



The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

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Monday 20 February

Guest Speaker - Nigel McDonald - Cherrybrook RFS

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Youth Night -RYPEN, RYLA, NYSF reports

Thursday 8 March

Bowel Scan Kit Sales Commence at Cherrybrook Shopping Centre (through to Friday 16)

Duty Roster

Next Meeting Monday 20 February 2012		Following Meeting - 27 February	
Chairman	Douglas Lam	Chairman	Rosemary Clarke
Night Reporter	Pru Daras	Night Reporter	Larry Jacka
Front Desk	Graham Evans	Front Desk	Michael Moroney
Front Desk	Michael Moroney	Front Desk	Col Baxter
Steward	Peter Cleary	Steward	Mark Doran
Steward	Gino Savio	Steward	David Turnbull
.Photographers	Ross Ballinger/Steve Baker	Photographers	Ross Ballinger

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Upcoming Events

18th and 19th February

Preliminary Book sorting at Tom's Factory

26th February

NORDBY Retirement folks 10-5, Kokoda Memorial Walkway BBQ area (adjoining Cafe end Killoola St Concord)

23rd February

Movie Night in Support of End Polio Now

2nd March

Book Fair Starts

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 **before 11am** on the day of the meeting.

President's Report – 13 February



We had a record night for numbers on Monday night with just on 50 members and guests attending. Gee it would be good to see that every Partners night.

Ian Roberts was inducted into the Club and he and Jeanette have already made many new friends and no doubt there are many more to come.

David Cook, a freelance photographic journalist spoke to some fantastic photos of one of his Oz outback trips.

It was certainly a highly motivational talk to hit the road if you were a 4 wheel drive and caravan owner. I know we have quite a few in the Club. As long as everybody doesn't go together it's alright. (From a purely selfish Presidents point of view).

The Book Fair is only 2 weeks away and if you could give a hand with some sorting this Saturday (18th) it would be appreciated. It's all happening at Tom's factory (Alfresco Shades) from around 9.30/10am running through to the afternoon. Location is 36 Mid Dural Road, Dural (access via Hills Storage Complex).

Thank you to everyone who provided food /assisted at Ronald McDonald House last Friday night.

Our numbers were excellent and it sent a clear message of understanding and support to the people staying there. We had plenty of food left over which were put into disposable plastic containers, marked up and stored in their fridge.

Some of the families take shifts to stay with their kids so it would have been eaten during the night. The duty manager said his guess would be that it would all be eaten by lunchtime the following day. The residents were so grateful it makes you feel very humble.

Next Monday our guest speaker is Nigel Macdonald, one of the fire chiefs (voluntary) at the Cherrybrook Rural Fire Brigade. Nigel is a forensic engineer by profession (car accident investigations etc) but he will be talking to us about the fire service on the night, although his profession would also make for an interesting talk next time around.

Night Report

President Col opened the meeting at 7.00PM by welcoming all and sundry.

Well! What a night!

An Induction. Welcome to Ian and Jeanette Roberts. We are so delighted to have you with us and we wish you both the best of experiences with our team for many fun and service filled years.

A Visit from an old friend. Denis Carpenter, one of our oldest members now living up outside of Bangkok but a member for many years of the Rotary Club of Patong, Phuket. Great work mate. 275 Club Bulletins published, 285 Children scholarships, 1,000,000 bottles of water delivered to flood victims. I am sure there is a lot more. Great work. Great to see you, mate and thanks for dropping by.

An update from our beautiful exchange student, Louise. Let me see if I can list what Louise mentioned has been happening in her very busy life. 40 presents for Christmas, visit to Harden at Tim's brother's place, New Years Eve at Blue's Point (great spot to see the bridge fireworks), Jenolan Caves, GLAMPING at Narooma, IMAX, Pancakes, Kaitlin's farewell party, Australian Day movies, Birthday parties, back to school (yawn), Kayaking, Sailing. What a life!!!

Updates from Stan, Clive and Tony.

A most BRILLIANT presentation from David Cook. We all now want to do the "Grey Nomad" thing.

Let me mention the names I wrote down from the speech last night in an attempt (pathetic though it may be) to put some dimension around what David talked about. In sequence these names may bring back a little of what David talked about. Professional Campers they are.

Banka Banka Northern Territory, Lake Eyre, Oodnadatta Track, Williams Creek, Cooper Creek, Halligans Bay, Birdsville Track,, Birdsville, Diamantina River ... to name but a few.

David mentioned that the big lesson learnt was ... "Water is critical".

Another outstanding Sergeants session thank you Jim

Bob Davidson made a first. Only bloke at a table full of ladies. Good one Bob.

Our President thanked a whole bunch of people as usual and closed an outstanding meeting at 8.50 PM.

Night Reporter Barry Freeman

Photos from the Last Meeting

President Colin McGowan with Rosemary Clarke introducing our new member Ian Roberts and his wife Jeanette



Our Exchange student Louise Lastein with Bev Davison (l) and Rosemary Clarke



Guest Speaker David Cook



An 'old friend' of the Club, Denis Carpenter



Our latest Member Ian Roberts with his wife Jeanette



Photos from the Ronald McDonald House Dinner



Bowelscan Program

The Rotary Bowelscan kits are available from participating pharmacies as part of this year's Rotary Bowel Cancer Awareness Campaign, which runs from March 4th to April 3, 2012.

The Sydney/Central Coast Bowelscan programs have been conducted by the Rotary Club of East Gosford for the past 20 years. Results for last year's Program (to date) have detected 26 cancers and 79 polyps in people who were unaware of their problem.

The test is used to detect invisible blood in the stool, which if present may indicate a cancer or polyp. A positive test does not necessarily mean cancer - there may be another reason.

The Rotary Bowelscan kits sell for only \$10.00, and includes testing by an LAVERTY PATHOLOGY and notification of all results. The kit is used in the privacy of your home, and when completed must be returned to a participating pharmacy before April 16, 2012.

We will be promoting the program at Cherrybrook Village from March 8th until March 16th and I will be looking for volunteers from the Club or their partners to sit at our table and either sell kits and/or hand out literature on morning or afternoon shifts. (This is a good chance to catch up on your reading)

Barry Lambert

Camp Quality - Tree of Joy

Below is copy from a letter Stan received from 'Camp Quality' regarding our involvement in the 'Tree of Joy'

"Please pass on our sincere thanks from CQ and the Sydney Children's Hospital to the 'Tree of Joy' organizers.

The presents were extremely well received, and the hospital was really grateful.

Thanks so much".

Michaela Durant, Area Manager – Sydney

A photo of Louise kayaking with Janet Hamer recently at The Spit. The photo, taken by Janet in the kayak is very good considering she just held up the camera backwards from the front seat



Birthdays and Anniversaries

Anniversaries

None this week

Birthdays

Tim Bickford – 17 February

Barry Freeman – 19 February

Humour

For those considering an ocean cruise:

- How do they serve alcoholic drinks on Italian cruise ships? -

On the rocks

- What vegetables do you get with dinner on Italian cruise ships? .

Leeks.

- What's the fastest way to get off an Italian cruise ship? -

Follow the captain.

- When the captain of the ill-fated Costa Concordia was asked if he knew where he was going he replied

"off course."

- So the captain of the Costa Concordia will soon be in the dock.

That's more than can be said for his ship.

- What's the difference between the Italian economy and the stricken cruise liner Costa Concordia?

Nothing - The bottoms dropped out of both.

Contributed by Stan Baseley

Food for Thought

Sometimes the best way to convince someone he is wrong is to let him have his way



Sergeant Jim Simpson's 'Paraprosdokian'

"A diplomat is someone who tells you to go to hell and in doing so makes you feel good about going there".

Family of the Week Program

Louise Lastein - Denmark 2011-2012			
Week Ending Sunday	Host Family	Planned Activities	Louise with You
29th	Bickford		
5th FEBRUARY	Bickford		
12th	Hamer	Welcome Home Dinner - Friday 10th	District
17th - 19th	Hamer		
26th	Hamer	Umina Beach weekend (Fri- Sun)	Umina
4th MARCH	Hamer		
11th	Hamer		
16TH - 18th	Hamer	Conference - Wollongong (Fri- Sun)	Club
25th	Hamer		
1st APRIL	Gilchrist		
8th	Gilchrist		
15th	Gilchrist		
22nd	Gilchrist		
29th	Gilchrist		
6th MAY	Gilchrist		
13th May . 2nd JUNE	Gilchrist	SAFARI (13May - 2nd June)	District
	Gilchrist		
	Gilchrist		
3rd JUNE	Gilchrist		
10th	Gilchrist		
17th	Gilchrist		
24th	Gilchrist		
27th		Depart Sydney for Denmark	

Club Program 2011-2012			Updated by RWH 9.2.12	
Feb-12	World Understanding Month		Ptnrs	Organiser
Sat	18	Sorting sessions for Book sale. Need approx 20 members and or partners for am or pm sessions	Yes	Clive
Sun	19	Sorting sessions for Book sale. Need approx 20 members and or partners for am or pm sessions	Yes	Clive
Mon	20	Nigel McDonald Cherrybrook Rural Fire Service		Rob Hamer
Sun	26	NORDBY Retirement folks 10-5,Kokoda Memorial Walkway BBQ area (adjoining Cafe end Killoola St Concord)	Yes	Tony Makin
Mon	27	Youth Night -RYPEN, RYLA, NYSF reports	Yes	Rosemary
Tues	28	Book Fair -Uniting Church Hall, NLRd, C'brook (Garage area)- 5pm-9pm	All	Clive
Mar-12	Literacy Month		Ptnrs	Organiser
Thurs	1	Moving of Books from garages and containers to Church carpark	All	Clive
Fri	2	Book Fair (10am-8pm, Uniting Church, NLRd, Cbrook)	All	Clive
Sat	3	Book Fair 9-2pm, Uniting Church, Cherrybrook	All	Clive
Mon	5	Rex Langthorne Director Special Olympics and Partners social evening at Margaret McGowan's.		Jim Simpson Margaret McG
Thu	8	Bowel Scan sales commence at Cherrybrook Shopping Centre (through to Friday 16)	Yes	Barry Lambert
Mon	12	Paul Jeffress from MIVAC (Mines Victims and Clearance Trust) Accepted 05/08/2011		Rob Hamer
Wed	14	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at CMcG's place		CMcG
Frid	16	District Conference- Wollongong- Go for Gold at the Gong	Yes	Rob Hamer
Sat	17	District Conference- Wollongong- Go for Gold at the Gong	Yes	
Sun	18	District Conference- Wollongong- Go for Gold at the Gong	Yes	
Mon	19	Managing Conflict at work (and at home)-. Mark Rosenberg, Balanced Curve		Rob Hamer
Sat	24	Hills Home Show BBQ Fund Raiser (Date to be confirmed)		Tony Makin
Sun	25	Hills Home Show BBQ Fund Raiser. Louise move to Gilchrist's		
Mon	26	Travelogue - The Makin's visit to Santa Claus		CMcG
Apr-12	Magazine Month		Ptnrs	Organiser
Mon	2	Meeting - Rosie O'Halloran of Uganda Orphanage	Yes	Graham Cuth.
Mon	9	Pub Hol- Easter Mon		
Wed	11	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at CMcG's place		
Sun	15	BBQ Bunnings Dural		Barry Lambert
Mon	16	Professor Nigel Hope, Orthapod at SAH - (confirmed 27/10/11)		Rob Hamer
Mon	23	Meeting (Anzac Day on 25th)-looking for a speaker (Possible move to joint meeting with Lions Club of WPH and CB)		
Mon	30	Robin Baird - CEO, Sydney Hills Business Chamber (confirmed 14/11/11)		Rob Hamer

May-12	Community Month		Ptnrs	Organiser
Mon	7	Silver Anniversary meeting. Past Members Night	Yes	Ross & Alan
Wed	9	Combined Club Board Meeting at 7.30		
Mon	14	International Night - Miriam Jacka - Vanuatu (confirmed 18/08/2011)	Yes	Clive Denmark
Sun	20	Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal (date confirmed with Major Colin Maxwell email 30/5/11)		Tony Makin
Mon	21	Meeting- looking for speaker		
Sat	26	Weekend away- Scone area	Yes	Carol/Prue/Mike
Sun	27	Weekend away- Scone area	Yes	Carol/Prue/Mike
Mon	28	Meeting- looking for speaker		
Jun-12	Rotary Fellowship Month		Ptnrs	Organiser
Mon	4	Vocational Awards -Pride of Workmanship (PC)	Yes	Pete Cleary
Mon	11	Pub Hol- Queens Birthday		
Wed	13	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at CMcG's place		CMcG residence
Mon	18	Meeting- looking for speaker		
Mon	25	Youth - Art Competition Prizegiving includes final presentation by Louise	Yes	Rosemary Clarke
Fri	29	Club Changeover Dinner- Epping Club- all members - suit/black tie	Yes	CM/BD
Jul-12	District Projects Month		Partners	Organiser
Mon	2	No Meeting (on first meeting day after Changeover)		
Mon	9			
Sat	14	BBQ Bunnings Thornleigh.		Barry Lambert

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