



# The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

## Club Bulletin

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Guest Speaker - Assoc Prof. Brian Boettcher - 11 Bloody Days – The Battle of Milne Bay

### Monday 15 August 2011

Guest Speaker – Keith Rowntree - “How to Protect Yourself”

### Duty Roster

This week – 8 August 2011		Next meeting – 15 August 2011	
<b>Chairman</b>	Col Baxter	<b>Chairman</b>	Keith Ball
<b>Night Reporter</b>	Gino Savio	<b>Night Reporter</b>	Peter Cleary
<b>Front Desk</b>	Sandy Burrage	<b>Front Desk</b>	Graham Evans
<b>Front Desk</b>	Tony Makin	<b>Front Desk</b>	Brian Ferrer
<b>Steward</b>	Larry Jacka	<b>Steward</b>	Barry Freeman
<b>Steward</b>	Tim Bickford	<b>Steward</b>	Cawas Sahukar

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### Up-coming events

22 August 2011  
**District Governor David Rands**  
attending our Meeting

29 August 2011  
**Guest Speaker Lisa Sthalekar**  
Australian Womens Cricket Team  
Organiser: Ross Ballinger

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

5 Sept 2011  
**Guest Speaker- Didgerioo , history,  
making and playing**  
Organiser: Colin McGowan

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

## President's Report



We had around 40 members and their guests join us for the talk on Sydney Heritage Fleet by Allan Charlton.

His talk about the tall ships John Oxley and James Craig was fascinating.

It's hard to believe that the James Craig is the only restored 19C tall ship in the world.

Allan is a very courageous man having suffered a debilitating stroke only 6 weeks ago, and there he was, a bit unsteady and shaky, but talking with enthusiasm and passion about one of the loves of his life, tall ships. And excuse me, steam if you don't mind, not diesel.

The numbers for Beatnix Show and 3 course dinner on August 27 are looking quite good for but we still need members to see if they can pull some friends together if we are to reach our 140 minimum target .

It promises to be one of our best social nights and we would like everybody to join in. Last Club Meeting night to register is next Monday week.

The expressions of interest for relief Bulletin Editor whilst Mark Doran is having his hip operation has now closed. A big Thank You to Janet Hamer.  
Colin McGowan President 2011-12

## Night Report for 25 July 2011

Sergeant Jim started the meeting with our 5 minute warning bell which caused a rush on the bar, to be expected from our club.

After the grace and loyal toast he introduced President Colin who welcomed our guests and partners and a special welcome for our new exchange student Louise on her second night with the club.

Following our usual lengthy apologies list President Colin asked Max Henderson to promote the Spring Dance on 27<sup>th</sup> August, tickets are selling so don't delay in getting your bookings in.

The Doc the announced that our NYSF candidate, Peter Rugg, had been accepted, which is great news.

President Colin asked Louise to introduce herself to the club.

Louise is 16, and is from a small town in Denmark. She is the second oldest of 6 children 4 girls and 2 boys. Louise's mother runs a helicopter business and is a pilot as well while her dad flies big fixed wing planes mainly to the Middle East.

She had a busy week starting school at CTHS, meeting new friends, going to Mary Poppins and a Chinese restaurant and then heading up to Copacabana for a trivia night with Tim and Allison.

After our meal Victor introduced the guest speaker, Allan Charlton. Allan is a Technical / Communications consultant working at the University of Western Sydney his specialty being cross cultural writing.

However, it was evident from his presentation that the Sydney Heritage Fleet is his passion.

The Sydney Heritage fleet started in the mid 1960's with the restoration of the "Lady Hopetoun", a steam yacht built in 1902 for the first Governor General of New South Wales, the steam tug "Waratah" was then restored. In the early 1970's the group started to look for a tall ship and

came across the hulk of the "James Craig" beached in Recherche Bay in southern Tasmania. The vessel was refloated and towed to Hobart for initial repairs in 1973 before being moved to Sydney in 1981 where she was fully restored to her glory with a full set of sails in 2001. The James Craig was launched in 1874 as the "Clan Macleod" with her maiden voyage being to Peru. In all she completed 21 circumnavigations and rounded Cape Horn 23 times as a sailing vessel.

Today she is fully restored and is available for inspection in Pymont and regularly goes to sea on a weekend, there a very few tall ships left in the world still operating, she is definitely worth a visit.

The Sydney Heritage fleet has a number of other vessels and is currently restoring the 1912 ferry "Kanangra" and the pilot vessel "John Oxley" as well there are 55 small heritage boats and a large collection of marine engines.

Allan could have continued as he was very passionate about the subject but he was belled out.

Before the fine session Howard Fleming, who has recently visited the First World War battlefields in France, went to a museum in Ypres where there was a display about Albert Jacka a VC winner in the war and Larry's uncle.

Howard gave a short history of him and had a number of photographs which he presented to Larry.

Sergeant Jim then proceeded to fleece us in his inimitable style before handing the meeting back to President Colin to conclude the meeting.

Night Reporter - Graham Cuthbertson

### Photos from the meeting - 1 August

Allan Charlton – Sydney Heritage Fleet



Our Exchange Student Louise Lastein



### Host Families for Louise

We encourage all Club members to invite Louise into their lives for a dinner/ outing/ weekend etc. That way they get to know her better and the rotation gives host families breaks throughout the year

Members who are interested should contact Tim and Alison Bowland with their invitation dates and details and a calendar update will be sent to all members every few weeks

The first calendar is attached to the email with this Bulletin

### Spring Dance – 27 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

### Anniversaries and Birthdays



#### Anniversaries



None this week



#### Birthdays



Hany Gerges - 6 August  
Marie Russell – 8 August

### RI Annual Convention

Rotary's biggest event is the annual RI Convention, a celebration of the year's accomplishments with a focus on Rotary's future.

Once you attend an RI Convention you will better understand the diversity and scope of the organization.

Many other events happen throughout the Rotary world, such as presidents-elect training seminars, which prepare incoming club presidents, and district leadership seminars, which help Rotarians further develop their leadership skills and learn about opportunities in Rotary.

At the International Assembly, the annual training meeting for incoming district governors, the theme for the new Rotary year is announced

### Food for Thought

'We probably wouldn't worry about what people think of us if we could know how seldom they do' - Olin Miller

### Humour

Paddy takes his new wife to bed on their wedding night.  
She undresses, lies on the bed spread-eagled and says, "You know what I want, don't you?"  
"Yeah," says Paddy. "The whole bed by the looks of it!"

Contributed by 'Paddy' Cleary

Wife 1. "My husband and I argue a lot. He's very touchy – the least little thing sets him off."

Wife 2. "You're lucky. Mine's a self starter."

Contributed by Mark Doran

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		CLUB PROGRAM 2011-12		
Aug-11		Membership Extension Month	Partners	Organiser
Sat	6	Dinner/Theatre ("The Crucible" at The Pavillion Theatre- tbc); New Host Parents briefing		Carol
Mon	8	Talk- 11 bloody days-Battle of Milne Bay. Assoc Prof Brian Boettcher (Medicine) has confirmed.		CMcG
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
Mon	22	<b>District Governor David Rands attending Meeting</b>		CMcG
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
Sep-11		New Generations Month		
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		CMcG
Sun	18	8am BBQ Bfast at Guide Hall then grounds clean up before Garage Sale + Sorting books etc	<b>Yes</b>	Champions
Mon	19	Membership Night -Ross Pearce District Membership Director		Carol
Fri	23	Garage Sale- Move Items to Fire Strn	<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	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	<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 confirmed		
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
Nov-11		Rotary Foundation Month		
Mon	7	Youth Night and Exchange Student Presentation	<b>Yes</b>	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 Perrottet 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)	<b>Yes</b>	Social
Mon	28	Schools Four Way Speaking Competition (3 speakers /school- 4 Way Speaking Test)	<b>Yes</b>	Pete Cleary
Dec-11		Family Month		
Mon	5	AGM	<b>No</b>	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?	<b>Yes</b>	Prue
Wed	14	Tree of Joy- Santa's Workshop at Turnbulls	<b>Yes</b>	Brian Furrer
Mon	19	No Meeting		
Mon	26	No Meeting		