

Coffs City Rotary



ABN 92 963 118 216 District 9650

Secretary – Geoff Pollack - 0411269685 - PO Box 570, Coffs Harbour 2450 NSW

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

November 21, 2016

_TODAY: Another good roll up today with sixteen members attending. This is an attendance ratio of 64%. Not too bad.

President Terry allowed some fellowship prior to sounding the gong at around 12.38 pm.

Thanksgiving was presented by **Bruce Robertson** and the Toast to the Queen and Australia proposed by **Bob Carle**.

No formal guest speaker today and the meeting was devoted to some reports, planning for the Christmas party and fellowship.

President Terry introduced our guest, Stan Paull, hopefully for the last time before Stan is inducted.

Bernard Spry was late and left his paperwork in the car. No doubt we will get an International Toast next week.

REPORTS:

Apologies from the scribe. Last week I advised that **Peter Wardman** informed members of the passing of **James Bloomfield**. In fact it was **Mike Blewitt**. Apologies Mike.

President Terry read out a paper provided by **Bernard Dowling** following his speaking to Gloria Mayne, the mother of James. The paper gave details of the career James followed as an employee of DEFAT. James had a very distinguished career as a senior public servant. Bernard has recommended to the board that the club make a donation to the Epworth Medical Foundation towards the naming of a room in his memory, as requested by the family. The board will consider the recommendation.

Secretary Geoff advised that due to a delay with the audit of the club's books the **AGM will now be held on the 19th December**.

Peter Wardman advised that the **World Rally Championships** held at the weekend was a great success, bigger and better than last year. Estimates are that the event contributed some \$20M to the Coffs community. This is in addition to the great television coverage the area received from the Rally. More than 80M people worldwide would have watched all or part of the coverage.

Ian McAllister reminded members about the **Club's Christmas party booked for the 12 December**. This will also include a celebration for our club's 30th anniversary which occurred earlier this year. If you can help with contact details of past members please refer to the email sent by **Scott Stacey** or advise **President Terry**.

Ian also advised members that **next week's guest speaker is Dr Alan Tankel**. Alan is the director of emergency medicine at the Coffs Harbour Hospital. However he is also very involved in assisting the people of third world countries arranging to send doctors to these regions to perform medical procedures. He is also keen to have doctors from these countries travel to Coffs hospital for training. This will be a very interesting presentation and YOU are urged to come along. It would be great to see 20 or so members in attendance. **Don't leave it to someone else.**

Bob Carle again reminded members regarding the **Fellowship Evening** to be held at the Coffs Harbour Golf Club on 25 November. Make plans now to get along. This means advising your partner that she has a date on that evening.

Bruce Robertson spoke about 'Movember'. This movement was commenced in 2003 in Melbourne by two fellows, Travis Garone and Luke Slattery. It is now a worldwide

funding project raising funds for prostate cancer, testicular cancer, mental health and suicide prevention. Statistics reveal that 80% of suicides are men, 8 deaths per day. To date some \$5B has been donated and \$77M last year.

You are encouraged to donate at:

<https://au.movember.com/donate>

In the search box type:

Rotary Club of Coffs Harbour City

Chose:

Donate Team

Do it now while you remember.

Bruce and Sally Robertson have very generously commenced the club's donations by contributing \$1,000.00 to the cause. Well done Bruce and Sally. Let's see if the rest of us can make up another \$1,000

See below for some very interesting statistics regarding cancer survival rates over the last 20 years.

Scott Stacey advised that our **Exchange Student, Nick** got to the Rally. **Thanks to President Terry and Geoff Knight** in helping with this.

Scott also advised that his trip at the weekend to Wauchope has been organised.

Graham Lockett advised members that the 'committee' is about to appoint Lauren Fraser as the **Coffs Coast Cycle Challenge** Event Manager for the 2017 Challenge. This should be finalised by next week.

A reminder, again, regarding our meetings over the December / January period. Our last meeting for 2016 be held on the 19th December and our first meeting for 2017 on the 6 February.

Brian Leiper will be selling **2017 Bunker Cartoon Gallery calendars** next week. They are \$20.00 each, if you are a 'Friend' of the Bunker they are only \$15.00. If you are not a 'Friend' you can pay \$25.00, receive a calendar and become a 'Friend' and help the Bunker.

NEXT MEETING: To be held at the usual venue on 28 November.

SERGEANTS SESSION. **Ian McAllister** and **Ross Paul** took to the floor and clobbered most of us. The sergeants must be nearing their budget total. Well done Ian and Rosco.

The raffle was held and won by **Graham Lockett**. No skill at picking the Joker by Graham however he obviously did show some skill as he made the card he picked disappear to the concern of someone who thought he had placed the card back in the pack.

The Pot is now \$35.00 - I think.

CLUB NOTICES

19 December – Club A.G.M.

12 December – Club Christmas Party, C.ex

District Notices

18 February – Public Speaking semi finals - Walcha

26 February to 27 March 2017 – GSE Team from Germany.

4 – 5 March – PETS - Armidale

16 – 19 March – Rymarine – Rotary Club of Coffs Harbour Daybreak

24 – 26 March 2017 – District Conference, Laurieton

1 – 8 April – RYLA – Yarrahapinni

7 May – District Assembly - Kempsey

10 – 14 June 2017 – RI Convention, Atlanta, USA



BIRTHDAYS

24 November – Madeleine Wardman

26 November – Sue Morgan (Paul)

16 December – Sandra McAllister

23 December – Dom Hawke

29 December – Scott Stacey



ANNIVERSARIES

28 November – Peter & Kath Lindsay

29 November – Jay & Leigh-Erin Clowes

18 December – Dom and Cherie Hawke

