



The Pelican News

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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

All meetings are currently being held on Zoom at 7pm. Once lockdown is over our business meetings should resume as face to face on 1st & 3rd Tuesdays but Board meetings will continue largely on Zoom unless agreed otherwise.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Thinking about Rotary International's vision statement – "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves".

We tend to focus mostly on our community and a little on the globe. But when do you subjectively focus on yourself? How often do you reflect not on the enjoyment or satisfaction you gain through Rotary, but on how your journey in Rotary has impacted you as a person.

I think the opportunity to experience and grow is a great selling point for Rotary membership, particularly for younger and working people.

I think about the opportunities for development that I've experienced:

- Public speaking is an obvious one
- Being inspired and mentored by club members
- The opportunity to work on projects with like-minded people
- Developing a broader network across communities through project involvement
- Leading projects
- Chairing meetings

- Experiencing being a club director (not much different to being a company director)
- Learning financial governance as a treasurer
- Leading a club as club president

And the list goes on, not even mentioning the opportunity to work at a district level.

It probably doesn't work approaching a potential member and telling them they could improve their public speaking (as an example) if they joined Rotary. They might even be offended that you suggested they need to improve.

What does work is telling your story – what has impacted you and how you feel about it. That might light a small flame in the person you are talking with. And who knows where it might lead?

Coming back to you, what is the next opportunity in your Rotary journey for you? Maybe new board position? Maybe a new project?

The advantage of taking hold of new opportunities in Rotary is the safety of the environment, so embrace it.

Peter Ward

ZOOM: If you wish to join in a Zoom Meeting contact **David Waterhouse** by telephone call or SMS by noon on Monday on 4388 1749 or 0450 068 887



Julie Glover 26th October

Life on the Farm

Phil and Julie had lived in Moree for 16 years before moving with their three young children to Gunnedah in 1995 to follow their dream.

They bought “Weetaliba” which was 500 acres and close to town. Initially they intended to grow cotton but also grew wheat, lucerne and barley. They purchased Poll Hereford cattle, which naturally have no horns. They bought the neighbour’s house so they didn’t have to build.

The children helped on the farm. They learned teamwork, to be practical and to think ahead. They learnt to irrigate and often played tricks on their friends about how that worked! They had wonderful fun.

The government reduced their water licence which meant they could no longer grow cotton, so it was decided to concentrate on cattle, and they set up a Poll Hereford Stud. This is breeding from purebred cattle, and the bulls are the ones which are sold to cattle farmers, to improve their herds.



This introduced a new activity for the kids, who learnt how to prepare and show cattle at Heifer shows. (A heifer is a young female cow.) A weekend away with the truck loaded with 3 young heifers lovingly prepared by each of the children, hay, water trough, wheelbarrow and shovel to keep the pens clean— all you need for the weekend! The kids were taught how to handle and judge cattle, and they were marked on how they presented themselves, the cattle and how they worked together.

By mid high school the children went to boarding school so Julie and Phil were very short handed on the farm. But they always brought their friends home in the school holidays to



“The children learnt to help and plan ahead”

catch up with jobs! Visitors would arrive with swags and slept on the lawn—or the verandah if the weather was too hot or damp. Everyone enjoyed a mixture of work and play!

There was always a big Christmas party at “Weetaliba” with families of all the helpers as well – up to 70 people with 20 staying over-night.

A favourite activity was swimming in the river—they would float from one side of the farm to the other—about 2.5 kms—and then come home in the ute they had parked at the exit point. But where there are rivers there are floods, and usually they got about 12 hours’ notice to move all the cattle close to the house and then go to town to stock up for 5 days. The whole farm went under water, except for the house itself which was built on a levy bank. Logs would take fences out and there was usually a big clean-up after the water went down.

They enjoyed the wildlife, seasons and storms but hated the droughts. By 2018 there was no feed for the cattle, and they sold off half of them. It was almost impossible to buy food and they couldn’t irrigate as the soil was too dry. They water just went down instead of flooding. They managed to buy stubble hay (just the stalks) and fed them cottonseed and some nutrient licks to keep the cattle healthy. Finally they invested in a lateral irrigator which moves over the land and sprays. It was very expensive, wasn’t very well built and kept breaking down. It was meant to be their salvation but it was too hard for Phil to keep repairing.

Finally Julie and Phil realised they had no reason to stay as the children have their own careers and would never return to the country. They chose to live on the coast, nearer to family and old friends. They celebrated their 40th Anniversary earlier this year and are looking forward to a new adventure.

(Thanks to Gordon for his notes)

“We loved watching the storms coming from the verandah”

The Rotary Club of The Entrance—1978-80

1978 - 1979 Ken Field

The Club President was Ken Field and the District Governor was Bob Burnett. The RI President was Clem Renouf (Nambour, Queensland), and his theme was “Reach Out”. One interesting fact is that it was Clem who introduced the Polio Eradication program to Rotary Clubs worldwide. Its pilot programme was in the Philippines that year, and it was launched in 1985 as PolioPlus. Today we are in the final throes of achieving his aim, with End Polio Now. Last year there were only 140 cases worldwide, in Afghanistan and Pakistan. We are so close!



1979 - 1980 Milton Jolly

The RI President was James L. Bomar Jr (Tennessee), and his theme was, “Let Service Light The Way”. The District Governor was Roy Parnell. The club president was Milton Jolly (Alice); Secretary Stan Jolly; Treasurer Maurie Collocott.



DG Roy Parnell & Milton Jolly

A significant event this year was the 5km Monster Surfboard Race held on Tuggerah Lake, believed to have been the first enclosed water board race ever held on the Central Coast, or perhaps anywhere in Australia.



The club also joined with the other nine Rotary Clubs on the Central Coast in funding a Rotary Lodge annexe at Gosford District Hospital, thus providing accommodation for relatives of surgical and medical patients stricken down in the area while away.

This was the year the club took possession of its first Chocolate Wheel made by Jack Foley and Frank Carr for the “Spin ‘n’ Win” meat and fruit /vegetable prizes, a fund raising project which continues to this day.



The Rotary Club of The Entrance will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary next year. In the leadup, we will be publishing flashbacks. We encourage anyone who has old photographs to send them in—anything contributed will be added to the archives and may be in the newsletter in the coming months. For photo submission use this link:

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WHAT DOES ROTARY MEAN TO ME?

“What does Rotary mean to me?”
 is a thought that must arise
 In the mind of a good Rotarian
 Whose membership he doth prize.
 I’ve often pondered on this thought
 And never cease to discover
 The friendship and the warmth
 That Rotarians give each other.
 But it’s not only personal friendships
 That inspire Rotarians to act
 But the drive to do good things for
 others
 I know this for a positive fact.

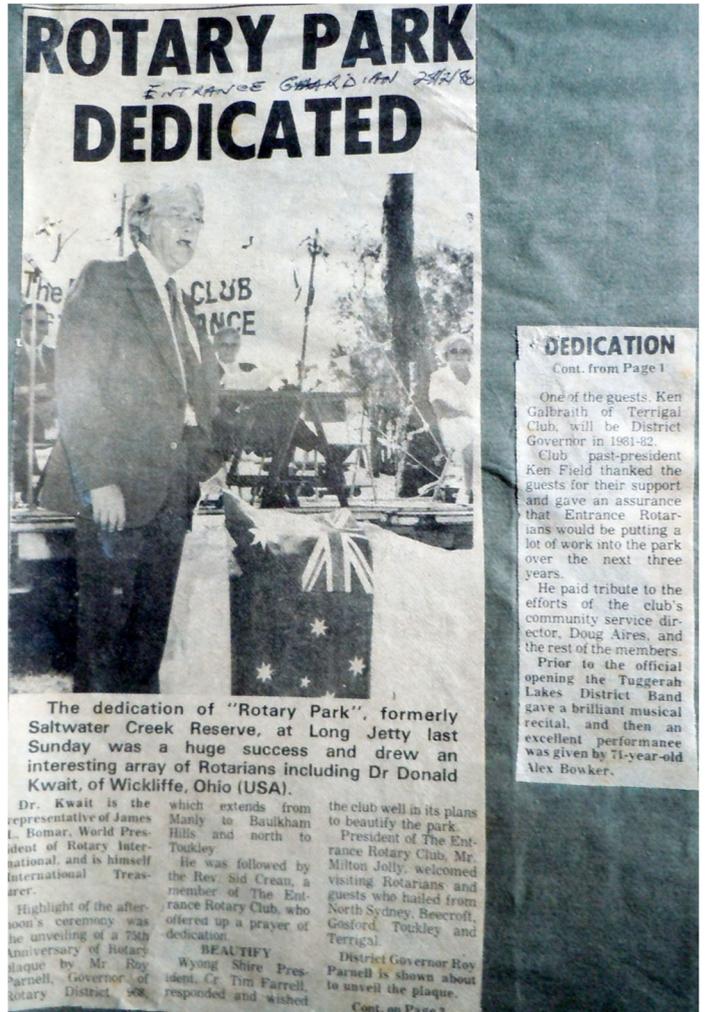
We’re in there to do some real
 “pitching”
 For folk who are really in need
 With a thought for the underprivi-
 leged
 And those who cry out for a feed.
 Help for disadvantaged countries
 And our own unfortunate poor
 Peace through worldwide under-
 standing
 That’s what Rotary’s for.
 Care for the people who are lonely
 The disabled and the sick
 Strong interest in our younger folk
 That’s what makes Rotary “tick”.

I often feel sad for Rotarians
 Who have “fallen by the way”
 And have left the banner of Rotary
 I hope they come back one day.
 I know they must be missing
 All the “riches and the wealth”
 That one gets from living our motto
 Which is “Service above Self”.
 So there, I think I have answered
 The question I posed and you’ll see
 That all those things I have
 mentioned and more
 Is what Rotary means to me.

Milton “The Poet” Jolly



*Milton and Alice
 Jolly with
 Exchange Student,
 Sybylle Von Lauffe
 from Cologne,
 Germany*

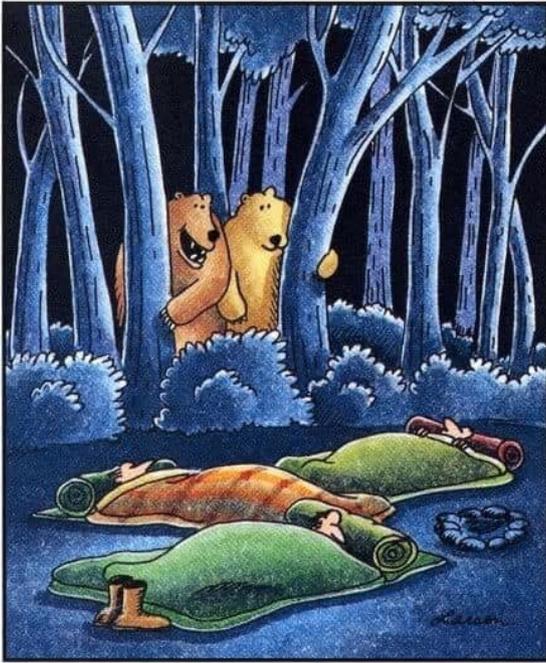



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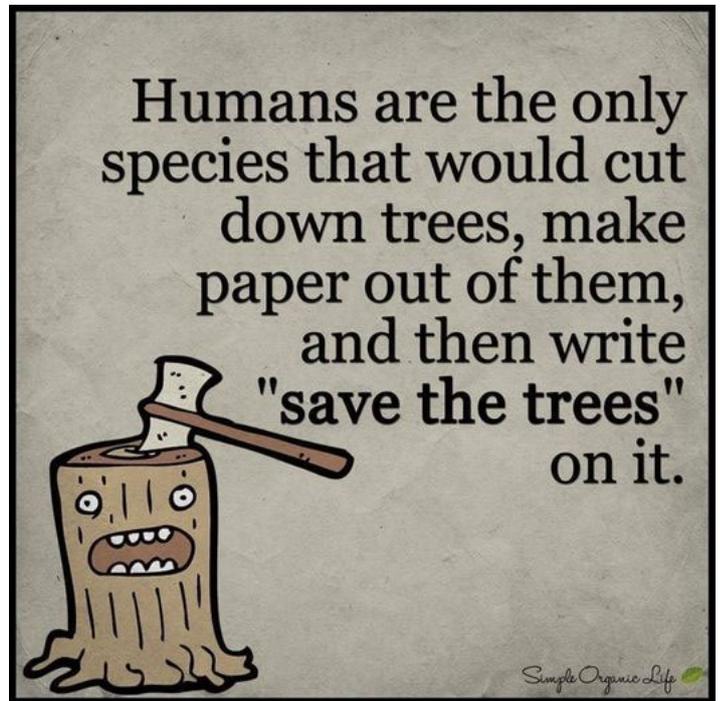
THE FOUR-WAY TEST
of the things we think, say or do

- I. Is it the TRUTH?
- II. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- III. Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- IV. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

Saltwater Creek Park at Long Jetty was dedicated as a Rotary Park to celebrate the 75th Anniversary of Rotary International. 28/2/1980



"Sandwiches!"



Upcoming Program

November			2021	
2nd	Tue	No Meeting (Melbourne Cup)		
6th	Sat	Sell Raffle Tickets	Gordon & Joe	Bateau Bay
9th	Tues	Board Meeting		Zoom
13 th	Sat	Bunnings BBQ	Volunteers Needed	Tuggerah
16th	Tues	Alice's Restaurant	Social night	Mingara
20th	Sat	Sell Raffle Tickets	Clive & Robin	Bateau Bay
23rd	Tue	Melina Kaparakis	To be confirmed	Zoom
29th	Mon	Liesl Tesch	Joint With RC Wyong	Zoom
30th	Tues	AGM	To be confirmed	Zoom
December			2021	
2nd	Thurs	Unloading Christmas Trees	Volunteers Needed	4PM West Gosford
4th	Sat	Selling Christmas Trees	Volunteers Needed	Mingara Tumbi Umbi
5th	Sun	Selling Christmas Trees	Volunteers Needed	Mingara Tumbi Umbi
7th	Tue	Avoca Theatre (The Duke)	Polio Fundraiser	Avoca
9th	Thurs	Unloading Christmas Trees	Volunteers Needed	4PM West Gosford
11th	Sat	Selling Christmas Trees	Volunteers Needed	Mingara Tumbi Umbi
12th	Sun	Selling Christmas Trees	Volunteers Needed	Mingara Tumbi Umbi
14th	Tues	Christmas Party with Erina	Venue Unknown yet	
21st	Tue	No Meeting		
28th	Tues	No Meeting		

Speaker Reports for the Pelican News

So that the job of reporting on our speakers can be shared around, we will be having a roster . As a guide perhaps 250 — 600 words.

Please advise if you are unable to do your allocated time.

If we have a member speaking, could they provide a synopsis for the Bulletin please? But if we have a guest speaker, we will have a roster for that.

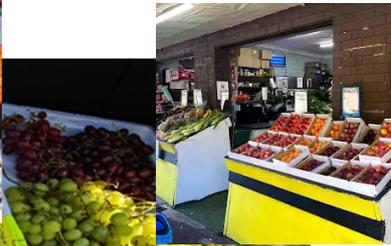
23rd November— Robin



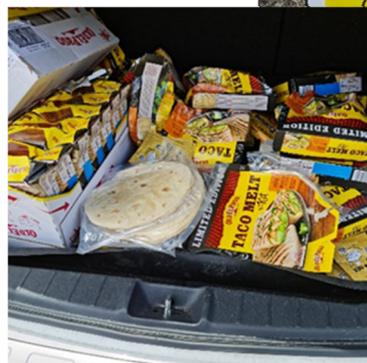
On 1st November Don delivered another 40 Bags to the Central Coast HoTS Team. Joel said that there is now a push to get people out of the motel type accommodation being used while covid19 restrictions were in place, and he will be able to put these bags to use in this process. He said the Shelter bags are very successful and would like another 5 at this time but feels he will use more with time. He said that in some instances the donated phones are presenting problems they were not expecting.

JOE'S CORNER!

This fortnight we have received boxes of fruit and vegetables from Wamberal Fruit Market



The Catholic Church of The Entrance donated these phones



Louise Paul donated a box of goodies – shampoo, hand wash, soap (about 150 items) Tim Tams , pens, milk.

As well as very generous donations from our regular supporters:

La Carta Café and Art Gallery

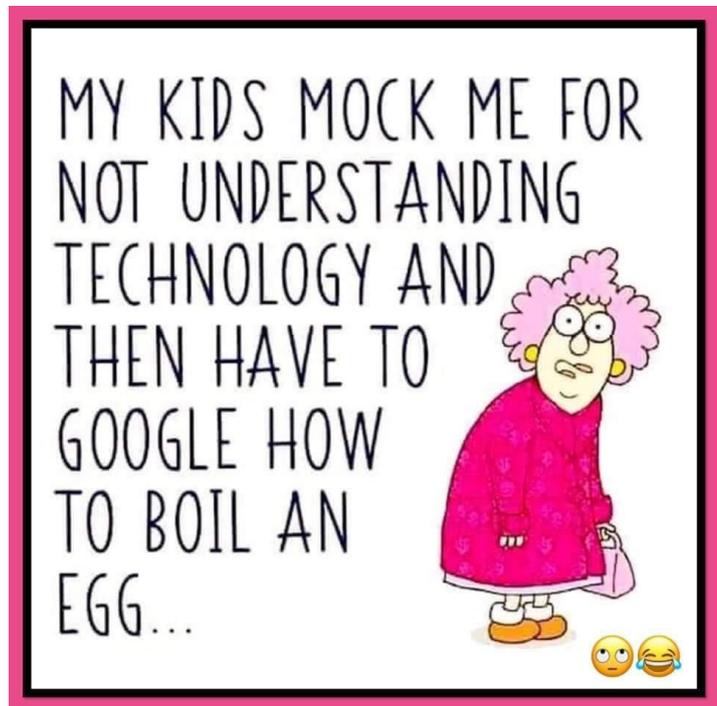
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