



The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

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Meeting Guest – DG David Rands

Monday 29 August 2011

Guest Speaker– Lisa Sthalekar – Aust. Womens' Cricket Team

Duty Roster

This week 22 August 2011		Next meeting – 29 August 2011	
Chairman	Colin McGowan	Chairman	Peter Cleary
Night Reporter	Clive Denmark	Night Reporter	Brian Furrer
Front Desk	Douglas Lam	Front Desk	Keith Ball
Front Desk	Michael Moroney	Front Desk	Michael Moroney
Steward	Tim Bickford	Steward	Tony Makin
Steward	Rob Wansbrough	Steward	Graeme Yeates
Photographers	Ross Ballinger/Steve Baker	Photographers	Ross Ballinger/Steve Baker

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Up-coming events

5 Sept 2011

Guest Speaker- Didgeridoo, history, making and playing

Organiser: Colin McGowan

9 October 2011

Hawkesbury Race Meeting – Food and Wine Festival

Organisers: Col Wright & Carol Russell

24 September 2011

Garage Sale Dinner

Bivianos Restaurant

18 October 2011

Golf Day and Dinner – Oatlands

Organiser: Tim Bowland

Meetings

Monday 6.30pm for 7.00pm – Springfield House – 245 New Line Road, Dural

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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 - 15 August



It was a good to see Sandy Burrage back on deck after her 6 weeks in Botswana and surrounds. Welcome home Sandy. But goodbye to Bob and Bev who will be away touring and visiting family in Europe and the UK for 3 mths.

Our guest speaker Author, Keith Rowntree, gave an interesting talk on handling money and the prospective credit implications if you over commit and become a defaulter. His talk was particularly orientated towards the education of young children/adults. Keith kindly gave a free book to all members and a couple of members no doubt with their grandchildren in mind got a couple of extra copies

The Beatnix Show and Dinner closes this Friday (19th) so it is still not too late to register. Contact Rob Hamer.

At 6.30pm Canapés will be served, drinks will be buy your own. We will sit down for our 3 course meal at 7pm and Set 1 of the Beatnix Show comes on at 8.30pm.

The Beatnix are one of the best groups going around and you will be able to sing and dance along to your heart's content. We have had them once before in 2005 and everybody who attended then will remember that night. I have no doubt it will be one of our best nights and truly value for money.

I was hoping to get 140 plus but our numbers are shooting around 114 including 30 from the Scarcella's and 10 from sponsors Larke Hoskins. I have discussed it with Rob our Present Elect and it's highly unlikely to be on again for a while. So to those who are coming let's enjoy it, and let it go out with a bang.

Next week we have our District Governor David Rands and his wife Anne attending. Would all members please make a special effort to come to this meeting. If your style is to dress down these days could you please dress up for the night out of respect for the guest (eg no jeans).

I know I'm putting myself out there with this comment because there are no rules in Rotary about what you can or can't wear. Having said that I think most members would be on board with that "respect" request.

Taking it a bit further I personally would also like to see whomever is nominated as our Monday night guest Chairman to also come on board with it -but it's an individual decision.

At Anne Rands request, in lieu of flowers we will be presenting a cheque for her chosen charity, Biblioteka Ermera, a public library service being set up to help raise literacy levels in the Ermera District of East Timor.



Night Report - 15th August

President Colin opened the meeting welcoming our guests.

Our Exchange Student Louise Lastien presented our Club with the Danish Flag and then went on to give us her weekly news.

On Tuesday night she had a Drama night at her school (Cherrybrook High) and on Friday went to a 'John Williams' Music Concert at the Opera House with Rosemary Clark. Saturday's activities included a Rivercat cruise from Parramatta to Sydney

Larry Jacka advised members of an invitation night on 29 November 2011 to a 'Paul Harris Fellow' Dinner. The World president elect will be the guest speaker.

Contact Larry if you are interested in attending.

Clive Denmark reported on DIK on Saturday for 27 August. He has arranged a buyer for metal @ \$200. per ton with proceeds going to DIK. If anyone has some old tools or scraps of metal contact should Clive, particularly if you not attending DIK.

Rob Hamer provided an update on the Dinner Dance on Saturday week and approximately 112 people have paid so far. However, as a minimum of 140 is required more are needed. Members were asked to please do their best to increase the numbers to make sure the night is a success.

Tom Westcott confirmed there will be Garage Sale meeting with stall leaders on 17 August to discuss stalls

Our guest speaker Keith Towntree was introduced by Keith Ball

Keith is the immediate Past President of Glenhaven Rotary Club and his main background is banking. He spent 17 years with National Australia Bank before joining the Bank of Queensland and set up the Castle Hill Branch.

At this time he and his family and clients of the Bank, invested money in finance deal on his recommendation. Unfortunately, because of a technicality he was summoned to Court and as a result of the proceedings put on probation for 12 months. Keith then went onto writing several books on personal finance. He then put his energy into writing a book, 'Help your Kids Handle Money'. The book is well written and a great insight for young people and their families

We all enjoyed his presentation very much.

David Turnbull handed out Red Shield certificates to all members who helped on Red Shield this year.

Raffle was won by Bob Davidson, Head and Tails was won by Carol.

Night Reporter Graham Evans

Photos from the last meeting

Louise Lastein presenting President Colin McGowan with the Danish flag



Guest speaker Keith Rowntree with President Colin



Spring Dance – 27th 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

Louise's Night Out

Louise with (L) Emperor Palpatine (aka Rosemary Clarke) and a 'Storm Trooper' (R) from Star Wars at the John Williams concert





Birthdays



Channa Jayasuriya - 18 August

Anniversaries



Bob and Bev Davison – 17 August
Ross and Ballinger – 19 August

Food for Thought



Politicians are like ships, noisiest when lost in a fog

Humour

Estate Planning

A couple had reached an age where the wife thought it was time to start considering wills and funeral arrangements rather than be caught unprepared.

Her husband, however, wasn't too interested in the topic.

"Would you rather be buried or cremated?" she asked him.

"There was a pause, then he replied from behind his paper, "Surprise me."





		CLUB PROGRAM 2011-12	
Aug-11		Membership Extension Month	
Mon	22	District Governor David Rands attending Meeting	CMcG
Sat	27	SPRING DANCE at EPPING CLUB- BEATNIX,	All Tony Makin
Mon	29	Speaker Lisa Sthalekar- Australian Womens Cricket Team. Garage sale brochures handed out	Yes Ross
Sep-11		New Generations Month	
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	
Oct-11		Vocational Service Month	
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	
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 Bland/Tim Bowland
Sat	22	Chinese Lantern Festival. Date confirmed	
Mon	24	Guest Speaker, Christopher Snelling "Powerhouse Discovery Centre , C Hill.	CMcG
Sun	30	Porsche Car Club at the Amory Homebush. BBQ and Coffee. Date to be confirmed	Tim B'ford
Mon	31	Melbourne Cup Night (Finger Food and Cocktail Party)	Yes Social
Nov-11		Rotary Foundation Month	
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 Perrotet 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
Dec-11		Family Month	
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 Turnbulls	Yes Brian F
Mon	19	No Meeting	
Mon	26	No Meeting	