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 32,500 Clubs in 207 Countries  
 Rotary members serve those in need  
 and our Motto is "Service above Self"



# The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Club Bulletin

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## **Tonight - Monday 30 November 2009**

Tony Sonneveld from the Prostate Cancer Association PCFA Mens' Health Ambassadorial Speaker

## **Next meeting - Monday 7 December 2009**

AGM & Election of 2010-2011 Board

### **Duty Roster**

<b>This week – Monday 30 November 2009</b>		<b>Next meeting – Monday 7 December 2009</b>	
<b>Chairman</b>	Howard Fleming	<b>Chairman</b>	Keith Ball
<b>Night Reporter</b>	Prue Daras	<b>Night Reporter</b>	Colin Wright
<b>Front Desk</b>	Michael Moroney	<b>Front Desk</b>	Michael Moroney
<b>Front Desk</b>	Colin McGowan	<b>Front Desk</b>	David Turnbull
<b>Steward</b>	Barry Freeman	<b>Steward</b>	Hany Gerges
<b>Steward</b>	Brian Furrer	<b>Steward</b>	Rob Hamer

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### **Message from RI President Kenny**



The idea of the family of Rotary is a simple one, and one that we celebrate every December during Family Month. Every Rotarian is part of the Rotary family – but our family is much larger than just

our 1.2 million members. The family of Rotary includes every one of the men, women, and children who are involved in our work: the spouses and children of our members, our Rotary Foundation program participants and alumni, and all of those who are part of our programs, in the tens of thousands of Rotary communities around the world.

The youngest generation of the Rotary family is composed of our Rotaract clubs and Interact clubs, the participants in our Rotary Youth Leadership Awards program, our Ambassadorial Scholars, and our more than 8,000 Rotary Youth Exchange

### **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 book them in. Phone **9439 1422 before 11am** on the day of the meeting.

students every year. As in any family, our youth are our brightest promise for the future. Of course, it is my sincere wish that many of these young people go on to become Rotarians in good time. But Rotary is a part of them even today – and they are a part of us.

My wife, June, and I have been married for over 40 years, and I have been a Rotarian for nearly as long. Although women were not eligible for Rotary club membership at that time, June has been a part of the Rotary family from the day I first entered the Rotary Club of Grangemouth. There is no question that my Rotary service has demanded a great deal of both of us since then – but there can be no question that we have both reaped more than we have sown.

I believe that Rotary club membership can and should enhance our home lives and family interactions. As we work to attract more and younger qualified members, we would do well to remember that today's young professionals are often balancing work and family responsibilities. Adding in a commitment to Rotary service should complement, never compete with, those responsibilities. By scheduling meetings outside of the workday, planning activities that involve family members, and welcoming family members whenever possible, we help to ensure that every Rotary family will feel a true part of the greater Rotary family.

Every club should strive to achieve a balanced interaction between Rotarians and their families – and the family of Rotary. Only by working together, as a family, can we ensure that the Rotary of today grows into an even stronger Rotary of tomorrow.

John Kenny  
President, Rotary International

**At our last meeting – 23 November 2009**

The meeting was opened by Sergeant Stan who had a senior's moment during his introduction of Acting President Graham – Cuthbertson..

AP Graham welcomed Stacey Law and her mother. Stacey is a student at James Ruse High School and a budding mathematician. Stacey will be attending the Maths Olympiad next year.



Tim Bickford asked for members feedback on what worked well, what didn't work well with the trailer raffle via post-it notes on the whiteboards he had prepared.

AP Graham welcomed Larry Jacka back after his recent illness.

Fabienne outlined her activities over the past two weeks. She has spent an enjoyable weekend with the Paynters at Mount Victoria visiting all the popular tourist spots. Last weekend she attended the Exchange Students' get together at Namaroo.



Dick Bushell thanked all those members who have donated to his Movember challenge. To date he has raised \$570.00

Apparently Howard Fleming is trying to catch up!

Barry Freeman escaped from his French classes for one night to attend the meeting. Barry updated us on his team's preparation with one member resigning. A "Night in Paris" night is to be held on Feb.4 next year as a fund raiser for the team which leaves on Feb 28.

Brian Furrer updated the Club on the Tree of Joy progress. The tree is up and to date we have 2-3 trolley loads of gifts received. The Cherrybrook Shopping Centre is to advertise the tree in the local papers. Wed. 16 December is the night on which we will be sorting the gifts received prior to delivering them to the various charities.

Upcoming events include:

Christmas Lunch Sunday 6 Dec. Bookings must be confirmed with payment by next meeting.

Sausage sizzle to be held at Bunnings Dural, Sat 12 Dec, one additional volunteer needed- contact Graham Cuthbertson.

Club Christmas night Monday 14 December- don't forget the Kris Kringle. Fabienne's mountain walk, Jan 22-24. Charlotte Pass to Kosciusko, medium walk, all welcome. Contact Graham Cuthbertson.

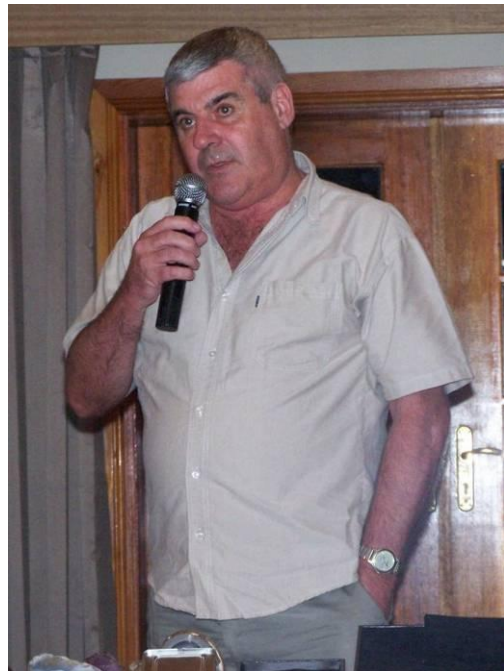
Club secretary Keith Ball reminded members that the AGM is to be held on Mon 7 Dec. and an email would be sent out to all with a nomination for board positions form attached.

Bob Davison advised that there is no DIK working bee on Sat 5 Dec, however a container is being loaded so anyone willing to help is appreciated. On Friday 4 Dec. an exchange student bar-b-que is to be held, member support is required. Please contact Bob.

Clive Denmark thanked all his committee members for their efforts in sourcing applicants for RYPEN.

Cawas threatened to fine every member (\$2) whose membership survey has not been returned.

Colin Baxter introduced the guest speaker for the night: Dave Cushway



Dave is a "fossicker" and has been interested in fossicking since his childhood. His interest in fossicking was interrupted by a stint in the Navy and Air Force but now he is a fulltime fossicker. Over the years he has made a "reasonable living" finding gold, sapphires, opals, garnett, amethyst and other minerals. He is self taught and does his own cutting, polishing and faceting. His first find was a "thunder egg" in SE Qld. He travels all around Qld, NSW, Vic and SA using his knowledge of rock formations to identify possible sites for valuable minerals.

He cautioned would-be fossickers to observe correct protocols in seeking property owners' permission to enter land, clear up any debris after exploring an area, don't enter abandoned mine shafts, observe areas on which there are existing mineral rights, preferably fossick in designated areas and don't go alone as it is easy to get lost in the bush.

Dave explained that a black opal stone uncut might be worth \$5000: however once cut and polished into a pendant, the stone might fetch \$15000. He predicted that the value of gold will double in the next year so now is the time to get fossicking!

The night finished with a lively fine session conducted by Sgt. Stan, with the heads and tails won by Channa.

Rod Crossweller - Night Reporter.



**Birthdays and Anniversaries**



**Anniversaries**



None this week



**Birthdays**



Thursday 3 December – Bob Davison

**Members on Leave-of-absence**

Steve Baker will be on leave of absence due to work reasons until 31 December 2009.

**RYDA Volunteers in action**

Thanks to the RYDA teams from our Club who acted as Marshalls for the two groups from Cherrybrook Technology High School last week. Ie on Wednesday Toni Trumm, Dick Bushell, Ros Bushell Stan Baseley, Allison Bowland Barry Lambert, (Fabienne also attended) and on Friday Colin Baxter, Stan Baseley, Toni Trumm Allison Bowland, Clive Denmark and Graham Evans  
A special thankyou also to Stan Baseley who recruited and coordinated our teams.

**Dinner/ Outing roster for Fabienne**

As discussed at recent meetings, we would like to have Fabienne visit with as many members as possible whilst she is with us in Australia. The following is her current schedule. Please let me know if you able to have Fabienne one day/weekend or evening.

Thanks  
Tim Bowland

Month	w/e Fri	Name / Activity
<b>Dec</b>	4	Christmas BBQ Dance with all the exchange students
	11	Family Christmas at Maitland with Carol Russell
	18	Blocked out
	25	Rosemary Clarke
<b>2010 Jan</b>	1	McGowans - Copacabana
	8	Tennis week with Clarke's South Coast with Rosemary Clarke
	17-24	
	23-24-25	Kosciusko walk weekend With Cuthbertsons plus
	29	
<b>Feb</b>	5	
	12	
	19	Umina Beach weekend
	26	
<b>March</b>	5	Davisons - Norfolk Island
	12	
	19	District Conference
	26	SAFARI
<b>April</b>		Fabienne away until 17th
	23	
	30	
<b>May</b>	7	
	14	
	21	
	28	
<b>June</b>	4	
	11	
	18	
	25	Club Changeover.

## 2010 RI Convention



2010 RI Convention in Montréal, Québec, Canada, 20-23 June

**S**ophisticated yet friendly, Montréal offers an ideal setting for Rotarians to gather at the 2010 RI Convention. More than 80 nationalities and ethnic groups reside in Montréal. In addition, it is also the largest francophone city outside of Paris, making it the most bilingual metropolis in North America. Register early now for "An International Experience" and to receive the best rates and accommodations.

To go to the convention and experience the fellowship and Rotary at an international level

Register for the convention and ticketed events

Reserve your hotel

Purchase host event tickets

2010 registration

Registration for one preconvention event is included in the price of your convention registration. Find out about preconvention events.

There are several ways to register for the 2010 convention:

Online registration

Download the registration form

E-mail for special tour group forms and other information

For questions, e-mail RI.

Note: You must be a registered Member Access user to register online for the convention. (Read more about becoming a Member Access user.)

User registration for Member Access may take longer than one business day. You will receive e-mails with step-by-step instructions to complete set up of your user account. Then, log in to Member Access, go to the left hand navigation bar and, under services, select "Register for Meetings" and on the next screen, "2010 RI Convention." To complete your

convention registration, enter your credit card information to pay your fees.

An alternative method is to fax or e-mail your registration form. Register by 15 December to save money!

2010 housing

Reservations are taken on a first-come, first-served basis, so book early to secure your preferred hotel. Booking for RI Convention housing begins 20 June 2009. Confirmations will be issued from Tourisme Montréal's Housing Bureau beginning in July.

Online reservation through Tourisme Montréal's Housing Bureau

Download the housing form. For a block of rooms of 15 or more, download the group housing form.

E-mail: [reservation@tourisme-montreal.org](mailto:reservation@tourisme-montreal.org)

Phone: +1-514-844-0848

Fax: +1-514-844-6771

Mail: Tourisme Montréal's Housing Bureau  
1555 Peel Street Bureau 600 Montréal,  
Québec H3A 3L8 Canada

2010 host event tickets

The host committee has planned events, tours, and a Host Hospitality evening with multiple options to help convention goers experience Montréal's cultural offerings with local Rotarians. Some of these events have limited capacities, so be sure to purchase your tickets early.

Online ticket purchases

For questions, e-mail the HOC.

Venues

The venues will be the Bell Centre for plenary sessions and the Palais des congrès de Montréal for breakout sessions, booths, and the House of Friendship. These venues are within a short walk or métro ride of each other and many of the downtown hotels.

For more information about the destination and to download walking and métro maps, go to [www.tourisme-montreal.org](http://www.tourisme-montreal.org).

For more relevant links go to this webpage

<http://www.rotary.org/en/Members/Events/Convention/Pages/ridefault.aspx?housead>

### Hell explained by a Chemistry Student

The following is an actual question given on a University of Washington chemistry mid term.

The answer by one student was so 'profound', that the professor shared it with his colleagues via the Internet, which is, of course, why we now have the pleasure of enjoying it as well:

Bonus Question: Is Hell exothermic (gives off heat) or endothermic (absorbs heat)?

Most of the students wrote proofs of their beliefs using Boyle's Law (gas cools when it expands and heats when it is compressed) or some variant.

One student, however, wrote the following:

First, we need to know how the mass of Hell is changing in time. So we need to know the rate at which souls are moving into Hell and the rate at which they are leaving. I think that we can safely assume that once a soul gets to Hell, it will not leave. Therefore, no souls are leaving. As for how many souls are entering Hell, let's look at the different religions that exist in the world today.

Most of these religions state that if you are not a member of their religion, you will go to Hell. Since there is more than one of these religions and since people do not belong to more than one religion, we can project that all souls go to Hell. With birth and death rates as they are, we can expect the number of souls in Hell to increase exponentially. Now, we look at the rate of change of the volume in Hell because Boyle's Law states that in order for the temperature and pressure in Hell to stay the same, the volume of Hell has to expand proportionately as souls are added.

This gives two possibilities:

1. If Hell is expanding at a slower rate than the rate at which souls enter Hell, then the temperature and pressure in Hell will increase until all Hell breaks loose.
2. If Hell is expanding at a rate faster than the increase of souls in Hell, then the temperature and pressure will drop until Hell freezes over.

So which is it?

If we accept the postulate given to me by Teresa during my Freshman year that, 'It will be a cold day in Hell before I sleep with you,' and take into account the fact that I slept with her last night, then number two must be true, and thus I am sure that Hell is exothermic and has already frozen over. The corollary of this theory is that since Hell has frozen over, it follows that it is not accepting any more souls and is therefore, extinct.....leaving only Heaven, thereby proving the existence of a divine being which explains why, last night, Teresa kept shouting 'Oh my God.'

THIS STUDENT RECEIVED AN A+.

Contributed by Jim Simpson

### A Little Humour

A lady goes to the bar on a cruise ship and orders a Scotch with two drops of water. As the bartender gives her the drink she says,

'I'm on this cruise to celebrate my 80th birthday and it's today..'

The bartender says, 'Well, since it's your birthday, I'll buy you a drink. In fact, this one is on me.'

As the woman finishes her drink, the woman to her right says, 'I would like to buy you a drink, too.'

The old woman says, 'Thank you. Bartender, I want a Scotch with two drops of water.'

'Coming up,' says the bartender

As she finishes that drink, the man to her left says, 'I would like to buy you one, too.'

The old woman says, 'Thank you. Bartender, I want another Scotch with two drops of water.'

'Coming right up,' the bartender says.

As he gives her the drink, he says, 'Ma'am, I'm dying of curiosity. Why the Scotch with only two drops of water?'

The old woman replies, 'Sonny, when you're my age, you've learned how to hold your liquor. Holding your water, however, is a whole other issue.'

Contributed by Colin McGowan

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<b>Club Program 2009/2010</b>			12-Nov-09	
<b>Nov-09</b>		<b>Activity- Rotary Foundation Month</b>	<b>Partners</b>	<b>Organiser/Contact</b>
Mon	30	Tony Sonnevald from the Prostate Cancer Association		Graham Cuthbertson
<b>Dec-09</b>		<b>Activity- Family</b>	<b>Partners</b>	<b>Organiser/Contact</b>
Sun	6	Christmas Lunch - Regal Gardens	<b>Yes</b>	Toni Trumm
Mon	7	AGM – Election of 2010/11 Board		G Evans/K Ball
Mon	14	Christmas Meeting	<b>Yes</b>	
Tues	15	Club Board Meeting		Graham Evans
Mon	21	No Meeting		
Mon	28	No Meeting		
<b>Jan-10</b>		<b>Activity- Rotary Awareness</b>	<b>Partners</b>	<b>Organiser/Contact</b>
Sun	3	Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Dural		Barry Lambert
Sat	9	Informal Dinner at President Graham's (from 5.30pm)	<b>Yes</b>	Graham Evans
Mon	11	Meeting		
Mon	18	Club Assembly		Graham Evans
Fri	22 - 24	Kosciusko Walk Exchange Student	<b>Yes</b>	G. Cuthbertson
Mon	25	Meeting		
Fri - Sun	29 - 31	RYPEN		Clive Denmark
<b>Feb-10</b>		<b>Activity- World Understanding</b>	<b>Partners</b>	<b>Organiser/Contact</b>
Mon	1	Youth Night? + Inbound Student presentation?		Tom Westcott
Mon	8	Meeting		
Tues	9	Club Board Meeting		Graham Evans
Fri	12	Ronald McDonald House BBQ duty a Friday	<b>Yes</b>	Colin McGowan
Mon	15	Meeting		
Mon	22	Meeting		
Sat	27	Bush Dance		G. Cuthbertson
<b>Mar-10</b>		<b>Activity- Literacy</b>	<b>Partners</b>	<b>Organiser/Contact</b>
Mon	1	Meeting		
Tues	2	Oatlands Charity Golf Day		Tim Boland
	6-19	BowelScan at Cherrybrook Village		Barry Lambert
Mon	8	Meeting - Youth Night		Tom Westcott
Tues	9	Club Board Meeting		Graham Evans
Mon	15	Meeting		
District Conference 18-21 March 2010 - Port Macquarie				Graham Cuthbertson
Mon	22	Meeting		
Mon	29	Meeting		
<b>Apr-10</b>		<b>Activity- Magazine</b>	<b>Partners</b>	<b>Organiser/Contact</b>
Sat	3	Social Activity	<b>Yes</b>	Toni Trumm/Pru Daras
Mon	5	No Meeting- Easter Monday		
Sun	11	Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings Dural		Barry Lambert
Mon	12	Meeting		
Tues	13	Club Board Meeting		Graham Evans
Mon	19	Meeting		
Mon	26	No Meeting- Anzac day PH		

Details of the full Club program can be found in the Club website  
[www.wphcrotary.org](http://www.wphcrotary.org)

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Name		PARTNER	ADDRESS	HOME	WORK	MOBILE	E-MAIL	Classification
BALL	Keith	Dianne						Plasterboard engineering
BALLINGER	Ross	Helen						Sign Services
BASELEY	Stan	Patricia						Manager – Printing
BAKER	Steve	Jean						Banking
BAXTER	Colin	Gwen						Financial Services
BICKFORD	Tim	Sharon						Commercial Management
BOWLAND	Tim	Alison						Residential Designer
BURRAGE	Sandy	Mike						Diversion Therapy
BUSHELL	Richard	Roslyn						Industrial Marketing
CLARKE	Rosemary	Rob						Education Services
CLEARY	Peter	Julie						Engineer – Management
CROSWELLER	Rod	Robyn						Architecture
CUTHBERTSON	Graham	Judy						Finance Management
DARAS	Prue							Health Services
DAVISON	Bob	Beverley						Information Technology
DENMARK	Clive	Jenny						Waste Management
FLEMING	Howard	Megan						Mining instruments
EVANS	Graham	Margaret						Wool Industry
FREEMAN	Barry	Joan						Corporate training
FURRER	Brian	Barbara						Forestry
GERGES	Hany	Jo						Dentistry
HAMER	Rob	Janet						IT Services
JACKA	Larry	Miriam						Consulting training
JAYASURIYA	Channa	Amala						Banking
LAM	Douglas	Kaija						TV production
LAMBERT	Barry	Helen						Pharmaceutical – Mfg
MAKIN	Tony	Pamela						Quantity surveying
McGOWAN	Colin	Margaret						Funds Management
MORONEY	Michael	Catherine						Phone sales
MEYER	Fabienne							Exchange Student
MYERS	Bob	Lyn						Postal Services
PAYNTER	Alan	Lyn						Bathroom Renovations
PIDGEON	Greg	Marilyn						Baby Wear - Sales
RUSSELL	Carol							Financial Planning
RUSSELL	John	Marie						Business training
SAHUKAR	Cawas	Rashna						Marketer & Trainer
SAVIO	Gino	Roslyn						Plumber
SAVIO	Roslyn	Gino						Travel services
SIMPSON	Jim	Dianne						Financial compliance
TRUMM	Toni	Michael						Retail Fashion
TURNBULL	David	Jill						Consulting plumbing
WANSBROUGH	Robert	Anne						Veterinary Services
WESTCOTT	Tom	Annette						Shade Sales
WRIGHT	Colin	Dianne						Commodity Broker
YEATES	Graeme	Honey						Financial Advisor