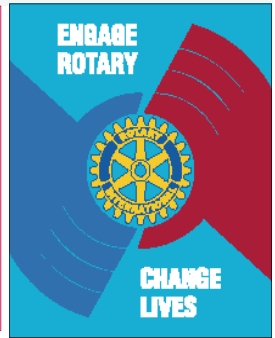


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TONIGHT (28 OCT) STROKESAFE

Tonight is a partners night, and **John Ure** will be telling us about the **Strokesafe Program**, which aims to improve community knowledge about stroke and stroke prevention.



SUCCESSFUL HELICOPTER GOLF BALL DROP—20 OCT

The local forecast for last Sunday, 20 Oct, was “fine with a chance of golf balls,” and it was spot on! The **Helicopter Golf Ball Drop** was a huge success and everyone had a ball! Our numerous programs for local youth have gained a terrific funding boost, and the Woolgoolga Returned Services Golf Club also did well from the day. Woolgoolga Lions Club won, closest to the pin! Your editor’s father Dennes Fayle, a 48-year Rotarian from Armidale RC, came second by a smidgin from local golfer Mark Mihai, who was watching the drops. A notable support act was music provided by Woolgoolga High students James Morgan & Pippa Bond, both grateful recipients of our club’s sponsorship for science/engineering programs (which will of course benefit from the funds raised).

This special Whisper edition has been **expanded to 3 pages** to include a wonderful series of photographs from Allan Casey (new member) and Garry Kennedy.

WELCOME TO OUR TWO NEW MEMBERS

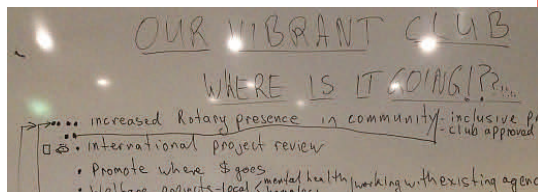


Leslie and Allan Casey were inducted on 14 Oct, having already helped the club in numerous ways since their recent move to Woolgoolga from Griffith (where Allan was a member of Griffith East for 15 years & Leslie was heavily involved too). Welcome—fantastic to have you aboard!



CLUB ASSEMBLY 14 OCT

At the Club Assembly, we formed focus groups of three, each of which came up with 2-4 items they considered deserved attention as our club evolves. The items are outlined on page 2. President Karen (seen at upper right) will use this to assist her to provide guidance & direction to her “flock”. A set of priorities will be developed from this to feed into Board decisions & overall planning, including an update of the club’s Three-Year Plan.



HAT DAY

Celebrating Hat Day in support of the mental health research programs of Australian Rotary Health, was a small but interesting variety of hats. Our President show an uncharacteristic fit of religious zeal in the hectic leadup to the golf ball drop, while Pam Fayle, channelling her northern Scots (Viking?) ancestry, got popular vote for best hat. Another noted entry was a miner’s lamp hat creatively assembled by Peter Lacy.

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**



STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians: none
Inducted: Leslie Casey and Allan Casey
Apologies: (14 Oct) Kirpal, John, Garry, Gareth, Rob, Keith, Mary, Greg, Thea, George, Terry
Attendance: (14 Oct) 13 (54%)
Birthdays: Terry Booth 30 Oct; Thea Eves 31 Oct
Anniversaries: Gareth & Lisa Owen 26 Oct; Bill & Robyn Carroll 31 Oct

COMING EVENTS



Melbourne Cup Eve BBQ and get-together. Next week, as well as our regular auction meeting on the first Saturday of the month, we will be having an extra social meeting on Melbourne Cup Eve. Glenda and Garry Kennedy have kindly volunteered to host this at their place, 17 Ocean Links Close, Safety Beach. **Monday 4 Nov, kicking off at 6pm.** Could



you please (a) let Glenda know whether you can come; (b) **BYO Meat, a salad to share, and drinks;** (c) organise your cup hat; (d) bring money for Dick Matthew's legendary sweep.

Get working on your work of art / Pride in Work nominations

An exciting collaboration with Woolgoolga Art Gallery is planned for next February. Our **Pride in Work** award presentation ceremony will be at the Art Gallery, coupled with **“The Art of Work” exhibition.** The exhibition will open on the same night as the awards ceremony, with us co-sponsoring the opening event. Chamber of Commerce members and other local businesses will be invited to the event. Rotary will be identifying a local business sponsor/s for a prize for the best “Work of Art” in the “Art of Work” exhibition. Artists among us can get working on entries for this February 2014 exhibition. The theme is work, workers, workplaces or simply something that demonstrates workmanship. Rotary’s Pride in Work awards (formerly Pride of Workmanship) go to people in the local community who go above and beyond in their place of work. The recipients are recommended for the awards by their employers, clients or customers. We have several nominations in hand but **let Terry know if you wish to nominate someone and ask Pam for entry details if you wish to put artwork into the exhibition.**

POINTS ARISING FROM CLUB ASSEMBLY

1. Interaction with local community: need to lift visibility of Rotary within local community; joint work /projects in the community with other groups [see previous item] ; need to clearly describe and promote what Rotary is raising the funds for
2. Review priorities for our international work (Tanna, orphanages, etc as well as YEP)
3. Getting each member involved, doing something that they are interested in and motivated to do; make sure enough members support each project before proceeding
4. Attendance: hovering around 50%, not just because of workload and absences – why are some not coming? Ideas to address this.
5. Identification of a possible major project to focus the club; something of benefit to the local community (community garden? some aspect of the Multipurpose Centre?)
6. Consider projects addressing important issues in community (mental health? homeless?)
7. Add value to what we already do
8. Do something at an event that is already going to happen – eg Xmas carol night
9. Friends of Rotary project: need to identify best model from throughout Australia
10. Club delegation to attend 2014 Rotary International Convention in Sydney 1-4 June
11. Pride in Work – development of program [see item above]



Spotted at the golf ball drop: intrepid baby with familiar looking bloke recently seen with crazed visage holding chainsaw ... wishing your foot a rapid recovery Terry!

CLUB NOTICES	2 Nov	Auction (Woolgoolga Athletic Club)
	4 Nov	Social evening (details in roster)
	5 Dec	Volunteers barbeque (5:30 pm Thurs)
	7 Dec	Auction (helper tbn)
	15 Dec	Christmas Party (Nana Glen)
	20 Jan 14	District Governor's visit

DISTRICT NOTICES	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	28 Oct Partners	Sat 2 Nov Auction	4 Nov Social	11 Nov Meeting
Attendance	Leslie Casey		MELBOURNE	Mary Bryant
Welcome/ Fellowship	Peter Lacy	AUCTION MEETING	CUP EVE BBQ	Allan Casey
Introduce Guest Speaker	Patty Delaney		(BYO FOOD & DRINKS)	David Fayle
Vote of Thanks	Echah Wright			Trish Baker
Guest Speakers or Event	John Ure Strokesafe Organisation		AT KENNEDY'S HOME	Dusty Dempsey Community Care Options

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)

HELICOPTER GOLF BALL DROP

(l) ticket sales; (r) lining up for the Ambrose; (next row) BBQ/salad crew & customers; (3rd row) planning the drop; James Morgan & Pippa Bond provide musical accompaniment; (top) ground zero; (bottom) first batch of 4 away! (4th row) the gravity of the moment, caught; (below left) one batch hitting the ground; (bottom row) measuring for second place—first place was easy; checking who had the winning numbers

