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Rotary Club of Mt Warning AM (Murwillumbah) Inc.



JANUARY – ROTARY AWARENESS MONTH

Margarita Rickard, President

Happy New Year fellow Rotarians, welcome back to Rotary for 2012!

Many of you have already had a good taste of Rotary activities for this year, with Jenny and her crew of 18 members volunteering for the Bunning's BBQ last weekend, also Simone and her crew volunteering to sort out 'Film for Polio' that we will all learn more about on Wednesday and Ann who very quickly had to sort out accommodation for two Samoans for RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards). Plus the quiet background ones like Barbara and Sue, organising minutes, agendas and newsletters.

I have had a fair bit of information sent to me from RI (Rotary International) and I would have to say that this year's Annual Report is pretty impressive, with links and videos included. In one of the videos they talk about Charley, the ozzie that has helped in the integration of Sudanese into Melbourne. 22,000 Sudanese, with 70% under the age of 30, he has been developing leadership skills through soccer to break the gang mentality. It's a short but powerful video, you can copy and paste this link to have a look: <http://www.rotary.org/en/annualreport/2010-11/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

Their intro into who Rotary is, is also new and exciting. Here is the written version but please have a look at the short video found on: Who we are. 'Our motto, Service Above Self, exemplifies the humanitarian spirit of the 1.2 million Rotarians worldwide.'

There are a few activities that I have to mention:

1. Australia Day, President Noel Graham from Central has asked for our help on the 26th, please keep this date free if possible.
2. Conference: please have a think about what you would like to do. I am suggesting car pool up on the Saturday for all day activities at the cost of \$55 and car pool up on Sunday for 3/4 day activities at the cost of \$45. This does not include Saturday night dinner.
3. Our second week back will be a transfer meeting for RYLA dinner on the 23rd.
4. Keep 23rd February free for Film night.
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News to share:

- Kenya Health, great news for the club with Kyle now a registered RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) project. Pat on the back to Lyn for getting this paperwork through so fast.
- Mt Warning AM webpage, this has been updated by Russ Whild for 2012, have a look at it!
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I have included a photo of Shirley's granddaughter Summer, great to have Shirley sharing Summer with us at our meetings.

Thank you very much to all the well wishers after my restful start to the year in hospital. This must have happened out of pure exhaustion! I was lucky enough to get my Matthew and Beth back for a late Christmas with the conjunction of the sale of our shop plus our James got his license, a job and his first car (thank you Ian for such a great deal). My feet are off the bed and firmly on the ground and I can't wait to catch up with you all on Wednesday.

Yours in Rotary,

Margarita Rickard
President
Rotary Club of Mt Warning AM (Murwillumbah) Inc.



Summer



Meeting Roster – 18th January

Meeting Time: 6.45am for 7am start at Imperial Hotel, Murwillumbah
Money Collection: Sue Bright, Maureen Coleman
Welcomer: Shirley Robinson
Guest Speakers: Assembly

If you are unable to attend the meeting please arrange for someone else to do your job.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

RYLA DINNER:

Date: 23rd January, 2012
Where: Bornhoffen
This is a transfer meeting.

AUSTRALIA DAY:

Date: 26th January, 2012
Where: Knox Park, Murwillumbah

MOVIE NIGHT:

Date: 23rd February, 2012
Where: Regent Theatre

**ROTARY CLUB OF MURWILLUMBAH –
SUICIDE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS TRAINING
WORKSHOP:**

Date: 25th February, 2012
Time: 9.30 am concluding 2.00 pm
Where: Greenhills on Tweed

DISTRICT CONFERENCE:

Dates: 13-15 April, 2012
Where: Jupiters Hotel & Casino, Broadbeach



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Lyn Sullivan 11th

JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Parker 13th
Glenn Nott 24th
Jenny Hammill 31st





Bunnings BBQ



Chanel McCarthy-Partridge, mum Michelle, dad John and her 2 brothers - back from her 12 month YEP exchange in USA.



Margarita, Chanel and Gary Knuchey

We are hosting a Polio Plus fundraising evening. Twentieth Century Fox have agreed to make available for prescreening a British comedy called "The Last Exotic Marigold Hotel" starring Maggie Smith and Judy Dench. It is due for release in Australia in March but Twentieth Century Fox are arranging to make it available to Rotary clubs Australia wide to organize a prerelease screening with a view to raising money for Polio Plus. We have arranged Thursday 23rd February, at the Murwillumbah Regent. Contact person is Simone.

ROTARY CLUB OF MURWILLUMBAH A SUICIDE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS TRAINING WORKSHOP.

Saturday 25th February, 2012 at Greenhills On Tweed.

Start 9.30 am concluding 2.00pm

Sadly, each year 2000 Australians, many young among them, take their own lives and for each of these many more attempt to do so.

- What drives people to take such desperate action?**
- What are the early warning signs and telltale behaviours?**
- What can we do help save these people?**

The Rotary Club of Murwillumbah invites you to attend this workshop as our guest apart from a small charge of \$5 to cover course notes and photocopying. Lunch & morning tea will be provided.

At this workshop, facilitated by Raylee Taylor, you will learn just what you can do. She is a tireless and experienced advocate for suicide prevention.

By simply asking, —**Are you OK?**” and “**Knowing how and where to get help**”, you can save a life.

Please don't hesitate to contact Ralph Dephoff should you require any assistance or further information.

