



# The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

## Club Bulletin

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Michael Sluis - Black Dog Institute

### Monday 11 July 2011

Club Forum

### Duty Roster

This week – 4 July Monday 2011		Next meeting – 11 July 2011	
<b>Chairman</b>	Peter Cleary	<b>Chairman</b>	Bob Myers
<b>Night Reporter</b>	Mark Doran	<b>Night Reporter</b>	Rod Wansbrough
<b>Front Desk</b>	Stan Basely	<b>Front Desk</b>	Graeme Yeates
<b>Front Desk</b>	Michael Moroney	<b>Front Desk</b>	Michael Moroney
<b>Steward</b>	Mark Doran	<b>Steward</b>	Peter Cleary
<b>Steward</b>	Pru Daras	<b>Steward</b>	Clive Denmark

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### Up-coming events

10 July 2011  
**BBQ @ Bunnings Thornleigh**  
Organiser: Rob Hamer

6 August 2011  
**1<sup>st</sup> of two Dinner/Theatre Nights**  
"The Crucible" at The Pavillion Theatre  
Organiser: Carol Russell

17 July 2011  
**BBQ Lunch** provided to  
Southern Cross Retirement  
Village (12-2pm)

27 August 2011  
**Spring Dance @ Epping Club**  
Organiser: Tony Makin

### 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 [jpsimpson@ozemail.com.au](mailto:jpsimpson@ozemail.com.au) **before 11am** on the day of the meeting.

### Last President's Report for 2010-2011



What a great way to finish the year with 84 members, partners and guests at the meeting to celebrate the Art Competition.

This is one of the most important events in the calendar of our club. It really makes a large cross section of the community aware of Rotary and the ideals we believe in, from the teachers and parents to the children participating in the competition all have to think of, talk about and express Rotary ideals.

This year we had nine schools competing and the paintings made by the prize winners were outstanding. It is great to see how other minds perceive the Rotary vision for the year. My thanks to all those who helped particularly Rosemary and Columba.

This being my last report I would like to thank all the club members for their help and support throughout the year – Thank you!

### At our last meeting 20 June 2011

Sergeant David Turnbull called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. and President Graham Cuthbertson opened the meeting by welcoming all the guests and partners.

Rob Hamer requested for volunteers for the forthcoming BBQ on Sunday 10th July. In

case you wish to volunteer please contact Rob directly.

Bob Davison spoke about the Donations In Kind [DIK] and thanked all the volunteers.

Clive Denmark introduced Tim Finn our representative to Rotary Youth Program Enrichment [RYPEN]. Tim had a very enriching experience which he feels will be very useful in time to come. He made lots of new friends with whom he is in touch through social networking sites including Face Book.

Our one and only Singing Vet Dr. Rob Wansbrough introduced Peter Rugg our National Youth Science Forum candidate who hails from Gilroy College Year 11. Peter visited all the Science and Engineering Institutions in Canberra. It was a full on week and Peter thoroughly enjoyed his stay in Canberra. Peter is interested in pursuing a career in either Research or Physio Therapy & does a lot of social work. His hobby is dancing and loves doing Ballet, Jazz and all the modern dances. Any one for dancing with the stars??

Barry Freeman commented that the Youth Exchange Program is one of the best for truly what a wonderful Rotary Ambassador. From a humble beginning which started 4 years ago with just 3 schools the Art Competition has grown and this year we had record number of 150 entries representing 9 local schools.

According to Tom Westcott Director of Youth what is worth noting is the calibre of the young artists which made the task of the judges extremely difficult.

Barry Freeman our chief spruiker thanked all the sponsors for their generosity and support, namely:

- Laurissa Onato from Eckersleys Art & Craft at Parramatta
- Daniel Tan from Joseph Tan Real Estate
- Carol Russell from YellowBrickRoad
- Tom Westcott from Alfresco Shades
- LJHooker West Pennant Hills
- Cherrybrook Woolworths

The Art Show winners were:

Years 3&4

1<sup>st</sup> - Sophie Borosvszky  
Murray Farm Public School

2<sup>nd</sup> - Vincent Seo  
Murray Farm Primary School

3<sup>rd</sup> - Saleha Sehgol  
Samuel Gilbert Public School

Years 5&6  
1<sup>st</sup> - Amy Lim  
Murray Farm Public School

2<sup>nd</sup> - Cheree He  
Murray Farm Public School

3<sup>rd</sup> - Kelly Ye  
Murray Farm Public School

Best Performing Primary School:  
Murray Farm Public School

Kudos to teachers: Sharon Rennie & Penny  
Purcell

Years 7 – 10  
1<sup>st</sup> - Kiran Singh  
Cherrybrook Technical High School

2<sup>nd</sup> - Eric Wen  
Cherrybrook Technical High School

3<sup>rd</sup> - Bryan Wong  
Cherrybrook Technical High School

Best Performing High School:  
Cherrybrook Technical High School

Kudos to teacher: Grace Jones

Barry in his closing address thanked all the committee members especially Columba and Anthony Scarcella our honorary members.

It was Anthony's vision four years ago to start School Art Competition. Despite his heavy work load he prepared the blue print for the competition and Colombia over the years has unstintingly given her generous time helping the committee with the selection process. Thank you Scarcella's

you are both indeed very special and we are very proud of you.

Raffle Draw a bottle of white was won by Penny Purcell teacher from Murray Farm Public School.

Heads and tails was won by our budding young artist Kelly Ye again from Murray Farm Public School which was promptly handed over to her father.

The President thanked all the guests, partners and took his final bow as the curtain fell.

Sergeant David Turnbull handed over the baton to the new Sergeant Jim Simpson stay tuned more to come .....

What a night! attended by a huge crowd Frank and his team did an admirable job thank you Frank and PLEASE keep up the good work.

Night Reporter's Comment:

Chiara Giocomin our charming exchange student from Italy was very much missed especially at the "Toast". Chiara in her own way has touched so many hearts that there are many who will always cherish her stay with us. Bon Voyage and we wish you good luck and all the very best in the years to come and yes, Au Revoir and not a good bye till we meet again.

Elvis has left the building....turn off the lights

Night Reporter - Cawas Sahukar

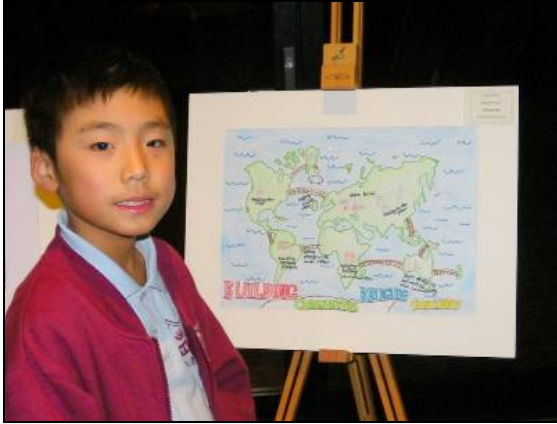
#### Photos from our last meeting

Youth Art Award Winners

Sophie Borsovszky - 1<sup>st</sup> - Years 3&4



Vincent Seo - 2<sup>nd</sup> - Years 3&4



Cheree He - 2<sup>nd</sup> - Years 5&6



Saleha Sehgal - 3<sup>rd</sup> - Years 3&4



Kelly Ye - 3<sup>rd</sup> - Years 5&6



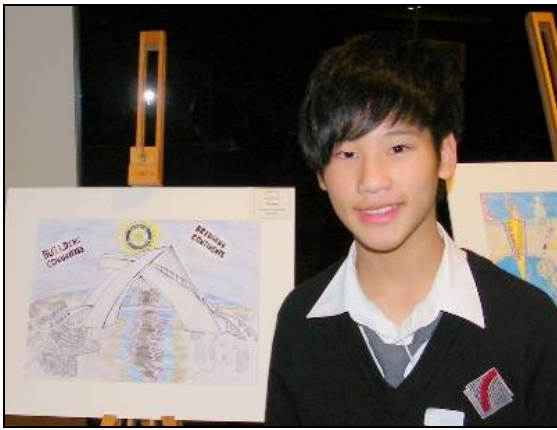
Amy Lim - 1<sup>st</sup> - Years 5&6



1<sup>st</sup> Kiran Singh Years 7-10 (not present)



Eric Wen - 2<sup>nd</sup> - Years 7-10



Bryan Wong - 3<sup>rd</sup> - Years 7-10



Winners of Years 7-10.  
L to R Bryan, Eric, Daniel Tan (Sponsor)



Tim Finn - RYPEN student



Winners of Years 3&4  
L to R Sophie, Vincent, Saleha



Winners of Years 5&6  
L to R Kelly, Cheree, Amy, President Graham



Teachers from Murray Farm School – Penny Purcell, Sharon Rennie and Tom Wescott



Winners of Years 7-10  
L to R Bryan, Eric, Daniel Tan (Sponsor)



Teacher Grace Jones from Cherrybrook Technology High School with Tom



Peter Rugg - NYSF candidate with Rob Wansbrough



### 9680 District Changeover - 1 July 2011

We are especially invited, particularly if you haven't been to a district change over before or if it's been a while since your last one. Your attendance will show support or outgoing and incoming District Governors George Papallo and David Rands respectively.

**Venue:** Hornsby RSL

**Date:** 1 July 2011

**Cost:** \$50.00 p.p includes dinner and two bottle of wine for each table

**RSVP:** by 23 June to President Grahame only please

### Spring Dance

This will be huge – we have the Beatnix back in response to popular demand and a new venue – the Epping Club. Put the date in your diary to avoid disappointment – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> August 2011. More details later from Tony Makin

### Our Little Italian has Returned Home

Being Chiara's final host family, we were very concerned whether we could pack all her clothes and possessions accumulated during the year within the weight allowance. I should mention that the weight allowance was increased from 30Kg

to 40Kg thanks to Roslyn. Also, Chiara has the largest handbag I have ever seen. To our relief the airport check-in went very smoothly - we were only slightly over (and Anna had the handbag, no where near the check-in counter).

Chiara had a terrific turn-up at the airport to wish her farewell. Club members, host families, district coordinators, school friends and fellow exchange students were all there. A few tears. Chiara kept commenting what a fantastic year she has had, and she couldn't believe it was over. She is determined to return to Australia (her school friends suggested that if they collected just one gold coin from every student at school..... yep, that would do it :).

When it was time to go through immigration, she just went... no looking back. We will miss you "our little Italian".

Chiara made it safely home and is readjusting to life there. I am sure that her Australian experience has had a lasting impact on her life, and for us, she was a truly delightful exchange student who added so much joy to our club.

Contributed by Bob Davison

Airport farewell for Chiara



### Theatre Nights – Expressions of Interest

We have two social events coming up over the next few months, namely Theatre nights at the Pavillion Theatre at Castle Hill.

So that I might make accurate bookings, I am seeking expressions of interest in both

of these evenings. It will be first in best dressed!!!

The first is "The Crucible" on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August, and can be a Dinner/Show package at \$55 per person with dinner at Nobles Restaurant at the Hills Lodge Motel on Windsor Road, Castle Hill.

Alternatively you may attend just the Theatre at a group rate of \$20 per person. The next show is "Move over Mrs. Markham" on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> November, 2011. Cost I believe is the same as for The Crucible and the Dinner package is available.

Those of you who have visited The Pavilion will know that both of these shows will be top class enjoyable events. If you wish to seek more information about each/either of the shows before committing please visit [www.thepavillioncastlehill.com.au](http://www.thepavillioncastlehill.com.au) I will be looking for an indication of your intentions at next Mondays meeting, so please be prepared to tell me what you would like to do, particularly for The Crucible which is on 6<sup>th</sup> August.

Please contact Carol Russell.

### Another Successful DIK

On Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June we had nine volunteers assist Port Macquarie RC with the loading of a container at DIK (Donations In Kind). We had such a good turnout that we split into two teams, the other sorting goods. At first we thought there is no way all the beds, hospital gear and boxes of mostly school supplies and clothing would fit in the 20' container destined for Vanuatu. But just before noon, we closed the container doors, with just one pallet of boxes missing out, but we got an amazing amount in.

We also had to check that Peter Cleary hadn't been left in the container (he did try to pack himself in for a free trip to Vanuatu!).

Thank you to all those who helped: Peter Cleary, Stan Baseley, Tony and Pamela Makin, Douglas Lam, Victor Mahoney, Clive Denmark, Beverley and Bob Davison.

The DIK container team



Peter Cleary looking for a free trip to Vanuatu



**Anniversaries and Birthdays**



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None this week



**Birthdays**



Barry Lambert -1 July  
Howard Fleming – 4 July  
Tom Wescot 6 July

**Barry and Helen Lambert**

Barry (Marco Polo) Lambert and his wife Helen are embarking on yet another long journey (9 weeks) and we wish them well. When they return they will no doubt regail us with wondefful stories about their exploits and provide lavish gifts for all (oh well, one out two isn't bad)

**Humour**

Subject: A touching Christmas tale...  
There was a man who worked for the Post Office whose job it was to process all the mail that had illegible addresses. One day, a letter came addressed in shaky handwriting to God. He thought he should open it to see what it was about. The letter read: "Dear God, I am an 83 year old widow, living on a very small pension. Yesterday someone stole my purse. It had \$100 in it, which was all the money I had until my next pension check. Next Sunday is Christmas, and I had invited two of my friends over for dinner. Without that money, I have nothing to buy food with. I have no family to turn to, and you are my only hope. Can you please help me?"

Sincerely, Edna"  
The postal worker was touched. He showed the letter to all the other workers. Each one dug into his or her wallet and came up with a few dollars. By the time he made the rounds, he had collected \$96, which they put into an envelope and sent to the woman. The rest of the day, all the workers felt a warm glow thinking of Edna and the dinner she would be able to share with her friends. Christmas came and went. A few days later, another letter came from the old lady to God.

All the workers gathered around while the letter was opened. It read, "Dear God, How can I ever thank you enough for what you did for me? Because of your gift of love, I was able to fix a glorious dinner for my friends. We had a very nice day and I told my friends of your wonderful gift. By the way, there was \$4 missing. I think it must have been those thieving bastards at the Post Office.

Sincerely Yours Edna"  
Contributed by Rob Hamer

**Food for Thought**

"What hasn't been tried won't work"



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		<b>Club Programme 2010-2011</b>	Up to 23.6.2011	
<b>Jun-11</b>		<b>Rotary Fellowship Month</b>		
Fri	24	Club Changeover Dinner- Epping Club-6.30pm for Complimentary drinks - attire suit/black tie	<b>Yes</b>	GC/CM
Mon	27	No Meeting (on first meeting Day after Changeover)		
<b>Jul-11</b>		<b>District Projects Month</b>	<b>Partners</b>	<b>Organiser</b>
Fri	1	District Changeover- Hornsby RSL (A touch of Gold)		CMcG
Mon	4	Michael Sluis. Black Dog Institute		CMcG
Wed	6	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Colin McG resid
Sun	10	BBQ Thornleigh. Rob Hamer organising in Barry's absence.		Rob Hamer
Mon	11	Club Forum		CMcG
Sun	17	BBQ Lunch provided to Southern Cross Retirement Village (12-2pm)		Tony Makin
Mon	18	Christmas in July ;	<b>Yes</b>	Social
Fri	22	Exchange Student arrives in Australia from Denmark		
Mon	25	Guest Speaker-Hans Rupp- Detective Inspector attached to the Homicide Squad		CMcG
Tues	26	1st Spring Dance Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Colin McG resid
<b>Aug-11</b>		<b>Membership Extension Month</b>		
Mon	1	Talk -Sydney Heritage Fleet - Allan Charlton (Bank Holiday)		CMcG
Tues	2	2nd Spring Dance Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm at CMcG's place		CMcG
Sat	6	Dinner/Theatre ("The Crucible" at The Pavillion Theatre- tbc); Bank Holiday		Social
Mon	8	Talk- 11 bloody days-Battle of Milne Bay. Assoc Prof Brian Boettcher (Medicine) has confirmed.		CMcGowan
Tues	9	3rd Spring Dance Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Colin McG resid
Wed	10	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at CMcG's place		CMcG
Mon	15	Keith Rowntree-Author of 4 Books-"Fraud- how to protect yourself", "Smart money tips for retirees" etc		CMcG
Tues	16	4th Spring Dance Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm at CMcG's		CMcG
Mon	22	<b>District Governor David Rands attending Meeting</b>		CMcG
Tues	23	5th Spring Dance Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Colin McG resid
Sat	27	<b>SPRING DANCE at EPPING CLUB- BEATNIX</b> , Guide Hall Maintenance for Garage Sale	<b>All</b>	Tony Makin
Mon	29	Speaker Lisa Sthalekar- Australian Womens Cricket Team. Garage sale brochures handed out	<b>Yes</b>	Ross Ballinger
<b>Sep-11</b>		<b>New Generations Month</b>		
Mon	5	Guest Speaker- Didgerioo , history, making and playing. Speaker confirmed.		CMcG
Mon	12	Youth Debate	<b>Yes</b>	Rosemary
Wed	14	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at CMcG's place		Colin McG resid
Sun	18	8am BBQ Bfast at Guide Hall then grounds clean up before Garage Sale next weekend+ Sorting books etc	<b>Yes</b>	

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Mon	19	Membership Night + Talk?		Carol Russell
Fri	23	Garage Sale- Move Items to Fire Stn	<b>All</b>	
Sat	24	Garage Sale- at Fire Station	<b>All</b>	
Sat	24	Garage Sale-Dinner at Bivianso's Italian Restaurant (New Line Rd Dural)	<b>All</b>	G Evans
Sun	25	Garage Sale- at Fire Station	<b>Yes</b>	
Mon	26	4 Way Speaking Competition (Based on the Rotary 4 Way Test)		P Cleary
<b>Oct-11</b>		<b>Vocational Service Month</b>		
Mon	3	No Meeting - Labour Day Pub Hol		
Sun	9	Hawkesbury Race Meeting- Food and Wine Festival	<b>Yes</b>	CW/CR
Mon	10	Speaker Andrew Howard, Howard & Sons Pyrotechnics		Rob Hamer
Wed	12	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at CMcG's place		
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 Bowland
Sat	22	Chinese Lantern Festival. Date to be confirmed		Tom Westcott
Mon	24	Guest Speaker, Christopher Snelling "Powerhouse Discovery Centre , C Hill. Confirmed		CMcG
Sun	30	Porsche Car Club at the Amory Homebush. BBQ and Coffee. Date to be confirmed		Tim Bickford
Mon	31	Melbourne Cup Night (Finger Food and Cocktail Party)	<b>Yes</b>	Social