

The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Club Bulletin

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<p>Monday 10 September Wendy Carver - Lifeline, Harbour to Hawkesbury</p>
<p>Monday 17 September Jan-Maree - Aussie Hero Quilts – 'making quilts for our service people'</p>
<p>Monday 24 September Joint Meeting – 'Tears in The Jungle'</p>

Duty Roster

Next Meeting Monday 10 Sept. 2012		Following Meeting - Monday 17 Sept. 2012	
Speaker Host	Ross Ballinger	Speaker Host	Max Henderson
Night Reporter	David Turnbull	Night Reporter	Ros Savio
Front Desk	Michael Moroney	Front Desk	Michael Moroney
Front Desk	Brian Furrer	Front Desk	Peter Cleary
Steward	Col Sharpe	Steward	Steve Baker
Steward	Keith Ball	Steward	Graham Cuthbertson
Photographer	Steve Baker	Photographer	Ross Ballinger/Steve Baker

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Upcoming Events

<p>Saturday/Sunday 22-23 September Garage Sale</p>	<p>Saturday 13 October Theatre Night</p>
<p>Sunday 7 October BBQ Bunnings Thornleigh</p>	<p>Saturday 27 October Porsche Car Club Concourse Day</p>

Meetings

Monday 6.30pm for 7.00pm – Springfield House – 245 New Line Road, Dural
<http://www.wphcrotary.org>

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APOLOGIES: If you are unable to attend or are bringing a guest (even if they are your partner) you must book them in.

Phone **9439 1422** or email accounts@lhogroup.com.au **before 11am** on the day of the meeting.

President's Report



Our speaker on Monday night was our very own exchange student from Finland. Miska prepared most of his presentation before leaving home and had a lot of detail about Finland and in particular, Kauhajoki.

I always enjoy learning about other parts of the world from our students, and Miska didn't disappoint.

He has a lot of enthusiasm in talking about Finish sports – and has even offered to do a special talk if we are interested.

Do invite Miska along if you are doing something of interest, or even just for dinner so that you can get to know him better, and he can get to know the members.

It was good to see Miska's District Coordinators, Jan and Geoff Duffy, on the night. Jan expressed her appreciation to our club for

being involved in RYEP (Rotary Youth Exchange Program), as the program would not exist if we didn't have supporting clubs.

There has been a reduction in the number of clubs participating, student numbers have dropped from 27 to 21 in the last 2 years. I personally think it is a great investment in our youth. It is a cultural exchange but more than this, the Rotary involvement shapes the students thinking and horizons so that they can make a difference with their lives.

Last Saturday we had a working bee cleaning up the Guide hall, in preparation for our garage sale (and the Council elections next weekend). Thanks to the eleven volunteers, the grounds were in good shape by 10:30am, and thanks to Rob and Clive who laid some tiles in the kitchen. Janelle (representing Guides) wrote to express her appreciation with all that we achieved – she was impressed.

We have been asked to provide a BBQ in support of a Wesley Dalmar function on Friday 16th November. Wesley Dalmar is one of our supported charities this year, so I jumped at the opportunity. Unfortunately I will be flying back from New Zealand when it is on, so I really appreciate Graham Cuthbertson volunteering, and I am hopeful we will have 2 or 3 more volunteers closer to the time (maybe even Barry Lambert, who will have returned by then).

The Garage Sale preparation is coming along nicely. I have a roster, and am looking for input from a few members, and will then distribute it. Most of you have taken a map and flyers to deliver and the calls are rolling in. There are eight maps yet to be allocated, so please help out (if you can take another it would be appreciated). Bev and I will handle the calls and we need pick-up teams for the next 2 weeks. We also need a few more volunteers on Friday 21st to help with setup.

Colin and Dianne Wright are organising a hamper to raffle at the garage sale, and are asking members to contribute food items for this hamper. Please give them to Colin. Also remember that we will need cakes

(and lots of them) for the cake stall & to sell with coffee – please bring them along Friday 21st or early on the Saturday.

An update on Larry, who is doing very well now and may even put in an appearance at the Garage Sale (light duties only). Margaret Evans has had her specialist appointments and at this stage surgery is scheduled for 14th September, followed by 1 week in intensive care. We wish her all the very best.

Next Monday, 10th September we have Wendy Carver presenting to us on Lifeline – from Harbour to Hawkesbury. Lifeline is again one of our charities this year, and they perform a very important function in our community.

President Bob Davison

Night Report

President Bob opened the meeting and welcomed our Partners and the District Youth Coordinators Geoff and Jan Duffy

Miska gave his report detailing another busy week of teaching ice-skating

The President thanked all for the weekend cleanup effort at the Guide hall and read a thank you note from Janelle for the cleanup, the new tiles in the kitchen and Colin McGowen for taking Aiden home

Bob outlined a BBQ catering opportunity at Wesley Delmar 16 November with more details closer to date.

He circulated rosters for the collection and operation of the Garage Sale. More flyers and maps were available and members are asked to take one or more areas for distribution

Colin Wright requested food items for a hamper that will be raffled off

Rob Hamer raffled two Martelli Vouchers and has organised 'Tears in the Jungle' on the 24 September. He already had responses from Kellyville and Kent Hurst clubs and expects a full house of 160 so will take payment and booking next week

Mark Doran introduced our guest speaker, Miska describing him as confident, worldly and loved sport Miska introduced Finland and his Family and School in Kauhajoki

His school is 200 students at senior high school that is less formal than the education system is here. He described how the northern lights were created and claims that Finland is the home of father Xmas.

President Bob closed the meeting and thanked our guests and all the partners for attending

Night Reporter Tom Westcott with assistance from Annette

Photos from our Last Meeting

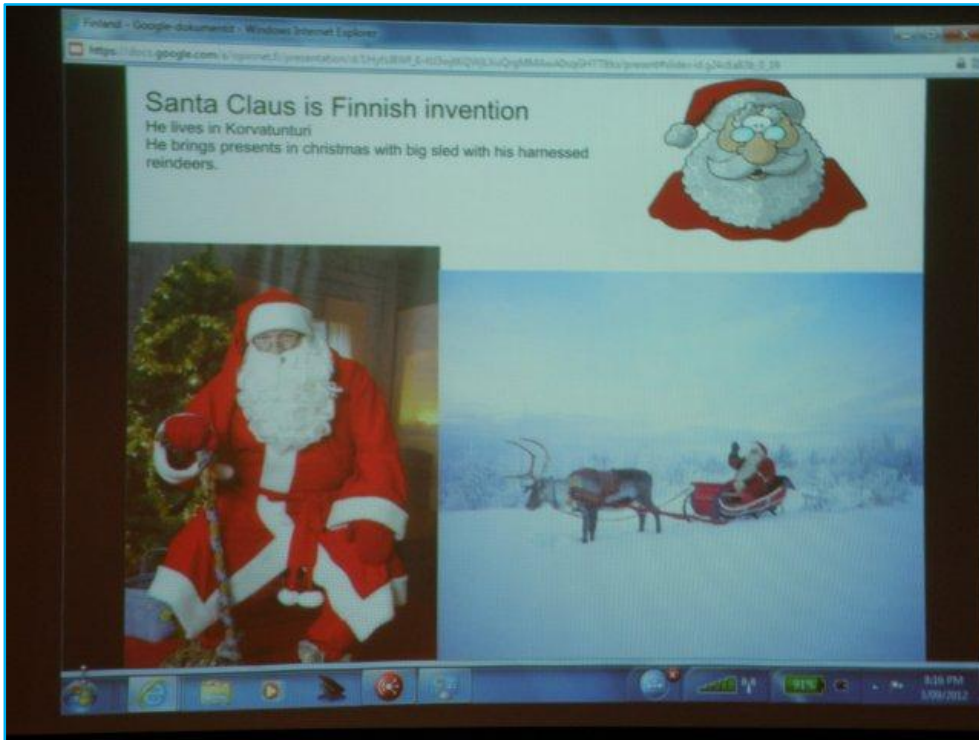
President Bob presenting Miska with the Clubs Banner



Miska talking about his homeland



Lapland, Home of Santa Claus



Guests, Jan and Geoff Duffy



A great time was had by all



Tree of Joy

At the last meeting I canvassed for members to take part in this year's Tree of Joy project and whilst 5 members offered to help, no one "held up their hand" to share the leadership. In particular I am seeking a person with interest in the project taking over in 2013 and beyond.

The Tree of Joy is one of the "unsung heroes" of our club's contribution to the community, each year some 900 presents, (value \$25K?) go to needy people and little "flag waving" occurs. It is a most worthwhile project and rewarding job, if you would like to be part of the team, leader or worker please let me know.

Thanks Brian

Social Activity Dates for the Diary

- Sat. 13th October - Theatre night - to be arranged
- Sunday 4th November - Car Gig/ BBQ.
- Saturday 16th February 2013 - Dinner at Lemon Chello, Italian Restaurant at West Pennant Hills
- Sat/Sunday 4th and 5th May, 2013 - Weekend Away

Birthdays and Anniversaries



Anniversaries - *None this week*

Birthdays - *Sharon Bickford - 10 September*

Food for Thought

‘The ability to delude yourself may be an important survival tool’

Jane Wagner



Humour



A woman goes to the local paper's office to arrange for obituary notice for her recently deceased husband

The editor informs her that there is a charge of 50 cents per word. She pauses, reflects, and then she says, "Well then, let it read: 'Euan Davis died'."

Amused at the woman's thrift, the editor tells her that there is a seven-word minimum for all obituaries.

She thinks it over and in a few seconds says, "In that case, let it read, - 'Euan Davis died, golf clubs for sale'"

A college class was told they had to write a short story in as few words as possible. The instructions were:

The short story had to contain the following three things:

- (1) Religion
- (2) Sexuality
- (3) Mystery

The only short story in the entire class with an A+ was:-

"Good God, I'm pregnant; I wonder who did it"

Contributed by Jim Simpson

		Club Program 2012-2013	RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night.	
		Updated 05/09/12 by RWH		
Sep-12		New Generations Month		
Wed	5	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		Bob Davison
Mon	10	Wendy Carver - Lifeline, Harbour to Hawkesbury.		Rob Hamer
Mon	17	Jan-Maree - Aussie Hero Quilts - making quilts for our service people. Confirmed 01/05	Yes	Rob Hamer
Sat	22	Garage Sale- at Fire Station. 6am start.	All	Bob Davison
Sat	22	Garage Sale-Dinner 6.30 for 7.00pm	All	Bob Davison
Sun	23	Garage Sale- at Fire Station. 8am start.	All	Bob Davison
Mon	24	Joint Zone Clubs Meeting - "Tears in the Jungle" fundraiser.	Yes	Rob Hamer
Oct-12		Vocational Service Month		
Mon	1	Labour Day Public Holiday - No meeting		
Sun	7	BBQ Bunnings Thornleigh.	Yes	Barry Lambert
Mon	8	Dr Nuli Lemoh, a Sydney Paediatrician whose original homeland is Sierra Leone, and PP Laurie Facer of Turrumurra Rotary Club on Bo Childrens Hospital.	Yes	Rob Hamer
Wed	10	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		Bob Davison
Sat	13	Theatre night		Social Comm.
Mon	15	Supt. P. Fogel, Commander - Castle Hill LAC NSW Police. Confirmed 08/05/2012		Rob Hamer
Mon	22	Disaster Aid Australia. Confirmed 17/07/2012		Bob Davison
Sat	27	Porsche Car Club Concourse Day - Club Catering to event	All	Tim Bickford
Mon	29	No meeting - moved to Tuesday Golf Day.		Rob Hamer
Tues	30	Golf Day - Oatlands Golf Club. Our normal meeting follows in the evening.	Yes	Clive Denmark
Nov-12		Rotary Foundation Month		
Sun	4	Car Rally / BBQ.		Social Comm.
Mon	5	Melbourne Cup meeting	Yes	Social Comm.
Mon	12	RYDA for Girls at St. Ives. 6 helpers required.	Yes	Rosemary Clarke
Mon	12	Shelterbox Australia. Confirmed 24/07		Rob Hamer
Wed	14	RYDA for Boys at St. Ives. 6 helpers required.	Yes	Rosemary Clarke
Wed	14	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		Bob Davison
Fri	16	Wesley Dalmar Bar-B-Q Volunteers required.	Yes	Graham Cuthbertson
Mon	19	Rotary Foundation - PDG David Rands		Larry Jacka
Sun	25	BBQ Bunnings Dural	Yes	Barry Lambert
Mon	26	Joanne Sharpe - Occupational Therapists in Mental Health. Conf 04/04/12		Colin Sharpe

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
29th August	Gilchrist		
Fri 19-Sun. 21 October	Gilchrist	Youth Exchange Inbound Camping Weekend at Narrabeen	
9-16 November			Trip to NZ with the Davisons
17 November	Ferguson		
Sunday 18 November	Ferguson	Naamaroo Final Outbound Student Briefing	
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	

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