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Rotary District 9640

What a Conference! Thank you Everyone

Months of planning and hours of hard work by so many people made our conference an occasion in this year's calendar of Rotary events to remember for a long time to come.

Attendance far exceeded my expectations, yet it showed just how much Rotary spirit is alive in our District. "The Year of the Outback", a theme of the conference, was worth celebrating.

I'm sure all delegates to the conference will retain many memories of the presentations, but surely the spectacular "Year of the Outback" fashion parade on Saturday night will leave a mark never to be erased.

Thank you, everyone.

Goondiwindi, the most western town in our District, looked an absolute picture. Almost as though we had ordered it, rain fell several weeks before the conference giving the countryside a sparkle of beauty and prosperity. It could not have looked better.

The pride of the members and Rotaryannes of the Rotary Club of Goondiwindi showed so clearly in their effort and their commitment to detail. They quite openly wanted the conference to be one to remember long after it was over. Thank you fellows and ladies of Goondiwindi your families and your friends. You can all be proud.

My message at the conference was that Rotary is a family affair. Programs of Rotary emphasise this point, particularly our youth programs, and if we remember to include our families in Rotary, we will develop stronger family units, stronger communities and a better nation. I really do believe in this.

Our second inbound GSE team from District 4630 Brazil arrives in our District on Monday 29th April. This is a fitting finale to our international exposure this year. I hope that as many as possible Rotarians and their families take the opportunity to participate in some way in this exchange. Group Study Exchange is The Rotary Foundation at work in our community.

All of us must now concentrate on finishing off the year with our plans and goals satisfied. With only two months to go, now is the time to take stock of what still has to be done.

Have you satisfied your goals for membership development, projects, and fundraising? Have you given up a meal for Polio Plus?

Have you contributed to The Rotary Foundation and nominated the people to be recognised as Paul Harris Fellows? What about the money you want to send to ARHRF and to ROMAC?

There is still a lot to do and a lot to think about before handing over to the new committees.

And finally, Dell and I wish everyone all the very best in the preparation for handover and in training for another year of strong Rotary endeavour.

In everything I have done this year I have kept foremost in my mind that “Mankind is our Business”. It is so apt; I know it is a theme that will be useful for all of us to keep in mind forever.

Yours in Rotary Service

DG Neil

24 April 2002

To all Club Secretaries and President's Elect

At this time of the year **Club Changeovers** are being planned.

Whilst I would like to attend the changeover of every club in the District this is obviously impossible. I will attend as many changeovers as I can manage and appoint a representative to attend the others.

That representative must be a present or past officer of Rotary International. This means that it can be any of our Past District Governors, or DGE Ross Smith. Ross will not be available to attend club changeovers after 30th June as he will then be attending to his official club visits.

A list of Past District Governors appears on page 22 of the District Directory.

Please indicate on the form below the date, place and time of your changeover and also nominate your club's three preferences for my representative. You may include me.

I will attempt to satisfy your requests. If you have no requests, I will appoint someone.

You will appreciate that this is **very urgent** as it is quite involved for me to finalise the details. Therefore I would appreciate hearing from you by **10th May**.

If this is not possible please contact me and advise me when you will have your changeover details in place. This will avoid my having to contact you.

Some clubs have already contacted me and invited me or another person to attend their changeover. It will be of great assistance to me if those clubs still respond to this request on the form below.

Yours in Rotary Service

DG Neil

Club Changeover Details

You can type your details into the form boxes provided below and either -

Print out and return by post or fax to: -

DG Neil Maxwell
PO Box 200
WARWICK QLD 4370

Fax: 07 46611890

Or E-Mail to:-

Email: neilmax@flexi.net.au

The Rotary Club of:

Date of Changeover:

Place of Changeover:

Starting Time: _____ for _____

Three choices for DG's Representative
(You may include DG Neil)

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Rotary District 9640**Membership & Attendance report for February 2002**

Rotary Club of ...	Attendance				Membership		
	This month		Year to Date		Start of Year	Present	Change
	%age	Rank	%age	Rank			
Allora	75.00	36	54.39	53	13	14	1
Alstonville	86.51	7	80.53	18	30	29	-1
Ashmore	72.91	41	77.97	26	38	36	-2
Ballina	73.15	40	76.53	29	35	34	-1
Ballina-on-Richmond	70.75	45	70.82	42	24	25	1
Beaudesert	81.00	19	87.70	5	34	33	-1
Boonah	91.13	2	91.56	2	34	39	5
Broadbeach	82.91	14	82.71	10	46	52	6
Broadwater Southport	76.67	30	67.48	47	33	30	-3
Burleigh Heads	78.57	25	74.65	31	18	16	-2
Byron Bay	75.03	35	82.08	12	12	14	2
Casino	73.75	39	72.08	38	31	28	-3
Coolangatta Tweed Heads	60.00	52	68.25	45	30	31	1
Coomera Valley	81.50	17	79.57	21	26	26	-
Glen Innes	75.69	34	77.73	28	35	37	2
Goondiwindi	75.80	33	70.88	41	37	32	-5
Goonellabah	66.75	48	73.46	34	28	26	-2
Grafton	71.42	42	72.98	36	36	35	-1
Grafton Midday	71.00	44	70.71	43	27	32	5
Iluka	78.50	26	80.22	19	13	19	6
Jimboomba	84.00	13	83.69	7	19	23	4
Kingscliff	79.13	22	68.17	46	22	24	2
Kirra Currumbin	78.00	28	81.08	16	15	15	-
Kyogle	75.00	36	64.63	50	11	12	1
Lismore	82.00	16	74.45	32	29	28	-1
Lismore Central	64.28	50	55.01	52	22	22	-
Lismore West	95.75	1	95.55	1	44	46	2
Maclean	85.00	10	84.34	6	45	45	-
Mermaid Beach	77.00	29	77.99	25	22	26	4
Mt Warning AM (Murwillumbah)	87.04	4	83.10	8	29	27	-2
Mudgeeraba	76.53	31	80.78	17	23	23	-
Mullumbinby	82.50	15	81.47	13	29	30	1
Murwillumbah	79.00	23	81.12	15	29	30	1
Murwillumbah Central	78.30	27	79.55	22	45	46	1
Nerang	85.00	10	90.03	3	24	26	2
Palm Beach	76.27	32	75.83	30	37	35	-2
Parkwood	74.90	38	73.78	33	23	24	1
Robina	79.00	23	72.00	39	14	14	-
Runaway Bay	80.56	20	78.17	24	38	42	4
South Grafton	68.50	47	71.76	40	11	11	-
Southport	85.92	9	70.50	44	40	45	5
Southport North	86.54	6	77.96	27	18	18	-
Stanthorpe	65.82	49	67.35	48	46	49	3
Summerland Sunrise	87.33	3	82.83	9	27	27	-
Surfers Paradise	62.75	51	60.37	51	64	64	-
Surfers Paradise Central	79.69	21	79.80	20	58	58	-
Surfers Paradise West	87.00	5	78.55	23	33	32	-1
Surfers Sunrise	No Report	54	48.99	54	40	40	-
Tamborine Mountain	85.00	10	82.51	11	11	10	-1
Tenterfield	81.18	18	81.19	14	25	24	-1
Tweed Heads South	86.11	8	88.53	4	16	18	2
Warwick	57.14	53	67.28	49	23	25	2
Warwick Sunrise	71.42	42	73.16	35	20	21	1
Yamba	69.40	46	72.31	37	27	27	-
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