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Club's Website and Club's Facebook

March is Rotary's Water and Sanitation Month

Tonight; 5:45 for 6:00pm start

We are Conjola, the movie; 1h45minutes, followed by Q+A

Future Programs:

9 Mar; Local SES presentation; Jo West-Field and Tracy Provost

16 Mar; TBA

23 Mar; Ron Rutter; Fighting Fires and Saving Lives

30 Mar; TBA

April is Rotary's Maternal and Child Health Month

6 Apr; TBA

Club's Calendar

6 Mar	Sat	Bunnings BBQ
19-21 Mar		District Conference, Bathurst Convention Centre
2021		
10 Apr		RCMU Anniversary
10 Apr	Sat	Comedy Night , at DLC RSA holders needed, please
18 Apr	Sun	Tennis Day Rotary + Lions
8 May	Sat	Bunnings BBQ
23 May	Sun	Swap Meet
26 June	Sat	District Changeover, Young

PLEASE NOTIFY apologies and guests to Ed Zonneveldt on 0407 958 516,

edzonneveldt1@optusnet.com.au by NOON on Monday.

If your attendance is in doubt, please apologise and if you turn up, the caterer will not mind extras.

Birthdays: 1 Apr; Evelyn Foreman and Ross Wade, 4 Apr; Julie Porter, 6 Apr; Jacqui Thomson. Anniversaries: None this week.

One of last week's guest was Tim Trescowthick (I didn't print Tim's surname, sorry), has anyone noticed?

On the 16 Feb, 39 were in attendance, including 3 guests and 3 guest speakers.

23 February 2021 Meeting;

President Leonie Smith welcomed Guest Speaker Louise Murphy via zoom, Robert Baldwin, RC of Grenfell, and Matt Thomas, RC of Belconnen. 31 members and guests were in attendance. President Leonie asked member to let her know if you need a new dinner badge, as there is an order to be placed shortly.

Secretary PP Dale Wilford informed members that accounts to Acting Treasurer PP Ross, nominee for District Governor has closed though someone can still challenge the decision, request from District for the District Conference a list of club members that have Working with Children Check be sent to District.

Acting Treasurer Ross Wade, reminded members to double check if you haven't paid your dues. Good news an application for a grant to provide a suicide prevention worker has been successful for the area.

Youth director Avril Pryor informed members of NYSF student Jamie Soo is coming in soon to address members on her experience of NYSF.

PP Michael Mastronardi spoke on Driver Education meeting coming up later in the week to discuss the program this year.

PP Brian Morrison spoke on the exchange of emails between himself and past exchange student Giulia Missarelli who is in her final semester at University and maybe applying for a peace fellowship scholarship through Rotary.

Guest Speaker Director of Australian First Responder Foundation (AFRF) Louise Murphy; Louise spoke on the idea behind starting the AFRF as a support for Frontline Emergencies including NSW Ambulance, St John's Ambulance, NSW Rural Fire Service, Marine Rescue, NSW Fire & Rescue and NSW Surf Lifesaving organization are included in the Foundation. The idea with the AFRF is to given peer support mental health for Frontline services. There are 380,00 Emergencies frontline workers in Australia and 240,00 are volunteer.

After seeing a need for a peer support service for Frontline workers. Louise applied and received a grant from the Winston Churchill Fellowship this enable Louise to travel to USA, Canada and UK to observe practices in these countries. On return to Australia Louise come home to the 'black' summer of Bushfires even coming to Ulladulla to volunteer in the area with the St John's Ambulance during the Currowan Bushfire. During this time Louise was able to put into practice some of the ideas, she learnt overseas.



The AFRF is looking at providing weekend retreats for the Frontline responders to be able to reconnect, recharge and reset. As Mental Health for first responders is paramount as 1 in 3 first responder volunteers are being diagnosed with mental condition in a lifetime compared to 1 in 5 non first responders in Australia.

Thank you, Yvonne Young, for the meeting's report.

End of Report

	<h2 style="text-align: center;">SHOALHAVEN EMERGENCY SERVICES COMMUNITY AWARDS (SESCA) 2021</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">(a Rotary Community Service initiative)</p> <p>Do you know anyone in an Emergency Service Agency who is not only doing a great job in that unit, but is also significantly involved in the community outside the ESA?</p> <p style="text-align: center;">If so, this package is for you!!!</p> <p>Four Rotary Clubs in the Shoalhaven - Berry, Bomaderry, Milton-Ulladulla and Nowra – have again partnered to present the “Shoalhaven Emergency Services Community Awards”. In keeping with Rotary’s motto of “Service Above Self”, the Awards acknowledge community service of NSW Police and Emergency Services personnel in the Shoalhaven.</p> <p>These Awards are open to all Shoalhaven-based personnel, both paid and volunteer, from the NSW Police and Emergency Service Agencies in the Shoalhaven:</p> <p>So, if you know either Police and/or Emergency Service personnel who exemplify Rotary’s motto of “Service Above Self”, <u>please nominate them.</u></p> <p>Nominations can be submitted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> online – www.sesca.org.au - Nominations Form page <p>If you decide to nominate someone, please do your research confidentially, using colleagues, spouse or partner, members of other organisations they belong to, etc.</p> <p>The contact for questions about nominations is Peter Taylor, Ambassador, Shoalhaven Emergency Services Community Awards - pttaylor@internode.on.net - mobile 0429 485 045; or Phil Presgrave – 0407 625 855</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Nominations close at 5pm, on Wednesday, 31 March 2021</p>
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