

THE ROTARY CLUB of WOOLGOOLGA Inc.

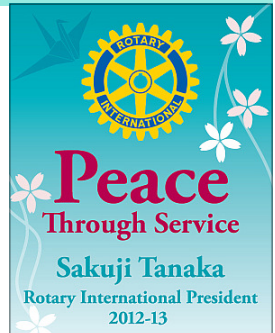
Woopi Whisper



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DON'T FORGET IT IS PARTNERS' NIGHT. ALSO A GOOD MEETING TO INVITE GUESTS AND POTENTIAL MEMBERS TO COME ALONG.

THIS WEEK (20 August)

Adrian Lipscomb is coming to talk to us about disaster readiness and planning. Ever wondered what we would do if a major earthquake/tidal wave or other potential disaster affected Woolgoolga? Come along and hear about the Red Cross Rediplan. Bring your partner/bring a guest.



LAST WEEK (13 August)

Garry & Glenda entertained with tales of the "Woopi Wombats", a group of local campervan "enthusiasts" (Garry & Glenda simply borrowed their camper trailer!) who completed a trip to central & northern Australia earlier this year. The group drove over 9,000km in 5 weeks. Garry talked about how the group came to dream up the idea, the blog they ran while travelling (over 5,000 people viewed the blog page) and showed us some of his spectacular photography of places like Cobar, Uluru, The Rainbow Valley, Kings Canyon, Devils Marbles, the Olgas. He has also produced a beautiful book. Garry says he has never seen so much road kill in his life and notes that beer costs about \$200 a carton in Alice Springs!! On a more serious note he was shocked by the underlying level of hopelessness in some of the remote aboriginal communities. Altogether a fabulous experience but the jury is still out on whether they would do it again.



CLUB SPEAKER

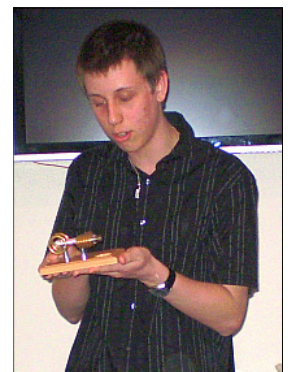
James Morgan, who we are sponsoring for the National Youth Science Forum has been accepted to attend the Forum in the summer holidays (one of only 400 nation wide). Congratulations James. James entertained us with a demonstration of the Stirling Engine, an external combustion engine that works on a very simple concept but was use to pump water in and out of mine shafts and as back up generators, even to power substations.

THE SWAP PARTY

A great success!! The event was a lot of fun, delicious afternoon tea, interesting items to swap and \$450 raised for the Ashley Haven Orphanage in Ethiopia. Well done Karen (photo far right: Orphanage creator Sheridan Blayney with Karen). Silvia added child-minding to her resume (middle photo: Silvia with Sheridan's daughter Avalon).



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



James Morgan
NYSF
with a
Stirling engine

STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians: nil
Visitors: Silvia Rodriguez , James Morgan, Noel Kennedy, partners Marlies, Ila and Sally.
Apologies: John, Rob, Norm, Echah, Gareth, George, Trish
Attendance: 16 (69.6%)
Raffle winner: David Fayle
Birthdays: Colin Cafferky 20 Aug; Rob White 24 Aug, Elisabeth de Halleux 25 Aug
Anniversaries: nil

SERGEANT'S SESSION

Given the cost of beer in Alice Springs it was very fitting that the first fine of the night was for spilling a beer!! Sergeant Rod emptied a few wallets after that including a "Where's Wally/Where's Patty" fine for yours truly, made up for with a gift from the Swap Party - a pair of purple fluffy monster feet (just what every girl needs).

CLUB NEWS

GETTING OUT THERE DAY is at the Opal Cove Resort on 30 August (sessions for year 12 students run from 9am to mid afternoon). Pop in and check it out if you can (see Mary for details).

NEXT PLANT STALL will be at the **October auction**. This is to allow enough time and enough sunshine for those with green thumbs to pot up plants and produce some fruit & veg—so get potting & preserving now!!

CurryFest update: Two meetings of the advisory committee have been held. The 2013 Curryfest will be held in the street rather than fenced off on the beach reserve. Last week was extensive discussion of potential dates, possible linkages with the Vaisakhi festival, school holidays, average rainfall etc and 27 April seems most likely to be confirmed soon. There was discussion of previous year's budgets and turnover; grant possibilities, need for sponsorship and other funding options if there is no gate charge. Possible models for running the event have been narrowed to 3 structures—local committee-run event; local committee with paid event manager to undertake specific tasks under direction; engaging a professional event organiser to do everything with parameters set by the chamber & advisory committee to ensure local character is maintained. A decision on this is likely at next week's meeting.

Donations: Board has decided to donate \$750 to Northern Beaches Care in appreciation for their assistance last auction.

HERITAGE UPDATE AND PHOTO

Photo at right shows Woolgoolga in 1910 with a bullock team hauling timber along the street, a common sight in those days and for many decades afterwards. Reliving the sights and sounds of a bygone era, a friend of mine in her 80s mentioned to me that she grew up in the hinterland not far from here and as a small child used to rush out to see a neighbour drive his bullock team past. She knew all the bullocks' names and one day announced to her mother that there seemed to be a new bullock on the team called "F....n"!!!.



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

16 August RYDA Driver Awareness Day
 30 August Getting Out There Day
 1 Sept Auction (Red Rock Corindi SLSC)
 6 Oct Auction to help Woolgoolga Shed
 6 Oct (TBC) Heritage Bush Dance

DISTRICT NOTICES

September is New Generations month
 1-5 Sept RYAG Dairy in Wingham
 October is Vocational Services month
 24-25 Nov YEP briefing Port Macquarie
 26 Nov Woolgoolga Dive School to which district YEPPERS are invited.

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend

Date	20 August (partners night)	27 August	3 September
Attendance	Keith Minhinnett	Gareth Owen	Sel Rogers
Welcome/ Fellowship	Patty Delaney	David Edwards	David Fayle
Club Speakers 3-5 minutes	Echah Wright	Trish Baker	Patty Delaney
Introduce Guest Speaker	Terry Booth	Mary Bryant	George Smede
Vote of Thanks	David Fayle	Garry Kennedy	Glenda Kennedy
Guest Speakers	Adrian Lipscomb Red Cross Disaster Redi Plan	tbc	tbc

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)