

**Woopi Whisper**

Club President  
Kim Thompson  
District Governor  
David Mayne  
Rotary International  
President  
Shekhar Mehta

Meetings each month  
2nd & 4th Mondays  
6-8pm C.ex Club  
Cinema Room  
3rd Monday  
Board meetings VIC  
if 5th Monday,  
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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

*We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Gumbaynggirr people, the Traditional Custodians of the land and waters where we live, learn and work.*

**FOR YOUR DIARY**

- 18-20 March District 9650 Conference
- 1-3 April RYPEN
- 5 April Science and Engineering Challenge **cancelled** (Covid)

**Monday's Meeting 28 February**



Our guest speaker is **Quinn Watson**, our **National Youth Science Forum** candidate. Quinn is currently studying Year 12 at Woolgoolga High School. Our club sponsored Quinn \$900 towards the full cost of \$1900. The Forum was held early January and proved to be a very positive experience for Quinn.



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**Board & Officers**  
 President: Kim  
 Secretary: Patty  
 0467 072 905  
 Treasurer: Geoff  
 Vice President: Julie  
 President Elect: tba  
 Community Services: **all**  
 Youth: Mary  
 Club Services: Pam F  
 Mem'ship & PR: Pam S  
 Public Officer & TRF & Intnl: David F  
 Bulletin: Norm & Mary

**Feb is Peace and Conflict Prevention Month**

**Rotary International**  
 1.2 m members  
 > 35,000 clubs  
 RI Australia  
 > 30,000 members



Why not consider attending **District**

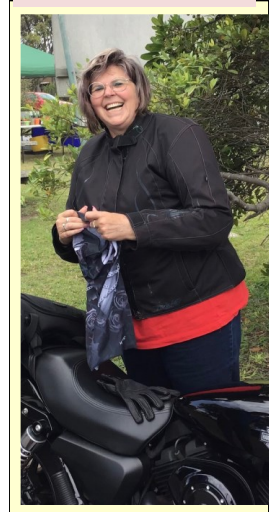
**9650 Conference:** 18-20 March 2022, Port Macquarie. Program and registration at <https://www.rotary9650.org.au/district-conference>

**How do we attract new members?**

Our Board has determined that the number one priority for our club is membership decline and has created a sub committee of three (Patty, Kim and Norm) to recommend strategies to address the issue. Sound familiar? The sub committee met for the first time Tuesday and would welcome input from all club members.

Dick Matthews has produced an excellent document **'THE ROTARY STORY'** which will assist our efforts to gain media exposure. We hope to have media releases, along with paid advertisements, published in the **Woopi News** and **News of the Area**.

**Want to grow our club?** Check out **club building examples** with step by step detail in our Rotary Zone 8 **Membership Voice video library** (more than 50 videos, mostly recordings of zoom presentations, compiled by Kero O'Shea): [www.facebook.com/RotaryMembershipVoice/videos/](http://www.facebook.com/RotaryMembershipVoice/videos/)



**Membership Drive 2022 sub committee Meeting: Tuesday 22 February** Present: Norm, Patty, Kim

Norm circulated '101 Strategies to Build Membership', 'volunteering youth and social media' (<https://www.abc.net.au/news/2022-02-16/volunteering-wa-youth-marketing-makeover/100762290>) and media release 'News of the Area' VIEW club membership drive.

A decision was made to target membership rather than a Satellite Club. **Target:** to recruit **3 new members** by end of 2022.

\*\*\*\*\* Action \*\*\*\*\*

- Kim: will attend Rotary **Cluster meeting** and enquire about other clubs' recruitment of members strategies. In addition, Kim will enquire about CH club plans for '**Beddown**' (safe sleeping for homeless; refer last Whisper).
- Patty: will develop editorial **media release** for News of the Area and Woopi News (plus paid ads??)
- Patty: **facebook update** and link to other groups
- Pam: Norm will ask Pam to update the **recruitment flyer** she developed several years ago
- Norm: will pilot **letterbox drop** of flyer in one of the new housing areas.
- Patty: will contact **Tegan Swan and Lisa Nicholls** re: *Recruitment of Young Leaders* article in Woopi News in December 2021
- Norm: will follow up SCU and TAFE Coffs Harbour re: **marketing** of our recruitment drive program for students
- Each Rotarian will be asked to choose a strategy re: '**101 Strategies**' to implement locally.
- Many thanks to Dick for **The Rotary Story**: ask David to get it on our website.



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Please bring along a **\$5 donation** from next Monday (as in previous years).

And one or two **\$1 coins** in case we have a Sergeant's fine session. Start thinking about a possible fine nomination.

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Thanks Pam for the **Valentine's quiz** last week. It's surprising just how much we don't know! (or is it?)

<b>CLUB NOTICES</b>	2022	Changeover 20 June	<b>DISTRICT NOTICES</b>	2022
	29 April - 7 May: RYLA			18-20 March: <b>District Conference</b> Part Macquarie
	RYDA indefinitely postponed due to Covid			1-3 April RYPEN: applications close 25 February
	8 Sept: Getting Out There Day			30 April-7 May: RYLA. Applications close April 1 15 May: Club Officers Learning & Development

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend				
Date	28 February	14 March	21 March	28 March
<b>Reminders</b>	Cex Wga Order meal by 6	Cex Wga Order meal by 6	Agenda items to Patty	Cex Wga Order meal by 6
<b>Welcome/Fellowship</b>	Dick	Pam S	4.30	Mary
<b>Introduce Guest Speaker/s</b>	Norm	Kim	Visitor Info Centre	na
<b>Vote of Thanks</b>	Geoff	Peter	na	na
<b>Guest Speakers or Event</b>	Quinn Watson NYSF	WHS Captains tbc	na	Child Protection Training (mandatory)

**Your Rotary Club Needs YOU**

Want to be on the **BOARD?**  
Need a Task?  
(see Kim T)

**WISH TO PROPOSE A NEW MEMBER?**  
or

**HAVE AN IDEA FOR A FUN EVENT?**

**Just speak to any Board Member**