



Woolgi Whisper

The Rotary Club of Woolgoolga Inc.

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Club President
Norm Michener
District Governor
Ian Jackson
Rotary International
President
John F GERM

Meetings each month
1st Sat: auction shed
8:30-3:30
2nd & 4th Mondays
6-8pm Woolgoolga C.ex
3rd Monday
Board meetings VIC
if 5th Monday,
contact Secretary

TONIGHT (14 NOV) CLUB ASSEMBLY & ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tonight is a rare members-only meeting – a Club Assembly and our AGM. **Please bring your September Rotary Down Under issue along (*items 2,3,4).** Club Assembly items:

1. Plans for 2017–2018, incl. feedback on strategic direction; presidential succession till 2019
2. *Coffee shop meetings / 3. *Capping membership dues / 4. *3-minute “positives”
5. Honorary membership for some WHS student leaders
6. Grant submissions team / 7. Auction pickups

The AGM will be short but important, the key item being electing the Board for the next Rotary year. **Members are urged to consider taking on a directorship on the Board**, to spread the workload more and ease the load on the stalwarts who step up each year to keep the club functioning. In particular, no one should be expected to cover both the **Membership** and **PR** jobs, which are expected to become vacant when Board members shuffle positions, but in recent years we have not had enough directors to separate these tasks. **President-elect & President-nominee** are key for club survival.

2ND STUDENT ACCEPTED FOR HONEYWELL ENGINEERING SCHOOL

Jesse Wills succeeded in being accepted into the **Honeywell Engineering Summer School (HESS)**, joining **Elliotte Hyder**. That makes 14 out of 700 from the whole of NSW in 7 years! Club support is \$500 each, two-thirds of the cost.

HUGELY SUCCESSFUL GOLF BALL DROP (30 OCT)

The 4th **Helicopter Golf Ball Drop** was a great success. It raised over \$5000 thanks to the generosity of our community – an amazing result. All but 12 tickets were sold, a record!

The wind came up a little but the new helicopter coped well. The balls dropped on target and we had fun measuring the 20 closest to the centre, all of which received prizes, listed on page 2. Earlier in the day, about 40 players took to the golf course for the Ambrose, contributing to the total. The BBQ was delicious and enjoyed by all.

Karen Sedgwick and her team did a marvellous job throughout and put in a huge amount of work. Karen is still delivering prizes to lucky winners! Thank you to everyone who helped, especially those who did the hard legwork of sourcing sponsors and prizes, and selling tickets for the golf ball drop and/or hamper raffle. A big thank you to **Trish Baker**, who put together a wonderful hamper to raffle.

AMCAL CURRYFEST RAFFLE SUPPORTING ROTARY

The **AMCAL Curryfest raffle** winners were **Carole McIntyre** from Corindi and **Dorothy Polson** from Woolgoolga. We thank **AMCAL Pharmacy** in Woolgoolga for their generous donation of prizes & continued support of our Rotary club. Thanks also to **Glenda Kennedy**, who delivered the prizes to the winners.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS' GREAT DEBATE

At the annual **Great Debate** hosted by Mullaway Primary School, **David Edwards** represented Rotary & presented the shield & medals. David's report: "I was most impressed to see how maturely the students handled their debating. As an example the final debate was on the topic "that asylum seekers arriving on illegal boats be not accepted" - a difficult enough topic for adults, let alone primary students. They are plainly being well prepared for both their secondary and tertiary futures and are a credit to their parents, their teachers and their schools. A most worthwhile involvement for Rotary. I was impressed." Thanks, David!

Secretary:
Patty Delaney
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APOLOGIES TO:
Echah
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by 9am Monday



STATS AT A GLANCE

Visiting Rotarians:

YEP:

Guests:

Attendance:

Apologies:

Raffle:

Birthdays: Echah Wright 9 Nov, Elizabeth Phipps 13 Nov, Charles Phipps 16 Nov, Glenda Kennedy 18 Nov, Wayne Crivellone 27 Nov

Anniversaries:

WINNERS OF GOLF BALL DROP AND RAFFLE

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|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1. Kay Ross (Sapphire) | 6. Greg Sceggs | 11. Tina Sartor | 16. Derek Avery |
| 2. Bill Roffee | 7. Luke Floyd | 12. Greg Bryant | 17. Amely Fuller |
| 3. Christine Lubens | 8 Jeanette Brinkhuis | 13. Debra Gibbons | 18. Jenny Mezher |
| 4. Joy Richardson | 9. Thea Eves | 14. B. Kennedy | 19. Nick ... |
| 5. Allan Bryant | 10. Lesley Wilkins | 15. Mary Bryant | 20. Liz Robinson |

The GBH hamper was won by a very delighted **Luke Clarke**, who was notified at the start of Saturday's auction.

NOVEMBER AUCTION NEAR-RECORD

The November **auction** followed up on the success of the golf ball drop by adding a near-record \$5191. The fine (hot!) weather, coupled with a huge stock of items for sale, much of it collected during a hectic October of pick-ups, brought in a decent number of buyers, & the result was a good reward for all the work on the day & in the preceding month. A fantastic turnout of auction helpers raised money for **Red Cross programs for local services**. The majority of helpers were Woolgoolga High students, as part of a push to **engage youth in community volunteering**. Special mention to **President Norm**, who was involved in almost all the big pick-ups we had during the month, and who worked non-stop and did all 8 Pick-ups on Saturday morning and started the auctioneering too. **Dick Matthews** as always put in a huge effort, and many others put in the hard yards with pickups and/or on the day.

REPORT – (31 OCT) MELBOURNE CUP EVE AT MICHENERS' / SWEEP RESULTS

Partygoers at the Melbourne Cup Eve function hosted by President Norm and Helen had a great night, and together put together a yummy banquet. Great venue, good pleasant company, and good entertainment. Glenda's equine chargers got a good pre-cup outing.

What a finish to the Cup: a great race between two: 1st: 17 Almandin, 2nd 13 Heartbreak City, 3rd 6 Hartnell.

Congratulations to Sweep Winners: 1st : Amy Fayle & Peter \$24 each, Dennes Fayle \$30.

2nd: Paul Fayle & Glenda \$16 each, Patty \$20. / 3rd: Marie & Dianne \$8 each, Echah \$10.

Like the US election that's about to be counted, not everyone was satisfied with this outcome trumped by the Fayles, and there have been suggestions of a Senate Inquiry, a Royal Commission, or ultimately a High Court challenge on the eligibility of the winners to participate in the draw. Whether no-trumps can win this challenge, this editor doubts!

YEP ANNE SEEKING WORK EXPERIENCE IN SOCIAL WORK

Austrian exchange student **Anne Schörghuber** has an opportunity for work experience (one week, December) and is particularly keen on the area of social work. If anyone can help, please contact her at anne.schoerg@gmail.com Anne has very good English.

CLUB NOTICES	14 Nov	Assembly & Annual General Meeting (members)	DISTRICT NOTICES	26-27 Nov	YEP Briefing 2017 outbounders
	3 Dec	Auction (Woolgoolga Region Community Garden)		11-16 Dec	Honeywell Engineering Summer School (HESS)
	15-21 Jan 2017	Dive course for D9650 YEP students		9 Jan	Sawtell BBQ for Cluster Clubs, Boambee Bay
	4 Feb	Auction (Woolgoolga Athletics Club)		15-21 Jan 17	International Assembly, San Diego
	9 Mar 2017	RYDA (brought forward from August)		18 Feb	Public Speaking semifinals, Walcha
	4 Apr	Science and Engineering Challenge		24-26 Mar	District Conference, Laurieton

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend						
Date	14 Nov (Members) Assembly	21 Nov Board	28 Nov Partners	5 Dec tba	9 Jan Sawtell BBQ	16 Jan
Attendance	Dennes Fayle	4:15pm	David Edwards	Possibly Xmas Party	Jan BBQ at Boambee Bay	tba
Welcome/ Fellowship	n/a	VISITORS INFO	Gareth Owen		For Cluster Clubs	
Introduce Guest Speaker/s	n/a	CENTRE	Karen Sedgwick			
Vote of Thanks	n/a		Mary Bryant			
Guest Speak- ers or Event	ASSEMBLY AND AGM		Mark Hanrahan (RAWCS), Solomon Islands			

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? (Contact Pam)

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