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The Rotary Club of Woolgoolga Inc.

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Meetings each month
2nd & 4th Mondays
 6-8pm C.ex Club
 Cinema Room

3rd Monday
 Board meetings VIC
 if 5th Monday,
 contact Secretary

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

NEXT MEETING MONDAY 11 JULY

Member Geoff Royal will inform us of the challenges of **gemstone fossicking** in rugged country up behind the Gold Coast many moons ago. He has promised to bring along a couple of specimens. In addition, each member is asked to deliver a two-minuter describing **‘the most interesting person you have worked with.’** We will also discuss options regarding the feasibility of conducting one of our club meetings each month as a **breakfast meeting**. Patty will update us re **blankets** and **DV Safe Phones**.

LAST MEETING: CLUB CHANGEOVER

Our last meeting (20 June) was our Changeover. Feedback from those in attendance was very positive despite concerns over the future of our club. It was good to welcome PDG Maurie Stack and his wife De as representing our District Governor David Mayne. Maurie is a member of the Taree on Manning club.

Our guest list also included Woolgoolga Lions Club president Ray Webb, Peter Paff and Mike



Fayle (Rotary Club of Sawtell), Karen Sedgwick (Boomerang Bags), Helen Michener (Woolgoolga Red Cross), Bron Mackenzie, Marie Matthews and Brett Marshall.

President Kim, leaning heavily on David Fayle’s comprehensive Annual Report, gave an overview of the past year. She then presented our Board for 2022-23 consisting of our past Board (minus Pam Stone) plus the addition of Dick Matthews and Rob Mackenzie. PDG Maurie Stack presented Dick Matthews with a very

special **Service Above Self District Medal**: the last to be presented in District 9650. **(We are now part of District 9660.)**

Many of you will be aware of the great service and fellowship **Selwyn Rogers** provided our Rotary club over many years. We have received news that Sel has recently had a heart valve repaired in Sydney. He is returning soon to Woolgoolga and we wish him a speedy recovery.

Vale David Guinness: David was a charter member of our club and, for a time, ran the Woolgoolga newsagency. He passed away on July 4. We offer our condolences to his family and friends.

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: tba
 Public Officer & TRF &
 Intnl: David F
 Bulletin: Norm & Mary
 New: Dick and Rod

July is Transmission Month

Rotary International

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> 35,000 clubs

RI Australia

> 30,000 members



THANKS from DV Safe Phones

Ashton Wood from DV Safe phones, who spoke at our meeting via Zoom on 23 May, has thanked our club for the 27 donated unused phones Patty has collected and sent. The phones are gifted to **victims of domestic violence (DV)** through registered charities, safe houses and authorities serving this vulnerable community. **Do you have an unused phone that might be repurposed? If so, please drop it (them) into the Woolgoolga Post Office.** Former Rotarian Trish Baker has kindly offered to place them into our Rotary post box for collection. A big thank you for phones donated so far!

SAWTELL CHANGEOVER



Six members of our club, Geoff, Dick, Patty, Norm, the Fayles, plus Helen Michener, attended the Rotary Club of Sawtell Changeover on 27 June at the Sawtell RSL. It was a very enjoyable evening. Attendees included District Governor David Mayne. In his response to the toast to Rotary International David pointed out that Rotary International is **the only service club that has a permanent advisory role to the United Nations.**

At the conclusion of the Changeover outgoing president **Peter Paff** handed over the role to incoming president **Denis Gleeson**.

Notes from David Fayle: Worth noting that Jennifer E. Jones, of the Rotary Club of Windsor-Roseland, Ontario, Canada, is the **first female President** of Rotary International. <https://my.rotary.org/en/news-media/office-president/ri-president-elect>

Also that John Hewko has served as Rotary International's general secretary and chief executive officer since 2011 is a charter member of the **Rotary Club of Kyiv, Ukraine.**



Note: **District 9660** - Members Page | **Facebook page** has been created:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/994961830997038>

CLUB NOTICES	2022	DISTRICT NOTICES	2022
	2 Sept Sawtell Rotary Trivia Night, Sawtell RSL, 6.45pm (book 0419357864)		1 July D9650 & D9670 together become D9660D!
	8 Sept Getting Out There Day		26-27 Nov D9660 AGM & Showcase, Tamworth West LC
	22 October Talent Quest (tbc)		NYSF 10-24 January for 2023 www.nysf.edu.au (early bird closes 14 July)
			RYLA 2023: 29 April - 6 May (for 19-27 year olds)

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend				
Date	11 July Meeting	18 July Board	25 July Meeting	8 August Meeting
Reminders	Cex Wga Order meal by 6	Agenda items to Patty	Cex Wga Order meal by 6	Cex Wga Order meal by 6
Welcome/Fellowship	Julie	4.30	Geoff	Patty
Introduce Guest Speaker/s	Dick	Visitor Info Centre	Kim	David E
Vote of Thanks	Norm	na	Mary	David F
Guest Speakers or Event	Geoff Royal Gemstones	na	Mandy Dawkins LifeHouse Care	tbc

OUR LATEST PROJECTS

- ♦ Water Purifier Mullaway School
- ♦ Sewing Group
- ♦ DV Safe Phone
- ♦ Sleeping bags, tarps, blankets & tents