE PROJECT UPDATE

**Norm** updated us on the Heritage Walk project showing drawings of the panels that will be placed in historic locations and the website under development. The local newspaper has taken up the project and has been running old photos of local scenes and events, stimulating great community support and spirit. Good progress has been made in recent weeks.



Meeting Place

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

Monday Evenings

**6.00pm for 6.15pm**

Apologies to

**6654 0373  
by 10.30am Monday**



**Norm presents  
Karen with her  
Rotarian of the  
Year Plaque  
(2011-12)**

### STATS AT A GLANCE

**Visiting Rotarians:** Adam Sherwell (cluster AG), Jack & Penny McGorm, Naracoorte Rotary SA.

**Visitors:** nil

**Apologies:** John, Rob, Ray, Peter B, Keith, Sel, Garry, Glenda

**Attendance:** 16 (66.7%)

**Raffle winner:** Echah

**Birthdays:** Dick Matthews 6 August, Geoff Royal 7 August.

**Anniversaries:** nil

## SERGEANT'S SESSION

Interesting fines for glue-sniffing (a minor repair job on our flags was under way!) backed up by some "odd" fines from the bowling day, fines for those acquiring their seniors card (rite of passage stuff indeed!!), BBQ testing, and the ultimate forgetfulness fine for Norm who found prize money from the Melbourne cup when going through his Rotary files...the race 2 years ago that is!! (surprise windfall for some).

## CLUB NEWS

**YEP update:** Silvia has arrived and is settling into life in Woolgoolga. Those who have not met her yet have a treat in store. She will be attending the cluster meeting to meet the District Governor and then we hope to hear a brief self introduction at our meeting on 13 August. We understand last year's outbinder, trainee chef Jaimie Hunt has already cooked dinner for her and is looking forward to becoming her host brother soon.



**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 swapping your spouse!!!) **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 : 8.30ish until 2pm-ish. **David F is again the organiser for this one.**

**NEXT PLANT STALL** will be at the **October auction**, not September. This is to allow enough time and enough sunshine for those with green thumbs to pot up plants and produce some fruit & veg. Given that our major heritage project is focussed on the local community this year, the Board will be looking at recipients less fortunate than ourselves for these additional funds.

**HERITAGE PHOTO** at right is of Woolgoolga School in the 1920s, on much the same site as today. In 1920 there were 86 students and their lives were tough in a coastal timber town. Almost half of the pupils were noted as having injuries such as axe wounds or missing fingers and toes, not to mention near-drownings and injuries caused by bullocks, dogs or horses!



**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

4 August Auction (Northern Beaches Care)  
 11 August Swap Party fundraiser (Karen)  
 16 August RYDA Driver Awareness Day  
 30 August Getting Out There Day  
 1 Sept Auction (Red Rock Corindi SLSC)

### DISTRICT NOTICES

8 August Coffs cluster meets with DG  
 13 August GSE applications for Netherlands close and interviews are 18 August.  
 September is New Generations month  
 1-5 Sept RYAG Dairy in Wingham  
 October is Vocational Services month

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend

Date	8 August instead of 6 August	13 August (board meeting)	20 August (partners night)
Attendance	Na	Dick Matthews	Keith Minhinnett
Welcome/ Fellowship	District Governor	Mary Bryant	Patty Delaney
Club Speakers 3-5 minutes	Brian Beesley	George Smede	Echah Wright
Introduce Guest Speaker	Coffs Racing Club	Na	Terry Booth
Vote of Thanks	na	David Edwards	David Fayle
Guest Speakers	Coffs Coast Cluster Meeting	Glenda & Garry "the big trip"	Adrian Lipscome Red Cross Disaster Preparation

**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)