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The Rotary Club of Woolgoolga Inc.

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Club President
Rod Mackenzie
District Governor
Neville Parsons
Rotary International
President
R Gordon R Mcnally

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

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 14 August 2023 Michelle and Kyle will give feedback on their visit to the Dolphin Marine Conservation Park.

LAST MEETING :

The Club was delighted to induct three new members at the last meeting. Alison Ratliff who has a successful engineering career and has worked in Australia and internationally and is currently joint Chair of the Science and Engineering Challenge. Jennifer [Jenny] Witcombe who has a long and successful career in private sector finance, management and the building industry. Bronwyn Mackenzie who has a long and successful career in education and consultancy and has been a strong supporter



of Rotary since 1988, including serving on the District Youth Exchange Committee for three years. Alison will have the classification of Engineering, Jenny's classification is Finance and Bronwyn's classification is Consultancy. Dick read out the 4 Way Test prior to the induction and Pam read the Objects of Rotary. All three new members were warmly welcomed into the Club by President Rod who expressed his best wishes and hoped that our newest members would find the friendship of Rotarians and the privilege to make a difference in our community richly rewarding. He added that in return we will have their participation in our Club, their knowledge and expertise and fellowship which will be an added source of strength to our Club.

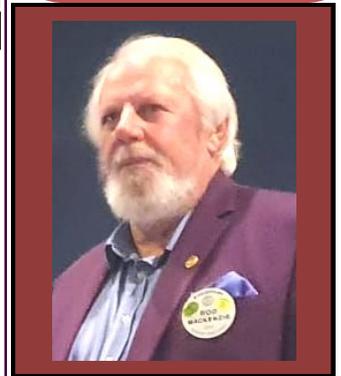
Bob Breen and Christopher Chayko were also to be inducted but sent their apologies as they could not be there. Bob is in Sydney with his wife Rhonda who has had an eye operation and Christopher had a previous engagement at a Legacy fundraising event. We wish Rhonda a speedy recovery and hope Christopher had a profitable night. They will be inducted into the Club on the 28 August meeting date.

There were discussions and suggestions about the expenditure of the Boomerang Bags donation of \$1600. Suggestions included funding towards a Thai school, RAWCS, visiting people in retirement homes, backpack beds and support for the homeless. The general consensus was that a project to assist local homelessness should be investigated.

It has just been advised that District grant applications for up to \$5000 with a further 20 percent Club contribution are open. We need suggestions for a suitable project for a grant application and for other projects so put on your thinking caps .

Board & Officers

President: Rod
Secretary: David F
Treasurer: Geoff
Vice President: Kim
President Elect: tba
Community Services: all
Youth: Mary
Club admin & Public image: Pam F
Membership: all
Public Officer & TRF David F
Bulletin: Mary
Pride in Work: Dick
Board: all other members
will be offered positions



Theme 2023-2024



Rotary International's 23/24 President
Gordon R. Mcnally (from Scotland)

Our new member Kyle McIntosh received an Expression of Interest to compete at the 2023 Virtus World Cross and European Country championships to be held in Ciechanow, Poland from 26 -30th of October. At present Sports Inclusion Australia is calling for expressions of interest from potential athletes interested in competing before confirming participation. He is hoping that the same members of the team that travelled to San Diego last year for the World Cross Country championships will put in an expression of interest.



Kyle competing in San Diego (originally used on the Virtus website to announce the competition)



Last Monday afternoon Michelle and Kyle went to the Dolphin Marine conservation Park, together with other members of Community organisations and local businesses. They were invited to meet the much-loved animals and their keepers and hear their conservation, rehabilitation and rescue stories. The visitors were taken through the experiences and found out how they care for the sea life and eventually get them back into their habitat. They watched the Seal and Dolphin show and then went into the tent for a presentation. (photo above).

The Company has sold the name Dolphin Marine Park and has become a not-for-profit organisation.

Some advert reminders for supporting other Rotary Club activities. It would be good if some of our members are able to participate in these fun events.



REMINDER: DV PHONES for DOMESTIC VIOLENCE VICTIMS Our collected donations of old phones is progressing well. The phones can be dropped off in the box at the Lottery office at 66 Beach St, Woolgoolga

District Notices

2023

- 1 September** Sawtell Rotary Trivia Night
- 5 September** Presidents meeting Cex Coffs.
- 15 October** Walk for Mental Health Dorrigo
- 18th October** MHERV Van Woolgoolga

Rotary International's incoming President Gordon R. McNally (from Scotland) called for members to capture the world's attention and lead the way toward possibilities far beyond our current expectations. He urged members to promote peace in troubled nations, help those affected by conflict, and maintain the momentum of initiatives begun by past leaders. "The goal is to restore hope — to help the world heal from destructive conflicts and, in turn, to help us achieve lasting change for ourselves,"

MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend

Date	14th August Club Meeting	28 August Board/Club Meeting	11 September Club Meeting	25 September Board/Club Meeting
Reminders	Cex Wga Order meal by 6	4.30 Board then Order meal by 6	Cex Wga Order meal by 6	4.30 Board then Order meal by 6
Welcome/Fellowship	Kim	Peter	Alison	Kyle
Introduce Guest Speaker/s	Dick	Rod	David F	na
Vote of Thanks	Geoff	Rod	David E	na
Guest Speakers or Event	Michelle and Kyle Dolphin Marine	Induction of 2 new members	tba	na

OUR LATEST PROJECTS

- ◆ Water Purifier Mullaway PS
- ◆ Sewing Group
- ◆ DV Safe Phone
- ◆ Sleeping bags, tarps, blankets
- ◆ Men's Health Van (MHERV)
- ◆ Tutu desks
- ◆ Compost bins
- ◆ Power to the Kids