

THE ROTARY CLUB of WOOLGOOLGA Inc.

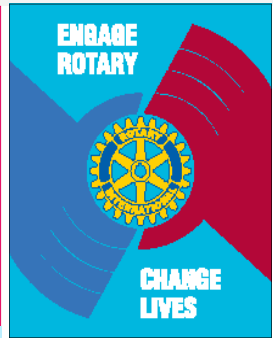
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REMEMBER THE NEW MEETING ARRANGEMENTS (see box at right)

SOCIAL EVENING 30 SEP—AT SEAVIEW TAVERN

Tonight is the fifth Monday of the month—the first one since our new meeting schedule trial started. We are having a social function at the Seaview Tavern, 6 for 6:15pm.

LAST MEETING 23 SEP—WIN HOWARD ON THE NIGHT SKY



What a feast of eye candy we were treated to! And what a stark reminder that our Earth is but a tiny speck in a vast, mysterious and beautiful universe. **Win Howard**, President of the Coffs Harbour Astronomical Society showed us images of reddish nebulas that emit fluorescence, inconceivably blue-hot nebulas that reflect light like a mirror, white dwarves of very dense matter that had collapsed in from a dying sun, and pulsars of even denser matter, so squeezed that it formed a giant neutron. Glorious images of a horse head, a crab, a triffid, a tarantula, plate-like spiral galaxies and supernovas deserved a much bigger screen.



Meeting Places
1st Saturday of the month at **the Rotary Shed** 8.30-2.30
2nd & 4th Mondays in the month
Woolgoolga C.ex (Bowling Club) 6-8pm
3rd Mondays **Board mtgs (venue varies)**
Apologies to **6654 8890** by **9am Monday**

Andromeda Galaxy (l);
Tarantula Nebula (m);
Horse Head Nebula (r)

COMING UP— AUCTION DAY 5 OCT

The first “meeting” of October will be auction day. Our helpers this month will be the Woolgoolga Public School P&C, raising money for playground infrastructure as part of their fundraising drive. Please do what you can on the day to share the load.

HELICOPTER GOLF BALL DROP

Helicopter Golf Ball Drop: The major task of selling 1,000 tickets, each representing a numbered golf ball, has started, and every member who can, is requested to assist, to spread the load and tap the maximum number of potential buyers. **On average, each member needs to sell 40 tickets.** Each ticket is \$5; five tickets for \$20 [not on the ticket/poster!] The main prize is \$500 — \$200 in cash and \$300 as a voucher usable at Coles group stores. Minor prizes are two 8-minute helicopter sightseeing rides. **Posters** promoting the event on Sunday 20 October at golf course, Safety Beach, are now available from Col or President Karen.



YOUR CLUB NEEDS



YOU

STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians:
Visitors: Win Howard, Katrina Paul, Bill Barkla, & partners Wayne, Bronwyn, Sally, Helen
Apologies: (23 Sep) Kirpal, John, Garry, Gareth, Rob, Terry, Keith, David E, Dick, Mary, Patty, Karen, Greg
Attendance: (23 Sep) 11 (46%)
Raffle winner: Bronwyn
Birthdays: Susan Edwards 28 Sep, Rod Mackenzie 4 Oct
Anniversaries: none

COMING EVENTS

Glenda used her "this is your life" slot to tell us more about the **International Fleet Review** is drawing near, with most of the action 3-11 October in Sydney Harbour. It commemorates 100 years of the Australian Navy.

Thurs 3 Oct: 21 tall ships enter Syd Harbour

Fri 4 Oct 18 warships enter Syd Harb; Air displays; Tall Ships day sails; Ceremonial Fleet Entry and 21 Gun Salute; Surf Rowers Reception.

Sat 5 Oct: RAN and International military band performances; Helicopter Display; Ceremonial Fleet Review; Formation Flypast; 'Salute to Navy' Air Displays; **7.40pm-8.10pm Fireworks and Lightshow Spectacular**, which will apparently be the most complex, highly choreographed fireworks, projection, lighting and live action show ever!

Sun 6 Oct: Tall ships open to visitors; Memorial Service; Warships Open Day

Mon 7 Oct: Warships Open Day; Sea Power Conference 2013 and Pacific 2013 International Maritime Exposition; Tall Ships day sail

Tues 8 Oct: Tall ships open to visitors; (etc)

Wed 9 Oct: Combined Navies Parade

Thurs 10 Oct: Combined Navies Sporting Competition; Tall ships; Sailing Regatta

Fri 11 Oct: warships depart

Garry Kennedy is managing it all. For those who cannot get to Sydney Harbour, there will be some coverage on ABC TV channel 24 & commercial networks. See www.navy.gov.au/ifr for more information.

OTHER CLUB NEWS

Treasurer Trish reminds members that fees are now overdue.

For wine connoisseurs, Sawtell Rotary is offering **wines** from Yalumba (**Barossa**) at compelling prices (\$75-95 per dozen, 2 whites, 3 reds & bubbly, free delivery). Contact Norm or David F for the order form.

NEWS FROM ASHLEY HAVEN ORPHANAGE, ETHIOPIA

We have supported the Ashley Haven Orphanage in Lalibela, northern Ethiopia, for several years now (totalling over \$4000). Sheridan Blayney sends news, along with a request to consider support. To summarise: "Things are going well; the kids are all growing up! Our eldest girl, Wineshet, in her last year of High School, aims to study nursing or medicine, then set up a medical clinic at the orphanage. She was a young, vulnerable girl living on the streets, who has absolutely blossomed due to having a loving, stable home & surrogate family. The other children are all doing well in primary school; the eldest boys, Temesgen & Gashaw, hope to go to High School next year. The older kids are great role models to the younger kids.

[Sheridan's partner] Solomon is planting wheat, & hopes to use the flour for bread for the orphanage & sell at market. Another plan is to open a cafe & games room. It's a small step towards self-sufficiency.



"We have now signed an agreement with World Families Australia, a community-based, not-for-profit, non-sectarian organization, providing international aid through relief & development projects and working within Ausaid & Taxation Office guidelines. WFA retains 10% of donations for admin. www.worldfamilies.org.au"

CLUB NOTICES

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| 30 Sep | Social event, Seaview Tavern |
| 5 Oct | Auction: Woolgoolga Public School P&C |
| 14 Oct | (club) Hat Day & Club Assembly |
| 20 Oct | Golf Ball Drop |
| 20 Jan 14 | District Governor's visit |

DISTRICT NOTICES

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| 12-13 Oct | Coffs Garden Expo |
| 17-20 Oct | Youth Marine Experience (ex Rymarine) |
| 24 Oct | World Polio Day |
| 25 Oct | 25th Annual Cartoons Award (Bunker) |
| 27 Oct | Rotary BIG Golf Day (Coffs City Rot.) |
| 1-4 Jun 14 | Rotary Internat'l Convention Sydney |

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend

| Date | 30 Sep Social | 7 Oct No meeting | 14 Oct Club Assembly | 21 Oct Board |
|--------------------------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| Attendance | | | Mary Bryant | |
| Welcome/Fellowship | SEAVIEW TAVERN | AUCTION 5 OCT | n/a | NO GENERAL MEETING |
| Introduce Guest Speaker | DINNER | IN LIEU | n/a | ONLY BOARD |
| Vote of Thanks | | | n/a | |
| Guest Speakers or Event | | | Assembly/Hat Day | |

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 F)

KNOW A FAMILY INTERESTED IN HOSTING a YEP STUDENT? (See Patty)