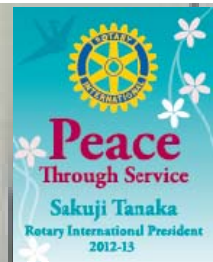




The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

Club Bulletin

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Monday 3 September
Partners Night - Miska's Presentation

Monday 10 September
Wendy Carver - Lifeline, Harbour to Hawkesbury

Monday 17 September
Jan-Maree - Aussie Hero Quilts – 'making quilts for our service people'

Duty Roster

Next Meeting Monday 3 Sept. 2012		Following Meeting - Monday 10 Sept. 2012	
Speaker Host	Mark Doran	Speaker Host	Max Henderson
Night Reporter	Tom Westcott	Night Reporter	David Turnbull
Front Desk	Alan Paynter	Front Desk	Michael Moroney
Front Desk	Michael Moroney	Front Desk	Brian Furrer
Steward	Col Wright	Steward	Col Sharpe
Steward	Brian Furrer	Steward	Keith Ball
Photographer	Steve Baker	Photographer	Steve Baker

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Upcoming Events

Saturday 22 September Garage Sale Starts	Monday 8 October Dr Nuli Lemoh, Sydney Paediatrician
Sunday 7 October BBQ Bunnings Thornleigh.	Saturday 13 October Theatre Night

Meetings

Monday 6.30pm for 7.00pm – Springfield House – 245 New Line Road, Dural
<http://www.wphcrotoary.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** or email accounts@lhogroup.com.au **before 11am** on the day of the meeting.

President's Report



Tom Sweeney gave an interesting talk titled "The Plot Thickens". Tom works at Macquarie Park Cemetery and Crematorium, so now the "plot" makes sense. He had some fascinating stories to tell of famous, and some infamous identities. It was a very interesting talk.

Macquarie Park is having an Open Day on Sunday 9th September, with free family activities, and more fascinating stories of the history of cemeteries. Graham Ross, 2GB Garden Clinic compare, will be the special guest.

Last Saturday was a busy one for the Club. We had a very successful day selling sausage sandwiches at Bunnings Dural, which netted \$962 (with minimal costs since I depleted our drinks stock). Thank you to everyone who manned the BBQ: Stan, Rosemary, Miska (who did an excellent job serving), Prue, Sandy, Alan, Carol, Bev... and I was there.

Then on Saturday night we had our spectacular Trivia Night. We had 23 tables, nearly 200 people and the Cherrybrook Community Hall was a buzz with enthusiasm as people socialised and then tried to answer the trivia questions presented by our expert trivia compere Steve Sims.

Rob and Janet Hamer did an excellent job pulling this night together with the support of many members. We also had a silent auction, and a mega raffle with 65 prizes. Every one I spoke to after said they had a good night.

The revenue from the trivia night was \$4,768 + \$1,000 donation from Larke Hoskins. (Larke Hoskins Honda are very generous with their support, so if anyone is looking to buy a Honda, consider trying there first, and ask for a special Rotarian deal.)

The Garage Sale is fast approaching, and the banners are up. Flyers were distributed on Monday – and there are many areas yet to be taken for delivery. I will need about 1/3rd of members to take two areas for delivery, and they need to be delivered as soon as possible, hopefully by Fri 9th September. This week I will be setting the pickup roster, which starts next week, and will be intense the week before the sale. There are so many things to do, but it is coming together.

Next Monday, 3rd September, is partners night. Miska will be making his presentation on his home of Finland. I hear he put most of it together before he left home, we can expect a wonderful evening as we learn about this wonderland on the other side of the world.

President Bob Davison

Night Report

President Bob opened the meeting and welcomed our Guest Speaker Tom Sweeney.

Miska gave his report detailing another busy week of teaching ice skating, a busy stint at the Bunnings Bar-B-Que and our own Trivia Night.

President Bob thanked all who worked on the 'Barby' and gave the good news of revenue of \$1,358 for a nett profit of \$962. This was a little inflated in that we used stock on hand of soft drinks.

Rob Hamer reported on the Trivia Night which returned revenue of \$5,775 with expected costs of around the \$700 mark. He was very pleased with the night and gave special thanks to Stephen Sim the quizmaster . Given the response by attendees we can expect a bigger and better night next year.

President Bob reminded us of the Clean-up at the Guide Hall this coming Saturday at 11:00 am (not 8:00am as advertised due to Guides use of the hall). Everyone needed please to prepare the area for the Garage Sale.

Garage Sale flyers and maps were available and members are asked to take one or more areas and distribute the flyers.

Rosemary Clarke asked members to invite Miska for dinner on Tuesday or Thursday nights to assist the Gilchrists'.

RYDA (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness is on on two days, November 12 for girls and November 14 for boys (all from Cherrybrook Tech. We need to provide 6 people on each day to assist. Please let Rosemary know if you can help.

Douglas Lam told us about an initiative of the Sydney Adventist Hospital who are running a Mens' Forum on September 12 on Prostate Cancer, Colon Cancer, Back pain and sciatica. He will circulate info direct to members.

Our guest speaker Tom Sweeney is Community Relations Manager at the Macquarie Park Cemetery & Crematorium in North Ryde.

He gave us many examples of the interesting "residents" of the neighbourhood including, among many others, former Prime Minister Bill Hughes, "Photo Play Artiste" Lottie Lyell. Lottie was an Australian actress, screenwriter, editor and filmmaker. She is regarded as Australia's first film star, and also contributed to the local industry during the silent era with her collaborations with Raymond Longford who is buried alongside her.

The saddest would the grave be Graeme Thorn. The Graeme Thorne kidnapping is the name given to the 1960 kidnapping and murder of Graeme Thorne for the money that his father, Basil Thorne, had won in a lottery. A crime which caused massive shock at the time and gathered huge publicity, it was the first

known kidnapping for ransom in Australian history. The police investigation that led to the capture and conviction of his murderer, Stephen Bradley, is justly regarded as a textbook example of forensic investigation.

Many other celebrities also enjoy the quiet neighbourhood, among them Ricky May, Don Lane, Sir John Kerr, Ward "Pally" Austin, Della Pankhurst, Reuben F Scarfe and Paul Lander.

Tom conducts tours of the cemetery and crematorium weekly and there is an Open Day coming up on Sunday September 9. Visit their website here for more information.

Tom was introduced and thanked for his very interesting and lively talk by Stan Baseley.

President Bob let us know that Margaret Evans has been diagnosed with a tumor on her pituitary gland and will have surgery next week. It is thought to be benign but that will need to be confirmed post-op. We wish Margaret well.

Sergeant Tony ran a lively and profitable fine session notable in that it took a cross fine to catch up with the regularly "pinged" David Turnbull.

The raffle was won by Graham Cuthbertson and Heads and Tails by Douglas Lam.

Night Reporter Rob Hamer

Photos from our Last Meeting

Stan Baseley introducing Tom Sweeney



'Event Manager of the Year' Rob Hamer



Guest Speaker Tom Sweeney



Photos from the Trivia Night



Tree of Joy

At the last meeting I canvassed for members to take part in this year's Tree of Joy project and whilst 5 members offered to help, no one "held up their hand" to share the leadership. In particular I am seeking a person with interest in the project taking over in 2013 and beyond.

The Tree of Joy is one of the "unsung heroes" of our club's contribution to the community, each year some 900 presents, (value \$25K?) go to needy people and little "flag waving" occurs. It is a most worthwhile project and rewarding job, if you would like to be part of the team, leader or worker please let me know.

Thanks Brian

Men's Public Health Forum

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

Proudly sponsored by Fox Valley Seventh-day Adventist Community Church



MEN'S HEALTH PUBLIC FORUM

Wednesday 12th September 2012, 6.15pm for 7pm start

Fox Valley Community Centre, Sydney Adventist Hospital Campus

The community are invited to attend this informative evening featuring leading medical specialists, light refreshments and health displays.

Topics include:

- **Prostate Cancer**
- **Bowel Cancer**
- **Back Pain and Sciatica**

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - phone 9487 9871 or email comrel@sah.org.au

Fox Valley Community Centre, 185 Fox Valley Road, Wahroonga 2076

Free Parking Available - visit www.sah.org.au for more information

SYDNEY ADVENTIST HOSPITAL

Social Activity Dates for the Diary

- Sat. 13th October - Theatre night - to be arranged
- Sunday 4th November - Car Gig/ BBQ.
- Saturday 16th February 2013 - Dinner at Lemon Chello, Italian Restaurant at West Pennant Hills
- Sat/Sunday 4th and 5th May, 2013 - Weekend Away

Birthdays and Anniversaries



Anniversaries - *None this week*

Birthdays - *Miriam Jacka – 5 September*

Food for Thought

‘Envy is the art of counting the other fellows blessings instead of your own’



Humour



I have a little Satnav
It sits there in my car
A Satnav is a driver's friend
It tells you where you are

I have a little Satnav
I've had it all my life
It's better than the normal ones
My Satnav is my wife

It gives me full instructions
Especially how to drive
"It's sixty k's an hour", it says
"You're doing sixty five"

It tells me when to stop and start
And when to use the brake
And tells me that it's never ever
Safe to overtake

It tells me when a light is red
And when it goes to green
It seems to know instinctively
Just when to intervene

It lists the vehicles just in front
And all those to the rear
And taking this into account
It specifies my gear.

I'm sure no other driver
Has so helpful a device
For when we leave and lock the car
It still gives its advice

It fills me up with counselling
Each journey's pretty fraught
So why don't I exchange it
And get a quieter sort?

Ah well, you see, it cleans the house,
Makes sure I'm properly fed,
It washes all my shirts and things
And - keeps me warm in bed!

Despite all these advantages
And my tendency to scoff,
I do wish that once in a while
I could turn the damned thing off

Contributed by Rod Crossweller

		Club Program 2012-2013	RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night.	
		Updated 30/08/12 by RWH		
Sep-12		New Generations Month		
Sat	1	Meet at Guide Hall 8:00am for * Guide Hall grounds clean up.		
Sun	2	Fathers' Day. Nothing on, just a reminder.		
Mon	3	Miska's Presentation	Yes	
Wed	5	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		
Mon	10	Wendy Carver - Lifeline, Harbour to Hawkesbury.		
Mon	17	Jan-Maree - Aussie Hero Quilts - making quilts for our service people. Confirmed 01/05	Yes	Rob Hamer
Sat	22	Garage Sale- at Fire Station. 6am start.	All	
Sat	22	Garage Sale-Dinner 6.30 for 7.00pm	All	
Sun	23	Garage Sale- at Fire Station. 8am start.	All	
Mon	24	Joint Zone Clubs Meeting - "Tears in the Jungle" fundraiser.	Yes	
Oct-12		Vocational Service Month		
Mon	1	Labour Day Public Holiday - No meeting		
Sun	7	BBQ Bunnings Thornleigh.	Yes	Barry Lambert
Mon	8	Dr Nuli Lemoh, a Sydney Paediatrician whose original homeland is Sierra Leone, and PP Laurie Facer of Turrumurra Rotary Club on Bo Childrens Hospital.	Yes	
Wed	10	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		
Sat	13	Theatre night		Social Comm.
Mon	15	Supt. P. Flogel, Commander - Castle Hill LAC NSW Police. Confirmed 08/05/2012		Rob Hamer
Mon	22	Disaster Aid Australia. Confirmed 17/07/2012		Bob Davison
Sat	27	Porsche Car Club Concourse Day - Club Catering to event	All	
Mon	29	No meeting - moved to Tuesday Golf Day.		Rob Hamer
Tues	30	Golf Day - Oatlands Golf Club. Our normal meeting follows in the evening.	Yes	Clive Denmark
Nov-12		Rotary Foundation Month		
Sun	4	Car Rally / BBQ.		Social Comm.
Mon	5	Melbourne Cup meeting	Yes	
Mon	12	RYDA for Girls at St. Ives. 6 helpers required.	Yes	Rosemary Clarke
Mon	12	Shelterbox Australia. Confirmed 24/07		
Wed	14	RYDA for Boys at St. Ives. 6 helpers required.	Yes	Rosemary Clarke
Wed	14	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		
Mon	19	Rotary Foundation - PDG David Rands		
Sun	25	BBQ Bunnings Dural	Yes	Barry Lambert
Mon	26	Joanne Sharpe - Occupational Therapists in Mental Health. Conf 04/04/12		Colin Sharpe

Please don't forget to book an outing, dinner or activity with Miska
miska-95-@hotmail.com or mobile 0431 166 636

Miska's Family of the Week Program

2012-2013			
Week Ending Friday	Host Family	Planned Activities	Miska with You
29th August	Gilchrist		
Fri 19-Sun. 21 October	Gilchrist	Youth Exchange Inbound Camping Weekend at Narrabeen	
9-16 November			Trip to NZ with the Davisons
17 November	Ferguson		
Sunday 18 November	Ferguson	Naamaroo Final Outbound Student Briefing	
Friday 14 December	Ferguson	Christmas Party Dinner Dance - Gladesville Club - TBC	
9 -23 Jan			Holidays with the Bickfords
Sunday 10 February	Ferguson	Sailing Day - St Ives Club -TBC	
Fri. 22- Sun. 24 February	Ferguson	Umina Beach Weekend for Inbound students – Umina Club	
Fri 15- Sun. 17 March	Ferguson	District Conference - Nowra	
17 March	Davison		
April/May	Davison	Safari briefing – St Albans Anglican Church – Lindfield -TBC	
May/June	Davison	Safari - TBC	
15 June	Davison	Farewell to students - TBC	

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