



ROTARY:
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Club of
Gawler Light

District 9500 | Chartered 10 July 1996

Bulletin Edition #1069: August 8, 2017

President: Carol Valentine | Secretary: Steve Redden | District Governor: Peter Schaefer | RI President: Ian Riseley

Important Dates

Sat 12 August	Woolies BBQ @ Gawler Woolworths (9am—5pm)
Tues 22 August	Guest Speaker—Vera, Exchange Student from Switzerland
Thurs 24 August	Board Meeting
Sat 26 August & Sun 27 August	Gawler Show parking
Sat 26 August & Sun 27 August	Membership Conference @ Flinders Uni
Tues 29 August	Tight-Arse Tuesday @ the Movies—Gawler Cinemas
Sat 9 September & Sun 10 September	Swap Meet
Tues 12 September	Guest Speaker—DG Peter Schaefer
Sat 16 September	Woolies BBQ
Sat 4 November	Village Fair
Sat 25 November	Woolies BBQ
Sat 16 December	Gawler Carols
Ongoing	Rotary Shed Working Bees (see Richard Tucker)



President's Welcome

President Carol Valentine opened meeting #1069 on *Happiness Happens Day* with a happy welcome to Jane Sanders, guest speaker with Rtn Matthew Sanders.

Announcements & Notices this week:

- Attendee for the NYSF - Kieran Hammond.
- Badges - haven't heard from everybody. New badges are optional however now is your chance to order a new one.
- Don't forget the noticeboard. Special note re the Melbourne Cup function - something different this year!
- Anyone have ideas for fundraising - don't be shy. All ideas are welcome. Can always put your idea in the ideas/suggestions box if you don't want to announce in front of everyone.
- Greg - Member Involvement person, not attendance officer. Any activity to be registered with Greg anyway (eg, BBQs, planting trees, chopping trees, etc). District would like the number of hours to be recorded. A chat over coffee or a drink at the pub between Rotarians doesn't count (sorry not sorry).

Youth Exchange Student: Vera Galli (Switzerland)

Vera is settling in well at school and making friends. This week she went to the cinema and had dinner with friends. Made home made pizza (using a special family recipe) and watched the AFL showdown in the comfort of home. She was also given year book from school so she can get to know everyone in her year level.

The Rotary Club of Gawler Light aims to provide enjoyment and foster fellowship between Rotarians and others through projects to improve our local and international community.

PO Box 1577, Gawler SA 5118

Meeting: Tuesday 6.45pm for 7pm

Venue: Gawler Motel, 1 Main North Rd, Evanston

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Community Services: Darryl Matthews

The Woolies BBQ is this Saturday (12th August) and the roster has been filled, so thank you to those who have volunteered their time. The next roster will be for the Show Parking on 26th and 27th Aug.

Club Admin: Richard Tucker

Held a Christmas Display sub committee meeting last week. Zana Thiele is doing artwork for the Christmas characters. Discussed lighting and budget. Sent an email re working bees on Friday evenings at the shed commencing this week. Assume they are on unless you hear otherwise (by email) due to weather etc. 7.30pm onwards. A bit of work to do to get things sorted for the display including extending the stage at the riverside.

Vocational Services: Steve McLachlan

Have booked a Fellowship Night for 29th August. Have decided to put bowling/mini golf on hold for a little while due to many things happening around that time. Talking about having a night at the cinemas (Gawler Cinemas) for tight-arse Tuesday. May even extend that to be pizza at Café Nova beforehand. Details on film in Bulletin. This is not a meeting or a fundraiser and family/friends are welcome.

Member Involvement: Greg Morris

Participation index is sitting at about 185%. When you add up the hours, it's amazing what we as a club have contributed and achieved in the community.

Competition: Won by Ian Curtis

Fines: Steve Redden / Steve McLachlan

Ian / Greg - talking about inflation in tyre pressures. Greg's tyres are pretty expensive apparently so that's worth a fine and Ian didn't know anything about the hub thing either. All male table.

Not fining anyone who's not financial so Steve Mac doesn't have to pay up.

Carol Valentine for not introducing Joan's granddaughter. Serious problem - whoever took delivery of Dead Man's Pass tables did not replace dust covers. Own up now before a royal commission is launched. (David Weatherley)

LAUGH OUT LOUD

People say money is not the key to happiness, but I always figured if you had enough money, you can have a key made.

To be happy with a man, you must understand him a lot and love him a little. To be happy with a woman, you must love her a lot and not try to understand her at all.

Money can't buy happiness, but it can help you look for it quicker in a convertible.

MEMBERS CORNER

Dick Milner: Moved into new dental hospital on 11th floor of building. Explained process of making dental moulds which is done at high heats. Smoke alarms have been mandated by bureaucrats and now they are averaging a false alarm every 7 days which means going down the stairs and onto North Terrace each time.

Martin Monument: travelling for work a lot lately. Offered new role in organisation oversees 100+ people

Marilyn Curtis: entered competition for SALA—art work decopage from a woman's perspective.

Richard Tucker: Nuriootpa Town Band fundraising—tickets in People's Choice Community Lottery.

Ian Curtis: feral cat extermination following mouse plague on farms.

Thought for the Week:

Thanks to Dick Milner

Mae West : Love conquers all things except poverty and toothache.

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Our visit to Bali for the Educated Smiles Project

Arrived in Bali on Wednesday nearly 2 weeks ago. Met Made, driver, who Jacqui Slater originally engaged to start the project over 10 years ago.

On Thursday night supposed to have a meeting with Bali Sanur club (unfortunately now only 8 members, down from 28 so they are struggling) due to varying reasons. Meeting was with one member and his wife, both Rotarians in Bali Sanur club.

We got a bit more in depth as to why the library project hasn't been signed off. The problem is that the money they had in the bank went to another project because they thought the district was going to reimburse. Unfortunately that ended up not being the case. The club isn't flush with money so a couple of solutions were provided. Steve Mac has been in communication with Bali Sanur in recent days about the funds.

On arrival to Bontihing, introduced to Village Chief. Honoured to be presented by 3 lovely young ladies who had gone to a lot of trouble to dress up and perform. Treated like royalty. Dance went for about 10 minutes. Choreography that the girls could remember was impeccable. Extraordinary.

About 600 students across 4 schools. Presentation held under new shelter. Played under/over game (like tunnel ball) with kids. Matthew had a bit of trouble playing due to height. Jane's team won the game and there were plenty of High Fives at the end. Other games played including Tug of War - number of rounds for all the different age groups.

Kids certainly engaged and put their backs into it. Two temporary posts - covered in pig fat. Kids have to climb up and get the prizes from the top. Prizes are provided via sponsorship from our club and presented to winning teams.

Club pays for day - lunch package for kids, prizes for games, dancers, transport. Individual sponsors pay for individual packs to children - school uniform, sports uniform, bag, shoes, books. Village elders choose the poorest students (this year, just 40) to receive packs. Different children each year.



Library project - visited the library built 5 years ago. Kids love reading the books. Quite clean and tidy. A little disappointed to hear about some damage done to the library. Children throw stones at the mangos on trees nearby. These break tiles on the roof. They haven't been fixed properly. A bit of deterioration.

Buildings aren't maintained. The main reason is that governments usually build these buildings and maintain for the first few years then after that it's a guess what happens. During one year there was a bit of money left over in the budget so this was given to help repair. This year the expectation was there again.

Unfortunately no money left in budget this year. Example - playground not maintained. Slide has gone. No seats on swings. No plan to maintain things.

Dental clinic - All kids provided with dental checks by dentists and dental students from nearby university. When this first ran 3 years ago, there were a lot of sore mouths and teeth pulled. Last year fewer teeth removed and fewer sore mouths. This year a lot less. Records kept for each of the kids. They line up one class at a time.



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Pig Project - one of the last pigs from original project yet to be sold. Pigs are sold for approx. \$150. Out of that, \$50 goes back to village to buy another pig for another family and the remaining \$100 is up to the family as to whether they buy another pig for themselves or use it for something else. Several families chose to buy another pig.

Met a lady, a widow, who was part of the pig project. Lives in a house that belonged to her husband however she can't sell the house as it will be passed to her husband's brother because she doesn't have a son. She can live in the house for as long as she needs though. While she hasn't been able to pay for repairs to the house that are needed, she has been able to put food on the table which has changed her life.

Certainly a sense of gratitude from many for everything the club has done to encourage support and get sponsors so children can receive an education.

In summary - the project has come a long way since its humble beginnings. Kids now receive an education that they may not have otherwise ever received. The village has been improved and is evolving. The road into the village has been improved, they are clean - almost to the point of being clean by Australian standards. The government is starting to put some money into assisting the village more. A lot has happened in 10 years and it has been good to see the change over that time. In talking to Made, our influence of being there has meant they have contact to the government so they know what's happening which may have caused a bit of embarrassment and means they've got off their butts to do something. Sometimes it takes Rotary to do that. Rotary does make a difference.

Meeting Duties	August 15, 2017	August 22, 2017
Meeting Type	Partners Welcome	Partners Welcome
Start Time	6.45pm for 7pm	6.45pm for 7pm
Chairperson	Matthew Sanders	Roger Freeman
Cashier	Bron Anderson	Ian Curtis
Rotary Information	Richard Tucker	Matthew Sanders
Thought for the Week	David Weatherley	Richard Tucker
Vote of Thanks	Martin Winkworth	David Weatherley
Fellowship	Dick Milner	Martin Winkworth
Setup & Pack up	Martin Monument	Dick Milner
Bulletin Scribe	Rhonda Carr	Rhonda Carr
Guest Speaker	Committee Meetings	Youth Exchange Student: Vera (Switzerland)

Meeting Duties	August 29, 2017	September 5, 2017
Meeting Type	Partners Welcome	Partners Welcome
Start Time	6.45pm for 7pm	6.45pm for 7pm
Chairperson		Darryl Matthews
Cashier		David Weatherley
Rotary Information		Roger Freeman
Thought for the Week		Matthew Sanders
Vote of Thanks	Fellowship	Richard Tucker
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Setup & Pack up		Martin Winkworth
Bulletin Scribe		Rhonda Carr
Guest Speaker	Movie Night @ Gawler Cinema	

ATTENDANCE

All apologies contact **Greg Morris** (gregory.morris.gm1@gmail.com)

Non-attendance must be notified by **10AM Monday**.

If you do not intend to eat a meal, a notification is also required.

If you are intending on being away for a lengthy period of time, please notify Bulletin Editor so you are removed from the roster duties

It is appreciated if notifications are done via email rather than verbal.

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