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**ROTARY CLUB OF
EAST MAITLAND
WEEKLY BULLETIN
28 OCTOBER 2025**



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Francesco Arezzo

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Sicily, Italy

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**ROTARY CLUB OF
EAST MAITLAND**



RCEM wear red to end polio.... We're this close!



RCEM BOARD 2025-2026

This week's meeting was opened with an acknowledgement of Country by Sue Morgan. We **welcomed** Deb and Michael Hickey. **Apologies** were received from Kath Botterill, Kin and John LePage, Michael Tams, Stacey Jacobs, Glenda Briggs, Sandy and Fine Vea, Cindy and Eric Modermann.

Congratulations to Kim LePage, this week's Rotarian of the week. Kim gets to choose a foundation charity to receive \$100 donation in her name.

President Christopher gave a summary of our club's activities over the Christmas break including... RAWCS service trip to Cambodia including 9 members of RC EM with help also from 6 members from RC Morisset and four others.... Lawn meeting at Stockton, Croquet at Maitland, thanks to John Pace for arranging and Trevor and Carol's recognition at the Maitland Australia Day awards. Special thanks went out to all those people who helped make the Stockton Triathlon weekend a success. The refrigerated truck certainly came into its own in keeping the large number of drinks we sold cold.



| | 10 th February | 17 th February | 24 th February |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|
| ACTIVITY / SPEAKER | Craig Goodman | Club Assembly | Stacey Jacobs |
| TOPIC | Antarctic Voyage | | Interact |
| INTRODUCE | Sue Morgan | | Julie Dixon |
| THANKS | Dallas Horadam | | Geoff Hicks |
| FELLOWSHIP | John LePage | Michael Tams | Klyie McPherson |
| Thought for the Week | Brian Coffey | Louise Shirvington | Leanne Parker |
| LOCATION | GEORGE TAVERN 6:00 for 6:30 PM | GEORGE TAVERN 6:00 for 6:30 PM | |



FOR YOUR DIARY

(Website eastmaitlandrotary.org.au)

Walking Group every Wednesday

February

13-15 Maitland Athletics Carnival

20- U-Matter Overnight Walk

28 – An inspector calls – Maitland Repertory

March

1 – Clean Up Australia Day


4, 11, 18 and 25 – George Tavern Raffles

10 Discover Rotary Night

15 Lit the Lid Walk – Maitland Park

20–21 District Conference – Newcastle

From our club directors..

Stuart PI – The best way to have your news posted to the RCEM Facebook page is to Direct Message RCEM via Facebook Messenger. Download the app... look for this symbol  Some great ideas are coming through for the website as well.

Sue – Membership – our 46 members represent a fantastic range of diversity, which keeps our club strong. We currently have a 55 /45 Female / Male split. Future marketing will be subtly adjusted to redress the balance.

Upcoming events include a Discover Rotary Night on the 10th March.

Liz- Admin. A full program has been arranged for the first half of the year, including Craig Goodman on his Antarctic travels, Every Daughter Matters and a special Mothers day event.

Brian M – Foundation. We have the highest rate of engagement in My Rotary in the District and one of the highest rates of individual donations to the Foundation at 70%. We get to access funds of the Foundation through District grants, which we have a number of successful examples of over the years. Service – Brian C.

Our service activities continue to evolve and we are able to select higher value events where we are paid, and choose worthwhile community events to support. We keep service fun and build strong relationships with each other by working together. Graffiti bombing is coming back and our services are continually needed.

Welfare. Our thoughts go out to Sandy and Fine Veal, Leanne Parker, and Kath Botterill who have all been feeling poorly over the last week.

From Healthstays. Planning for the golf day is surging ahead. A special showing of the Maitland Repertory's play "An inspector calls" is planned for 8PM of 28th March. Please book your tickets through the Maitland Healthstays site <https://maitlandhealthstays.org.au/>. Scroll

down at the home page to see the dialogue box.

This week's guest speaker was.... Tess Bellia. Tess loves animals and particularly, horses. She undertook training at Tocal Agricultural College and enjoys the country life, except for when it comes to getting up early to milk the cows. As a child, with her father in the RAAF so Tess moved around a bit. She has also had lots of opportunity to travel and likes Cologne, especially the cathedral, but laments that everything in Italy is broken and smells. When it comes to cars, pre 1980s are the best. She is very proud of teaching herself how to drive a manual car at 17. She doesn't mind travelling for work and has had jobs in Queensland and King Island. Tess is happiest in the outback where there are fewer people and more animals and farm machinery.



Thank you Tess for sharing insight and letting us into your life.

<https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/polioaust>

DID YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW HAVE POLIO?



REGISTER TO ATTEND

OUR INFORMATION SESSION IS FOR:

- Anyone who got sick from polio
- Relatives of those who had polio
- Caregivers of polio survivors
- Medical and health professionals

INFORMATION SESSION AGENDA:

First two hours - Health Literacy:

- Welcome and orientation
- Polio, epidemics and consequences
- Post-polio conditions
 - Signs and symptoms
 - Managing post-polio
 - Health team profile
 - Post-polio advocacy

Third hour - Clinical Deep Dive:

- Screening and identification
- Clinical information
- Four risk areas
- Best practices for care

SESSION DETAILS:

NEWCASTLE

Mon 23 March
1 to 4 pm

Wallsend Library
Heritage Room

30 Bunn St, Wallsend 2289

FREE - REGISTER USING QR CODE OR
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Let's LIFT THE LID on MENTAL ILLNESS

Sunday, 15 March 2026 Walk
9:00 am Maitland Park • Maitland NSW
Early Bird Registration before 28 February 2026
Get a free T-shirt

Rotary Districts of Australia

Click on link to register
<https://www.liftthelidwalk.com.au/maitland>

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