

Woolpi Whisper

The Rotary Club of Woolgoolga Inc.

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Meetings each month
1st Sat: auction shed
8:30-3:30
2nd & 4th Mondays
6-8pm Woolgoolga C.ex
3rd Monday
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TONIGHT (25 AUG, PARTNERS) - CALEB NIETHE, SUCCESSFUL NYSF APPLICANT; DIANA DAVEY ON HOW YEP CHANGED HER LIFE

Partners night is a real treat, with four guest speakers. Local resident **Diana Davey** was one of the very early **Rotary Youth Exchange** students to Japan in the early 1970s, and she will tell us about how it shaped and influenced her future life.



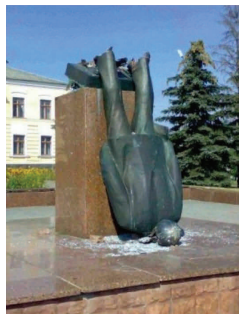
**NATIONAL YOUTH
SCIENCE FORUM**
Inspiring young Australians
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To succeed in getting into the **National Youth Science Forum** is a rare achievement, and **Caleb Niethe** has just been accepted. Our club will cover the majority of Caleb's NYSF cost. He will introduce himself.

We will also hear from current short-term NZ exchange students **Rian Ferguson** (NZ) and **Bianca McNeill** (local), who will talk about exchange and sing us a Maori song.

REMINDERS—"STUFF" NEEDED FOR SEPTEMBER PLANT STALL

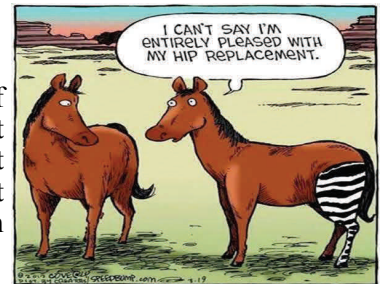
SAT AUCTION 6 SEP: PLANT AND PRODUCE STALL: There's only a couple of weeks left to get those seedlings and cuttings going, make those chutneys or spreads*, or find saleable garden items and the like, to offer at the plant stall. Enquiries to Echah. (*But avoid marmalade – we already have plenty!)



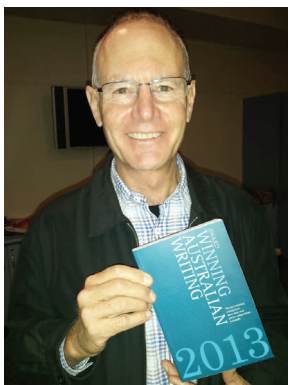
MORE ON PLANTS, PLUS KEEPING THE MEDICAL PROFESSION IN BUSINESS ...

What a sacrifice our President **Patty** has made in the pursuit of pots for the Sep plant stall. Tripping over a paver - for not just one, but TWO FACEPLANTS. (What a pity these plants don't propagate and are impossible to sell ...). And Past-President **Karen** is hobbling around with a new hip. We wish them both quick recoveries from their operations.

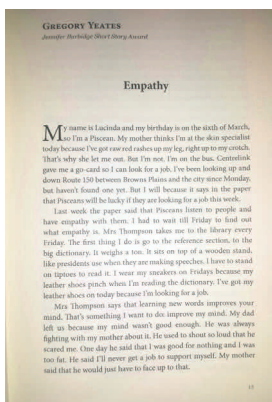
A STATUESQUE FACEPLANT & RATHER LARGE PAVER



PREVIOUS MEETING (11 Aug) GREG YEATES: FICTION WRITING



Greg Yeates' passion for fiction writing stemmed from an inspiring primary school teacher, and he told us of squeezing writing into busy working life during his last ten years of work in the NSW Dept of Planning, during which time he completed the initial draft of his first novel, *Sten's Project*. After feedback from test readers, Greg has completed a significant revision and is now looking for a good way to publish the novel. Since recent retirement he has had more time for writing, and for the time being is focusing mainly on short stories. One such story,



Empathy, won a National Literary Award in 2013, and was published in an anthology of 52 winning stories—Greg's being first in the book! Aspiring authors should consider getting involved with the Northern Beaches Writers' Group, which has been useful for Greg in developing the discipline needed to write concisely. A second novel is early in development.

STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians: none
Guests: Greg Yeates, Bronwyn Mackenzie
YEP: Yuta Tsuchiya
Attendance: 10 (45%)
Apologies: John, Keith, Gareth, George, Glenda, Terry, Patty, Dick, Norm, Karen, Echah, Mary
Raffle: Peter Lacy
Birthdays: Colin Cafferky 20 Aug, Rob White 24 Aug, David Edwards 28 Aug, David Fayle 30 Aug, Peter Lacy 31 Aug, Edith White 4 Sep
Anniversaries: none

AUCTION (6 Sep) HELPERS: CORINDI RED ROCK RURAL FIRE SERVICE

Reminder that with many of us away, we are very short-handed for auction help on 6 Sep, and in particular, people who are fit enough to do pickups. Any assistance with pickups from friends of Rotary would be most welcome.

ROTARY FRIENDSHIP EXCHANGE TEAM HEADING OUR WAY IN NOVEMBER

A Rotary Friendship Exchange team from Poland is visiting our District in the first half of November. A visit to Woolgoolga is on the proposed itinerary being prepared, but not yet finalised. A team of 6 couples will need to be billeted for 2 nights around 16-17 November this year. **If you are interested in hosting the visiting Poles please let Rod know.** See previous Whisper for more information

CLUB NEWS: the club has been presented with an elegant wooden gavel made by Master Wood Turner John Ewart and given to Rod Mackenzie.

RYDA REPORT

Rotary Youth Driver Awareness (RYDA) Day on 14 Aug attracted ~84 mostly attentive students, & fine weather. Apart from one group being locked out of part of the Crash Survivor session, no major problems occurred. A big thank you to Woolgoolga High School for its committed support, and to the students and staff. Thank you also to Mike Blewitt’s Coffs Coast Isuzu Ute for the Isuzu MU-X, Shane Mackenzie, Nicole Tilley, Snr Const Snow, Ashley Gibb, Wayne Sadlier, Greg Taylor, Sue Ridden, Mark Beard, Road Safety Education Limited (who designed this program and provide materials and assistance), Woolgoolga C.ex, the Community Centre, the Seniors Centre, the Woolgoolga Sports Council, NSW Fair Trading and the Coffs Harbour City Council. Thank you also to Scotty Waite of North Coast Heavy Tow, who provided the smashed car, and to Tegan and Steve Ewart, who lent their marquee.



DONATIONS: as well as organizing and funding RYDA, we have recently donated \$800 to Woolgoolga High for Getting Out There Day, plus \$750 for their wonderful auction help [see article last Whisper]. **Getting Out There Day** is being streamlined & improved this year, & will be held in Woolgoolga, with lunch at local restaurants.

CONCERT OF EXCELLENCE, WOOPHI HIGH: On Tues 26 August, 7:00pm–9:30pm, Woopi High’s annual concert is always great entertainment. Adults \$7, students \$4. Dinner is also available from 6:15pm (\$7-10).

REMINDER: Your annual membership fee is now due. \$220 /year (July to June) - \$110 for the half-year.

CLUB NOTICES	ASAP	Public speaking nominations to club
	8 Sep (tbc)	Public speaking club contest
	29 Sep	Social night tba
	13 Oct	District Governor’s visit
	26 Oct	Helicopter golf ball drop (Safety Beach)
	16-17 Nov (tbc)	Polish RFE team visits us

DISTRICT NOTICES	5-8 Sep	Inbounders YEP Briefing /Camp (Bonville)
	12 Sep	Rystars closing date (Coonabarabran)
	25 Sep	Rymarine closing date (Coffs)
	29 Sep	RYAG Dairy starts, Wingham
	By end Oct	Public speaking Cluster final completed
	26-26 Oct	District Muster at Tamworth
	21 Feb	Public Speaking semifinals Walcha

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend					
Date	25 Aug	1 Sep	8 Sep	15 Sep	22 Sep
	Partners	No meeting	Partners (tbc)	Board	Meeting
Attendance	Thea Eves	AUCTION	Keith Minhinnett	7pm	Norm Michener
Welcome/Fellowship	Rod Mackenzie	AND PLANT	Allan Casey	Location To be	Dave Edwards
Introduce Guest	Pam Fayle	STALL	Peter Lacy	decided	Terry Booth
Vote of Thanks	Echah Wright	6 Sep	Patty Delaney		Trish Baker
Guest Speakers or Event	Diana Davey How YEP (1970s) changed my life		PUBLIC SPEAKING CLUB FINAL (tbc)		tba

Your Rotary Club Needs YOU

Want to be on the BOARD? - (see Patty)

Can you help with AUCTION PICK-UPS or auctioneering? (See Dick)

WISH TO PROPOSE A NEW MEMBER? (See Norm)

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