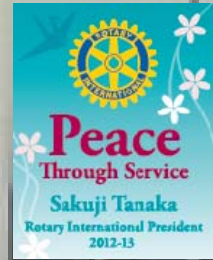




The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

Club Bulletin

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Monday 12 November Shelterbox Australia
Monday 19 November Rotary Foundation – Guest - PDG David Rands
Monday 26 November Joanne Sharpe - Occupational Therapist in Mental Health

Duty Roster

Next Meeting - Monday 12 Nov 2012		Following Meeting - Monday 19 Nov 2012	
Speaker Host	Rob Hamer	Speaker Host	Larry Jacka
Night Reporter	Rosemary Clarke	Night Reporter	John Fletcher
Front Desk	Ian Roberts	Front Desk	Brian Furrer
Front Desk	David Turnbull	Front Desk	Howard Fleming
Steward	Sandy Burrage	Steward	Tim Bowland
Steward	Tony Makin	Steward	Keith Ball
Photographer	Ross Ballinger/Steve Baker	Photographer	Ross Ballinger/Steve Baker

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Upcoming Events

Monday 12 November RYDA for Girls –helpers required	Friday 16 November Wesley Dalmar Bar-B-Q Volunteers required
Wednesday 14 November RYDA for Boys at St. Ives.	Sunday 25 November BBQ - Bunnings Dural

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 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

How did you go in the Melbourne Cup? Last Monday we had our Melbourne Cup night, where Jim kindly ran a "Race Form 101" to help us pick the winners. Unfortunately I didn't make it to the TAB to try what I leaned, which is just as well, because none of the favourites were in the top 3 places. Carol and Dianne Wright ran \$5, \$2 and \$1 sweep stakes. Maybe we had a better chance of winning here, where the horses are allocated randomly! Finally, to wrap up the Melbourne Cup activities we had a fashion parade with the ladies who dressed up for the occasion, with Tom of Springfield our unbiased judge. The winners were Jill and Dianne, but well done to everyone who dressed up for the night.

Also at the meeting we had Kalma McLellan from Ryde Club promoting the District conference on 15-17 March 2013 at Shoalhaven. If you haven't been to a conference, they are truly worthwhile. You learn about what our District is doing in the many Rotary programs with many interesting guest speakers. It is a great opportunity to socialise with our club members and meet those from other clubs. Friday night dinner you can expect a top class speaker, and the gala event on Saturday night is where we usually



clean up on the themed fancy dress – David will have the score but we have won a prize every year I have been a member of our Club. This is the month to register and obtain a discount – full conference is usually \$390, but only \$350 if you register by 30th November. It is easy to do at <http://conference2013.rotarydistrict9680.org/>. You will notice Miska receives a very generous discount (he is already booked!). David Turnbull is our conference champion, so when you register, let him know your accommodation needs as he is arranging a group booking. This is the last conference for D9680, and DG John has promised it will be a great one!

Last week (while Bev and I were away, relaxing in Bali) was a busy one for the Club. Last Saturday we provided a sausage sizzle at the Cherrybrook Lantern festival coordinated by Douglas.

Unfortunately the weather was not great, so attendance was down and our sales were fairly quiet. The following day we provided the BBQ at the Porsche Club Concourse Day, which was a different story. Tim Bickford advised that our volunteers worked

hard to keep up with the demand for bacon and egg rolls and sausage sandwiches. Gross sales were around \$4,000 with profit to the club of \$1,660. This is an excellent result, but even better when you consider that we have enough sausages left over for the next BBQ we run. A big thank-you to all the volunteers who supported these two events.

Then on Tuesday we had the Charity Golf Day at Oatlands golf course which Clive organised jointly with Hunters Hill club. Clive advised that the weather was perfect and the golfers had a truly excellent day. The dinner and award giving was held that evening and we had several members (non golfers) attend. I am not able to report on the financials as it was a little complex for Ian to unravel, but he is almost there.

Next meeting, 12th November, Clive will be standing in for me. We have Shelterbox presenting, just a few weeks after Disaster Aid Australia told their story to us. I will be interested to learn Shelterbox's view of Disaster Aid.

On Friday 16th we are running a BBQ at Castle Hill Showground for the families of Wesley Dalmar. This is being coordinated by Graham Cuthbertson. I will send an email with more details seeking volunteers (several members put their hand up last Monday).

The next Board meeting is Tuesday 20th, 7:30 at my place.

Barry has announced our next AGM is Monday 3rd December, and provided nomination forms. Please consider who you would like on the Board, get their agreement and submit the nomination. We don't have a President Elect for this year, but I expect that to be resolved on the day. It is important that we nominate and have accepted a PE for next year. There are several potential candidates, I just hope that one accepts and that we don't have the same issue as this year.

President Bob Davison

Night Report

Tony Makin, running in the Sergeant's role for the night, opened the night and handed over to the President amid much applause.

President Bob took it from there and opened the meeting by acknowledging all the partners in attendance (well done Mr. Pres).

Miska made his report in his usual but increasingly eloquent manner.

Clive commented on a very successful "Cherrybrook Lantern Festival" and also on a very successful golf day mentioning \$12,000 made on the day to go to Youth off the Streets and Lifeline.....terrific stuff and well done, Clive. You are a champion.

The Porsche Day raised \$4,000 (not too bad for a day of BBQed Sausages eh?) net profit of \$1,600 with lots and lots of leftovers by the sound of things...so great stuff again. Gosh we are a high achieving club aren't we? I'm serious. Great stuff.

Coming up.....

- Rob Hamer mentioned the Brooklyn Players Night on Saturday night at \$15 per head for those interested. Sounds like a terrific night if you can make it.
- Rosemary mentioned that RYDA (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness) starts on Monday next and Fabienne sends her regards...
- Brian mentioned that the "Tree of Joy" is underway and that there is a working bee at his house on Wednesday week at 7.30PM. to do your stuff with the Labels.
- Barry Lambert reminded us that the AGM is coming up and we need nominations for a number of positions so could you please nominate or have someone nominate you if you would like to

be a part of the running of the club. I have been there in most capacities and do thoroughly recommend it as a great experience.

Melbourne Cup ...the Major Theme for the night

Hosted by the great Jim Simpson who knows more about racing than most of us have had breakfasts (not sure whether I have that right but you know what I mean, I hope), this was a hugely informative evening where we learnt all about "The Form Guide".

We heard about the code that shows recent achievements by a horse, how important the Jockey is in the scheme of things, the value of the trainer, whether the barrier makes a difference in a race as long as the Melbourne Cup and the influence of weight and age, to mention a few but the most important items that will enable one to make one's choice. As history now shows us, it is not worth a dime as all three places went to non favourites.

I think my biggest disappointment was the fact that Jim's "Boxed Trifecta" probably did not even have one entry of his 5 chosen ones that scored a mention in the first 3 places....

But I WILL bet on the fact that - the Bookies Made a MINT!

Tony Makin then did a brilliant job of the fines session having obviously spent considerable time figuring out which Member Names matched which Horses. Great Job Tony, and thank you for your work.

President Bob then thanked all for coming including the Partners and closed the meeting a little bit before 9.00PM.

A really good meeting!!

Night Reporter Barry Freeman

Photos from the Last Meeting

The Punters contemplating their 'investments'



Kalma McLellan from Ryde Club



Rob Hamer encouraging nominees for Directors' positions



All the 'glamours' strutting their stuff



Raffle winning Bev Davison



Jim 'Waterhouse' Simpson



Hat Fashion winners Dianne and Jill



Social Activities

“Theatre in the Park”

10th November at Brooklyn Community Park.. it’s on again

Those of us who went along last year had a wonderful evening under the stars with glass of bubbly or 3 and great live theatre

Some of us again will be going along so if interested in joining us, please contact myself or Rob Hamer and we can organise travel together. See contact details below to arrange your tickets.

Saturday 10 November

Brooklyn Community Theatre will present a thrilling play by the Queen of Mystery, Agatha Christie

This play will keep you in suspense to the very last...

Gates open and great food from 6pm ~ Curtains up 8.30pm

Avoid the queues and buy your tickets in advance from Hawkesbury River Real Estate (5 Bridge Street, Brooklyn) or on-line at - www.theatreinthepark.com.au - this year there is a \$5 discount for every four tickets purchased in advance.

Adults \$15 ~ Child (under 16) or Concession \$10 ~ Family \$35 (two adults and up to three children) ~ No charge for under fives

Courtesy buses will run to the Rest Park (Pacific Highway, Brooklyn) starting at 6pm, from the Anglers Rest Hotel (Brooklyn Road, Brooklyn) and the Mooney Mooney Club (Kowan Road, Mooney Mooney). The last return bus will leave the park at 11pm.

Hope to see some of you there..

Carol Russell and Colin Wright.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

Members are advised that the Annual General Meeting of the Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Inc. will be held at Springfield Function Centre , New Line Road Dural on December 3rd 2012 starting at 7.00pm

Business to be conducted includes acceptance of minutes from previous AGM, presentation and acceptance of the annual financial statements for 2011/2012, confirmation of auditor for 2012/13 and election of office bearers for 2012/13.

Copies of financial statements are available from the Treasurer prior to the meeting by request.

Persons wishing to nominate for board positions should contact Secretary Barry Lambert or President Bob Davison for nomination forms or information.

Barry Lambert Secretary

Birthdays and Anniversaries



Anniversaries - *Ros and Gino Savio - November 11*

Birthdays - *Janet Hamer – November 11*
- *Margaret Evans – November 13*
- *Dianne Wright – November 16*

Food for Thought



'A man cannot be comfortable without his own approval'

Mark Twain

Humour



Scottish Wisdom

1. Money cannot buy happiness but...somehow, it's more comfortable to cry in a Mercedes Benz than it is on a bicycle.
2. Forgive your enemy, but remember the bastard's name.
3. Help a man when he is in trouble and he will remember you when he is in trouble again.
4. Many people are alive only because it's illegal to shoot them.
5. Alcohol doesn't solve any problems, but then neither does milk.

Contributed by Rob Hamer

		Club Program 2012-2013		RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night.
		Updated 23/10/12 by RWH		Tentative date hold only
Nov-12		Rotary Foundation Month		
Mon	12	RYDA for Girls at St. Ives. 6 helpers required.	Yes	Rosemary Clarke
Mon	12	Shelterbox Australia.		Rob Hamer
Wed	14	RYDA for Boys at St. Ives. 6 helpers required.	Yes	Rosemary Clarke
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.		Colin Sharpe
Dec-12		Family of Rotary Month		
Sun	2	Christmas luncheon - Castle Hill Country Club ??	Yes	Social Comm.
Mon	3	Annual General Meeting		Bob Davison
Mon	10	The 4 Way Test - speaking competition		Peter Cleary
Thu	13	Tree of Joy- Santa's Workshop at Brian Furrer's 7.30pm	Yes	Brian Furrer
Mon	17	Christmas Meeting (Kris Kringle-gifts). Exchange student blazer presentation to Bethany.	Yes	Bob Davison
Tues	20	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		Bob Davison
Mon	24	No Meeting		
Mon	31	No Meeting		
Jan-13		Rotary Awareness Month		
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.		Rob Hamer
Mon	21	Australia Day Meeting - Barry Freeman	Yes	Rob Hamer
Sat	26	Australia Day Holiday		
Mon	28	Australia Day Public Holiday - no meeting		

Please don't forget to book an outing, dinner or activity with Miska
miska-95-@hotmail.com or mobile 0431 166 636

Miska's Family of the Week Program

2012-2013			
Week Ending Friday	Host Family	Planned Activities	Miska with You
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	

Directors 2012-13

Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

President	Bob Davison	0413 008 574
Past President	Colin McGowan	0438 810 773
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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