

Coffs City Rotary



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Club President – Terry Maguire District Governor – Ian Jackson RI President – John F Germ

Meeting Place – Cex Coffs Harbour

Monday Lunchtime

12.30 - 1.45 pm

Apologies – FWO – 6650 7000 by 10.30 am Monday

COFFS CITY CHATROOM

August 1, 2016

_TODAY: It was Bank Holiday and President Terry was in casual gear and looked very relaxed after his first month in the chair. Much conversation was being had when he sounded the gong.

Proceedings commenced with **Peter Wardman** reading Thanksgiving and **Peter Lindsay** proposing a Toast to the Queen and Australia.

Initially we did not have any guests, that is until Bernard Spry arrived with our new Exchange Student, Nick Hagmayr.

Bernard Spry advised that he had been very busy getting Nick organised for his stay in Coffs Harbour and enrolled at Bishop Druitt College. He had not had time to prepare a Toast to an International Rotary Club today.

Bernard did advise that Nick had settled in very well after his 22 hour journey from his hometown of Linz, in Austria. He flew to London then stopped off in Dubai and then on to Sydney and Coffs. Bernard took him around to each table and introduced him to the members present. Nick commences school tomorrow, 2nd August.

It was very pleasing to see nineteen members present which is an improvement on past meetings.

Don't forget that next Monday's meeting will be at the Bunker Cartoon Gallery. Partners are welcome. The current exhibition is the 28th Rotary Cartoon Award entries so there are some very good cartoons to entertain. The lunch is being organised by the volunteers of the Gallery and catered for by the Spare Chef.

REPORTS:

Ian McAllister advised that he along with Graham Lockett and Mike Blewitt are organising our 30th Anniversary Dinner. This event is to be held at the Bunker Cartoon Gallery on Friday, 26 August. More about this next week

Brian Leiper reminded members that the **Stomping Ivories will be performing at the Bunker Cartoon Gallery on Friday and Saturday, 19 and 20th August.** The show commences at 7.30 pm and concludes at 10.00 pm. The tickets are \$39.00 per head. As was acknowledged by those members present, who attended last year, this is a very entertaining evening and well worth making an effort to get along. Even if you were there last year you will enjoy it again. Tickets are selling fast and the event will be booked out before the 19th so if you are intending to come along get your tickets now online at:

StickeyTickets.com.au/38075

See the brochure at the end of this bulletin.

Treasurer John Walker is still waiting on a few members to pay their annual subs. Please attend to this as a matter of urgency.

John also had an email from Ava's parents. As you know Ava goes to a special needs school and her parents are happy that they had received a good report from the school on Ava's progress. They also reported that her new medication is working well.

Brian Leiper is still chasing up members who can help with the **Coffs Coast Cycle Challenge, especially on Sunday, 14 August.** If you have not advised Brian if you can

help on the day do so at our next meeting or send him an email. We need as many members on site on the Sunday as possible.

Mike Blewitt advised that the first meeting of the **B.I.G. Charity Golf Day** committee is being held this evening. More on this at future meetings. Please make sure you have this date in your diary, November 6, and that you encourage your golfing friends to come along to this great event at Bonville International Golf Course.

Bob Carle advised that the soon to be retired **Geoff Pollack** is to be the Youth Director this year. Thanks Geoff for taking up this role.

Bob also advised that he represented the club at the **Jim Bloomfield Award** presentation held at SCU on the 26 July. The winner of the Award was from the Nursing Faculty and was very thankful for our club's support. Bob said that the Jim Bloomfield Honor board was on prominent display at the presentation.

Bob also mentioned that in view of the Anniversary Celebration evening being held on 26 August the Fellowship Night will be postponed until next month.

George Cecato informed members that the Sunny Awards are to be held on Saturday night. This is a great night that supports the businesses of the Coffs area. George recommended to members that they come along and have a great night.

George also mentioned that the Chamber is lobbying strongly for the Coffs Harbour bypass to be commenced in the short term.

On the 10th August **DayBreak Rotary** have as their guest speaker **Coffs Harbour City Council's General Manager, Steve McGrath**. Their meeting is held at the Coffs Harbour Golf Club and commences at 7.00 am for 7.15 am. The cost is \$20.00 for a buffet breakfast and you need to advise your attendance for catering purposes.
RSVP: ann@2architects.com.au

NEXT MEETING: To be held at the Bunker Cartoon Gallery on 8th August.

SERGEANTS SESSION. **McA** was assisted today by **Ross Paul**. Just about everyone was mentioned and fined.

The raffle was held and won by **Peter Wardman**. However **Jay Clowes** had a draw first, left over from last week. Peter and Jay were not lucky enough to Pick the Joker and the card remains in the pack.

The Pot now stands at \$180.00.

It could be your lucky day, if you turn up.

Don't forget the Nambucca Heads River Wine, Beer and Food Festival to be held on 27 August

Tickets are now available for a movie night being organised by Sawtell Rotary. The movie is 'The Beatles – 8 Days a Week'. Get in touch with Alan Freedman on 0419 357864.

CLUB NOTICES

8 August – Club meeting at the Bunker
13 –14 August – Coffs Coast Cycle Challenge
23 August – 30 Year Anniversary of our Club's Charter
26 August – 30 Year Anniversary Dinner at the Bunker
6 November – B.I.G. Charity Golf Day

DISTRICT NOTICES

26 – 28 August – 2016 YEP Inbounders Orientation
10 – 14 June 2017 – RI Convention Atlanta, USA
24 –26 March 2017 – District Conference Laurieton
4 September – Coffs Harbour's Running Festival

BIRTHDAYS

7 August – Peter Wardman
10 August – Kath Lindsay
24 August – Tom Murray-Prior
29 August – John Walker
29 August – Anna Cecato

ANNIVERSARIES

No anniversaries for August as far as I am aware

PHOTO GALLERY

FAREWELL TO ROMANE – FRENCH EXCHANGE STUDENT



