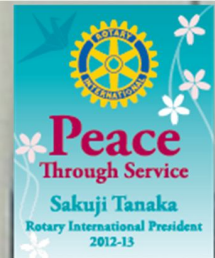




The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Club Bulletin

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Monday May 20

Philip Smith - ROMAC (Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children) Presentation

Monday May 27

David Rosenberg - Inside Pine Gap: The Spy Who Came In From The Desert

Monday June 3

Miska presents on his year in Australia

Duty Roster

Next Meeting – Monday 20 May		Following Meeting – Monday 27 May	
Speaker Host	Tim Bowland	Speaker Host	John Fletcher
Night Reporter	Sandy Burrage	Night Reporter	Bob Myers
Front Desk	Ian Roberts	Front Desk	Ian Roberts
Front Desk	Graham Evans	Front Desk	David Turnbull
Steward	Grahame Cuthbertson	Steward	Cawas Sahukar
Steward	Tony Makin	Steward	Jim Simpson
Photographer	TBA	Photographer	TBA

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Upcoming Events

Sunday May 26 Red Shield Door Appeal Knock	Monday June 3 Miska's presentation "The Year That Was"
Monday June 10 Public Holiday – No Meeting	Monday June 17 Pride of Workmanship Awards

Meetings

Monday 6.30pm for 7.00pm – Springfield House – 245 New Line Road, Dural. <http://www.rotarydistrict9680.org.au>
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



I'm very appreciative of Tony Makin offering to present on his holiday to Bhutan. It is not a big country with population of about 1 million, but it is certainly different. Tony's photos and explanations gave an excellent feel of the country, and the video clips gave a sense of the charm – it was almost like being there. Tony mentioned that if you are interested in visiting Bhutan, then don't wait too long as there are plans to build sixty hotels in anticipation of a tourist boom (there were very few tourists when Tony and Pamela were there). We had a good turn up which included nine partners and our international "member", Dennis Carpenter. Well done Tony, and thank you.

Stan gave the sad news about Barry Freeman's son, Mike, who is in medical care. Barry certainly has his hands full with family issues and the club is rallying this Saturday to give a hand. We have a working bee at Barry's 8:45 this Saturday 18th. A few partners will spend time with Joanie while the members work on the yard with Barry to do those chores he just can't get to. It is great to see the Club members rally. (If it is raining we will defer to another time).

Clive mentioned Parra-Amble. I looked it up at: <http://www.parra-amble.com/intro/what-is-parra-amble>, and determined: "*Part treasure hunt. Part Amazing Race. Throw in some trivia and a few wacky challenges and that's the Parra-Amble on Sunday May 19th! A fun event for EVERYONE - families, friends & corporate groups - raising money for mental health research for [Australian Rotary Health](#).*" They are looking for volunteers (see Clive) or why not join in... online registrations by Sat 18th May.

We are seeking volunteer drivers for Red Shield Appeal on Sunday 26th May. We meet at Barry Smith Holden, Pennant Hills, at 8:30am then drive students to their designated collection areas and supervise them. We should return shortly after noon, when there will be a sausage sizzle. If you haven't volunteered yet and can help, please contact Douglas Lam or me, your support will be appreciated.

I have received a thank you from Ronald McDonald House (read out at the meeting) for our meal provided on 7th Feb. Last year "725 families benefited from Meals from the Heart". They are very appreciative of our support.

Next week we have Phil Smith talking on ROMAC (Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children). This is an amazing Rotary program which improves the quality for life of many children with physical disabilities. Even if you have seen it before, it is wonderful to hear about the children who have recently benefited.

Finally, as of this edition the Bulletin has new editors which are a combination of Bev and I. please ensure you forward me: absence details (as well as to David and Barry Lambert), night reports, photos, articles of interest, humour, etc. and we will do them justice.

President Bob Davison

Night Report

President Bob opened the meeting and welcomed both our partners, Denis Carpenter our club member now residing in Thailand and our special guest speaker and club member Tony Makin. Miska is currently on the exchange student Safari.

Bob has volunteered to be the Bulletin editor following Mark's resignation however is looking for assistance whilst away on holidays between mid-July and mid-September,

Stan advised Barry Freeman's son is in hospital, after which he will be receiving ongoing treatment in a care facility and not expected to return home. To assist, a working bee will be held this Saturday at Barry's starting at 8.45am. A strong show of hands indicated this should be well attended.

Bob advised the Red Shield Appeal is Sunday 26 May and sought volunteers, as in past years we will meet at Barry Smith's Holden at 8.30am and required to drive and supervise high school students (usually 4) to various local designated areas to door knock for donations.

Rosemary asked for anyone shopping at Woolworths to collect the Shopper Stickers which she can utilise to assist her school at Marayong.

Clive advised:

- He has been invited to participate in a new event (sounds like a combination of walking and trivia) at Parramatta Park this Sunday as a steward. He will advise of his findings.
- He has available 'clean skins' for \$10.00 per bottle.

Bob read a letter of appreciation from Ronald McDonald House for the clubs support in providing meals on the 7 February this year.

Rob then introduced our very special guest speaker Tony Makin who provided us with an informative insight, including amazing photos into his (and Pamela's) recent holiday in Bhutan, (adjoins China to the north with Nepal to its west) which he titled "The kingdom of gross national happiness".

Allison won the raffle and the Heads and Tails was "passed in" as all of the final five failed to pick the winning combination (some mothers do have them).

Night Reporter Max Henderson

Photos from the Last Meeting

Pres. Bob Davison updates the Members with items of news:



Rob Hamer introduces our guest speaker:



Tony Makin discusses a traditional farm house in Bhutan:



Time for conversation:



Birthdays and Anniversaries



Anniversaries - *nil*

Birthdays - *Julie Cleary & Anne Sharpe -21 May*
- *Stan Baseley - 26 May*

Food for Thought



"Laziness is nothing more than the habit of resting before you get tired."
- Jules Renard Sr.

Humour



"Get your facts first, then you can distort them as you please."
- Mark Twain

		Club Program 2012-2014		RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night.
		Updated 07/05/2013 by RWH		
May-13		Community Service Month		
Mon	20	Philip Smith - ROMAC (Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children) presentation		Rob Hamer
Sun	26	Red Shield Appeal doorknock	Yes	Bob Davison
Mon	27	David Rosenberg - Inside Pine Gap: The Spy Who Came In From The Desert - confirmed 06/12/2012		Rob Hamer
Jun-13		Rotary Fellowship Month		
Mon	3	Miska's presentation "The Year That Was"		Rosemary Clarke
Mon	10	Public Holiday - No meeting		
Mon	10	BBQ Bunnings Thornleigh.	Yes	Barry Lambert
Wed	12	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		
Mon	17	Pride of Workmanship Awards	Yes	Peter Cleary
Mon	24	Ian Faulks - Australia's road safety performance: Seat belts, RBT, and speed cameras - so why are people still dying? . Confirmed 10/12/2012		Rob Hamer
Fri	28	Changeover Dinner The Epping Club		Bob/Clive
Jul-13		Rotary Fellowship Month		
Mon	1	No meeting following Changeover.		
Tues	2	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Clive Denmark
Fri	5	District Changeover at Hornsby RSL		Clive Denmark
Mon	8	Tony Gatt, Business Development Manager, Foodbank NSW Limited. Confirmed 23/01/2013 by Barry Lambert.	Yes	Barry Lambert
Sat	13	BBQ Bunnings Thornleigh.	Yes	Barry Lambert
Mon	15	Geoff Otypka Confirmed 04/03/2013		Rob Hamer
Mon	22	Looking for speaker		
Tues	23	1st Trivia Night Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Rob Hamer
Mon	29	Membership Night - Special Guest Speaker - Dominic Perrottet MLA		Rob Hamer
Aug-13		Membership Extension Month		
Mon	5	Alan MacLean - The Lights of Cobb & Co. Confirmed 05/05/2013		Rob Hamer
Tues	6	2nd Trivia Night Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		
Sat	10	SOCIAL	Yes	Social
Mon	12	Landscape Photography Rob Clarke. Confirmed 11/03/2013		Rob Hamer
Tues	13	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30		Clive Denmark
Tues	16	Final Trivia Night Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Rob Hamer
Sat	24	Trivia Night - Cherrybrook Community Centre	Yes	Rob Hamer
Mon	26	Club Assembly		Rob Hamer
Sep-13		New Generations Month		
Mon	2	Councillor Dr. Michelle Byrne, Mayor, The Hills Shire Council	Yes	Rob Hamer
Mon	9	Looking for speaker + G/Sale Pickups handed out if any left over from previous week.		
Tues	10	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30		Clive Denmark
Sun	15	Meet at Fire Stn 9.30am for * Guide Hall grounds clean up and * Pickups.		
Mon	16	Membership Night		Ross Ballinger
Tue	17	Garage Sale - Meet at Fire Stn at 7pm for pickups.	Yes	

Wed	18	Garage Sale - Meet at Fire Stn at 7pm for pickups.	Yes	
Thur	19	Garage Sale - Meet at Fire Stn at 7pm for pickups.	Yes	
Fri	20	Garage Sale- Move Items to Fire Stn	Yes	
Sat	21	Garage Sale- at Fire Station. 6am start.	Yes	
Sat	21	Garage Sale-Dinner at Bivianso's Italian Restaurant (New Line Rd Dural) 6.30 for 7.00pm VENUE TBC	Yes	
Sun	22	Garage Sale- 8am at Fire Station for 9 am opening. Finish and clean up at 1.00pm	Yes	
Mon	23	No Meeting post Garage Sale - Rest night!		
Wed	25	DG Visit, Joint meeting Zone Clubs		Clive Denmark, Rob Hamer

Miska's Family Program			
2012-2013			
Week Ending Friday	Host Family	Planned Activities	Miska with You
Sun 5 May – Sat 25 May	Davison	Safari	
June - 20	Davison	Miska Flies Home	

Directors 2012-13		
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