

**“BE THE INSPIRATION”**

The Rotary Club of Kingston meets at the Kingborough Bowls Club, Margate, Mondays 6.30 for 7.00

Tonight’s meeting #2158

This week: 8/10/18

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**  
**THE BEACON FOUNDATION**  
Speaker: **HALLEY DURANT**

Chairman	PP John Peterson
Registration/Raffle prize	PP Mike Percey
Assistant	Rtn Chris Neilsen
Meet ‘n Greet/Décor/TT Steward	PP Rod Williams

Next meeting: **Note: Tuesday 16**/10/18

**CLUB SERVICE - GROUP FORUM**  
**HUONVILLE BOWLS CLUB**  
**6.30 for 7.00**

Chairman	AG Marion Cooper
Registration	PP John Perterson
Assistant	Rtn David Oxley

**PLEASE NOTE:** This Bulletin was prepared from the information available at the time of printing.

WHAT ELSE IS HAPPENING IN OUR CLUB?  
ANYTHING WE NEED TO KNOW?  
CHECK OUR CLUB WEBSITE: [www.rotaryclubofkingston.org](http://www.rotaryclubofkingston.org)

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK**

**“MAN IS THE ONLY ANIMAL THAT BLUSHES. OR NEEDS TO.**

Mark Twain (1835-1910)

**Leave of absence:** PPs Lois Haas, Paul Jack, Else Phillips.

**President Jill Sward** began the meeting by reading an e-mail from **PP Mike Whitehouse** with his comment on last week’s presentation by **PP Kim Pitt** on the **Battle of Trafalgar** and the **Death of Admiral Horatio Nelson**. He said: *“Kim Pitt’s presentation was one of the best Kingston Rotary meetings in 44 years as a member. It had everything, information, fun, audience participation! Pure entertainment!”*

*Keep up the good work Madam President!”*

**PP Gillian Whitehouse**, in her role as District Officer in charge of implementing the **Club Vision and Strategic plan**, was a surprise Guest Speaker on the plan, pointing out the need to check ourselves to see if we are truly progressive or a “stuck in the mud” club.

We also need to look to areas for future development, even to the extent of drawing up a “wish list” of ideas and then checking for their feasibility. This should take the form of a member survey – a device that has lain dormant in our club for some years.

The object of the plan is to give us a healthy future by developing priorities and making meaningful changes to make Rotary an attractive option for others.

In short, we need to think deeply about the future of our club and visioning is the way to go.

Following the committee meetings these were the reports received:

From **Rtn Bruce House (Community)**:

- A grant application has been lodged for \$20,000 to assist with the building of a shed for the Kingston Neighbourhood House (formerly the Maranoa Heights Community Centre) on land, donated by Kingborough Council, adjacent to the Centre.
- Another grant is hoped to be obtained from the Community Fund towards the cost of running the 2019 Fun Run/Walk.
- We are considering a request from the organizers of a statewide Motorhome rally next February at the Cornelian bay sports ground, to provide egg and bacon rolls for a breakfast (7.00 a.m. start) on Sunday, February 10. We can provide the rolls at a cost of \$2.50 each and sell for \$5, but can we provide the labour? It is the Regatta long weekend.
- Consideration also to a “Carols by Candlelight” at the Kingston Beach oval. This may require work to provide performers, advertising, food provision, a school choir and band. Watch this space.
- There has been considerable discussion on the future of Manor Gardens and the role Kingston Rotary may or not play, but the club will be informed when it becomes clearer

From **PP Ewan Cameron (Youth)**:

- Looking to increase support for the Windeward Bound Leadership Challenge either by full financial support or “topping up” funds raised
- There are two applicants for the next Challenge with one probably supported by Kingston Rotary and the other by Huon Valley Rotary
- Raiden Lennon, our entrant in the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF), a physics student, will be financially supported to \$1,500 which is half the registration fee.

- PP Simon Finlay has taken over the role of Liaison Officer with the Kingborough Sports Association from former Honorary member and PP, Terry Warren
- Simon is now also responsible for the coordination of the Rotary Citizenship Awards at the end of the school year

In other reports, **PP Annette Psereckis** advised there have been 20 applications for sites at the coming mega market at Dru Point, some from as far distant as Sorell.

**PP Jill Sward** reported slow progress with the Kingston Fire Brigade in organizing the **Hallowe’en** function and appealed for items to be made available for the auction on the night.

Note: The event has now been cancelled due to difficulties in making the necessary arrangements.

Finally, the **Rotary Family Fun Day** at Dru Point has been set for Sunday, December 16

**CAN’T MAKE IT TO A MEETING?**

Kingston Rotarians should note that if it is not possible to come to a meeting, the **ONLY** person you must advise is PP Doug Ralph before 9.00 a.m. on the day. If advance notice is possible, that will be even better. Catering has become a critical issue for our Club and to contain meal costs, it is essential the catering staff have some idea of numbers to allow a reasonable level of service.

Please don’t tell someone else to tender an apology on your behalf – Rotarians have never been renowned for good memory!

**PP Doug can be found at 6229 3164 or 0408 293 164**

On the other hand, any Rotarian bringing a guest or guests would be well advised to let PP Doug know so there will be sufficient food prepared to save the Club embarrassment.

## THE NELSON TOUCH

Following PP Kim Pitt's outstanding presentation two weeks ago on the battle of Trafalgar, members may be interested to read a little more:

### **WHAT WERE NELSON'S LAST WORDS?**

PP Kim told us they were: "Drink, Drink. Fan, fan. Rub, rub" and these were the absolutely last things the dying admiral said.

He was hot and thirsty. His steward stood by to fan him and feed him lemonade and watered wine, while the ship's chaplain, Dr Scott, massaged his chest to ease the pain.

**Historians are certain that Nelson did indeed say, "Kiss me, Hardy" rather than as some have suggested, the more noble "Kismet" FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK  
"LIFTING THE LID ON MENTAL HEALTH"**

As we read in last week's Bulletin, all money raised from the weekly fines session and donations to the "Blue Billy" will go to the above campaign. We can also "Lift the Lid" on mental illness through Australian Rotary Health (ARH), by:

- Thanking and supporting our researchers and clinicians and all those people who work tirelessly to find new treatment and cures for mental illness, as well as preventive measures so our children and grandchildren can grow up to be healthier, happier and stronger
- Donating to ARH so we can continue our support of research in mental health
- Acknowledging that it's OK to seek help for a mental health concern
- Addressing such issues as cyber bullying, family violence, alcohol and drug abuse, child abuse. As well as anxiety and depression and other mental health issues
- Continuing to talk about mental health and its importance
- Supporting Hat Day again next year

ARH's "Lift the Lid" campaign every year encompasses these issues and encourages all Rotarians and all Australians to join with the *pro bono* assistance of major advertising agency Dentsu Mitchell, ARH continues to promote the importance of research in mental illness – for prevention, treatment and cure.

Australian Rotary Health thanks Kingston Rotarians for their continued support and help in the campaign to "Lift the Lid" on mental illness

**AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH (ARH)**  
**SUPPORTING HEALTHIER MINDS, BODIES AND COMMUNITIES**  
**THROUGH RESEARCH, AWARENESS AND EDUCATION**

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### **NOTICE BOARD**

#### **DUTY ROSTERS FOR THE NEXT FOUR MEETINGS**

October 16 (Tuesday)

Chairman	AG Marion Cooper
Registration only	PP John Peterson
Assistant	Rtn David Oxley
Meet 'n Greet/Décor/TT Steward	Not required

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October 22

Chairman	PP Lex McIndoe
Registration/Raffle prize	PP Else Phillips
Assistant	Rtn Kathleen Page
Meet 'n Greet/Décor/TT Steward	PP Malcolm Wells

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October 29

Chairman	PP John Peterson
Registration/Raffle prize	PP Annette Psereckis
Assistant	PP Mike Percey

Meet 'n Greet/Décor/TT Steward PP Neil Bester

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November 5

Chairman	PP Doug Ralph
Registration/Raffle prize	Rtn Chris Terry
Assistant	PP John Peterson
Meet 'n Greet/Décor/TT Steward	PP Ewan Cameron

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It is the responsibility of the rostered Rotarian to arrange a replacement if/when unable to attend.

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**FOR THE DIARY**

**OCTOBER IS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT MONTH**

(Sun) 14 EPILEPSY BARBECUE TRAILER AT WOODBANK GARDEN, HUON ROAD, LONGLEY

**Note: (Tue) 16** CLUB SERVICE – GROUP FORUM – **HUONVILLE BOWLS CLUB** – 6.30 for 7.00

(Sat) 20 BBQ TRAILER FOR DOWN SYNDROME FUNDRAISER – PARLIAMENT HOUSE LAWNS

(Sun) 21 MEGA MARKET AT DRU POINT

(Mon) 22 DAYS4GIRLS AT ST CLEMENTS COMMUNITY CENTRE

COMMUNITY SERVICE – YOUTH DEVELOPMENT IN KINGBOROUGH – Speaker: CAROL SWARDS

(Thu) 25 LOUI'S VAN

(Mon) 29 **NOTE: PARTNERS' NIGHT**

VOCATIONAL SERVICE – HUON AQUACULTURE – Speaker; FRANCES BENDER

**NOVEMBER IS THE ROTARY FOUNDATION MONTH**

(Mon) 5 **NOTE: PARTNERS' NIGHT**

SPECIAL EVENTS  
MELBPURNE CUP EVE SPECIAL

**BULLETIN DEADLINE**

**THE DEADLINE FOR ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN OUR CLUB BULLETIN IS 2.00 P.M. THURSDAY**

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(meaning fate).

Eyewitness testified that Hardy kissed the admiral twice: once on the cheek and once on the forehead, as Nelson struggled to remain conscious.

Nelson asked his flag-captain not to throw him overboard and to look after "poor Lady Hamilton". He then uttered the immortal words. After Hardy's first kiss he said, "Now I am satisfied." After the second, "Who is that?" When he saw it was Hardy, he croaked, "God bless you, Hardy."

Shortly afterwards he muttered, "Thank God I have done my duty" and then "Drink, drink. Fan, fan. Rub, rub." He lost consciousness, the surgeon was called and Nelson was declared dead at 4.30 p.m.

It seems that Nelson had deliberately decided to die at the moment of his greatest victory at Trafalgar. For a guinea each he bought four large silver stars and had them sewn into his uniform along with the glitzy Neapolitan Order of St Ferdinand.

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He then stood brazenly in the middle of the deck of HMS *Victory* till he was shot at a range of 50 feet by a French sniper.

It was a comprehensive victory. Although 1,700 British sailors had been killed or wounded, no ships were lost. The French and Spanish fleets had been decimated: 18 ships captured or destroyed, 6,000 men killed or wounded and 20,000 taken prisoner. The risk of an invasion of Britain had passed. Nelson's immortality was assured.

His body was preserved on its way back from Trafalgar in a cask of brandy. Rumour had it that, on the voyage home to England, sailors drank the contents of the barrel, using tubes of macaroni as straws.

This is not the case. The barrel was kept under armed guard and, according to eyewitnesses, when it was opened in Portsmouth, seemed well topped-up.

Whether true or not, the legend stuck and the Navy adopted the phrase "tapping the Admiral" for the surreptitious swigging of rum.

There will be more about the man next week – a side of him most never knew!

**KINGSTON ROTARIANS ARE ...**

**A diverse group of professional leaders working to address various community and international service needs. Through community service and other means, Kingston Rotarians help promote peace and understanding throughout the world. Our Club's members are its most important asset. They are the force that allows Rotary to carry out its many humanitarian efforts and achieve its mission.**

**THE 10 MOST EXPENSIVE BODY PARTS TO INSURE**  
**(INDUSTRY AVERAGES)**

(Source: Google, Wikipedia)

1. Leg	\$220,000
2. Eyes	\$200,000
3. Thumb	\$90,000
4. Brain	\$75,000
5. Ear	\$60,000
6. Penis	\$60,000
7. Heart	\$37,000
8. Arm	\$24,000
9. Lips	\$10,000
10. Fingers	\$1,500



**YOU READ IT HERE FIRST**

- Some 19<sup>th</sup> Century Aussie crims were known as "flash men" for their dandy way of dressing. Among them was Dan Kelly, brother of Ned, and his mate, Steve Hart, who "tied sashes at their waists, donned high-heel boots and wore their hat straps beneath their noses"
- The point at which sound becomes painful to the human ear is 140 decibels. F1 cars produced around 147dB before the new hybrids went all quiet, and Top Fuel dragsters crank out 163dB. Your eardrums will burst at 195dB
- The imbeciles who planned to attack an English Defence League rally in 2012 forgot to pay the insurance on their car. So after getting to the rally once it had finished, they were pulled over and their papers requested. Their car was impounded and cops later found the nail bomb and shotguns they were going to use
- If exposed to temperatures below -40C your fingers will literally start freezing in 10 minutes
- The maximum running speed of a military canine is 30kmh

## NOTES FROM TONIGHT'S MEETING

- Two-thirds of Aussie women aged 18-35 regularly take selfies, the most common purpose being to post on Facebook
- The world's longest ear hair is 25cm. It belongs to Radhakant Baijpai from India
- More than 2.5 million toy bears have profiles on social media sites in Britain. Men are twice as likely to set up accounts for their cuddly toys
- The meteorite that exploded over Chelyabinsk, Russia, a few Februarys ago, was 30 times brighter than the sun, with the force of 40 Hiroshima bombs
- In 2008, researchers proved that people enjoy cheap wine more if they think it's expensive
- Fifty per cent of "speaking time" consists of silence
- An estimated 250,000 people are killed by AK-47s each year around the world
- Brazil's Ilha de Quimada Grande is called Snake island for a good reason – there are between one and five deadly Golden Lancehead Vipers per square metre
- A new study says the pain of being tortured can last and last – some victims still have a different reaction to pain after 40 years
- One in six Poms lick their plate clean at the dinner table – and use their fingers to eat
- Daniel Ricketts, from New York State, died after nearly being decapitated by a wire booby trap which protected his marijuana crop
- The average woman will earn \$1 million less than a man over a lifetime
- A man-sized rat could drink 12 bottles of scotch a day with no more liver damage than a human would have from half a bottle a day
- In a century's time, our handwriting may only be legible to experts
- Cannabis cigarettes used to be sold in Australia as Cigares de Joy

The last word: Q: What do you call a Mexican with a rubber toe?

A: Roberto