



ABN 92 963 118 216 District 9650

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

Club President – Ross Paul District Governor – Lorraine Coffey

RI President – Barry Rassin

Meeting Place – C.ex, Vernon Street, Coffs Harbour

Monday Lunchtime

12.30 - 1.45 pm

Apologies – FWO – 6650 7000 by 10.30 am Monday

COFFS CITY CHATROOM

October 29, 2018

President Ross called the meeting to order at 12.30 pm.

No special guests today however Jay had agreed to tell us about his recent visit to the US.

Thanksgiving was read by **John Walker** and the toast to Rotary and Australia and the Queen was presented by **Mark Adoms**.

REPORTS:

Secretary Geoff advised members that we had received a letter from Bianca, our recent Exchange Student. Basically she has experienced some difficulty in settling down at home and speaking Spanish again. She advised that her mother and sister had learnt a little English having had an exchange student staying with them while Bianca was away. She has again applied for another exchange and while she would love to return to Australia it was not allowed under the rules of the Exchange so she has nominated for Germany.

Don't forget the movie night being organised by Coffs Rotary.

Rob Anderson from Coffs Rotary has written seeking our support for our **Polio movie event**. To be held at the Bray Street Cinemas on 7th of November, they have a mission to sell 150 tickets to maximize the contribution they wish to make to the program

To avoid disappointment, please book in via our club website <https://rotarycoffsharbour.org.au/event/34474/end-polio-now-movie-night>

They also take payments via our secure online portal. Nominate the number of tickets and go from there.

They are trying to take all bookings on line.

President Ross reminded us that Bob Carle will be doing his thing again this year and he encouraged each of us to support this very important fundraising for men's health. Rosco seemed to suggest that he would shave off his moustache in support and suggested that yours truly lend support and shave off his beard. The suggestion was declined on the basis that the beard was still in a development stage even after almost 50 years. Also my children would not know me let alone Judi. I am happy to pay up instead.

Please don't forget the next exhibition at the Bunker. '**Behind The Lines**' is to run from 26th October to 2nd December.

The opening night for this exhibition is to be held on 2nd November.

Behind the Lines is an annual exhibition which has toured extensively throughout Australia and is usually at the Museum of Australian Democracy at Old Parliament House. It celebrates the role of political cartoonists in Australia and highlights the power that their drawings have in contributing to our daily political and social discourse.

Cathy Wilcox will be the guest of the Bunker on the 2nd and will be interviewed by Bunker manager, Margaret Cameron. Cathy Wilcox is a cartoonist for the Sydney Morning Herald and the Sun-Herald. She has published two collections of her cartoons and has illustrated numerous children's books.

Don't forget these dates. (**John Donaldson take special note**)

Our last meeting for the year will be on 17th December re commencing on 21st January.

President Ross reminded us that this years Christmas party is to be held on the evening of 10th December at the C.ex.

Graham Lockett thanked all members and their partners who assisted on Saturday and Sunday at the **C.ex McDonald's Cycle Challenge**. While the weather was not great most of those who participated seemed to enjoy the rides. Special thanks to those on the road who had to deal with the few disgruntled people who were put out a little by road closures and detours. As Graham said it was great camaraderie amongst our members particularly on the Sunday afternoon packing up the gear and enjoying a beer at the Pier after the job was completed. Also thanks to those who helped Bob and Paul in drying out the tents and other stuff on Tuesday before delivering it back to the owners.

Graham advised that there will be a debrief in a couple of weeks to discuss the event and make some decisions for next year.

Rosco then introduced **Jay** to tell us about his family holiday in the US and show us some of the photos he took during his visit. Jay's talk was very informative and interesting and held most of us in our seats to close to 2.00 pm. Thanks Jay, well done.

Sergeants Session was not held due to lack of a sergeant and time constraints.

Pick the Joker was drawn and **John Walker** won the opportunity and while he dropped the pack of cards on the table before he made his pick the ruse did not work. The pot stands at \$35 next week, I think.

Up coming events to take note of:

- ⑩ **10 December – Club Christmas party at the C.ex. More details to come.**
- ⑩ 16/17 February 2019 – President Elect training – Tamworth
- ⑩ 8/10 March 2019 – District Conference – Armidale
- ⑩ 19 May 2019 - District Assembly – Port Macquarie

BIRTHDAYS

4 November – Brian Leiper

ANNIVERSARIES

26 October – Graham & Carol Lockett

10 November – Sheryl Carle

14 November – Paul McKeon

16 November – Helen Blewitt

3 November – Brian & Judi Leiper

28 November – Peter & Kath Lindsay

29 November – Jay & Leigh-Erin Clowes