



The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

Club Bulletin

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Club anniversary meeting - Past members night
Roslyn Savio will talk on her five best trips

Monday 16 May 2011

Sharon Bickford-South African Safari Research-a personal experience

Duty Roster

This week – Monday 9 May 2011		Next meeting – Monday 16 May 2011	
Chairman	Tim Bickford	Chairman	Mark Doran
Night Reporter	Larry Jacka	Night Reporter	Channa Jayasuriya
Front Desk	Michael Moroney	Front Desk	Michael Moroney
Front Desk	Peter Cleary	Front Desk	John Russell
Steward	Tony Makin	Steward	Gino Savio
Steward	Colin McGowan	Steward	Cawas Sahukar

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Up-coming events

Sat 14 & Sun 15 May 2011
Club Mystery Weekend away
Organiser : Social Committee

Saturday 21 May 2011
Bunnings Dural BBQ
Organiser : Barry Lambert

Tuesday 24 May 2011
TAFE Dinner outing
Organiser : Rosemary Clarke
(Normal meeting still on 23 May)

Sunday 29 May 2011
Red Shield Appeal
Organiser : David Turnbull

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** or email dturnbull@lhogroup.com.au **before 11am** on the day of the meeting.

President's report



A great way to run a meeting – have it done for you.

A lot of fun was had by all for our Italian Night and Frank excelled himself with a great antipasto and spaghetti bolognaise. Madame President ran the meeting admirably, the Burlusconi Singers did a great job and Ros Bushell put David to shame with the fines needing both Chiara's hands to carry the box at the end of the session.

I was saddened to hear that Olive Turnbull had passed away last Saturday, Olive was a staunch supporter of our club and our thoughts go out to David and Jill and their family.

A well done to Barry's Sausage Sizzle Team for last weekend in the rain, almost \$1300 was taken and we used up some of our existing stock. What would it have been like if it was a fine day? The next Sausage Sizzle is on 21st May at Bunnings Dural so let Barry know if you can help.

With the year coming to a close we are having a combined board meeting on 25th May. Would the current board members have their reports for the year in to me by Monday 23rd so I can finalise my report by the meeting.

Don't forget – Change-over-Dinner at the Epping Club on Friday 24th June.

Graham

At our last meeting 2 May 2011

The meeting was opened by Judy Cuthbertson who carried out 'Presidents' duties for the evening



Chiara's 'Report'

- Visited the Easter Show in Sydney
- Shopping (what a surprise?) at the Zara Store
- Twilight Harbour Bridge Climb beautiful views at that time of day with the sun setting and the moon rising
- Went 'country' to Dubbo Zoo, Parkes, and Gliding at Narromine
- Cycled around the Zoo followed by a night tour
- Headed home via Jenolan Caves where the weather wasn't so good but "that's ok because the caves are inside"
- Back to School last week

Rosemary Clarke Vocational report

- TAFE Ryde diner on 24th May –just one spot left
- 30th May – Private Workmanship Night

Social Report -Club Weekend away

Saturday 15th of May

Details of 'Mystery Trip' now confirmed

- Departing Greenway Park @ 8.00am
- 10.00am – arrive Morpeth for morning tea, shopping and lunch
- Next stop Medowie macadamia farm
- Arrive Port Stephens
- Dinner and Tour @ Bob's Barramundi farm
- Accommodation @ Soldiers Point

Sunday 16th

- Visit Botanical gardens Raymond Terrace –highlight is the 'tree to die for'

- Next stop, Newcastle tram trip around the city and maritime Museum hosted by a former 'pollie'
- Lunch at Noah's overlooking the beach and expect to be home by 6.00pm

Alison Bowland's International Report

- celebrating International Evening
- There are 100 current projects internationally including programs such as "Polio Plus", Youth exchanges (over 7,000 living overseas), Wesley Koni, Malaria prevention, and community projects in Vanuatu.

Ros Bushell's Community Service Report

- Rotary walk opening at Warrah on 4th June
- Red Shield appeal on 29th of May - please advise David Turnbull if you can help on the day.

Update and Upcoming Events from Barry Lambert

- Bunning's BBQ grossed \$1,300.00 and many thanks to Sandy Burrage who got very wet on the day
- Volunteers needed for Bunning's BBQ day@ Dural on the 21st of may - 4 hour shifts

Ross Ballinger advised that the next meeting on the 9th of May is a Partner's night and it will be very special because 17 ex-members will be attending

Special Event Members' Talks by Alison Bowland, Julie Cleary and Gwen Baxter, sharing their lives, loves (?) and experiences

Alison



- Youngest of 10 children
- Mother passed away when she was 10 years old, father @16 years
- 1971 - teaching studies
- First assignment in Kakadu teaching Aboriginal children
- Moved to Canberra in 1974 and married Tim in May and three daughters were born while living there
- Moved to Texas USA with A V Jennings and cared for her own children and others in various childcare roles
- Returned to Australia and lived in Alstonville for 6 years
- 2002 travelled around the Northern part of Australia, visiting her employers (one Kerry Packer) various cattle station interests
- Joined Rotary in 1996 after one of her daughters was sponsored to Denmark
- 2003 returned to Cherrybrook and Tim and Alison have sponsored 11 international students over the last 11 years
- Rumour has it that Alison's father taught Don Bradman how to play cricket in Bowral

Julie



- Has three children attended Epping Public and Cheltenham Girls High Schools
- 1971 joined the Housing Defence Department
- Her Father was a long serving Rotary Member
- Peter and Julie now have a wonderful holiday house Terrigal where all of the family go boating and skiing. At last

count they have owned 15 boats and are just about to get another

- Julie enjoys gardening, travelling and is an Andre Rieu fan? Julie met Peter in 1972 and they married in 1982 and honeymooned on Mana Islands
- Their first son was born on 1983, their second in 1985
- Apart from her Rotary activity, travelling etc she is a full time Mum
- They love travelling and have done a number of wonderful trips, e.g. Cape town to Cairo

Gwen



- Gwen announced that Colin was very nervous about what she was about to say?
- Gwen outlined a few highlights of her brag book:
- She waved to the Queen on her visit to Australia in 1954 (of course the Queen waved back to her)
- Met Sir Roden Cutler while he was planting a tree at Granville Public School where she won a prize for drawing a tree
- Started work as a dressmaker and met Bea Miles while changing her underwear (Bea changing her underwear that is)
- Had an on off relationship with a boy she met on a bus and went to Melbourne with him in 1963 and eventually married him (yes, it was Colin)
- They also lived in England and many other locations (17 in all)
- Met Penelope Keith while shopping at the green grocers in 1979
- Sat behind Princess Anne at the Opera

- It seems that neither of them remember the encounters
- Met Fergie (the princess not the singer) at Ascot Races
- Waved to the Queen again on her visit on 1988 -of course the Queen waved back

General Business

Everyone agreed that Ros did her job as Sergeant rather too well putting David's puny efforts to shame.



Mother's Days raffle, which grossed \$4,800.00 was drawn with the winners to be published in the S.M.H. on the 5th of May. (See note and pic below)

The meeting wrapped up with a marvellous rendition from the Berlusconi singers of an old song 'My Favourite Things' from the famous Italian composers Richardo Rogers and Oscar Hammerstein



(see enlarged version on page 8)

Chiara closed the evening leading us in a stirring rendition of the Italian National Anthem.



Night reporter Mark Doran (again!)

Birthdays and Anniversaries



Anniversaries



Saturday 14 May 2011
Sharon and Tim Bickford



Birthdays



Saturday 14 May 2011 – Jenny Denmark

Gary Blackler

For those who were not aware, Gary Blackler suffered a heart attack recently and has joined the illustrious "Stent" Club. Gary is now at home recuperating and I am sure would be happy to hear from anyone wishing to give him a call. 9872 1131

Mothers Day Raffle

The big draw was held last Monday with the winning tickets drawn by Chiara



The winners were.....

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| 1 st prize | Robyn Baird |
| 2 nd prize | Ken Ho |
| 3 rd prize | L Walker |
| 4 th prize | Sarah R |
| 5 th prize | Diane Hartshorn |
| 6 th prize | Alex M |

Congratulations to all

Well done Rob and your team with a net \$3,200 to add to our funds.

Bunnings BBQ 21 May

First call for volunteers---3 shifts
Morning 8.00AM to Midday
Swing Shift 10.00AM to 2.00PM
Afternoon shift Midday to 4.00PM

Please advise your availability by return. I will confirm staffing at next Monday meeting-- I will not be at meeting on 16th

Thanks Barry Lambert

Farewell old friend



We were all saddened to hear of the passing of David Turnbull's mother, Olive recently at the grand old age of ninety six. Olive was a long time friend and staunch supporter of our club. She was made a Paul Harris Fellow by our Club in 2008. Olive was probably best known for the many many cakes she baked over the years for our garage sale cake stalls. Olive would bake and freeze cakes all year then turn up on the day with a huge number of cakes to sell. As if this was not enough, she also made up raffle prizes which were raffled during the day to boost the cake stall takings. Sadly, failing eyesight slowed her down a little in recent years but she still came along to many of our social functions.

Olive, you are a legend and will be sorely missed by our Club.

East Timor RYLA Trivia Night

Please help me keep a secret!

(There's going to be bloody great TRIVIA NIGHT and you are all invited!)

And there's going to be a lot of fun, and there's going to be easy questions, and there's going to be wonderful prizes!!

There is a rumour that a 1996 Bottle of something called "Grange Hermitage" might be available for purchase. When I asked what it tasted like, I was told by a very noted connoisseur, "It's just like an angel p.....ing down your throat". I took that to mean it was pretty good!

And also you will be assisting in staging the second RYLA in East Timor. The more you might know about East Timor, the more you will recognise the importance of making this happen!

So all you have to do is read the Flyer attached, get eight friends, ring me to reserve a table, come and answer a few questions, make a goose of yourself, go home, and sleep soundly!

Now that's not too hard - is it?

OK, I am ready by the phone, go on, get a move on, I can't wait all day!

Regards and love where appropriate

Theo Glockerman

An evening with Chiara

Chiara's year with us is nearly over and if you have not yet had a chance to spend some time with her you are in luck. There are a few vacancies in May (see schedule below). Dinner one evening or a weekend whatever you (and Chiara) can fit in. Don't miss out!

Chiara's Family of the week

Every member is encouraged to invite Chiara out with them, if weekends are a problem or are booked then a meal during the week.

Please send your invitations via Tim and Alison who will update the spreadsheet and publish it on a regular basis.

Chiara Giacomini (Italy)			
Family of the week program			
Week Ending Sun	Host Family	Planned Activities	Chiara with You
8 May	Davison		
15 May	Davison		
22 May	Davison	Week in city	Davison
29 May	Davison		
5 June	Davison	Farewell to Students Function	
11 June	Davison	Chiara leaves for home	

Humour

A man starts his new job at the zoo and is given three tasks.

First is to clear the exotic fish pool of weeds. As he does this, a huge fish jumps out and bites him. To show the others who's boss, he beats it to death with a spade. Realising his employer won't be best pleased; He disposes of the fish by feeding it to the lions, as lions will eat anything.

Moving on to the second job of clearing out the chimp house, He is attacked by the chimps who pelt him with coconuts. He swipes at two chimps with a spade, killing them both. What can he do?

Feed them to the lions, he says to himself, Because lions eat anything. He hurls the corpses into the lion enclosure.

He moved on to the last job, Which is to collect honey from the South African bees. As soon as he starts, he is attacked by the bees. He grabs the spade and smashes the bees to a pulp.

By now he knows what to do and throws them into the lion's cage because lions eat anything.

Later that day a new lion arrives at the zoo. He wanders up to the other lions and says 'What's the food like here?'

The lions say:
'Absolutely brilliant. Today we had fish and chimps with mushy bees.'

Contributed by Clive Denmark

		Club Programme 2010-2011		All Program Changes thru Colin McGowan 19.4.11	
May-11		Community Month		Partners	
Mon	9	Ross Ballinger past members night- Roslyn Savio talk on best 5 trips she has done+Bruce Allen presentation to Bob		Yes	Ross Ballinger
Wed	11	Board meeting deferred to 25 May			
Sat	14	Weekend away		Yes	Carol/Prue
Sun	15	Weekend away		Yes	Carol/Prue
Mon	16	Sharon Bickford-South African Safari Research-a personal experience			Tim Bickford
Sat	21	Bunnings BBQ Dural			Barry Lambert
Mon	23	Induction of new member Victor Mahoney			
Tues	24	Ryde TAFE Dinner- 40 max @\$30 head		Yes	Rosemary Clarke
Wed	25	Combined Board Meeting at Thornleigh			CM/GC
Sun	29	Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal			David Turnbull
Mon	30	Vocational Awards- Pride of Workmanship Awards		Yes	Rosemary Clarke
Jun-11		Rotary Fellowship Month			
Mon	6	Final Presentation of Italian Exchange Student Chiara Giocomin (departs on 16th)		Yes	
Mon	13	Queens Birthday Pub Hol			
Sat	18	DIK			Bob Davison
Mon	20	Youth - Art Competition Prizegiving		Yes	Tom Westcott
Fri	24	Club Changeover Dinner- Epping Club- everyone to attend- suit/black tie		Yes	GC/CM
Mon	27	No Meeting (on first meeting Day after Changeover)			
Jul-11		District Projects Month		Partners	Organiser

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Mon	4	Michael Sluis. Black Dog Institute		CMcG
Sun	10	BBQ Thornleigh. Rob Hamer organising in Barry's absence.		Rob Hamer
Mon	11	Club Forum		CMcG
Wed	13	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Colin McG resid
Sun	17	BBQ Lunch provided to Southern Cross Retirement Village (12-2pm)		Tony Makin
Mon	18	Christmas in July ;	Yes	Social
		Exchange Student arrives in Australia from Denmark		
Mon	25	Guest Speaker-Hans Rupp- Detective Inspector attached to the Homicide Squad	Yes	CMcG
Tues	26	1st Spring Dance Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Colin McG resid
Aug-11		Membership Extension Month		
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
Wed	17	4th Spring Dance Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm at CMcG's		CMcG
Mon	22	District Governor David Rands attending Meeting		CMcG
Tues	23	5th Spring Dance Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Colin McG resid
Sat	27	SPRING DANCE at EPPING CLUB- BEATNIX, Guide Hall Maintenance for Garage Sale	All	Tony Makin
Mon	29	Speaker Lisa Sthalekar- Australian Womens Cricket Team. Garage sale brochures handed out	Yes	Ross Ballinger



Berlusconi singers



ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARD

*Is your head full of inconsequential rubbish?
Like to have fun? Supporter of East Timor?
Then this is the night for you.*

TRIVIA QUIZ



**East Timor,
Timor Leste,
Timor Loro saé**



Join us for a great night of fun and games.

Make up a trivia table (8 people) or join ours.

When? Saturday 14 May 2011

Where? Pennant Hills Community Centre

Cnr Yarrara & Ramsey Roads

Pennant Hills (opp. the station)

**Cost? \$20 pp - bring your own nibbles &
drinks - coffee & tea provided.**

Time? 6.30 for 7pm start

ROTARY YOUTH
LEADERSHIP AWARD

BOOKINGS:

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Glockemann

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By Sunday 8 May 2011



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