

VALLEY VIBES

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Bulletin

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DG Harry Bolton

On Wednesday 14 August we have our District Governor Harry Bolton visiting the club. Some members have heard Harry speak at various Rotary events, but this will be the first time we have met with Harry as a club to talk about his goals and vision for the new Rotary Year as he implements RI President Mark Moloney's theme '*Rotary Connects the World*'. Harry has been a member of the Tenterfield Rotary Club since 2002 and has served in many club positions. He has also held an Assistant Governor role before commencing his year as DG. Harry has an extensive background and currently works for the Tenterfield Shire Council as a Manager of Community and Economic Development.



Harry believes that the District Governor's position provides him with a fantastic opportunity to serve his community and reinforce that Rotary needs to be all the things we talk about: fun, engagement, networking, connecting, providing a helping hand, fostering leadership and developing leaders.

Shauna, Harry's wife, works as a nurse at the Prince Alfred Hospital in Tenterfield. Unfortunately Shauna is unable to accompany Harry on this visit, but we look forward to hearing about her project for the 2019/20 year, The Malaria Vaccine Project. Malaria is one of the killer diseases of the world and in 2016 there were 216 million cases and 445,000 deaths, mostly children under the age of 5 years. Malaria causes fatigue, seizures, fever and if left untreated can lead to coma and death. Hence the reason for the research project to develop a vaccination, which is the key to shifting the fight against malaria from sustained control to eradication. We look forward to hearing more about the Malaria Vaccine Project as the Rotary year progresses and learning about how our club can contribute towards it.

Guest Speaker: Chelsea Carson

As always we greatly appreciate the opportunity to send someone from within our community to one of our youth camps, and it is always even better when they come along after they've been away and tell us about their experiences. In May we sponsored the lovely Chelsea to attend RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) at Bornhoffen. Chelsea said her assigned 'Pink' group had become her new family for the weekend. After being assigned groups, it was time to start teambuilding and getting to know everyone. They started by taking off one shoe and had to try and hit one of the Purple Shirts, who were volunteers and past Youth Camp Awardees who help facilitate the camps. One of our past RYLA awardees Josh Aitken just happened to be the leader of Chelsea's group. After trying to hit Josh, they then had to find the owner of the shoe. Chelsea said her group was fairly quiet and all very reserved at the beginning, with two boys and seven girls it took them a little while to get comfortable.

Mornings started early with soundtrack songs from The Lion King and lots of people running everywhere getting to exercise activities and then breakfast. Chelsea mentioned that one of the more simple tasks of setting up folding tables, really wasn't that simple for teenagers!

Over the weekend they did a lot of teambuilding exercises, then on Saturday night everyone participated in a Talent Show, where the Pink team had a pink banner with all the teams' names on it and a few leaves - this was their team flag. They then went on to perform their own unique version of "We Will Rock You". Over the weekend they also listened to guest speakers from various backgrounds. Chelsea thoroughly enjoyed RYPEN, and as we have heard so many times before, awardees are reluctant to go but are always glad they did and are sad to say goodbye to new friends who they hope to keep in touch with for years to come. We thank Chelsea and her mum Janelle for coming along to speak to us and hope they join us again sometime soon.

This year we were fortunate to also have one of our members attend RYPEN as a group leader, Aleeta also enjoyed the camp and it was interesting hearing about how the camp is run and managed by all of the amazing volunteers. All of Rotary's Youth camps begin with organizing and gathering volunteers 12 months ahead of when the camps are actually run. Mostly these are previous awardees from RYLA, who give their weekends and time to plan and make sure these camps are successful and fun for all of the awardees that attend. As a club we are grateful that these young adults freely give their time to allow more young people to experience these amazing and motivational camps.



Chelsea Carson and RCFV Secretary Aleeta Wozencroft

Camp Courage: Working Bee

Scott, Ross and Cara used some of their muscle power to lift rocks, cut down trees and clear the roadway at the 'Camp Courage' site on Beckwith Road. It was a great day and together with a small crew of 4 Aussie Heroes supporters, we managed to achieve a lot and clear nearly all the way around. The working bee is another stepping stone to the progression of the facility being started so



that machinery can come in and start working on moving dirt and making roads.

Marjorie and Graham came out to visit and have a look, unfortunately for them it was by the time we had started working at the top of the hill and they had to go, but the view is lovely and worth the small incline. Thank you to the members that could attend and help out, there will be another working bee later in the year and hopefully we can get a team together again then.

Trivia Night

Peak Crossing P & C Fundraiser

Aleeta, Ross, Therese, Marjorie, Graham, Erika and Cara made up the team that attended the trivia night at Peak Crossing State School on Saturday night. With a feast of pizza, cobb loaf, crackers and dip, lollies and chocolate we were set and ready to do our best. With phones all turned off and put at the end of the table in a plastic bag, just to ensure there was no 'phone a friend' temptations, it was a great night of teamwork as everyone contributed to the questions of various topics. Our tablecloth was decorated with notes of questions as we recorded answers for



Therese, Ross, Cara, Aleeta, Erika, Marjorie and Graham – Ready to go.



our own reference and to keep track of how we were going. All the tables were full of enthusiastic participants there to support the school. At the end of the night we all waited in anticipation as the answers were tallied and to our surprise we ended the night as the highest scoring team. With a score of 92% - what great teamwork 'Fassifern Rotary'.

Presidents Report

The year has started off and as a club we are certainly working towards great things for the year. We continue to support the 4

Aussie Heroes Foundation Limited by attending a working bee and organising a movie night for the new Australian War film 'Danger Close The Battle of Long Tan'. This movie is a nail biting and dramatic exploration of war illustrating heroism, tragedy, and the sacrifice of battle. It tells the story of a late afternoon on August 18, 1966 in South Vietnam amongst the mud and rain where Major Harry Smith and his company of 108 young and mostly inexperienced soldiers from Australia & New Zealand are fighting for their lives and the overwhelming battle of holding off an enemy force of 2,500 battle-hardened Viet Cong and North Vietnamese soldiers. The story tells of their mounting casualties and courage as they search for the strength to triumph over an uncertain future.



"The Battle of Long Tan is one of the most savage and decisive engagements in Australian military history, earning both the United States and South Vietnamese Presidential Unit Citations for gallantry along with many individual awards."

This is a film worth seeing and we encourage everyone to tell their family and friends to join us at Limelight Cinemas, Riverlink on Monday 12th August at 6.30pm. It will be a great night out so come along early for raffles and a lucky door prize. Please see the flyer on following pages for more information.

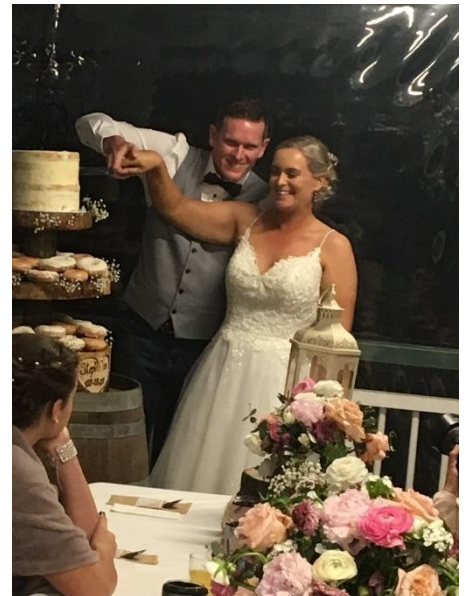
Congratulations to our team that represented the club at the Peak Crossing P&C trivia night, we all had a lot of fun giving back and supporting the community that supports us. In the coming weeks we also have our first official visit to the club by our DG Harry Bolton, where we will also have a new member to induct and we are busy planning for the Peak Crossing Car Display Day later in the month.

It's always good to share happy occasions, so congratulations to our associate members Tim & Stephanie who were married at Harrisville on Saturday 3rd August. We wish them both success and happiness as they begin a new chapter in their lives.

Thanks to everyone in the club for their continued hard work and support

Yours in Rotary,

Cara





From the Secretary's Desk

During July, we held our first meeting for the new Presidential Year, with Cara chairing the meeting. Our most recent dinner meeting was held at the Royal Hotel, Harrisville, with the lovely Chelsea Carson regaling us all with her adventures at the RYPEN camp held at Bornhoffen. It was an experience that Chelsea and I enjoyed thoroughly. I was glad to have the opportunity to catch up with her and to hear her thoughts on the event.

Some changes to our meeting dates have occurred, with the first of our Planning meetings being held at Scott and Cara's home prior to our Eat Local Week Pumpkin Soup Sale at the Winter Harvest Festival. The planning meeting allowed us to free up time during the business meeting to focus on just business, rather than spending precious time on details for events. Our next Planning meeting will be held at the home of Neil and Jenny, just to the much anticipated Car Display Day. We look forward to serving some more Beef Stew and Curries, prepared by members.

Please look out for upcoming dates and events on our Facebook Page.

Aleeta Wozencroft
Secretary 2019/20

Youth Matters

Very quiet on the youth front at the moment, as always though we are on the lookout for future awardees to attend Rotary camps. We have RYTS (Rotary Youth Transition Seminar) coming up in November. RYTS is a 6 day residential camp for students aged 16-18 years. The camp is aimed at developing leadership and life skills as student's transition into adulthood and life after school. Dates: Sunday 17/11/2019 to Friday 22/11/2019. Applications close Sunday 10th November, contact any of our club members for more details or go to <https://www.rotary9640.org/page/ryts>



Rotary Youth Transition Seminar

During the program, participants will explore & develop - Interpersonal skills

- Communicating & listen skills
- Public speaking skills
- Personality types
- Group dynamics
- Relationships in all areas of life (work, personal)
- Stress management skills
- Short/long term goal setting
- Characteristics of effective leaders
- Various styles of leadership

Something to think about!



ROTARY CLUB OF FASSIFERN VALLEY

4 AUSSIE HEROES FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER

MONDAY AUGUST 12 @ 6.30PM
LIMELIGHT CINEMA -
RIVERLINK, IPSWICH

Not to be missed - An Australian war film based on the Battle of Long Tan during the Vietnam War.

To confirm your ticket make payments to the Rotary Club of Fassifern Valley
BSB: 633 108
A/C No.: 142 764 851
Reference: Your Name
\$12 per person

Limited tickets: **RSVP 7th August**

Raffle tickets on sale prior to film

POPcorn

DANGER CLOSE
THE BATTLE OF LONG TAN

Tell family & friends and come along and join us to see this film and support a great cause - Pre-purchase your tickets today!

Don't forget to check us out on:

<https://www.fassifernvalleyrotary.org.au/>



Upcoming Events

August	September	October	November
14th: DG Harry Bolton's visit 25th: Peak Crossing Car Display Day	11 th - Guest Speaker, Kier Teirney - NBN	Polio & lift the Lid fundraiser - TBC & more details to follow	Digger Boxes



Birthdays		Wedding Anniversary
		18 th - John & Kit Krause

Meeting Program and Duty Roster: August

DUTY ROSTER	Wed 7 August '19 Business Meeting	Wed 14 August '19 Dinner Meeting	Wed 21 August '19 Planning Meeting	Wed 28 August '19 Social Evening
Duty Officer	N/A	Scott Champion	Marjorie Porter	N/A
Chairman/ Rotary Reflections	Cara Champion	Neil Summerson	N/A	N/A
Meeting Venue & Time	Harrisville State School, 6.50 for 7pm start.	Lizzy's Kitchen @ Mackaways Harrisville, 6.30 for 7pm start	Neil & Jenny Summerson's home, Peak Crossing	TBC
Program and/or Guest Speaker	N/A	DG Harry Bolton	Planning for Car Day	Social Evening

MEMBERS NOTICE:

1. To ensure a punctual 7.00 pm start, members are requested to arrive no later than 6.45pm.
2. When you have duties on the Roster and are not available, could you please arrange for someone else to fill in, and advise Secretary Aleeta of the change (Mob 0433 822 036)
3. Members please note: RSVP is important, if you don't RSVP there will be no meal for you - meals are only ordered if you advise you are attending.