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# Woolpi Whisper

Club President  
Rod Mackenzie  
District Governor  
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Rotary International  
President  
Francesco Arezzo

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

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The Rotary Club of Woolgoolga

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## LAST MEETING : Monday 25 May

At the Board meeting topics discussed:

- ◆ The display day at the **Neighbourhood Centre's 30th Anniversary**. We had a table there and handed out flyers and spoke to people about Rotary.
- ◆ ATO **Not for Profit Registration** was forwarded to District as all Clubs will be in the same situation.
- ◆ Coffs Harbour Rotary Barbeque at **Outriggers National Championship**. Thanks Peter for organising our participation and to those who turned up to help. Peter said the day went well and they fed many of the Competitors on the Friday. The Organisers were soon to send their donations for the club for their help.
- ◆ **Pop Up Shop**. Bronwyn told us they had a lovely sunny day at the last Pop-up shop so hopefully the weather will be just as nice for this Saturday's Market.
- ◆ **YEP**. We will get our French female student in January 2027. Hosting is in place.
- **Seniors Centre**. Parkinsons Support Group going along well with guest speakers and venue working.

## President's Report

We had a Zoom call with District YEP Committee on Thursday evening. This call covered the actions and processes for our Incoming French exchange student who will arrive to us in January 2027.

Woolgoolga Lions Club is having their 49th Changeover dinner at the Woolgoolga Bowling Club on 18th June at 6.00pm. If you are interested in attending let Rod know and he will forward on the invitation. Rod plans to attend.

The Woolgoolga Seniors Centre has started it's Digital Training for Seniors Program. Around 30 people attended the Centre for the first face to face training session last Tuesday. These sessions will run throughout June each Tuesday from 1.00pm until 3.00pm. The training is free to anyone over 50. If you are interested you can register and pick up a Starter Kit at the Seniors Centre any weekday morning between 9.00am and noon.

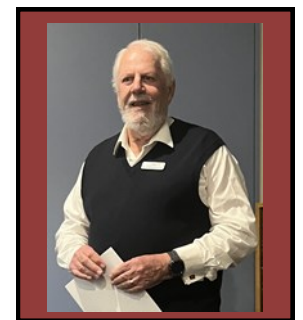
The first meeting of the Pride of Workmanship Awards committee has taken place. Peter M, Andrew, Bronwyn, Kyle, Michelle and Rod attended and a schedule is being put together to hold the awards in October. More information to follow.

## NEXT MEETING : Monday 15 June

Planning for Changeover. The 2026-27 Rotary International presidential message is "**Create Lasting Impact**". Unveiled by President-elect Olayinka H. Babalola, the message challenges members to embrace personal transformation, foster welcoming communities, and turn strong connections into sustainable action.

## Board & Officers

President: Rod  
Secretary: Alison  
Ass Secretary: David F  
Treasurer: Geoff  
Vice President: Kim  
President Elect: tba  
Community Services: **all**  
Youth Services: Mary and Michelle  
Club admin & Public image: Pam F  
Membership: Christopher  
Projects: David E  
Public Officer & TRF David F  
Bulletin: Mary  
Pride in Work tba  
YEP Counsellor: Bronwyn



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





**Pop-up SHOP at Marine Markets on Saturday 13 June**

Hopefully the weather will stay as forecast with a nice sunny winter morning to help stall volunteers and visitors enjoy the Markets and help with buying into our 100 Board



**Rotary's commitment to ending domestic and family violence** continues to gain momentum across Australia and beyond.



What began as a grassroots initiative has evolved into a zone-wide coordinated campaign, underpinned by Rotary's enduring values of service, leadership, and community partnership.

**National recognition and government engagement**

This year's campaign was launched during the internationally recognised 16 Days of Activism (25 November – 10 December), with a landmark event at Parliament House in Canberra, ACT. Hosted by the Federal Assistant Minister for Domestic and Family Violence, the launch provided an opportunity for Rotary leaders and campaign partners – including NSW Police and the Queensland Domestic and Family Violence Council – to present the campaign's progress and future direction. This engagement reaffirmed Rotary's standing as a trusted, community-led organisation capable of mobilising action at scale.

**RAM (Rotary Against Malaria)**



The first line of defence in the fight against malaria is ITNs – insecticide treated bed nets. Normally there are major roadblocks that typically include availability, financial issues, logistical nightmares and more. However, recently, Nigeria was able to create the perfect storm of supply chain delivery, thus delivering 34.7 million mosquito nets efficiently and quickly.

**Testing & Treatment:**

Massive outreach for malaria diagnostics and immediate care; Vaccination & Prevention: Malaria vaccinations for children under 5; and the distribution of insecticide-treated mosquito nets.



Certificate of Appreciation from Woolgoolga Neighbourhood Centre

**DATES FOR ROTARY Diary**

- 13 June Pop-up at Marine Rescue Markets
- 29th June Changeover C.ex Woolgoolga



International President **Francesco Arezzo**, is a member of the Rotary Club of Ragusa in Sicily, Arezzo has been part of Rotary for more than three decades. He has served as vice chair of the Joint Strategic Planning Committee, RI director, and chair of the 2023 International Convention Committee for Melbourne, among other leadership roles.

**MEETING DUTY ROSTER Please swap nights if you cannot attend**

Date	15 June Meeting	29th June Changeover	13 July Meeting	27 July Board+Meeting
Reminders	Order Meal by 6pm	Order Meal by 6pm	Order Meal by 6pm	Order Meal by 6pm
Welcome/Fellowship	Jenny S	Rod	Kyle	Peter L
Introduce Guest Speaker/s	Geoff	na	Peter Mc	David F
Vote of Thanks	Bronwyn	na	David E	Alison
Guest Speakers or Event	tba	na	tba	tba

**PROJECTS**

- ◆ DV Safe Phone
- ◆ World War 1 Restoration and Relocation Project (joint with RSL sub-branch)
- ◆ Pop-up shop selling high quality clothing
- ◆ Pride in Workmanship awards
- ◆ Youth Exchange Program
- ◆ Parkinson Support Group
- ◆ Woolgoolga Seniors' Centre