

Pres Ed Zonneveldt

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Club's Website and Club's Facebook

April is Rotary's Environmental Month

Tonight; Rex Russell, Working in the Army

Introduction: Phil Brown Vote of Thanks: Clive Cross

5 minuter: Bernard Jones

FUTURE PROGRAMS:

29 Apr; Lisa Collins, StoryFest

Introduction: Simon Brown

Vote of Thanks: Craig Cameron

5 minuter: Anne-Maree Kitchener

May is Rotary's Youth Service Month

6 May; Her Excellency Mrs Ardi Stoios-Braken, Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to Australia, club visit.

Partners, Family, Friends and community members. \$40 per person.

Introduction: President Ed Zonneveldt

Vote of Thanks: Tim Trescowthick

13 May; Club Princess we sponsored Keira Cioccarelli and 2025 winner Taylah Craig

Introduction: Louise Garrett

Vote of Thanks: Tony Fondacaro

5 minuter: Max Lake

20 May; Katrina Sharpe, 'Bluey's World'. **Partners' Night**

Introduction: John Hozack Vote of Thanks: Dom Fondacaro

5 minuter: Geoff Johns

27 May; Finnish Youth Exchange Hilma

Introduction: Yvonne Young

Vote of Thanks: Wayne Fry

5 minuter: Phil McDonald

June is Rotary's Fellowships Month

3 June; TBA

10 June; TBA

17 June; TBA

24 June; Club Changeover at DLC

July is Rotary's Maternal and Child Health Month

8 Jul; NO MEETING

9 Jul; RC of Nowra's 90th Anniversary Dinner at Bomaderry's Bowling Club, 154 Meroo Rd, Bomaderry

Members and partners to car pool, please.

15 Jul; Club Assembly

22 Jul; TBA

29 Jul; TBA

Birthdays; none. **Anniversaries;** 23 Apr; Pat and Peter Culham.

18 Nov; Matt Potter; Resuscitation, Partners, Family and community members' Night

Club's Calendar		
3 May	Sat	Democracy Sausage, Civic Centre 9:00am to 2:00pm.
4 May	Sun	Bunnings BBQ
6 May	Tues	Netherlands Ambassador's visit
14-17 May	Wed-Sat	Willinga Park, breakfast
16 -18 May	Fri-Sun	RYPEN Camp. Sutton
1 June	Sun	Bunnings BBQ
3 June		Science engineer Challenge, Nowra
6 to 13 June		The Entertainers
11 June	Wed	SESCA
18 June	Wed	TAFE luncheon, \$40, at noon
24 June	Tues	Club Changeover
5 July	Sat	Bunnings BBQ
8 July	Tues	NO Meeting
9 Jul	Wed	RC Nowra 90th at 6:00pm Car pool, partners night
3 Aug	Sun	Bunnings BBQ
6-7 Sep	Sat-Sun	Bunnings BBQ, for MHERV

Entertainers: 7 shows in June, club to run bar.
6-7 evening. 8 afternoon. 12-13 evening.
14 afternoon and evening s.hows

PLEASE NOTIFY apologies and guests to Louise Garrett 0432 091 991 loumqarr@gmail.com
by **NOON ON MONDAY.**

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

15 April 2025 meeting's report

President Ed Zonneveldt welcomed all and our guests DGE Robert and Judith Shore and our guest speaker Marilyn Smith OAM and partner 9769 PDG Jeremy.

Issa Shalhoub; every week we will have a 5 minuter who will be talking about a Rotary subject; what is RYPEN, RYLA, MUNA ... if you need help on choosing a subject, please contact Issa, if you don't wish to talk, Issa can prepare a video to show. Issa is away for the next two weeks, I help with pictures and notes of the meeting, nice to get someone different to do it.

Bernard Jones; BOF Bar on Easter Sunday, Issa to email a roster

\$215 was sent to End Polio, money raised from the Pakistan High Commissioner's visit, that money will be doubled by the Gates Foundation.

Tony Fondacaro gave the Club Service report. 13 May; to ask our sponsored Princess to address the club, 27 May to ask the YE student from Narooma to address the club.

Yvonne Young; asked for help with; **(1) Hilma – Youth Exchange Student** from Finland, currently being hosted by Narooma Rotary, has the opportunity to come and speak at our club on Tuesday 27 May, needs help with a host family, it would be awesome if a member of our Club could host Hilma from Sunday 25 to Wednesday 28 May, as Hilma plays volleyball at the Dunn Lewis Centre on Wednesday afternoon. This would also be a great opportunity for Hilma to speak at Ulladulla High School on the Exchange program.

This is the only time Hilma can possibly come to our club before she goes on Safari.

(2) Nowra Rotary is hosting the **Science and Engineering** program on Tuesday 3rd June and would love to have some volunteers from our Club to assist with the day.

Geoff Johns attended a Community Connect meeting and suggested for our club to get involved.

Willinga Park breakfast, Democracy Sausage.

Louise Garrett, our attendance officer; **members are not apologising, quite a few tonight**, PLEASE let Louise know if you are not attending. Also, please advise on numbers for the **6 May** meeting which is open to family, friends and community members, and **20 May** as we have a very interesting speaker, please tell your family.

President Ed Zonneveldt reminded the members of the **Bunnings BBQ 19 April**, the **Democracy Sausage Saturday 3 May** the Civic Centre, 9:00am start to around 2:00pm.

DGE Robert Shore after showing a video on Facebook of a Youth Exchange student, the ABC requested an interview.

Members over 79 are covered for regular club events-projects, but not covered if driving for more than 50kms for a Rotary event by Rotary insurance.

Robert is still following up that issue.

Almoner Bill Harris welcome back **Dale Wilford**.

DGE Robert Shore; he is pleased with the district's membership growth, would like to see more growth, spoke on PETS and that he is here to support clubs and members, likes for club to meet weekly and to have weekly guest speakers. -Will organise a one-minute video competition for each club to present what they do, their story ...

Guest speaker was introduced by Dale Wilford who reminded us that Marilyn Smith's father is Charter member of our club. **Marilyn Smith OAM** is a member of the RC of Sydney Cove; spoke on ROOM (Refugee Organisation Of Milton), set up under the Community Refugee Integration and Settlement Pilot (CRISP) which gives groups of locals the opportunity to welcome refugees into their community, in our case Milton-Ulladulla area. Marilyn explained what is a refugee, after living ten years of living in a refugee camp to get a refugee status, 60% are children.

ROOM is made up of local volunteers involved of getting community sponsorship of refugees. CRISP provides training and support and matches refugees. ROOM raised \$20,000, our area is ideal for refugees to live in.

ROOM meets the refugee at the airport, provides temporary accommodation, sets up bank account, Medicare, Centre Link, phones, schooling, employment, transport, asks the community for support and friendship as **no one asks to be a refugee in life**.

Lucky door prize; **Bernard Jones**.

Raffle winner; **Ed Zonneveldt**.



End of report.

Message received on our club's Facebook page from Phillip Comfort:

Congratulations. I am a member of the Rotary Club of Wahroonga, so therefore I request you to look after my friend Max Lake I'm sure you will as he was a great member of our club. He will be a great addition to your club.