

THE ROTARY CLUB of WOOLGOOLGA Inc.

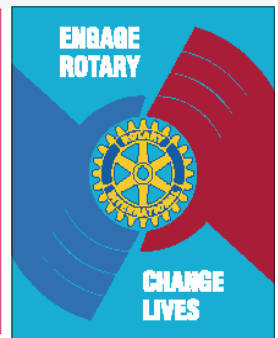
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Karen Sedgwick

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TONIGHT (12 May) CLUB ASSEMBLY

Tonight is a Club Assembly—a once in-the-blue-moon chance for every member to be involved in discussing and resolving the club's important issues. The focus this time will be on fundraising, especially the monthly auction. The agenda is still being fleshed out, but so far we have the following points:

- Collections/pickups - manpower - idea of "auction friends"
- Transport
- Tagging of electrical equipment
- Occupational Health and Safety
- Deliveries
- Sustainability of auction as the primary fundraiser
- Suggestion of putting date stickers on each item when collected

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 meetings (venue varies)

Apologies to *Mary*
0407 008 468
6654 2663
by **9am Monday**

PREVIOUS MEETING:(1) RYLA Report, Krystal Crotty (28 Apr)

Krystal Crotty, fresh from her week at Yarrahappini for the Rotary **Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)**, showed us all just how this brilliant program can change the lives of participants, and why it deserves our continuing support. Krystal is shown at right with Trish Baker.

It was "amazing and life-changing", giving her newfound confidence—amply evident in her confident presentation to us. She learned more about herself in one week than in her previous 23 years. As well, she has a new group of friends that shared this experience and now keep in touch by Facebook and phone. She even overcame her fear to abseil; she found it thrilling, and wants to do more. The first night there, she wrote and sang a song to the others, and this song developed into an expression of her thoughts and emotions during the RYLA week. She astonished us by singing it, unaccompanied and at full length, to the Rotary audience.

We wish her all the best for her future vision of a move into the field of marine biology—though no doubt Trish will have mixed feeling about the loss of a staff member.



(2) Helen and Norm Michener on their recent travels



Filling in as guest speakers with less than a day's notice (our scheduled speaker being at the hospital with his ill son), **Helen and Norm Michener** gave us a wonderful overview of their recent 6-week odyssey into the European winter. If the first three days in Dubai left them cold, it was just good preparation for lots of cross-country skiing coming up, particularly in the Italian Dolomite Mountains, then near Lake Bled in Slovenia, and finally in Austria near Innsbruck.



Helen with Pres. Karen, Curryfest gate

STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians:

Guests: Lisa Nicholls, Krystal Crotty, partners Helen, Bronwyn, Sally, Marie, Marlies

Attendance: 15 (68%)

Apologies: John, Thea, George, Gareth, Keith, Glenda, Echah

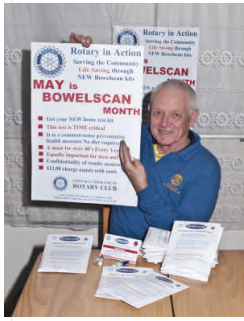
Raffle: Trish Baker

Birthdays: Allan Casey 10 May, Karen Sedgwick 18 May

Anniversaries: none

BOWELSCAN WEEK (until 11 May) – BOOTH AT WOOLGOOLGA PLAZA

If you are on the Bowelscan Roster for the rest of the week, don't forget! Thank you to all who've done their bit.



Thank you to the five who marched on Anzac Day (above). President Karen laid the wreath.



CURRYFEST (26 Apr)

Thank you to all members and partners who helped on the gate at Curryfest. You would all be aware that the event was a great success, and overwhelmingly enjoyed by those who attended (and generally stayed the rest of the day—increasing the density of the crowd). Our club's \$1500 donation to help cover last year's debt (due to rain as well as donations instead of entry fee) has been well spent! Yours truly is busy analysing 416 survey responses, and the information gained is going to be very useful for acquitting grants, attracting future contributions, and shaping future Curryfests.

CLUB NEWS

David Fayle is currently compiling the **Annual Report**, and would appreciate any items for inclusion, including names of non-members who should be included on the **"Thank-you" list**.

Donation: gap year for Tanna student: \$600 for one Maiak D9650 RAWCS Project Tafea Scholarship has been delivered to Ray White (Port Macquarie RC). Ray is probably already in Vanuatu.

Japanese YEP inbounder **Yuta Tsuchiya** is expected back from safari on Wed 14 May. Members are asked to think about ways of including him in activities, and/or inviting him for a meal.

Pam and David will be going to the **Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)** in Inverell (16-18 May). At this stage we have 5½ teams! Woolgoolga High teacher Frank Dean (who recent members may not realize is a Paul Harris Fellow awardee from our club) will be driving 11 students there in the bus that we have hired.

Members who want to find out more about Rotary have two excellent and rewarding opportunities coming up: (1) the **District Assembly** in Port Macquarie on 18 May, and (2) Rotary's Annual global bash, the **Rotary International Convention, in Sydney** on the first four days of June.

President Karen has booked the golf club and helicopter for our second **helicopter golf ball drop:** October 26th, at 2 pm. Precision helicopters are giving us 3 free flights again.

CLUB NOTICES

- 3-11 May Bowelscan booth at Woolgoolga Plaza
- 7 Jun Auction (Woolgoolga Scout Group tbc)
- 30 Jun Changeover Dinner, Seaview Tavern
- 26 Oct Helicopter golf ball drop (Safety Beach)

DISTRICT NOTICES

- 18 May [date change!]** District Assembly 2, Port Macquarie, start time 10:30am
- 16-18 May MUNA Model UN Assembly, Inverell
- 1-4 Jun 14 Rotary Internat'l Convention Sydney
- 28 Jun District Changeover

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend					
Date	12 May Club Assem- bly	19 May Board	26 May Partners	2 Jun No meeting	9 Jun No meeting
Attendance	Geoff Royal	BOARD	Mary Bryant	AUCTION WEEK	QUEENS BIRTHDAY
Welcome/ Fellowship	CLUB ASSEMBLY		Terry Booth		PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Introduce Guest Speaker			Pam Fayle		
Vote of Thanks			Peter Lacy		
Guest Speakers or Event			MUNA participants		

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)