



The Pelican News

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**ROTARY CLUB OF THE
ENTRANCE INC.**

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Meetings are held on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays (and 5th) at the Mingara Club at 6:00 for 6:30 Board meetings on the 2nd Tuesday and social nights bi-monthly on the 4th.

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From the President's Desk

I was invited to a meeting with Sergeant Jerod Luck and Detective Superintendent and District commander Chad Gillies at Wyong Police Station. We discussed the MOU signed between Rotary and the NSW Police aimed at reducing Domestic Violence.

Sargeant Luck is the leader of the Domestic Violence Prevention group in our area. As a first step The Entrance Rotary were invited to come along to the Reclaim the Night event at the Entrance on Friday 13 October wearing our new DV shirts.

The event was well attended even if it was a bit chilly with only a shirt being worn.

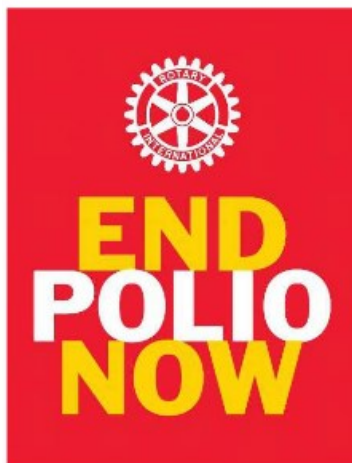
There will be further events in early December which I trust will be well supported by our club despite my absence.

On December 10 our club will be doing Xmas Wrapping at Tuggerah Shopping Centre. We have managed to get a full team getting 4 helpers from the local community. Unfortunately, the date we were given clashed with our major Christmas tree event which requires a lot of assistance from our members.

We are in Scatter week where we try to visit local Rotary clubs. I tried to get into Erina Rotary with Anthea, but they can't do that until early November. As I am away then can someone else fill in, please.

We are holding our AGM in my absence. This is a time to consider who wants to and who is wanted for the 2024/2025 year. I have indicated to Peter that I am happy to be a director. We currently have a very active club with no "luncheon members" and all our people are doing great work and showing great leadership.

We have an application for corporate membership from Options Disability. Nicole Thorne and Wendy Smith are the staff members applying. I trust you will make both of them very welcome. Their organisation does catering, flyer printing, art work and theatre. They and I see great potential for a true partner relationship which benefits both our causes.



Joe Scicluna
November 15th

Rotary

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?



Joel Smeaton - Health on the Streets

3rd October

Joel came along, supported by Deanna from Coast and Country Primary Care (which used to be Central Coast until they had to change it when they opened up in Port Macquarie!)

Joel has been working in delivering outreach for homeless people for ten years now. As they changed from solely delivering NDIS, Lucy Wicks was a big supporter in the early days, arranging funding initially for a three year period. Funding is now year by year.

Information and referrals of individuals who need help come from Council and community members. Information also comes in through their own webpage.

They receive donations from many groups like ours. Our Bags of Goodness open doors with the homeless community, encouraging people to make contact. He spoke particularly about the indigenous themed shirts, which give them a high visibility and acceptance as 30% of their patrons are indigenous. He spoke also of the credit cards which we have given previously, as they allowed people to cover the gap in accessing medication.

It would be a travesty if funding is discontinued. The biggest costs are the wages of the nurses and other staff. They have some corporate funding but he thought funding might be available through volunteer sources also.

Joel spoke about a man he had met who was sleeping rough near Ourimba. He was ex prison, and had nowhere to go. He kept calling on him, and encouraged him to seek help for housing. It took ages but eventually he had him settled in Bateau Bay. He recalled that when he died, he went to his funeral – the only person there. He felt he had helped him to die with dignity.

Some people are always homeless. He works on finding those people who aren't congregating, They might be moved on, but will just find another similar site to be. He said there are more men than women sleeping on the streets – there is now more help for women. They deal with about 50 people who have Hepatitis B, who need medication which would be worth \$80-90,000. He has helped 60 or 70 people into permanent accommodation.

Uniting have a very effective connective response team who can offer support for up to three months. They also have a great psycho-social support programme.



Sometimes people need help with unpaid fines – HoTS are able to source support people who can engage with services to cut the fines. A bit of help allows people to help themselves.

Fuel cards can be useful for people who can't always move on if they are sleeping in their cars – they may not be able to get to a motel even if offered a space.

People in caravan parks are being moved north to Toukley.

Joel told us a snippet of his own story. He had been a painter, who had made some bad choices and

ended up in rehab. He started studying in mental health and went on to work in rehab and did some mentoring. He commented that you don't end up in jobs by mistake – he is empathetic and good at what he does!

He finished up by saying that it was important to build relationships for Health on The Streets to move ahead. It had been estimated that in the first three years of their funding, at \$1 million per year, that they had saved the government \$16 million. They are now looking to the Federal Government and hope they might get \$400, 000 from them also.



Wyong Leagues Group

Bringing Communities Together

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

Pictured are Peter Shelswell (IT Guru for Wyong Leagues Club) and Clive taking delivery of our new POS machine. Clive was agreeably impressed at how sturdy the machine is, and how easy it should be to see and use. No more rushed changeovers—this will be logged in all day.



As well as the iPad which fits into the Square stand, their donation includes a sim card for the first year, and a power pack to allow us to use it as a stand alone setup. This square stand allows us to access the same account as our other squares. This will be ideal for the long days at Bunnings and it should have its first outing at Bunnings this weekend.

This was made possible by Gina Coughlin, who is with Wyong Leagues Club. Having helped us at a BBQ as a member of the Kids in Need team few months ago, she felt we needed something easier to use. We are very grateful.



The Reclaim the Night event at Memorial Park, The Entrance, Friday 13th November was run by CC Domestic Violence Committee in collaboration with the NSW Police and Mounties Group.

Reclaim the Night is not a new idea, the first event was held in the Belgian capital city, Brussels, in the 1970s and involved women and girls marching after dark to claim their right to be safe on the streets after dark as part of the broader women’s liberation movement. The first British event was held in 1977 and then Sydney and Perth had their first marches in 1978.

This event sits neatly with the Zone 8 project for 2023-24 of saying NO to Domestic Violence, and YES to Respectful Relationships. Recognizing the desperate need for domestic-violence services in their communities, Rotary clubs throughout Australia and New Zealand are fundraising and partnering with charities to raise awareness and work on prevention and victim support.

October is sexual violence awareness month. The statistics are sobering: Intimate partner violence is the most common type of violence against women, affecting 30 percent of women worldwide, according to a 2013 World Health Organization report. As many as 38 percent of murders of women are committed by an intimate partner. In New Zealand, a dozen women are killed by their partners or ex-partners each year. And in Australia, a woman is killed, on average, about every week.

Ahead of an event planned for later in the year, Rotary The Entrance attended Reclaim the Night in Memorial Park, supported by the Rotary District organising committee. The event was fun, with market stalls, food trucks and live entertainment.

“We once decided we would end polio when it seemed impossible. Why can’t Rotary put an end to domestic violence?”



And from Joey, our outbound exchange student to Brazil

2 weeks ago I went with a good friend of mine, João Pedro, to do some volunteering.

We did this volunteering job for a company called, Hamburgada do bem, which helps kids and families who are living on the streets and very poor to have a chance to have a good meal and good memories.

To enter into this program you initially pay R\$56 as a donation for all the families, then you choose your location of your volunteering job.

João Pedro and I chose to be in the kitchen and we learnt how to make burger patties from scratch and make some famous Brazilian desserts and some milkshakes.

I got the honours of handing out all these different foods to the children and I also got to give it all a little taste test. I have to say it was all pretty good....;)

Doing this made me feel really helpful to these people in need and made me realize just how lucky I am to have what I have and the opportunities I have had throughout my life. :)



This weekend I am on my way to a farm to ride some horses and see the farm side and lifestyle of Brasil, which has been the dream since I arrived here in Brasil. I am really looking forward to it, and will make sure to send a bit of a more explained email about it.

My Portuguese is going great! It's really fun to talk and to be understanding everyone and nearly everything that they say to me. I am really able to communicate and be more independent with the language and it's awesome!

I send all my kindest regards to you all and hope you have an amazing rest of your week. :)

Joan Ducarme

Joey sent a movie of the kids also which you can see at <https://www.rotarytheentrance.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/Video.mov>

If clicking on it doesn't work, paste it into your browser.





A lovely social night was held at David and Dianne’s last night.

Thank you for being fantastic hosts— a very relaxed night was had by all who attended.



Watch out Phil— maybe you should be given a BBQ apron?

I thought I was stupid because I couldn't figure out which one started with R.




Gosford North Rotary Club

MELBOURNE CUP DINNER

Phantom call

Fashions In the field

Calcutta

Gosford Golf club
To book email Col Gibbons
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5.30pm For 6.00pm



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Our Speakers Register



Rotary The Entrance



OCTOBER IS ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH

"To the world you may be one person; but to one person you may be the world."

Dr. Seuss

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rotary youth exchange





Members and friends are invited to the
Joint Christmas Party
of
The Rotary Clubs of
The Entrance & Erina
Tuesday 12th December, 6:00pm

hosted by Julie and Phil Glover
17A Hicks Lane Tumbi Umbi

BYO drinks - cost \$40 per person

Kris Kringle gifts as usual

(per couple 2x \$10 gifts for teens or 1 X \$20 for kids marked with suitable age and sex)

RSVP by 30th November

Deposit to Bendigo Bank RC The Entrance

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Stopping
Abuse in
Families
Everywhere

Reminder, our "3R's" apply to any form of abuse to women, men, children and our elderly:

1. **Recognise** signs of abuse
2. **Raise** your concerns "safely"
3. **Refer** victim to one of the many family violence agencies OR Make the call yourself!

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in the WORLD



Christmas tree Sales 2023

SATURDAY 2 DEC SATURDAY 9 DEC
SUNDAY 3 DEC SUNDAY 10 DEC
7am until SOLD OUT

LOCATIONS

**LISAROW
TERRIGAL
WEST GOSFORD
GREEN POINT
TUMBI UMBI
WOY WOY**

**PRIMEWEST LISAROW PLAZA - PARSONS ROAD
ROTARY PARK - TERRIGAL DRIVE
ANACONDA PARKING LOT
GREEN POINT CHRISTIAN COLLEGE
MINGARA RECREATION CLUB - 12 MINGARA DRIVE
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TOGETHER WE SEE A WORLD
 WHERE **PEOPLE** UNITE AND TAKE ACTION
 TO **CREATE** LASTING
CHANGE ACROSS THE GLOBE
 IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND IN OURSELVES

THAT'S NOT MY JOB!

This is a story about four people named **Everybody**, **Somebody**, **Anybody** and **Nobody**. There was an important job to be done and **Everybody** was sure that **Somebody** would do it. **Anybody** could have done it, but **Nobody** did it. **Somebody** got angry about that, because it was **Everybody's** job. **Everybody** thought **Anybody** could do it, but **Nobody** realised that **Everybody** wouldn't do it. It ended up that **Everybody** blamed **Somebody** when **Nobody** did what **Anybody** could have done.



Upcoming Program:

November			2023	
4th	Sat	Spin & Win		Bateau Bay
7th	Tues	TBA		Mingara Board Rm
11th	Sat	Bunnings BBQ		Tuggerah
14th	Tues	Board Meeting		Zoom
18th	Sat	Spin & Win		Bateau Bay
21st	Tues	No Meeting		
25th	Sat	Presidents' Meeting		
28th	Tues	Club Speaker		Mingara Board Rm
December			2023	
1st	Fri	Pick up Christmas Trees		
2-3rd	Sat / Sun	Sell Christmas Trees		
5th	Tues	AGM		Mingara Board Room
8th	Fri	Pick up Christmas Trees		
9 - 10th	Sat/Sun	Sell Christmas Trees		
10th	Sunday	Christmas Wrapping	all day	Tuggerah Westfield
12th	Tues	Social Night	Christmas Party	Julie's place

*Bakers
Delight*

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