

A brief history of the Great Penna Breakfast!



The Great Penna Breakfast was first held on the 28th of March, 1993. Barry was on the fellowship committee that year and came up with an idea of holding a breakfast for all members. Both he and Carol felt it would be an ideal opportunity for not only members, but for their families also to enjoy fellowship in a relaxed environment. Consequently, the very first Great Penna Breakfast began over 20 years ago.



When I asked Barry and Carol how they originally got the idea for the annual fellowship breakfast, they mentioned they fondly remembered the 1982/3 year. Past President, Ron Slattery, had encouraged them to attend a breakfast at the Paulsen's. Margaret and Ray opened their home that year (close to Christmas) so all members would have the opportunity to enjoy the company of fellow members and their partners over breakfast.

According to Barry and Carol, the whole event would not happen each year without the fabulous support of volunteers. The helpers not only prepare the breakfasts, but assist with cleaning up later. I asked Barry and Carol why they host the breakfast every year. They responded that they simply love seeing everyone experiencing fellowship – it is a real pleasure to open their home to see everyone having a fun morning.



Barry and Carol extend a very warm welcome for you to attend this Sunday. On behalf of all members, I would just like to express warm appreciation of the wonderful work Barry and Carol undertake each year. They open their homes each year for the benefit of members and the wider Rotary family. They love to see everyone enjoy the morning. I am sure you are no different to myself and love being there on this very enjoyable occasion on the Rotary calendar.

