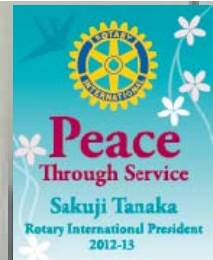




# The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Club Bulletin

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- Monday 10 December**  
Changed to Special Youth Meeting – Partners Night
- Monday 17 December**  
Christmas Meeting (Kris Kringle-gifts). Exchange student blazer presentation to Bethany.
- Monday 14 January**  
Ian Faulks - Distracted Driving

## Duty Roster

Next Meeting - Monday 10 Dec 2012		Following Meeting – Monday 17 Dec 2012	
<b>Speaker Host</b>	Rosemary Clarke	<b>Speaker Host</b>	N.A.
<b>Night Reporter</b>	Barry Lambert	<b>Night Reporter</b>	Graham Cuthbertson
<b>Front Desk</b>	Ian Roberts	<b>Front Desk</b>	Ian Roberts
<b>Front Desk</b>	Tom Wescott	<b>Front Desk</b>	Douglas Lam
<b>Steward</b>	Keith Ball	<b>Steward</b>	Col Baxter
<b>Steward</b>	Barry Freeman	<b>Steward</b>	Col Wright
<b>Photographer</b>	Steve Baker	<b>Photographer</b>	Steve Baker/Ross Ballinger

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## Upcoming Events

- Thursday 13 December**  
Tree of Joy- Santa's Workshop  
at David Turnbull's
- Saturday 19 January**  
BBQ Bunnings Thornleigh
- Saturday 6 January**  
President's New Year Lunch Celebration  
@ Geranium Cottage
- Monday 21 January**  
Australia Day Meeting

## Meetings

Monday 6.30pm for 7.00pm – Springfield House – 245 New Line Road, Dural. <http://www.wphcrotary.org>  
Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Inc. PO Box 103 West Pennant Hills 2125 Australia

**APOLOGIES:** If you are unable to attend or are bringing a guest (even if they are your partner) you must notify Jilda.  
Phone 9439 1422 or email [accounts@lhogroup.com.au](mailto:accounts@lhogroup.com.au) before 11am on the day of the meeting.

**\*\*If you are expected and do not show you may be required to pay for the meal\*\***

## Presidents Report



On Sunday we had our Christmas Lunch at Castle Hill Country Club with a good turnout of members and partners. We have had a very active five months with many fundraiser and Club activities, so it was most enjoyable to socialise this way – a good time was had by all.

On 3rd December we had our Annual General Meeting (AGM) with a 26 members in attendance. There was considerable discussion on the Financial report. Carol had organised an audited financial report which was delivered just a week before. It was very disappointing, containing many errors and numbers that weren't meaningful. Ian then took the challenge to prepare a meaningful financial report which took him many hours. The final report, as presented at the AGM, was meaningful and balanced to the bank account. All that it lacked was previous year numbers for a meaningful comparison; this would have required significant effort on Ian's part, which couldn't be justified. A big thank-you to Ian for the time and effort spent in sorting these accounts. But they aren't audited, which was a major discussion point. To have the accounts properly audited would cost in excess of \$2,000 which represents more than 3 Bunnings BBQs. We are a tier 2 fundraising organisation and are not obliged to have the accounts audited, but it was agreed that we would appoint an audit committee from within the Club to perform a detailed review. Ian is to define how this should be done. I believe this could be more meaningful than a poorly executed audit, and a lot cheaper.

Then on to the elections. Clive Denmark was appointed President Elect three weeks ago to be President next year. There was no President Elect appointed for next year. Ian Roberts was elected Treasurer, and Barry Lambert elected Secretary which are both very good news. The Directors elected are Rosemary Clarke (though she has specifically requested not to have Youth again), Larry Jacka, Douglas Lam, Colin Sharpe and myself (I have agreed to take a Director role as well as Past President). We are a director short, which Clive will address. I also announced that Carol has stepped down from Membership Director, and Ross Ballenger agreed to stand in (for this year only).

We also celebrated two Birthdays on the day – Miska turned 17 and your President turned 60. To a chorus of "Happy Birthday" we both blew out candles, and the cake went well with tea and coffee.

We have been invited to have Club representatives attend Telopea Public School as a thank you for the support we gave. Rob Wansbrough went to a thank you morning tea on Tues 4th, and I will be going to an end of year presentation day on Wed 12th 9:30am. There is also a concert in the afternoon which I can't attend. If anyone is able to go to either of these it would be greatly appreciated.

Next week's meeting has been changed from "the four way test" to a special youth meeting to introduce the RYLA candidate. Being a youth meeting, it is also a partners night.

*President Bob Davison*

## Photos from the Last Meeting

Tony Makin introducing one of the Birthday boys.



Barry and Ian conducting the AGM



The other Birthday boy, Bob (the big "O") with Miska (17)



**Photos from our Xmas Lunch at Castel Hill Country Club**

Some photos from our Xmas lunch – more included as an attachment and our web site





## Birthdays and Anniversaries



**Anniversaries** - *Tim and Alison Bowland - December 14*

**Birthdays** - *Kaija Lam – December 11*  
- *Sandy Burrage – December 11*  
- *Jill Turnbull – December 12*

## Food for Thought



'Don't worry about temptation. As you grow older it starts avoiding you' - Farmer's Almanac.

*Contributed by Barry Lambert*

## Humour



Wife texts husband on a cold winter morning:

"Windows frozen." ...

Husband texts back:

"Pour some lukewarm water over it." ...

Wife texts back:

"Computer completely stuffed now." ...

*Contributed by Tony Makin*

The judge says to a double-homicide defendant,

"You're charged with beating your wife to death with a hammer."

A voice at the back of the courtroom yells out, "You mongrel!"

The judge says, "You're also charged with beating your mother-in-law to death with a hammer."

The voice in the back of the courtroom yells out, "You rotten mongrel!"

The judge stops and says to Paddy in the back of the courtroom.....

"Sir, I can understand your anger and frustration at these crimes, But no more outbursts from you, or I'll charge you with contempt. Is that understood?"

Paddy stands up and says, "I'm sorry, Your Honour, but for 15 years I've lived next door to him, and every time I asked to borrow a hammer, he said he didn't have one?"

*Contributed by Max Henderson*

		<b>Club Program 2012-2013</b>		RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night.
		Updated 27/11/12 by RWH		Tentative date hold only
<b>Dec-12</b>		<b>Family of Rotary Month</b>		
Mon	10	Special Youth Forum to introduce RYLA candidate		Rosemary Clarke
Wed	12	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		Bob Davison
Thu	13	Tree of Joy- Santa's Workshop at the Turnbull's 7.30pm	Yes	Brian Furrer
Mon	17	Christmas Meeting (Kris Kringle-gifts). Exchange student blazer presentation to Bethany.	Yes	Bob Davison
Mon	24	No Meeting		
Mon	31	No Meeting		
<b>Jan-13</b>		<b>Rotary Awareness Month</b>		
Sun	6	President's New Year lunch celebration - Geranium Cottage	Yes	Social Comm.
Mon	7	No Meeting		
Wed	9	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		Bob Davison
Mon	14	Ian Faulks - Distracted Driving. Confirmed 30/06/2012		Rob Hamer
Sat	19	BBQ Bunnings Thornleigh.	Yes	Barry Lambert
Mon	21	Australia Day Meeting - Barry Freeman	Yes	Rob Hamer
Sat	26	Australia Day Holiday		
Mon	28	Australia Day Public Holiday - no meeting		
<b>Feb-13</b>		<b>World Understanding Month</b>		
Mon	4	Meeting moved to Binet display home Barbeque.		Rob Hamer
Thu	7	Ronald McDonald House Dinner		Douglas Lam
Mon	11	Murray Stone - Kids Research Institute Westmead Childrens Hospital		Rob Hamer
Wed	13	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		Bob Davison
Sat	16	Dinner at Lemon Chello, Italian Restaurant, West Pennant Hills.		Social Comm.
Mon	18	Norm Spalding - An Ambulance Officer's story. TBC	Yes	Rob Hamer
Sun	24	Nordby Picnic day at Kokoda Memorial at Rhodes.	Yes	Douglas Lam
Mon	25	Youth Night		Rosemary Clarke
<b>Mar-13</b>		<b>Literacy Month</b>		
Mon	4	Jim Kehoe, author - "From Whites to Muddies" a history of Rugby Union in the Royal Australian Navy. Confirmed 25/10/2012		Rob Hamer
Wed	6	Book Sale Setup		
Thu	7	Book Sale Setup		
Fri	8	Book Sale		
Sat	9	Book Sale		
Mon	11	Bryan O'Shannassy from Erina club on Ethics.		Peter Cleary
Wed	13	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		
Fri	15	2013 District Conference Evening - "Soar into History"	Yes	
Sat	16	2013 District Conference Day 1	Yes	
Sun	17	2013 District Conference Day 2	Yes	
Mon	18	Steven Carruthers - Naval Historian - "First Salvo" Japanese Midget sub attack on Sydney 1942.	Yes	
Mon	25	Anne Harcombe - Dress for Success		



Please don't forget to book an outing, dinner or activity with Miska  
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**Miska's Family of the Week Program**

2012-2013			
Week Ending Friday	Host Family	Planned Activities	Miska with You
Friday 14 December	Ferguson	Christmas Party Dinner Dance - Gladesville Club - TBC	
9 -23 Jan			Holidays with the Bickfords
Sunday 10 February	Ferguson	Sailing Day - St Ives Club -TBC	
Fri. 22- Sun. 24 February	Ferguson	Umina Beach Weekend for Inbound students – Umina Club	
Fri 15- Sun. 17 March	Ferguson	District Conference - Nowra	
17 March	Davison		
April/May	Davison	Safari briefing – St Albans Anglican Church – Lindfield -TBC	
May/June	Davison	Safari - TBC	
15 June	Davison	Farewell to students - TBC	

**Directors 2012-13****Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook**

President	Bob Davison	0413 008 574
Past President	Colin McGowan	0438 810 773
Secretary	Barry Lambert	0412 465 819
Actg Secretary	Keith Ball	0401 895 333
Treasurer	Ian Roberts	0401 898 989
Membership	Carol Russell	0418 431 157
Club Services Director	Rob Hamer	0400 335 091
Youth Services Director	Rosemary Clarke	0439 819 965
Community Services Director	Douglas Lam	0419 421 659
International Director, Foundation and PR	PDG Larry Jacka	0418 690 898
Vocational Director	Peter Cleary	0419 499 827
Fundraiser Director	Clive Denmark	0400 425 210
Club Welfare Officer (non executive)	Stan Basely	9634 1084
Social Committee Leader	Pru Daras	0412 441 052