

\$10,000 HOSPITAL KIOSK OPENED

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Gosford District Hospital's new kiosk constructed by Gosford Rotary Club as a community project, was officially opened on Saturday afternoon.

There was a big attendance and the function was held indoors because of the inclement weather.

Hospital Board member Mr. Nev Byrnes told the

gathering that the estimated cost of the building, excluding the work of Rotary, was \$10,000.

He said that Mrs. Lansdowne had been appointed the official manageress.

Seventy ladies of the Hospital Auxiliary movements would roster the kiosk on a voluntary basis.

It will be open for periods in each day of the week.

Mr. Byrnes said the kiosk project had been envisaged for the past 22 years, and was now a splendid reality due to the money raising activities of the Hospital Auxiliaries.

Mr. Jim Kirkness, Gosford Rotary Club's Community Service Director for the past year told how Rotarian Bill Plum, a building contractor, had consented to supervise the project.

A big team of workers had carried out the work.

Mr. Kirkness spoke of the assistance given by Mr. Byrnes

He paid tribute to the Gosford Hospital secretary Mr. Neville Boyce and Matron Inskip and her staff.

The kiosk was officially opened by Rotary president, Mr. Bill Davis.

Mr. Davis, along with the Gosford Hospital Board chairman and Shire President, Mr. Bob Vaughan, arrived in time to turn the key of the new building.

They had been delayed in Sydney where they journeyed to pay last respects to the late Mr. A. G. Ashwell, who was cremated there after a service at Gosford's Christ Church of England.

Mr. Davis spoke of Rotary's decision to build the kiosk and of the important part which Gosford District Hospital played in the life of district residents.

The kiosk, for which Hospital Auxiliary members had raised money, would be a boon to people who had loved ones sick in hospital.

Mr. Davis said he thought it was the duty of every citizen to band together to strengthen the hospital.

Mrs. T. Wicks, president of Gosford District Hospital Auxiliary, unveiled the plaque set into the attractive quarry stone wall of the kiosk.

Mrs. Wicks paid a tribute to Rotary and to Auxiliary ladies for their fine work.