

The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

Club Bulletin

Volume 27

Issue No. 3, 22nd of July 2013



Monday July 22

Peter Tuchin - Global burden of diseases - Partners Night

Monday July 29

Members Night – Job Talks

Monday August 05

Alan MacLean - The Lights of Cobb & Co.

Duty Roster

Next Meeting – Monday 22 July		Following Meeting – Monday 29 July	
Speaker Host	David Turnbull	Speaker Host	Rosemary Clarke
Night Reporter	Colin Baxter	Night Reporter	John Fletcher
Front Desk	Brian Furrer	Front Desk	Brian Furrer
Front Desk	Colin McGowan	Front Desk	Peter Cleary
Steward	Howard Fleming	Steward	Max Henderson
Steward	Channa Jayasuriya	Steward	Alan Paynter
Photographer	Bob Myers	Photographer	Bob Myers

Inside This Issue

Presidents Report	Notices	Food for Thought
Night Report	Humour	Club Calendar

Upcoming Events

Saturday July 20

BBQ for Incoming Exchange Student Vilde @
Tom Westcott's 1300-1700 BYO

Saturday + Sunday July 27,28

John Purchase Public School Landscaping + Paving

Tuesday July 23

1st Committee Meeting for Trivia Night@ The
Hamer's

Saturday August 24

Trivia Night – Cherrybrook Community Centre

Meetings

Monday 6.30pm for 7.00pm – Springfield House – 245 New Line Road, Dural. <http://www.rotarydistrict9680.org.au>
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 notify Jilda.
Phone 9439 1422 or email accounts@lhogroup.com.au before 11am on the day of the meeting.

****If you are expected and do not show you may be required to pay for the meal****

Presidents Report



Presidents Report for Bulletin Monday 22nd July

Last night's speaker Geoff Otypka's talk was very interesting which I'm sure Night Reporter Max will cover in some detail. I sense that Sergeant Jim & I let him talk too long before giving him a warning **ding**. It meant the meeting ended late & the room cleared much quicker than usual!

We need to confirm the length of the talk with the speaker then **dong** him to let him know he has 5 minutes to go & allow time for questions! Lesson learnt!

Next week we have a Garage Sale meeting after the main meeting so we need to finish by 8.30pm. I acknowledged a letter from Wendy Carver, the CEO of Lifeline, thanking us both for our donation & the invitation to our changeover. Whilst Lifeline does receive some government funding for the core telephone

counselling services they run, dozens of other programmes offering services meeting all sorts of needs (e.g. financial counselling & a discussion group for alienated single dads) depend heavily on donations from groups like ourselves & their own fundraising activities. I went to their Book fair at Knox last weekend which is one of the best of its type (& marvelled that every book was priced, though most fiction books were \$3!! Some cookery & war/history were up to \$8)

I also reported that we had been given a **certificate of appreciation from RAWCS by Miriam Jacka** at the Winston Hills Changeover Dinner. Miriam thanked the club warmly for our support at DIK during the last 12 months & hoped we would continue it this year, which I assured her we would.

Douglas asked for **members to help at John Purchase Primary School on weekend of 27th & 28th July.**

John Purchase is the only one of our 3 local primary schools that we do not support on a regular basis so it would be good if we can provide some manpower to assist their P & C that weekend after Gino has provided some mechanical aid next weekend.

Tom reminded us that Vilde, our incoming exchange student from Norway, arrives next Friday. Tom & Annette have generously extended an invite to a welcome Bar- B –Q to all members next sat from 1pm but asked that we RSVP well in advance (preferably by yesterday!!!) B.Y.O.G. Tom said members who do not eat lamb should also self cater!!!

Dominic Perrottet has reconfirmed for 19th August – Synthetic drugs & Q & A on N.W. Rail etc which leaves 29th July as a members meeting. It is proposed that 3 members give job talks & Rob will do one of his visual humour sessions that have proved popular in the past. It may also be a chance to raise some issues appertaining to the club & what we hope to achieve during the next 6 months.

Next Monday's Meeting - July22nd (Partners Night). Peter Tuchin, a Chiropractor who treats some 6 past & present members or their wives, has kindly stepped up from guest to guest speaker to fill the void left by Rosie O'Halloran. Peter has spoken to the club before & is an engaging speaker who will no doubt be seeking to try to get us to change our ways to keep ourselves fit & healthy for what actuaries say will be longer lifespans than previous generations! **If you intend to bring your partner please remember to book them in (email over the weekend do not leave it to a phone call on Monday morning!!!)**

President Clive Denmark

Night Report

Minutes Monday 15 July 2013

President Clive opened his second meeting and welcomed our guest speaker Geoff Olypka an off road motorbike enthusiast and collector of war medals..

Clive also advised:

- Attended the Winston Hills changeover on Saturday night at at The Madison (formerly The Burning Log, being Frank's new venture). Miriam Jacka is president and presented Clive with the "Rotary Australia World Community Services" (RAWCS) award for the club's contribution to DIK.
- Lifeline appreciation letter acknowledging our donation at our changeover dinner.
- Wheelchair letter acknowledging our donation for \$1,000

Douglas Lam sought assistance for the weekend of 27 & 28 July to assist lay pavers at John Purchase Primary School. Depending on the level of support maybe only one day is required.

Tom advised our new exchange student lands this Friday and there will be a BBQ at his house this Saturday between 1.00 and 5.00 Saturday. All welcome however please advise Tom.

Rosemary advised a meeting at her house Tuesday 23 July to canvas membership initiatives.

David indicated that Margaret Evans is due out of hospital this Wed or Thursday and Diane Wright was in hospital for a couple of days. Both are recovering well.

Rod then introduced our guest speaker Geoff Otypka who provided a brief snapshot of his life and various interests with his focus for tonight on his war medal collection and associated research.

This includes discovering the details relating to the individual awarded the respective medals. This could require visiting the battlefields, country towns and cities (their cenotaphs and places of enlistment), the Australian War Memorial and memorials in various countries.

His aim was to "close the loop" providing a history from enlistment to grave. His presentation included a number of medals that were passed around and a gallery of photos of the places he had visited.

Rod won the raffle and Larry the "heads and tails".

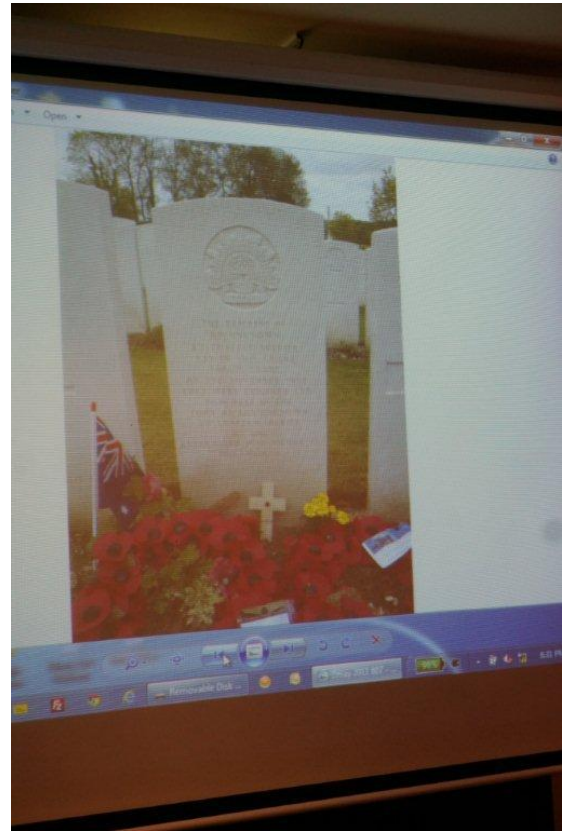
Night Reporter Max Henderson



Emm.....I have this plan to get everybody fined!



Geoff



Headstones in Gallipoli



Medals in Geoff's collection

Birthdays and Anniversaries



Anniversaries

NIL

Birthdays

Joan Freeman – 21st July

Max Henderson – 24th July

Food for Thought



Confucius Said: “Do not be concerned about others not appreciating you. Be concerned about you not appreciating others.”

Humour

Crows

Another Government study provides outstanding results . . .

CSIRO Officials admitted that they found about 200 dead crows on the highway between Noonamah and Palmerston, in Northern Territory, where there was concern that they may have died from Avian Flu.

The Territory Government approved and the CSIRO contracted a bird pathologist to examine the remains of all the crows and he confirmed the problem was definitely NOT Avian Flu, much to everyone's relief.

However, he determined that 98% of the crows had been killed by impact with trucks, and only 2% were killed by car impact. (Didn't know there was a difference!) The Territory Government then hired an Ornithological Behaviourist to determine the disproportionate percentages for truck versus car kills. After 18 months of research and \$2.7 million spent, the Ornithological Behaviourist determined the cause in the deaths. When crows eat road kill, they always set-up a look-out crow in a nearby tree to warn of impending danger.

His conclusion was that the lookout crow could say "Cah", but he could not say "Truck".

I just wanted to make sure that you knew your tax money was being well spent
...

Contributed by Rob Hamer

Notices

21st July 2013 -- Breast Cancer Awareness Brunch

<http://www.rotarynews.info/3/Club/4201/8222/>

13th August 2013 -- Ronald McDonald House Westmead Annual Golf Day (Flyer attached)

17th August 2013 -- Macquarie Rotaract Trivia Night (Flyer attached)

		Club Program 2013-2014	RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night.	
Jul-13		Rotary Fellowship Month		
Mon	22	Peter Tuchin -- Global burden of diseases	Yes	Rob Hamer
Tues	23	1st Trivia Night Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Rob Hamer
Sat	27	John Purchase Public School – Paving + Landscaping		Douglas Lam
Sun	28	John Purchase Public School – Paving + Landscaping		Douglas Lam
Mon	29	Members Night – Job Talks		Rob Hamer
Aug-13		Membership Extension Month		
Mon	5	Alan MacLean - The Lights of Cobb & Co. Confirmed 05/05/2013		Rob Hamer
Tues	6	2nd Trivia Night Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		
Sat	10	SOCIAL	Yes	Social
Mon	12	Landscape Photography Rob Clarke. Confirmed 11/03/2013	Yes	Rob Hamer
Tues	13	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30		Clive Denmark
Tues	16	Final Trivia Night Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm		Rob Hamer
Mon	19	Membership Night - Special Guest Speaker - Dominic Perrottet MLA	Yes	Rob Hamer
Sat	24	Trivia Night - Cherrybrook Community Centre	Yes	Rob Hamer
Mon	26	Club Assembly		Rob Hamer
Sep-13		New Generations Month		
Mon	2	Councillor Dr. Michelle Byrne, Mayor, The Hills Shire Council	Yes	Rob Hamer
Sun	8	Meet at Fire Stn 9.30am for * Guide Hall grounds clean up		
Mon	9	Looking for speaker + G/Sale Pickups handed out if any left over from previous week.		
Tues	10	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30		Clive Denmark
Mon	16	Membership Night		Ross Ballinger
Tue	17	Garage Sale - Meet at Fire Stn at 7pm for pickups.	Yes	
Wed	18	Garage Sale - Meet at Fire Stn at 7pm for pickups.	Yes	
Thur	19	Garage Sale - Meet at Fire Stn at 7pm for pickups.	Yes	
Fri	20	Garage Sale- Move Items to Fire Stn	Yes	
Sat	21	Garage Sale- at Fire Station. 6am start.	Yes	
Sat	21	Garage Sale-Dinner at Bivianso's Italian Restaurant (New Line Rd Dural) 6.30 for 7.00pm VENUE TBC	Yes	
Sun	22	Garage Sale- 8am at Fire Station for 9 am opening. Finish and clean up at 1.00pm	Yes	
Mon	23	No Meeting post Garage Sale - Rest night!		
Wed	25	DG Visit, Joint meeting Zone Clubs		Clive Denmark
Vilde's Family Program				
2012-2013				
Week Ending Friday	Host Family	Planned Activities	Vilde with You	

July – 19	Clarke's	Vilde arrives at 07.25am Flight QF 128	
Date to be arranged	Davison's		
Date to be arranged	Ferguson's		

--

Directors 2013-14		
Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook		
President	Clive Denmark	0400 425 210
Past President	Bob Davison	0413 008 574
Secretary	Barry Lambert	0412 465 819
Acting Secretary	Keith Ball	0401 895 333
Treasurer	Ian Roberts	0401 898 989
Membership	Rosemary Clarke	0439 819 965
Club Service Director	Rob Hamer	0400 335 091
Youth Service Director	Bob Davison	0413 008 574
Community Service Director	Douglas Lam	0419 421 659
International Service Director	Tony Makin	0411 248 865
Foundation and PR	PDG Larry Jacka	0418 690 898
Vocational Service Director	Colin Sharpe	0419 499 827
Fundraiser Director	Clive Denmark	0400 425 210
Club Welfare Officer (non-executive)	Stan Basely	9634 1084
Social Committee Leader	Colin Wright	0409 393 027

--