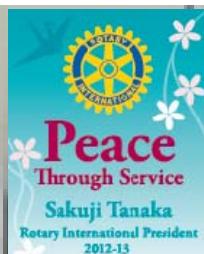


The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

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Monday 8 October

Dr Nuli Lemoh, Sydney Paediatrician from Sierra Leone

Monday 15 October

Supt. P. Flogel, Commander - Castle Hill LAC NSW Police

Monday 22 October

Disaster Aid Australia

Duty Roster

Next Meeting Monday 8 Oct 2012		Following Meeting - Monday 15 Oct 2012	
Speaker Host	Barry Freeman	Speaker Host	Col Baxter
Night Reporter	Graham Evans	Night Reporter	Alan Paynter
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Steward	Brian Furrer	Steward	David Turnbull
Photographer	Ross Ballinger/Steve Baker	Photographer	Ross Ballinger/Steve Baker

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Upcoming Events

Sunday 7 October
BBQ Bunnings Thornleigh

Tuesday 30 October
Charity Golf Day @ Oatlands

Saturday 27 October
Porsche Car Club Concourse Day

Sunday 4 November
Car Rally/BBQ

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 accounts@lhgroup.com.au before 11am on the day of the meeting.

President's Report



As I mentioned in my (belated) previous report, we had our Giant Garage Sale on the weekend of 22 & 23 September and what a great turnout we had. On the Friday we had erected an orange perimeter fence which worked well. We also relocated the furniture, sporting gear and tools to the car park, allowing books to be laid out in the temporary awning. In the guide hall the clothes sorted on Wednesday were moved to the veranda and the bric-a-brac laid out on the tables which Colin Sharpe had made. They worked excellently.

We had an early 6am start on the Saturday to put up the eleven gazebos, the tables and to get the stock ready. We were just ready by 8am when the customers were allowed in. I was very impressed by how everyone worked together as a team, in some cases helping with others stalls before their own. I had comments from many people on how good and professional the layout looked. The BBQ and coffee trailer being right in the middle with a shaded seating area was also well received. My special thanks to

Tom & Janet for taking the initiative to walk around with food and drink for our members, they were a very welcome sight. Douglas, Stan and John were on the BBQ and Rob and Janet were making coffee. We all appreciated a sausage, egg & bacon or rissole in a roll and a cappuccino, and we also sold these to the public, making a net profit. The cakes stall sold out on the first day, and also tickets were sold on the stall for the two hampers which Di Wright made. Then there was a Manchester stall which also sold tickets for the throw which Alison had knitted. We had lots of toys which sold well. Moving to the corner was the clothes stall which was nicely laid out using the racks which Colin Sharp had made. In amongst the trees was the plants and pots stall. The layout worked well. In the guide hall we had the bric-a-brac nicely laid out on the two level shelving Colin had made plus the trestle tables in the centre. The extra table space meant almost all the bric-a-brac was on the tables, with very little under them. In one corner of the guide hall were the special (or newer/better) books rather than merge them with the book stall. On the bitumen outside the RFS we had furniture, about the same amount as previous years, but fewer big wardrobes, and no entertainment units. Generally the quality was pretty good. We also had tools, electrical, sporting and baby's goods here. Alongside the Rural Fire Service, in the temporary storage, were the books. The space provided about 30% of what we had for the book fare and this book shop worked well. Also on Saturday the guides had a stall to engage the young people with a few games and some face painting and temporary tattoos.

At about 3pm we started packing up for overnight storage, wrapped the furniture in tarps and secured the clothes etc. The gazebos came down, and we had a chance to socialise before heading off to dinner at the South East Asia and Thai restaurant in Pennant Hills. It was a little noisy (no soft furnishings, lots of people and so many stories to be told), but the banquet was really good (and so was the company) – a good choice of restaurant, thanks Bev.

Sunday started about 7:30am, selling at 8am, and we were fully operational by 9am. Sundays are usually slow, but we had a steady stream of clients buying heavily discounted goods. Early afternoon we started packing up, the orange fence came down first. Dismantling the temporary awning was a fairly large task, and leftover products had to be sorted – good clothes and manchester are going to a charity, the rest to Tom for industrial rags. We put the best of the books back in the containers, and larger items near the

footpath for anyone to take. The rest was scrapped, and placed in or near the bins Clive provided. We finished at 5:30pm, exhausted. We then had a few drinks and some nibbles, which gave us a chance to discuss what went well and what could have been better (some of the changes worked very well, and there are numerous ideas to make it even better). The site was cleaned back to normal, except for the scrap which was mostly collected on Monday. (Clive organised the collection, and did a great job). We were very fortunate with the weather, and I had several comments that the garage sale was very well presented and professionally run. The bottom line is, how much did we make? As at Monday night Ian had counted \$20,200 with still a few dollars to come in. Of course this is before expenses. A very pleasing result. This was only possible through the hard work of members and partners. A BIG thank you for all the effort you put in. I would also like to thank Miska, who moved a lot of the furniture & even more of the books in the container, Beth and her mother Christine, who worked on clothes for a period, and past NYSF students, Mel Gajwanis and Peter Ruggs (also his parents Nick and Julie) who worked with Doc on records. Scout leader, Peter Thompson and his son, also helped with the set up, and on the BBQ. It was great to have the youth involved.

On Monday night we had the "Tears in the Jungle" multi Club meeting at Springfield House hosted by Rob Hamer. We had almost 100 attend, including DG John Dodd and Janelle, ADG Rob O'Neill, members and partners from Galston and Kenthurst Clubs and many of our partners and friends of Rotary. Daniel and William Clarke had an incredible story to tell – basically that we need to save the Orangutans of Borneo now or within 10 years they will be gone for ever. It is not just the Orangutan but there are several other animals dependent on the same jungles and several plants dependent on both the jungle and the animals for their survival. Daniel and William showed their experience in the jungle where they engaged with several Orangutans reaffirming the need to save these highly intelligent animals. The audience were very moved by their story, and agreed with the need to take action. Our Club made a donation of \$2,000 to Daniel & William's cause which was graciously received. This included some monies raised on the night. There was a long queue of people buying books (signed by William) and Orang-utans (the toy variety) which also helped their cause. The skills acquired by Daniel and William in running the presentation and associated merchandising is just amazing, it is hard to believe they are just 16 and 14 years old. I give a special thank you to Daniel and William for their presentation and message which gained everyone's attention. And a thank you to Penny & Rod, their parents, who fully support their sons' quest to save the Orang-utans. A truly outstanding night. Of interest, they already have this occasion loaded on their blog at <http://tearsinthejungle.com/2012/09/rotary-makes-a-big-hit/>.

On Sunday 7th October we have our next Bunnings BBQ (Thornleigh) and I have asked for volunteers, if you are able, please help.

Then our next big fundraiser is the Charity Golf Day on Tuesday 30th October. If you know how to swing a club, do try to get a team together. Our meeting has shifted from Mon 29th to Tues 30th at Oatlands Golf Club so we will all be there for the prize giving.

There is no meeting on Monday 1st October (public holiday) so the next meeting is 8th October when we have Dr Nuli Lemoh and PP Laurie Facer (Turramurra Club) presenting on Bo Children's hospital in Sierra Leone. This is a partner's night.

President Bob Davison

Night Report

Tim welcomes President Bob Davison after he put new batteries in the microphone.

Bob – begins with welcome, Rotary Grace, then calls D.G. John Dodd to give loyal toast and welcomes Galston and Kenthurst clubs, and guest speakers, and our exchange student, Miska

John-34,000 Rotarians in Australia. Toast to Rotary international and Australia

Miska-this week did a lot of different things, Rotary garage sale, dinner with host family, today misunderstanding with buses took m61 to Sydney and had to get off bus and catch another bus, quite funny.

Bob – club news, Tears of the Jungle holding a raffle tickets for blanket. Started selling tickets at trivia night, tonight it will be drawn, Alison Bowland are selling tickets.

Garage sale rotary club wph started 6am Friday, thanks to Tom had huge onsite storage at rural fire service. Friday organisation, sat 6am pulled everything out of the fire service put up gazebos, 8am open to the public. Very successful weekend, weather was great, sales great. We achieved (money still coming in) \$20,200. Detailed report in next Bulletin. Monday 1 October, is a public holiday next, NO meeting. Bunnings BBQ on the 7th.November.

Mrs Evans had major surgery this weekend, it was benign and she's doing really well, good news. Colin McGowan goes into surgery tomorrow, 25 Sept. Roslyn heard on the Thursday 27th September, that the operation was a success and Colin is doing well.

Galston club news – have exchange student Pina Gilroy at home and sunbaking, running around, jogging, been on holidays for 2 weeks and 2 more weeks to go, relaxing, sleep long, read 2 books today, so been working hard.

Bob request members to invite your exchange student, Miska, to an outing, dinner or activity

Bob just informed there is a camera man walking around, plan is to make a documentary of tonight's proceedings. Any objections? Enjoy meal.

GB1943 left his lights on! Big fine.

Rob, Assistant District Governor welcomes guest speakers and family.

Daniel and William's generation will be the last to see Orangutans in the wild, due to deforestation and destruction of their habitat. Daniel and William have devoted a fair slice of their young lives to saving the orangutans in Borneo and Indonesia.

Achievements: awarded NSW prize, Barack Obama recognises their efforts and they have donated 12,300 acres for Orangutans habitat

Their book was inspired by the song by INXS and so far they have raised \$650,000.

William- short video of trip to Borneo in 2008 was inspiring, funny and enlightening.

Daniel – speech different due to cerebral palsy one quote he believes in that 'we can all make a difference'

William and Daniel inspired John Howard who then donated \$500,000

'If you give a screwdriver to a chimpanzee it will throw it to another chimp. If you give to a gorilla it'll scratch its back, if you give to an Orangutan it will escape.'

Sicily(oran) learn by watching other Orangutan. In 2008 with the help of annoyomous sponsor, they travelled on boats called kotots to see orangatans in the wild -Daniel went all the way to the equator

They have- raised \$650,000, wrote Tears in the Jungle, and are ambassadors for Kia Motors Aust., who signed the car with 'Tears of Jungle' slogan, year of reading 'Ambass 2012'

Why save Orangutan? We must save their jungle habitat which is the only jungle eco system like it on the planet, Borneo 130 mill yrs old, 3rd largest island on our planet, acts like a huge CO2 filter is like earth's lungs, if it dies like then earth losing its lungs.

Why do this, Orangutan critically endangered, less than 10 yrs left in the wild, only found in Indo Borneo and Sumatra, share 97% of our DNA, saving oran we also save plant species and other endangered animals who also rely on the Borneo / Sumatra jungles. Gibbons, pigmy elephants, Sumatran Tigers.

Humans are the biggest threat, cutting down trees at rate of 3 football fields/hr, why?: for wood trade, making space for legal and illegal palm oil which is used in 8out of 10 shelf products we buy, 85% palm oil comes from Malay. Daniel, we could switch to canola oil. William- palm oil is labelled as vege oil, need to establish sustainable farming. The monkey and ape difference is the ape doesn't have a tail. Only 6300 sumatran orang left in the wild. Orangutans are very gentle animals, so beautiful, so intelligent studied each others hands and realised at the same time they both had lines at the same place on their hands. Darren(orang) loved playing with them, played like a sister, brother, like extended limbs hands and feet everywhere also had strict supervision from the carers.

So adopt an Orangutan, purchase a copy of the book, as money will be donated to saving orangutan, since launch of book sponsored many acres of land. Daniel-if you believe in cause you should do it, nothing is impossible, the most important thing we can do to save orangutan is to save their habitat, we only have 10 yrs left before they go extinct, let's do this together.

Questions: what support do you get from Indonesian Govt. who owns the land that is being ravished.
Answer: we don't own the land, go thru supported agencies that go thru Govt. who protect the land.

Australian sponsors ? What support do you get from Indonesian Government ?
haven't asked the Indo Govt. -we are just saving the Orangutan

Rotary almost eradicated polio, malaria now it's time to save the Orangutan

Drew raffle 1116, Maggie won blanket - congratulations. 1st prize
2nd prize Farmers Daughters wine - Janette Roberts

Bob congratulated Daniel and William on a fantastic project, which, without our support will be losing the Orangutan in 10 years. He then presented them with a cheque for \$2,000.00

Tim drew the raffle and Janette Roberts won the Orangutan and President Bob won the Yellow002, William won Heads and tails and received the bottle of wine

President Bob then closed the meeting and advised that Daniel will sign books when purchased.

Special thank you to Daniel and William for a brilliant evening and story, go for it save the Orangutan, the world ecology is very fragile, related species in those jungles will become extinct if we don't do anything about it. Thank you Rodney & Penny for coming, and all visitors.

David Turnbull lead the anthem. Frank from Springfields donated \$174 to "Tears in the Jungle"

Night Reporter Gino Savio

Photos from our Last Meeting

Below is a selection of photos from the joint meeting 'Tears in The Jungle'.

To view the full cache of photos please left click on the link below:

<http://s1247.photobucket.com/albums/gg636/Rossb2/Rotary%202012%20Tears%20in%20the%20jungle/>





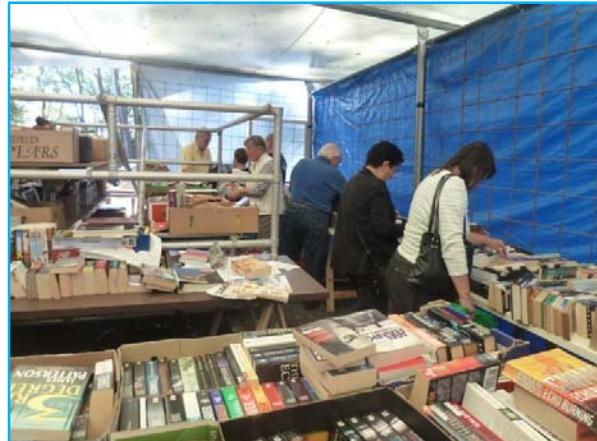
Garage Sale Photos

Below is a selection of photos from the Garage Sale.

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Caitlin Gilchrist's Update from Spain

Denmark was amazing! At the start of September I travelled with my host sister to Copenhagen and more parts of Denmark. We stayed with Louise and her family and it was a great experience. Her family is great but they have very hard names! I loved seeing her again and was sad to go!

At Legoland in Denmark



I am back at school. I didn't know my Spanish had improved so much until the holidays ended. In school everyone was surprised and happy to hear how much better my Spanish was and the teachers

commented on it as well. My friends are impressed how I can 'understand Spanish without listening'. Apparently I can be focused on something else or day dreaming and then I can casually join in a conversation like I have been listening the whole time. Most people comment on my accent and say I have a great Spanish accent and that it isn't an English Spanish accent. So I'm happy I sound like a Spaniard! It's not a school activity but in every break at school my friends and I have started playing a game called 'Mafia'.

It's fun and it is the first time I have been able to use Spanish while yelling! The game is very loud and

fast so it is a good exercise for my Spanish. My friends were very happy to see me again. It will be sad when I go back to Australia and won't see them every day.

This month I have had my Rotary Orientation. It was big! 90 new exchange students from USA and Canada and 3 days to meet everyone! We played games, danced, sang, ate and learnt Rotary rules. I had a good weekend meeting everyone from these countries. Some can speak a little Spanish but the rest have none so far. It was interesting to see how I must have sounded. At orientation Georgia (the other Australian in Northern Spain) and I were famous as Australians. The head of the orientation and Rotary Madrid knew us by name and always asked us to answer the questions in front of all the students and in Spanish. I did a lot of public speaking at orientation during the assembly and games. Georgia and I gave advice and answered questions the whole weekend. I wasn't sure if we were the naughty students who always got asked questions so we had to pay attention or if we were just the favourites. I think it was a bit of both but mostly the favourites!

Five of the new students are in my school and 12 are in my local area with 2 boys and 4 girls in my Sierra De Madrid Rotary club.

My Rotary meetings have started again and my club was happy to see me after the holidays. I have got to know my students in my club as I welcomed them to their first meeting. I like having the new students and Rotary is operating exchange differently this year. It will be more organised than the previous years.

My host brother and sister are great. I go to school with Lucas and I am friends with Ana so I get along with them both. I have lived here for 8 months now which is a long time but it has gone by so fast. The 22nd of every month (the day I arrived in Spain) is Caitlin's day in my family and my host mum makes lasagne-it is very cute of her!

All the best to you, Caitlin

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

Rotary Charity Golf Day – Tuesday 30th October 2012

Jointly hosted by West Pennant Hills/ Cherrybrook and Hunters Hill Clubs, we expect a great turn out for this Spectacular Charity Golf Day Tuesday 30th October 2012

We are looking for participants and sponsors alike so please use the information and booking flyer attached in the email with the Bulletin to send out to your prospective participants

Details are:

- Oatlands Golf Club, 94 Bettington Road, Oatlands
- Tuesday 30th October 2012
- Registration Time: from 11:00am
- Shotgun Start: 12:30pm
- 32 Trophies to be won
- Mens and Ladies included

Oatlands is a group one Members course and is considered one of the finest inland par 70 golf courses in the country – ALL proceeds go to ‘Kids off the Streets’ projects and associated Rotary Charities

Players and non players are invited to join us for a Buffet Dinner, Trophy Presentations and Auction Spectacular

Enquiries and bookings to:

Clive Denmark - hamletc@optusnet.com.au or 0400 425 210

Birthdays and Anniversaries



Anniversaries - *Mark and Julie Doran (Phelan) Oct 3*

Birthdays - *Graham Evans - Oct 5*
- *Alan Paynter - Oct 7*
- *Pat Baseley – Oct 9*

Food for Thought



'The hardest arithmetic to master is that which enables us to count our own blessings'

Humour



An Australian rugby fan, a Scottish rugby fan and a New Zealand rugby fan are all in Saudi Arabia sharing smuggled booze when all of a sudden the police raid the place and they are arrested. The mere possession of alcohol in this part of the world is punishable by death so they were in fear of their lives.

However, after many months and with the assistance of good lawyers they are able to successfully appeal their sentences down to life imprisonment.

By a stroke of luck it was a Saudi national holiday the day their trial finished and the extremely benevolent Sheikh decided they could be released after receiving just 20 lashes each

As they were preparing for their punishment, the Sheikh announced, "It's my first wife's birthday, and she asked me allow you each of you one wish before your whipping"

The Scotsman was first in line, he thought for a while and then said, "Please tie a pillow on my back."

This was done, but the pillow only lasted ten lashes before the whip went through. When the punishment was done he had to be carried away bleeding and crying.

The Kiwi was next up and after watching horrified he asked for two pillows to be tied to his back

But the two pillows only lasted 15 lashes before the whip cut through and left him bleeding and whimpering as they carried him away.

The Aussie was the last one up, but before he could say anything, the Sheikh turned to him and said, "You are from one of the most beautiful parts of the world and your culture one of the finest. For this you can have two wishes!"

"Thank you, your Most Royal and Merciful Highness," the Aussie replied. "In recognition of your kindness, my first wish is that you give 100 lashes."

"Not only are you an honourable, handsome and powerful man, you are also very brave,' the Sheikh said with an admiring look. 'If it is 100 lashes you want then so be it. And your second wish?"

"Tie the Kiwi to my back"

		Club Program 2012-2013		RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night.
		Updated 05/09/12 by RWH		
Oct-12		Vocational Service Month		
Sun	7	BBQ Bunning's Thornleigh.	Yes	Barry Lambert
Mon	8	Dr Nuli Lemoh, a Sydney Paediatrician whose original homeland is Sierra Leone, and PP Laurie Facer of Turramurra Rotary Club on Bo Childrens Hospital.	Yes	Rob Hamer
Wed	10	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		Bob Davison
Mon	15	Supt. P. Flogel, Commander - Castle Hill LAC NSW Police. Confirmed 08/05/2012		Rob Hamer
Mon	22	Disaster Aid Australia.		Bob Davison
Sat	27	Porsche Car Club Concourse Day - Club Catering to event	All	Tim Bickford
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 Gig / BBQ.		Social Comm.
Mon	5	Melbourne Cup meeting	Yes	Social Comm.
Mon	12	RYDA for Girls at St. Ives. 6 helpers required.	Yes	Rosemary Clarke
Mon	12	Shelterbox Australia.		Rob Hamer
Wed	14	RYDA for Boys at St. Ives. 6 helpers required.	Yes	Rosemary Clarke
Wed	14	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		Bob Davison
Fri	16	Wesley Dalmar Bar-B-Q Volunteers required.	Yes	Graham Cuthbertson
Mon	19	Rotary Foundation - PDG David Rands		Larry Jacka
Sun	25	BBQ Bunnings Dural	Yes	Barry Lambert
Mon	26	Joanne Sharpe - Occupational Therapists in Mental Health.		Colin Sharpe
Dec-12		Family of Rotary Month		
Sun	2	Christmas luncheon - Castle Hill Country Club??	Yes	Social Comm.
Mon	3	Annual General Meeting		Bob Davison
Mon	10	Looking for speaker		Rob Hamer
Wed	12	Club Board Meeting - Bob Davison's home.		Bob Davison
Thu	13	Tree of Joy- Santa's Workshop at Brian Furrer's 7.30pm	Yes	Brian Furrer
Mon	17	Christmas Meeting (Kris Kringle-gifts). Exchange student blazer presentation to Bethany.	Yes	Bob Davison
Mon	24	No Meeting		
Mon	31	No Meeting		

**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
Fri 19-Oct to Sun. 21 Oct.	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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