



Ashmore in Action

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The Meeting Venue for Wednesday, 28th October is:
Ashmore Road Seafood & Steak Restaurant

Club President



Norman Coventry

R.I. President



Holger Knaack

District Governor

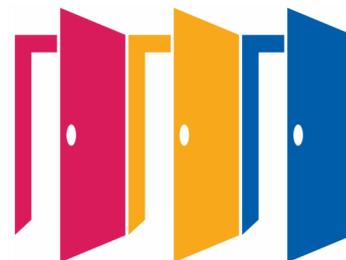


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Assistant Governor



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Rotary Opens Opportunities

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ATTENDANCE ADVICE

**ROTARY ASHMORE MEETING ON
WEDNESDAY, THE 28th OF OCTOBER**

will be held at the
ASHMORE ROAD Seafood & Steak Restaurant

All members are required to advise Robyn Schatz of their intentions (attending or not attending) no later than 11:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting.

Contact Robyn Schatz:
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Club Officials for the Year 2020 - 21

President: Norman Coventry
Vice president: Heather Yarker
President Elect: Denise Payne
Treasurer: Ian Wilson
Secretary: Joan Adams

Service Directors

Club Service: Denise Payne
Community Service: Barbary Healey
Youth: Jan Heap
Foundation & International Service: ...Justine Dillon
Membership: Norman Coventry
Vocational Service: Robin Schatz

Support

Attendance: Robyn Schatz
Welfare: Marcia Waller
A.I.A.: Michael Hyland

Future Events

Please refer to **PAGE 2** for the current Covid-19 restrictions in place for this week.

Date	Venue	Duty Team	Guest Speaker/Event
28 Oct	AS&S	GREEN	<i>Pride of Workmanship Awards</i>
04 Nov	ARCC	GOLD	<i>Trivia Night with R.C. Nerang</i>
07 Nov	ARCC	Social	<i>High Tea</i>
11 Nov	ARCC	RED	<i>Remembrance Day</i>
18 Nov	ARCC	GREEN	<i>All Rounder Awards</i>

Please Note: All raffles held at club meetings will be CASH ONLY

ATTENTION: EVENT DETAILS

- Pride of Workmanship Awards - 28th of October:** to be held at the *Ashmore Road Seafood and Steak Restaurant*, This is the Club's recognition of the excellence of local businesses to provide goods and services to the Gold Coast community. Come along to the presentation to show your support to these local businesses who have had a particularly difficult year.
- High Tea - Saturday, 4th of November:** This is a quality event for Ladies AND Partners to be held at the Ashmore Rotary Community Centre. Professionally catered, the event will include afternoon tea of a standard to match those served at Fortnum & Mason, London, or the Peninsula Hotel, Hong Kong. Tickets are still available and may be purchased through the Ashmore Rotary Facebook Page.
- Christmas Raffle:** This is our 12th year of the Christmas raffle which has been one of our most lucrative events. Arranged and directed by Elaine Williams, with ticket sales coordinated by *Ian McPherson*, the aim is for this event to surpass previous raffles. Promotion will commence at "Q" Centre on the 2nd November and at *Ashmore City Shopping Centre* on the 19th of November culminating in the draw on the **12th of December**. See Page 4 of this Issue for the provisional Roster. Note that there are several vacant slots. Please contact *Ian McPherson* to register your preferred duty periods.
- Rotary Christmas Party, 16th of December:** This is advance notice that the JOINT Ashmore / Nerang Rotary Clubs' Christmas Party will be held at *Carmody's Restaurant*, Southport Sharks Australian Rules Football Club. **This will be the final club meeting for the year**
- The first meeting for 2021 will be held on **WEDNESDAY, 13th of JANUARY** at the Ashmore Rotary Community Centre.

Report on meeting of October 21st at the Ashmore Rotary Community Centre.

Meeting Coordinator: Robyn Schatz

Dinner was served shortly before 6:30: a choice of one of four Malaysian dishes. Dessert was a choice of “Magnum” or “Summer Delight”.

Robyn opened the formal session by welcoming guest speaker, **Emma Thompson**, *Community Engagement Coordinator* for the **Animal Welfare League Queensland**.

Member reports were from:

Denise Payne:

- Was carrying out a clean-up at home when she came across an Ashmore Rotary Club publication of 2005, celebrating the Centenary of the founding of Rotary in Chicago, U.S.A. A perusal of the book was an interesting insight into the situation and activities of the club 15 years ago.

Justine Dillon:

- A reminder that this week is **World Polio Week** with specific celebrations occurring on Saturday, the 24th of October. Since 1988, when there were upwards of 350,000 cases worldwide, the Centres for Disease Control in cooperation with international organisations including Rotary International and the Gates Foundation had by 2013 reduced that number to 407. Four of the five World Health regions (Americas, Europe, South East Asia and the Western Pacific) are now Polio-free with only two countries, Pakistan and Afghanistan where the disease is endemic and a handful of countries in Africa having isolated incidents. The near-eradication of Polio has been achieved by the administration of over 9 billion doses of the Salk (parenteral) and Sabin (oral) vaccines. The final celebrations will take place when complete (worldwide) eradication has been achieved.
- Justine ran a video of a joint presentation by **R.I. President, Holger Knaack** and **Chairman of the Nigeria National PolioPlus Committee, Dr Tunji Funsho** detailing the ongoing work of the two organisations to rid the world of Poliomyelitis.
- Sales for places at the **High Tea** are progressing with just 50% still available.

Ian McPherson:

- Tickets for the Christmas Raffle have been printed and will be distributed to ALL members tonight. Books comprise each of 25 tickets. The price of a (1) ticket is \$2 or three (3) for \$5. Additional books are available from *Ian*.
- A blank Roster sheet will be circulated tonight with the expectation that all available time slots will be filled.

THE ROSTERS FOR BOTH VENUES ARE PRINTED ON PAGE 4 OF THIS ISSUE. PLEASE CHECK CAREFULLY

Nina Simson:

Continuing her feature series of **Rotary Diversity**, *Nina* introduced *Brian McAllen*.

Brian Mc Allen “was born at a very young age”. Although not the original plan (which was to go to England) Brian, thanks to his father’s influence, he went straight from school to the University of Queensland to study pharmacy. He qualified as a pharmacist in 1971 with his first position being in a pharmacy in Brisbane CBD, which he loved. During his time there the owner gave him a roving job. Start work in Brisbane, jump in the car for half a day at a Cleveland Pharmacy; head off to the ferry terminal at Cleveland, park the car, jump on the ferry at Redland Bay, catch the Barge and then on to North Stradbroke Island to work at the Dunwich Pharmacy until home-time. Then back on the ferry and drive home.

With the England trip still in mind, Brian worked part-time at a Day/night Chemist in Graceville to save extra money. In 1974, he and a friend began their journey; first travelling to Sydney for the first time and staying in Kings Cross. With Brisbane being not much larger than a large country town, Sydney was quite a shock. The next leg of the journey was by ship to Los Angeles then flying from LA to London.

After training at Bethnal Green Hospital in one of the lowest socioeconomic areas of London, Brian found a job at a pharmacy in one of the most prestigious hotels in the city; the Hilton Hotel in Park Lane. A sharp contrast! This was luxury. The boss informed him that he could even have lunch in the hotel staff canteen. Which he did for a while until the canteen supervisor informed him that it was for hotel staff only. “Tell her that you work in the hotel pharmacy and ask her if there is anything she needs”, advised the pharmacy manager. “Oh well, I do need some perfume” she said. So, with the occasional “sweetener/smeller” Brian had a very nice lunch for the rest of his stay.

He lived in a flat with 9 other people and has remained friends with them ever since - six, meeting recently. He also worked at the second Pizza Hut in London - a food outlet already well-established in Australia, except, this Pizza Hut sold alcohol and ice cream, both of which he wasn’t allowed to take. However with many Aussies eating at the Pizza Hut, both commodities were eventually banned to all staff. He lived in England for two years, travelling around the country and in Europe before coming home to Australia. He returned to England in 1979.

Back to Australia, he married Lesley in 1981 and in 1986 he purchased the Green Spot pharmacy in Ashmore Plaza; a pharmacy that opened 7 days. There were two pharmacies in the complex and after 9 years of competition they joined forces and expanded the business to good effect. Now with two owners they were able to share extended hours and share the workload by each working alternate weekends. Ultimately they added a third partner and then a fourth which again eased the work pressure. In 2010, the partners sold the business. For some years Brian assisted Tony Ciriello but was then happy to retire; which he did three years ago.

Robyn Schatz:

The **Pride of Workmanship Awards** will be presented at our meeting next week. We are hoping for a full attendance to support the winners of these awards who are serving our local community. The meeting will be held at the **Ashmore Road Seafood & Steak Restaurant**.

Guest Speaker:

Joan Adams Introduced our guest speaker for this evening, Emma Thompson from the *Animal Welfare League Queensland*.

Emma moved from Sydney about a year ago. She worked at Ronald McDonald house but is now working on developing the relationships with the local community and businesses to promote the wide range of services undertaken by the organisation.

Animal Welfare League Queensland (AWLQ) is a self-funded organisation relying totally on donations from businesses and private citizens.

Founded in 1959 as a result of the horrific method of disposal of impounded dogs that, if not collected within 48 hours, were taken to the rubbish tip and shot.

The largest source of revenue is from the 13 Op Shops operated by the League and staffed by volunteers; the first opened in Southport in 1960 and now stretch from Currumbin to Beaudesert to Ipswich. AWLQ services include pick-up of items donated to the shops, Community Vet Clinic (an Australian first), an emergency boarding programme and pet foster-care and adoption. A recently new service is the Emergency Boarding programme, available to old or infirmed citizens who need to enter hospital or care for short periods and who require a short-term home for their pet.

AWLQ has a commitment to not euthanise an animal simply because an owner cannot afford a vet bill. All animals, including strays are given every opportunity to recover and will then be either adopted or enter the foster programme.

The Story of Mimi.

Mimi is a German Sheppard. She entered the Coombabah facility in a sorry state. Sadly undernourished with multiple ailments and terrified of people, there was little hope of her survival. Following months of treatment, she finally recovered her health and confidence and is now happily settled with a new family which includes three cats and two dogs.

The Covid-19 pandemic has seriously impacted on the League's operations. Animals have quickly had to be rehoused to foster or permanent homes, staff have been reduced and the ability to hold fund-raising functions has ceased. It is hoped to return to a near-normal situation in the not too far distant future.

In thanking Emma for her presentation, Rob *Deshon*, our resident, Consultant Veterinarian (now retired) when once was asked his profession, got the response "How boring". He told us that is very rewarding being able to work with animals. Rob thanked Emma for attendance at our meeting and for telling us something about her valuable, and obviously rewarding work.

President Norman Coventry:

- Gave notice that the last meeting for the year of the Rotary Club of Ashmore will be the Christmas Party on the 16th of December. We will reconvene on Wednesday, the 13th of January 2021.
- There is yet another acronym doing the Rotary rounds: RAGES - Rotary Action Group for Endangered Species ???
- There is only ONE all-female Rotary Club in the World; The Rotary club of Tiruchirapalli Shakthi is in the district of Tamil Nadu near the south eastern tip of the Indian continent. There are 41 members and their primary service project is to support a girls school of 450 pupils, 100 of which are Special Needs students. Amongst their many projects, they provide material and logistical support to the villages in the surrounding area.

A large proportion of their operating funding comes from the sale of pictures painted by the school students.

Their Mantra is "*Not all of us can do great things.*"

"But we can do small things with great love."

The meeting closed at 20:15 with the recital of the 4-Way Test

Covid-19 Restrictions - Queensland

As of 24th of October 2020

The movement restrictions issued on the 1st of October remain unchanged. Since NSW continues to experience the occasional case, it is unclear whether those restrictions will be eased on November 1st.

The current regulations are:

Household gatherings up to a maximum of 40 people, (including the residents) are permitted inside or outside, at any one time.

Up to 40 people can now dance at a wedding that is held under a Covid-Safe Plan.

All attendees at a school function and Year 12 event are permitted to dance.

Queensland residents are permitted to travel for any purpose across the border with NSW but to remain within the Border Zone. See the Queensland website for details of the limits of that Border Zone.

If you wish to enter into or return from any of these areas, you will still need to obtain a *Queensland Border Declaration Pass*.

Other advice:

Social distancing of 1.5 metres is recommended and the wearing of masks in some locations is mandatory and advisable in any location where overcrowding may occur.

i.e. Make sure you carry an approved mask with you wherever you go.

A two square metre distancing rule is in place. i.e. One person per TWO square metres.

Visit a covid test centre if:-

You have a runny nose, cough or dry throat.

If you have a persistent headache or generally feel unwell.

If you have aching limbs.

The location of all Covid Test centres is listed on the Gold Coast City Council website.

It is recommended that all citizens arrange to participate in the Influenza Vaccination Scheme.

For all establishments where a public gathering takes place, a list of attendees must be maintained for 56 days after an event.

From the Editor's Desk

We are approaching our busiest time of the year, both individually and club-wise. Not only do we have to worry about what Christmas presents we have to buy or who we have to accommodate or where we are going to escape to over the Christmas period but all of the "Rotary" things as well.

Firstly we have a Raffle tickets to sell. There are still a number of gaps in the Roster that need to be filled and of course, lots of tickets to sell.

Then we have to sharpen our minds to compete with Nerang at the trivia night.

Have we sold all the tickets for the High Tea? and what *are* we going to wear to the Christmas Party? Oh, the strain! The "break" when it finally comes will be very welcome.

One problem I have with the job of producing Ashmore in Action is that I don't just put random pieces of information onto a sheet. I get distracted. What should take not much more than an hour or two usually takes up to a day, sometimes more. This week's "time-waster" started with President Norm mentioning the all-female Rotary Club of Tiruchirapalli Shakthi. Half way through writing this section I decided to investigate. Two hours later I figured that I had "wasted" enough time but then thought I now know a little more than I previously knew and had gained enormous admiration for a group of women living in a place that I had never heard of before. If you have an hour or two to spare sometime, take a look.

Michael Hyland

ROTARY CLUB OF ASHMORE XMAS RAFFLE ROSTER

Q CENTRE

-BURMUDA ST , MERMAID WATERS

2 PERSONS

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		SESSION (1) 10 -12 AM	SESSION (2) 12 -2PM
MONDAY	02-Nov	Ian Wilson Elaine Williams	
TUESDAY	03-Nov	Michael Hyland	
WEDNESDAY	04-Nov	Justine Dillon	
THURSDAY	05-Nov	Greg Clogan	Denise Payne
FRIDAY	06-Nov	Norm Coventry Ian McPherson	Norm Coventry Ian McPherson
SATURDAY	07-Nov	Joan Adams	
SUNDAY	08-Nov		
MONDAY	09-Nov	Robyn Schatz	
TUESDAY	10-Nov		
WEDNESDAY	11-Dec	Brad Francis	
THURSDAY	12-Nov	Elaine Williams	
FRIDAY	13-Nov	Norm Coventry	Norm Coventry Ian McPherson
SATURDAY	14-Nov	Joan Adams	
SUNDAY	15-Nov	Ian and Heather Yarker	

ASHMORE CITY SHOPPING CENTRE - THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY ONLY

2 person

SESSION 9 - 12PM

THURSDAY	19-Nov	Carol Reinhardt : Elaine Williams	
FRIDAY	20-Nov	Michael Hyland	
SATURDAY	21-Nov	Denise Payne: Ian Wilson	
THURSDAY	26-Nov	Carol Reinhardt : Elaine Williams	
FRIDAY	27-Nov	Rob Deshon	
SATURDAY	28-Nov	Joan Adams, Rob Deshon	
THURSDAY	03-Dec	Carol Reinhardt : Elaine Williams	
FRIDAY	04-Dec	Denise Payne	
SATURDAY	05-Dec	Heather Yarker : David Grant	
THURSDAY	10-Dec	Carol Reinhardt : Elaine Williams	
FRIDAY	11-Dec	Denise Payne	
SATURDAY	12-Dec	Michael Hyland : Joan Adams	

AS YOU CAN SEE, THERE ARE STILL MANY GAPS IN THE ABOVE ROSTERS.

WE URGENTLY NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR:-

AFTERNOON SHIFTS AT THE “Q” CENTRE

FRIDAY MORNINGS AT ASHMORE CITY & “Q” CENTRE

ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS WHERE ONLY ONE PERSON IS ENTERED

PLEASE CONTACT Ian McPherson IF YOU CAN HELP

From: Graham Jones <grahamtjones@gmail.com@clubrunner.email>

Sent: Thursday, 22 October 2020 1:39 PM

To: Denise Payne <denise@studymatch.com.au>

Subject: Advanced notification - Burleigh Heads Rotary Club Cars 'n Clues Charity Rally - December 6th 2020

Dear Denise

I wanted to give you a heads-up to a Charity car rally we are hosting on December 6th. The event will raise funds to support local initiatives of our club and participation is open to members & friends of all of the Rotary clubs in our district.

I would be most appreciative if you could share the attached information with your members. Bookings for the event can be made on our facebook page [Cars'n Clues Charity Rally Facebook Page](#)

Thanks in advance

Yours in Rotary

Graham T. Jones

Membership Director 2020-2021

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Cars'n Clues Charity Rally

8.30AM - 12.00PM

Dec 6th

Start & Finish:

Schuster Park Tallebudgera



President Norman introducing us to R.C. Tiruchirapalli Shakthi



Members of the Rotary Club of Tiruchirapalli Shakthi donate P.P.E. to the local Hospital

Celebrations

This week

Rob Deshon had a Birthday on the 21st

*Robyn Schatz had a Club Anniversary on the 22nd
and*

*Brian & Lesley McAllen celebrated their
39th Wedding Anniversary on Saturday, the 24th*

Member's Welfare

If you are aware of any member who is sick or is in need of help, please contact Marcia Waller on:

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