



# The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

## Club Bulletin

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### Monday 1 August 2011 – Partners Night

Guest Speaker - Allan Charlton – Sydney Heritage Fleet

### Monday 8 August 2011

Guest Speaker - Assoc Prof. Brian Boettcher - 11 bloody days – The Battle of Milne Bay

#### Duty Roster

This week – 1 August 2011		Next meeting – 8 August 2011	
<b>Chairman</b>	Victor Mahoney	<b>Chairman</b>	Col Baxter
<b>Night Reporter</b>	Graham Cuthbertson	<b>Night Reporter</b>	Gino Savio
<b>Front Desk</b>	Bob Davison	<b>Front Desk</b>	Sandy Burrage
<b>Front Desk</b>	Mark Doran	<b>Front Desk</b>	Tony Makin
<b>Steward</b>	Channa Jayasuriya	<b>Steward</b>	Larry Jacka
<b>Steward</b>	Rob Wansbrough	<b>Steward</b>	Tim Bickford

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### Up-coming events

6 August 2011  
**1<sup>st</sup> of two Dinner/Theatre Nights**  
"The Crucible" at The Pavillion Theatre  
Organiser: Carol Russell

22 August 2011  
**District Governor David Rands**  
attending our Meeting

15 August 2011  
**Keith Rowntree – 'How to Protect Yourself'**  
Organiser: Colin McGowan

27 August 2011  
**Spring Dance @ Epping Club**  
Organiser: Tony Makin

#### 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 [dturnbull@lhogroup.com.au](mailto:dturnbull@lhogroup.com.au) **before 11am** on the day of the meeting.

## President's Report



We had just on 40 members and guests on Monday night to listen to Detective Inspector Hans Rapp who is attached to the Homicide Squad and also to welcome our newest exchange student, Louise Lastein from Denmark.

Hans, a 35 year Police veteran, is also a member of the Rotary Club of Glenhaven.

He gave a very interesting case study on the brutal murder of Nigel Stiffe at the Haymarket on 2002 and the detective work leading up to the arrest and jailing of the offenders.

As a young 19 year old Police Officer one of his first "duties" was to attend the Granville Train disaster in 1977. It is remarkable that he is still such a "happy" personality.

Louise, by all accounts, has settled in well to Rosemary and Rob's residence.

When we met her on arrival last Friday it was obvious she was going to be a delight to have at the Club. Her English is very good, although we will have to slow our speech down a bit for a while.

As a bonus she has fitted exactly into Chiara's school and sports uniform- even her shoes! Tomorrow is her first day at CTHS and she has taken a full curriculum including advanced subjects, which we

haven't seen in a couple of years. I'm also told she is a bit of an athlete and played representative level handball in Denmark. CTHS will love that.

Next week is a Partners' night so it will be a great opportunity for everyone to meet her. Our guest speaker is Allan Charlton, on the Sydney Heritage Fleet.

The Beatnix Flyers have been emailed out to everybody. See if you can put a group together. Tables are of 10 if you can do it. Registration closes in 4 weeks.

Colin McGowan  
President 2011-12

## Night Report for 25 July 2011

President Colin opened the meeting and welcomed guests including our speaker for the night, Detective Hans Rupp.

A special welcome was given to our new Rotary exchange student for the year Louise Lastein from Denmark who was introduced by Alison Bowland. Louise will be staying with Rosemary and Rob Clarke for the 1st section of her stay and starts school at Cherrybrook Tech High on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>.

Cawas then introduced Detective Hans Rupp the homicide detective in charge of Task Force Tanaro who gave a graphic account of events some years ago leading to the arrest and conviction of 4 young criminals responsible for the shooting death of Market City Tavern owner Nigel Stiffe.

After investigations lasting some 8-10 weeks the culprits were indentified by using DNA evidence found on cigarette butts in the stairwell where they hid overnight prior to the robbery.

Detective Rupp also gave us some interesting statistics regards to homicides saying that there are 80-100 murders in NSW each year, 95% of which are solved. When compared with South Africa we have a far safer country to live in as they have 18,000 murders each year.

A busy question and answer session completed a very interesting talk.

Jim Simpson conducted an interesting fines session which included quite a bit of 'argy-bargy' with previous Sergeant David Turnbull

Heads and Tails was won by Gino. The raffle as won by Cawas, but not before a serious but misguided challenge by Mark who was holding two tickets, trouble was they were the two halves of the same ticket

Night reporter Alan Paynter

### Photos from the meeting 25 July

Inspector Hans Rapp



### Welcome to Louise Lastein

Our Exchange Student Louise Lastein greeted at the Airport by Margaret and Colin McGowan, Alison Bowland and Rosemary Clarke



### Host Families for Louise

We encourage all Club members to invite Louise into their lives for a dinner/ outing/ weekend etc. That way they get to know her better and the rotation gives host families breaks throughout the year

Members who are interested should contact Tim and Alison Bowland with their invitation dates and details and a calendar update will be sent to all members every few weeks

The first calendar is attached to the email with this Bulletin

### Spring Dance – 27 August

This will be huge – we have the Beatnix back in response to popular demand and a new venue – the Epping Club.

Members are asked to start arranging guests and tables for what will be a great night.

The marketing girl at The Epping Club is a Rotary Exchange Student from Beecroft Club and we are being given \$750 worth of big screen advertising in the Epping Club

during the weeks prior to the Spring Dance for free.

More details later from Tony Makin

### RI President's Monthly Message

My dear brothers and sisters in Rotary, There is an old saying in India: "When you help your neighbor's boat across the water, you find that your own has reached the shore." By helping others, we often find that we have helped ourselves as well. Each of us came to Rotary to serve – and found the joys and satisfactions of friendship and fellowship.

In August, the month we dedicate to membership and development, we focus on spreading the message of Rotary. By serving well, without hiding our Rotary light under the proverbial bushel, we find ourselves closer to our own goal: a stronger, more vibrant Rotary for generations to come.

Public image and membership go hand in hand. Too many people – intelligent, educated, involved people – simply have no idea what Rotary is. This is something we need to confront. We have heard again and again about communities where, despite all the good work that Rotary clubs do, many people are unaware that those clubs even exist. This is not the way forward for our organization.

Serving well is the essential first step – but it is only the beginning. We have to raise our profile with all the tools that are available to us, and there are more tools today than there ever were.

We have to use social media such as Twitter and Facebook, and we have to be sure our clubs have an online presence.

Having a website is not enough; it must be up to date, it must be appealing, it must reflect the work we are doing. And it must offer a way for prospective members, once they see what we do and become interested, to take the next step.

Rotary has so much to offer. It is up to us to let others know what a fantastic

organization we have, and to show people how they can integrate Rotary into their lives. Service does require time, and time is something nobody has enough of these days. So we need to ensure that all the time we spend with Rotary is worthwhile – that it is rewarding and never wasted.

When we reach within ourselves and our clubs, when we learn what we are capable of and harness that power, we will elevate our communities as never before – and elevate Rotary as well.

RI President Kalyan Banerjee

### Anniversaries and Birthdays



#### Anniversaries



None this week



#### Birthdays



Mike Burrage and Trish Bell  
1 August  
Beverly Davison – 2 August

### Food for Thought

"How old would you be if you didn't know how old you were?"

### Humour

An older guy was working out in his gym when a beautiful young woman came in.

He couldn't take his eyes off her and finally decided he had to do something to get to know her.

He went to the front desk and said the attendant, "what machine do you think I should use to impress her?"

The attendant leaned over and said, "The ATM around the corner"

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		CLUB PROGRAM 2011-12		
<b>Aug-11</b>		<b>Membership Extension Month</b>	<b>Partners</b>	<b>Organiser</b>
Mon	1	Talk -Sydney Heritage Fleet - Allan Charlton. (Bank Holiday)	Yes	CMcG
Tues	2	3rd Spring Dance Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm at CMcG's place		CMcG
Sat	6	Dinner/Theatre ("The Crucible" at The Pavillion Theatre- tbc); Bank Holiday.: New Host Parents briefing		Carol
Mon	8	Talk- 11 bloody days-Battle of Milne Bay. Assoc Prof Brian Boettcher (Medicine) has confirmed.		CMcG
Wed	10	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at CMcG's place		CMcG
Mon	15	Keith Rowntree-Author of 4 Books-"Fraud- how to protect yourself", "Smart money tips for retirees" etc		CMcG
Mon	22	<b>District Governor David Rands attending Meeting</b>		CMcG
Sat	27	<b>SPRING DANCE at EPPING CLUB- BEATNIX</b> , Guide Hall Maintenance for Garage Sale	All	Tony Makin
Mon	29	Speaker Lisa Sthalekar- Australian Womens Cricket Team. Garage sale brochures handed out	Yes	Ross Ballinger
<b>Sep-11</b>		<b>New Generations Month</b>		
Mon	5	Guest Speaker- Didgerioo , history, making and playing. Speaker confirmed.		CMcG
Mon	12	Youth Debate	Yes	Rosemary
Wed	14	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at CMcG's place		CMcG
Sun	18	8am BBQ Bfast at Guide Hall then grounds clean up before Garage Sale + Sorting books etc	Yes	Champions
Mon	19	Membership Night -Ross Pearce District Membership Director		Carol
Fri	23	Garage Sale- Move Items to Fire Stn	All	
Sat	24	Garage Sale- at Fire Station	All	
Sat	24	Garage Sale-Dinner at Bivianso's Italian Restaurant (New Line Rd Dural)	All	G Evans
Sun	25	Garage Sale- at Fire Station	Yes	
Mon	26	No Meeting after Garage Sale weekend		
<b>Oct-11</b>		<b>Vocational Service Month</b>		
Mon	3	No Meeting - Labour Day Pub Hol		
Sun	9	Hawkesbury Race Meeting- Food and Wine Festival	Yes	CW/CR
Mon	10	Speaker Andrew Howard, Howard & Sons Pyrotechnics		Rob Hamer
Wed	12	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at CMcG's place		
Mon	17	No Meeting- See Tuesday Night		
Tues	18	Dinner at Oatlands Golf Club with guests and Hunters Hill Rty Club following Golf Day		Tim Bowland
Sat	22	Chinese Lantern Festival. Date confirmed		
Mon	24	Guest Speaker, Christopher Snelling "Powerhouse Discovery Centre , C Hill. Confirmed		CMcG
Sun	30	Porsche Car Club at the Amory Homebush. BBQ and Coffee. Date to be confirmed		Tim Bickford
Mon	31	Melbourne Cup Night (Finger Food and Cocktail Party)	Yes	Social
<b>Nov-11</b>		<b>Rotary Foundation Month</b>		
Mon	7	Youth Night and Exchange Student Presentation	Yes	Rosemary Clarke
Wed	9	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at CMcG's place		CMcG
Sat	12	Warrah Working Bee proposed Sat am (or some other Community Service event)?		Tony Makin
Mon	14	Dominic Perrottet State Member for Castle Hill		Rob Hamer
Sat	19	Dinner Theatre ("Move over Mrs Markham") - Pavilion Theatre C Hill. (tbc)		Carol/Prue
Mon	21	Guest Speaker David Chambers, Regional Controller SES. Confirmed 7/4/11		CMcG
Sat	26	Bunnings BBQ Dural		Barry
Sun	27	Christmas lunch - Castle Hill Country Club (confirmed)	Yes	Social
Mon	28	Schools Four Way Speaking Competition (3 speakers /school- 4 Way Speaking Test)	Yes	Pete Cleary
<b>Dec-11</b>		<b>Family Month</b>		
Mon	5	AGM	No	Barry Lambert
Wed	7	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at CMcG's place (1 week early)		CMcG
Mon	12	Christmas Meeting (Khris Kringle-gifts'. X'change student blazer presentation?	Yes	Prue
Wed	14	Tree of Joy- Santa's Workshop at Turnbills	Yes	Brian Furrer
Mon	19	No Meeting		
Mon	26	No Meeting		