

Rotary Club of East Maitland Inc.

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COMMITTEE DIRECTORS

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Welfare

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ROTARY DISTRICT 9660

District Governor

Bruce George

(RC Inverell)



Community Leader

Glenda Briggs

(RC East Maitland)



**ROTARY CLUB OF
EAST MAITLAND
WEEKLY BULLETIN
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Rotary International President:

Stephanie Urchick

(Rotary Club of McMurray,
Pennsylvania, USA)



**ROTARY CLUB OF
EAST MAITLAND**

ROTARY BOARD 2024-2025



GUEST SPEAKER

District 9660 District Governor Nominee, Di Hall was introduced by **Liz Holle**. Di, from Tamworth, is a member of the E-Club and is District Chair of RYPEN. Di provided an update on RYPEN.

RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) is open to students aged 13 - 17 years. "The Leadership team consists of Rotaract and RYLA volunteers who each bring a unique set of skills and experience. The program is run over 2 days commencing on a Saturday afternoon and finishing on Monday afternoon. It offers a variety of activities that allow participants to increase their knowledge and improve their skills in leadership, team building, problem solving and creative thinking. Participants also learn about understanding others. These sessions are balanced with games and outdoor challenges that provide the opportunity to practise new skills. All sessions are done working in teams with an assigned leader from the leadership team." Next RYPEN program will be held 7-9 June at Bonny Hills

Noah Connolly thanked Di for her presentation.

GUESTS / VISITORS: Tess Bellia, Noah Connolly

APOLOGIES: Kath Botterill, Fine Veal, Cindy Modderman, Dallas Horadam, Sandra Cleere, Sue Matynia, John Le Page, Mike Goddard, Chris Vollmer, Kimberley Owen, Michael Tams, Stacy Jacobs

WELFARE: Kath Botterill has returned home, where strategies to assist her have been implemented.

District Conference

Glenda Briggs reported :

- > 9 RCEM members and 2 YEP students attended the annual event.
- > Friday night's program included drinks and viewing of the 'Narrabrite' street festival
- > Saturday's program included some great presenters, including **Trevor Lynch** on 'Maitland HealthStays', 'DV Safe' phones, and 'Boots to Scrubs', supporting rural women doctors.
- > Rotaractors from Narrabri and Wee Waa (30 of 50 Rotaractors from the District are from Narrabri / Wee Waa) were the principal organisers

Congratulations to Glenda on being awarded the **Meritorious Service in Foundation Award** (one awarded per year)



	25 March	1 April	8 April
ACTIVITY / SPEAKER	Lydia (YEP student– Taiwan)	ACAT TBA	Julie Dixon Sophie Holle
TOPIC	Cooking Dumplings	Aged Care Assessment Team	Behind the Badge
INTRODUCE	Keith Bush	Sandra Cleere	Dallas Horadam Kim Le Page
THANKS	Louise Shirvington	John Le Page	Carol Coffey
FELLOWSHIP	Judy Hicks	Narelle Jeffries	Christopher Morgan
THOUGHT FOR WEEK	Victoria Smith	Brian Coffey	Taylor Zalecki
LOCATION	EAST MAITLAND UNITING CHURCH HALL 6:00 for 6:30 PM	GEORGE TAVERN 6:00 for 6:30PM	GEORGE TAVERN 6:00 for 6:30PM

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK (Stuart Holle)



Once you **replace negative thoughts with positive ones**, you'll start having positive results.

— Willie Nelson

AZ QUOTES

Wednesday Walking Group:

This week's Walk was centred on East Maitland.

Next week's walk will be held at Medowie Macadamia Farm.

CLUB ACTIVITIES

Golf Day Fundraiser this Sunday 23 March
Cooking with Lydia - Cooking Dumplings (Taiwanese style) 25 March

East Maitland Uniting Church Hall, 33 William St, East Maitland

Bollywood - 12 April at Indian Town Buffet

ANZAC dinner - 15 April, **Club Camping**

Weekend - 16 - 18 May, at Reflections, Forster.

Lift the Lid walk on 6th April - Volunteer Marshalls required, as well as walkers

Weekly Member's Draw

Fine Vea will have \$100 credited to his name with The Rotary Foundation

BOARD Meeting Report

> **District Public Image** Grant Application submitted, to purchase club banners
> **RYPEN** clarification (see Di Hall presentation)

> **Gift** approved to Lydia of Harbour Bridge Climb

> **Sue Morgan and Christopher Morgan** were delegates at District meeting at Narrabri

> Clean up of **square readers** conducted

> **ANZAC Night** 15 April, Uniting Church Hall, \$25 ph, members asked to subsidise service personnel meals (details to be shared)

Trivia Night was a successful night financially

Antiques, Bottles and Collectables Fair

A hot activity. **Alison Crane** thanked all who assisted, with very favourable reports being received. Raffle provided extra income.

Bimbadgen - 4 members attended

TEAM MEETING REPORTS

Administration (Liz Holle)

> Program for next 3 months prepared
> Gift of a book, to be presented to a local school, to be presented to Guest Speakers
> template to assist Behind the Badge presenters to be developed

Membership (Carol Coffey):

> On track to achieve goals, with 4 new members and one prospective member
> Discover Rotary and Information nights (unique to RCEM) are planned
> suggestion of building a data base of the qualifications of members eg licence, RSA

Public Image (Christopher Morgan)

> Socials continue to have a strong following
> Feedback from members regarding Bulletin
> Development of central Calendar with links to Facebook, website etc

Service (Alison Crane / Brian Coffey):

> On track to achieve set goals
> Training in leadership for service projects being developed
> Golf Day roster shared

> Fire inspection of storage unit on 27 March

Rotary Foundation (Brian Morgan):

> Review of achievements through grants
> District RAWCS Grant has enabled a home to be constructed

Cans / bottles recycling has returned \$5,000

YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM

Taylor: enjoyed catching up with other YEP students at District Conference

Lydia: met up with other YEP students at the Conference

Played her clarinet to introduce the In Memoriam

Enjoyed her first 'party', with great dancing

FOR YOUR DIARY

(Website eastmaitlandrotary.org.au)

Walking Group every Wednesday

March

23 - Golf Day

25 - Dumpling cooking with Lydia

April

4, 7 - 10 Science and Engineering Challenge - University of Newcastle

6 - Lift the Lid Walk

12 - Bollywood Night

15 - ANZAC Night

25 - ANZAC Day Dawn Service catering

26 - Pickers Canteen

26 - 27 Team Penning

28 - 30 Total site marking

30 - George Raffles

May

1 - 4 Total Field Days

9 - Graffiti removal

16 - 18 Club camping weekend - Forster

June

10 - Club Changeover

July

19 - Critters Ball - Club Macquarie

ACRONYM OF THE WEEK

(Christopher Morgan)

PHBS (Paul Harris Benevolent Society)
- recognition of donations of individuals to the Rotary Foundation - provides long term support for Rotary initiatives



District Conference at Narrabri



Bimbadgen A Day on the Green



Antique, Bottles and Collectibles Fair