

Coffs City Rotary



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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

December 5, 2016

TODAY: A change of venue, to the Auditorium this week. All 17 of us who attended found the 'new place' and President Terry sounded the gong at 12.41. The delay was caused by the 'experts' trying to get the computer audio working. First Terry, with Geoff Pollack looking, and then Scott. Scott managed to push some buttons, with his fingers crossed, and bingo, it worked. So the meeting commenced.

Thanksgiving was presented by **Stan Paull** and the Toast to the Queen and Australia proposed by **Geoff Pollack**.

President Terry introduced our guest Ann–Marie Arthur.

No International toast today as Bernard Spry was an apology.

REPORTS:

Don't forget that our AGM will be held on **19th December**.

Ian McAllister reminded members about the **Club's Christmas party to be held next Monday evening, 7.00 for a 7.30 start**. The cost is \$50.00 per head This will also include a celebration for our club's 30th anniversary which occurred earlier this year. Invitations will go out to past members this week.

Ian also reported that following the demise of the **Inner Wheel club** the board of Inner Wheel have offered, and McA has accepted, that we use their cupboard for storage of our stuff. Not sure what would go in this cupboard however McA did have one suggestion.

Bob Carle advised that the club member's contributions to date for **'Movember'** **totalled in excess for \$1,780**. Even though Movember officially ends on 30 November you can still donate as follows:

<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.

Bob also asked that if you can please consider involving our **Exchange Student, Nick**, in any functions you are having over the holiday period. He is on school holidays from next week, I think.

Brian Leiper advised members that the current exhibition at the **Bunker Cartoon Gallery is the 'Ginger Meggs Exhibition'**. He thanked **Stan Paull** and his wife for coming along to the opening last Friday. Also in attendance was **Graham Lockett and Terry Maguire**. If you get a chance get along to have a look. Many funny comic strips as well as historical items relating the Ginger Meggs are on display.

He also mentioned that he still had calendars for sale. These would make great Christmas presents. Buy one before they all go.

Peter Lindsay advised that following the presentation by Dr Alan Tankel at our last meeting his **International Committee** as well as **President Terry and Treasurer John Walker** met last Friday to discuss how the club could get involved in Dr Alan's project.

At the meeting it was agreed to support the doctors request and cover the cost of two airfares from Tonga to Coffs for further medical training as set out by Dr Alan. It was suggested that we re allocate funds from the International Committees SavuSavu project. Peter Lindsay is to discuss this further with Dr Alan.

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.

President Terry then called on **Ian McAllister** introduce **Ann-Marie Arthur** to the members again. Ann-Marie addressed our meeting some months ago about her family and the support, particularly her daughters, had received from Rotary in recent years.

Ann-Marie introduced her daughter, Brittany, from Germany, via the wonders of the computer.

Brittany had made a 30 minute video address to us regarding her experiences with Rotary and her travels around the world. Unfortunately the audio was not the greatest and parts of the presentation were difficult to follow. In addition, due to time restraints, President Terry has to fast forward the presentation..

President Terry thanked to Ann-Marie for the presentation.

***NEXT MEETING: No meeting at lunch time on Monday, 12 December.
See you at the Christmas Party on Monday evening..***

SERGEANTS SESSION. **Ian McAllister** with the assistance of **Ross Paul** conducted a brief fine sessions. Ian advised that he will be in full flight at the Christmas Party so bring along a bag of change. Apparently he is still well behind his budget and intends to cover the short fall on Monday evening.

The raffle was held and won by **Graham Lockett**. Again no sight of the Joker.

The Pot is now \$45.00

CLUB NOTICES

19 December – Club A.G.M.

12 December – Club Christmas Party, C.ex

District Notices

9 January – Joint meeting organised by Sawtell Rotary at Boambee Reserve

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

16 December – Sandra McAllister

23 December – Dom Hawke

29 December – Scott Stacey



ANNIVERSARIES

18 December – Dom and Cherie Hawke