

# The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

## Club Bulletin

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**Monday August 26**

Club Assembly

**Monday September 2**

Councillor Dr. Michelle Byrne, Mayor, The Hills Shire Council

**Monday September 9**

Vanuatu Night at Northmead Recreation & Sports Club 1830 for 1900

### Duty Roster

Next Meeting – Monday 26 August		Following Meeting – Monday 02 September	
<b>Speaker Host</b>	N/A	<b>Speaker Host</b>	Larry Jacka
<b>Night Reporter</b>	Bob Myers	<b>Night Reporter</b>	Alan Paynter
<b>Front Desk</b>	Brian Furrer	<b>Front Desk</b>	Brian Furrer
<b>Front Desk</b>	David Turnbull	<b>Front Desk</b>	Ian Roberts
<b>Steward</b>	Keith Ball	<b>Steward</b>	Peter Cleary
<b>Steward</b>	Graham Cuthbertson	<b>Steward</b>	Cawas Sahukar
<b>Photographer</b>	Ross Ballinger	<b>Photographer</b>	Bob Myers

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### Upcoming Events

<b>Saturday August 24</b> Trivia Night – Cherrybrook Community Centre	<b>Sunday September 1 or 8</b> Clean-up Day – Cherrybrook Guide Hall
<b>September 9-21</b> Garage Sale	<b>Wednesday September 25</b> DG visit – joint meeting with Clubs in Zone

### 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](mailto: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 Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August

We have a Club Assembly next Monday so I'd like all members to think what they like about the club and whether there are aspects that could be improved.

We are trying to make meetings interesting & enjoyable so that members are keen to come each Monday and we want meetings that visitors enjoy and quickly feel a part of. We want them to come again and then who knows, some of them may want to join the club!

Rob has tried to set up a good mixture of speakers with a target of three dinner meetings per month with a speaker and one night that's a bit different- a vocational visit, a transfer meeting or something of a more social nature (on September 9th we are transferring to Winston Hills for an International "Vanuatu" night, in October we have the dinner at our Golf day & in November we are going for Dinner at one

of the Catering Colleges.

Rosemary, Tom & Ross are working on new membership material including a DVD & plan to launch it at a booth at the garage sale.

Planning for the Garage sale & "Family Fun day" Sunday (to be held on Sat 21<sup>st</sup> & Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> September) are well under way. The response from members offering to deliver brochures was excellent as usual although most members prefer to deliver close to their home turf. This leaves us with areas uncovered in West Pennant Hills Valley & Max has got some interest from his local Scout Group. They have Scouts with Community service requirements for their Duke of Edinburgh Award. If those members who were not present last week pick up an area we are around 5 areas short.

The "Family Fun Day" Sunday is also taking shape. We are hoping to boost attendance, increase sales & reduce Waste & make the day more appealing to young families. We are promoting it through local schools newsletters and a separate Brochure/Poster.

Attractions signed up so far include a Pet Zoo, A Jumping Castle, A Face Painter & a Balloon Twister ( Animal shapes ) , Pass the Footie & Decorating Cupcakes.

**We are looking for members, partners & exchange students who are up for a bit of fun** to help with some of these activities. Getting your face painted or wearing a costume is encouraged but not obligatory!!!! (were out to bury the image that " we look like a bunch of tired old men")

The outside activities will cost a bit so were asking for "gold coin donations" from kids participating to help defray those costs.

See you at the Trivia Night on Saturday.

*President Clive Denmark*

## Night Report

### Night Report for 19<sup>th</sup> August

Sergeant Jim opened the meeting and handed over to President Clive who welcomed the guests and 8 no 9 partners.

Happy birthday to Vilde for last Thursday , the highlight of her weekly report being a weekend skiing in Perisher, she had an “incredible time” – there is some irony in travelling from Norway to go skiing in Australia.

Rosemary Clarke reminded us of Douglas’s email re club photos and there is a bottle of wine for the most photos – Dick Bushell or Ross Ballinger should win easily.

Tony Makin introduced a Vanuatu evening at Winston Hills on 9<sup>th</sup> September – looking to organise a trip to Vanuatu next May.

Rob Hamer reminded us of the Trivia Night on Saturday – he asked for volunteers to help set up the hall at 5:00pm Saturday and asked people to bring cakes and slices for supper.

President Clive noted that he had 6 cases of wine in his boot and that the sales were continuing. The Golf day is coming up soon and Hunters Hill Club have released a very conspicuous pink brochure. The Garage Sale is our next project and there is a meeting on Thursday night at Colin Sharpe’s home.

After our meal Rob Hamer introduced the guest speaker for the evening Dominic Perrottet MLA - the local state member of parliament who is now a seasoned politician after 2 years in the job.

Dominic is Chair of the Legal Affairs Committee at Parliament House and one of his recent tasks has been to investigate the rise of “Synthetic Drugs” - drugs mimicking the effect of traditional drugs - which are becoming a significant problem within the community particularly in the mining industry where up to 10% of employees were found to be using these drugs. To date there is no testing regime for this type of drug. In NSW the Drug Users and Trafficking Act covers this area – drugs are listed under Section 4 of the Act as a Schedule 1 banned substance and substances of a similar nature fall under this category. One of the requirements for a drug to be listed is that it must have psychotropic properties which could include a multitude of day to day drugs used in the community.

Because of the chemical nature of these drugs it is easy to slightly vary the formulae to get around the current legislation and hence difficult to control the distribution. It was thought that the best way to control them was to get them off the shelf, while they might go underground users would be more inclined to buy the real thing than a copy.

To do this Fair Trading Act was used, Section 109 allows the banning of products that may be harmful or cause injury on a temporary basis and a catch all provision has been included to cover a range of products that mimic traditional drug effects. The Department of Fair Trading Staff implemented the provision on a Sunday and a 94% compliance rate was achieved. As a result there has been a permanent and significant reduction in distribution, there are currently two cases before the courts against retailers distributing these products – the penalty is \$1,200,000 a significant disincentive.

The committee has recommended that the psychotropic definition be removed from the legislation and that the chemical structure and similar substances be used instead. As well it has suggested that a multi departmental group cover both state and federal governments be formed to tackle these issues. Dominic's discussion of these issues is a good example of how the parliamentary system works to protect and support the community and was most interesting.

Question time brought out the usual Hills Rail Link, the F3 / M2 tunnel and the M2 toll. Dominic suggested that distance based tolling will be part of the next election policy for the government.

Sergeant Jim ran the fines session and he did well first up with a fine against the Aussies for losing the rugby, Renata Britton, a guest, won the raffle and Ross Ballinger won heads and tail.

Next week is Club Assembly.

Night Reporter Graham Cuthbertson

## Special Community Event

Fellows

Just a quick note here to raise the awareness of the Men's Health Public Forum 10<sup>th</sup> September 2013, sponsored by Fox Valley Seventh-day Adventist Community Church. I think we should be more abreast with our health as we age, gracefully I hope😊.

It would be a worthwhile visit. Perhaps you could carpool and have a good evening.

A flyer is attached to this bulletin. The seminar is free but booking is essential.

££.



*Our guests for the night*



*Guest Speaker Dominic Perrottet MP*





## Bethany's August Report

Hi y'all!

Not much has happened since my last report, just seeing friends and starting school again. I am now in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, which is equivalent to 12 grade in Australia and there is so much work! Luckily I have been given some easier assignments for me to do, because some of the rest of the classes are very long and hard.

It was so good to see all my school friends again, especially the ones I didn't see in the holidays! I also am going to meet my "newbies" in a week, because right now they are on language camp but I have heard there will be three joining me at my school, Horsens Gymnasium. A boy from Mexico, a girl from Slovakia (or something like that) and a girl from Argentina. I can't wait to meet them and I hope they are just as excited to meet me and meet their school, and Denmark!

As you know I have already crossed my halfway mark (almost 7 months now) and I have had the most amazing time of my life! I thought I would make a movie with lots of pictures of some of my favourite memories on Rotary Youth Exchange Denmark, so far!

This is the address:

[http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_dZOPqKMPdE](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_dZOPqKMPdE)

Please take note that this was my very first time doing something like this, so it may not be "professional standard", but I had a lot of fun making it and I hope you enjoy it too!

As I have said before, and I will say again; this year (well the past 7 months) has been the most amazing time of my life so far and I am so blessed to have seen everything I have and for all the amazing friendships I have made.

Everything I have experienced, and everything I have learnt can't be taught in a classroom and I am forever grateful for this amazing opportunity that I have had!

Thanks for all your support so far Cherrybrook/West Pennant Hills Rotary Club!

Till next time,

Beth Ferguson

## Birthdays and Anniversaries



### Anniversaries

*Denmarks – 31<sup>st</sup> August*

### Birthdays

*Peter Cleary – 29<sup>th</sup> August*

## Food for Thought



**Man seeks to change the foods available in nature to suit his tastes, thereby putting an end to the very essence of life contained in them.**

Sai Baba

## Humour



*A bevy of Irish Jokes.... or "That's Life" for Paddy I guess!!*

- Definition of an Irish husband: He hasn't kissed his wife for twenty years, but he will kill any man who does.
- Murphy told Quinn that his wife was driving him to drink. Quinn thinks he's very lucky because his own wife makes him walk.
- The late Bishop Sheen stated that the reason the Irish fight so often among themselves is that they're always assured of having a worthy opponent.

- An American lawyer asked, "Paddy, why is it that whenever you ask an Irishman a question, he answers with another question?"

"Who told you that?" asked Paddy.

- Question - Why are Irish jokes so simple?

Answer - So the English can understand them.

- Reilly went to trial for armed robbery. The jury foreman came out and announced, "Not guilty."

"That's grand!" shouted Reilly. "Does that mean I can keep the money?"

- Irish lass customer: "Could I be trying on that dress in the window?"

Shopkeeper: "I'd prefer that you use the dressing room."

- Mrs. Feeney shouted from the kitchen, "Is that you I hear spittin' in the vase on the mantle piece?"

"No," said himself, "but I'm getting closer all the time."

- Q. What do you call an Irishman who knows how to control a wife?

A. A bachelor.

- Finnegin: "My wife has a terrible habit of staying up 'til two o'clock in the morning. I can't break her of it. "

Keenan: "What on earth is she doin' up at that time? "

Finnegin: "Waitin' for me to come home . "

- Slaney phoned the maternity ward at the hospital. "Quick!" he said. "Send an ambulance, my wife is goin' to have a baby!"

"Tell me, is this her first baby?" the intern asked. "No, this is her husband, Kevin, speakin'."

- Did you hear about the Irish newlyweds who sat up all night on their honeymoon waiting for their sexual relations to arrive?

Contributed by Jim Simpson



## Notices

24<sup>th</sup> August – Our Club's Trivia Night (Flyer attached)

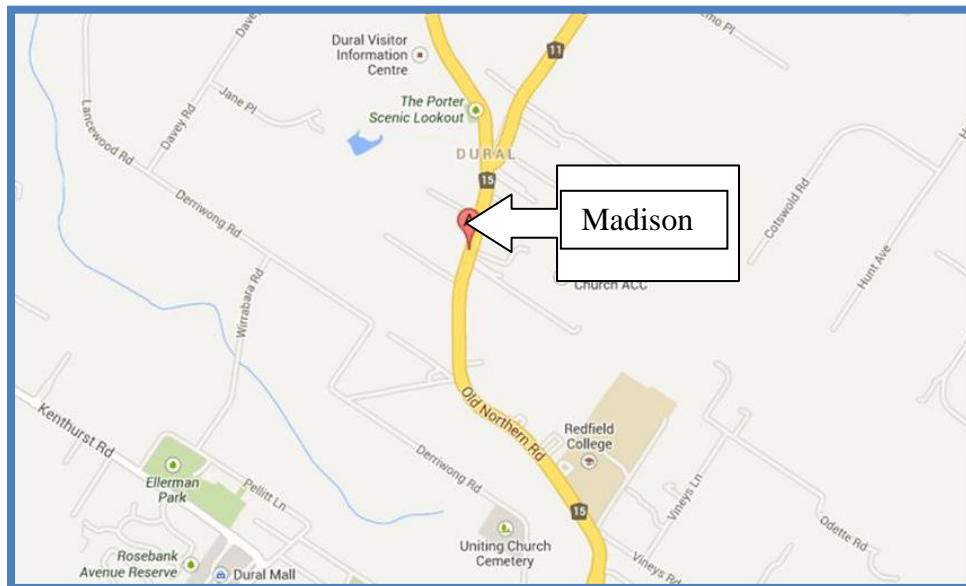
29<sup>th</sup> August Invitation to The Madison Function Centre Launch

9<sup>th</sup> September Vanuatu Night at Northmead Bowling R & S Club hosted by RC of Winston Hills  
(Flyer attached)

18<sup>th</sup> November -- Rotary Foundation Dinner Districts 9685 & 9675 (Flyer attached)

1<sup>st</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> June 2014 – RI Convention Sydney (Flyer attached)

*Please note that **ALL** our Rotary meetings in  
September except 9<sup>th</sup> will be held at  
Madison Function Centre*



**\*\*\*\* Please take note of Vilde's contact number below and invite her to participate with you in any suitable activities. This will enable the host family to have a small respite. \*\*\*\***

		Club Program 2013-2014	RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night.	
<b>Aug-13</b>		<b>Membership Extension Month</b>		
Sat	24	Trivia Night - Cherrybrook Community Centre	Yes	Rob Hamer
Mon	26	Club Assembly		Rob Hamer
<b>Sep-13</b>		<b>New Generations Month</b>		
Sun	1	Guide Hall Grounds Clean Up 0930 -- Tentative	All	
Mon	2	Councillor Dr. Michelle Byrne, Mayor, The Hills Shire Council At Madison		Rob Hamer
Sun	8	Guide Hall Grounds Clean Up 0930 -- Tentative	All	
Mon	9	Vanuatu Night @ Northmead Bowling R & S Club 1830 for 1900	Yes	Tony Makin
Tues	10	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 @ the Hamers'		Clive Denmark
Mon	16	Dick Bushell - Bieke's Diaries + Vocational Presentation At Madison	Yes	Barry Lambert
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
Mon	30	TBA		
<b>Oct-13</b>		<b>Vocational Service Month</b>		
Tue	1	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at Bob and Bev Davisons'		Clive Denmark
Mon	7	No Meeting - Labour Day Pub Holiday!		
Mon	7	BBQ Bunnings Dural LONG WEEKEND MONDAY		Barry Lambert
Mon	14	No Meeting- See Tuesday Night		
Tues	15	Golf Day Oatlands Golf Club with Hunters Hill Rotary Club		Clive Denmark
Tues	15	Dinner - Golf Day Oatlands Golf Club with Hunters Hill Rotary Club		
Sun	20	Porche Car Club BBQ + Coffee -- TBC	Yes	TBA
Mon	21	Local Business Forum		Rosemary Clarke
Sat	26	Chinese Lantern Festival	Yes	Douglas Lam
Mon	28	TBA		
<b>Nov-13</b>		<b>Rotary Foundation Month</b>		
Mon	4	Melbourne Cup Meeting		Jim Simpson
Tue	5	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 @		Clive Denmark
Sat	9	Theatre in the Park; Brooklyn A fabulous night -- www.theatreinthepark.com.au		Social
Mon	11	Meeting deferred to Thursday		
Thur	14	Catering College Dinner	Yes	Social

Mon	18	Membership Night with Guest Speaker Nick Farr-Jones		R.Clarke/ R.Hamer
Mon	25	Tree of Joy recipient or representative + Youth Night		D.Lam/B.Davison
<b>Dec-13</b>		<b>Rotary Fellowship Month</b>		
Sun	1	Christmas luncheon - Castle Hill Country Club Date and venue TBC	Yes	Social Comm.
Mon	2	Annual General Meeting		
Tues	3	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at the Lambert's.		Clive Denmark
Mon	9	Rotary Foundation - Larry Jacka or guest		Larry Jacka
Thu	13	Tree of Joy- Santa's Workshop at the Turnbull's 7.30pm	Yes	Douglas Lam
Mon	16	Christmas Meeting (Kris Kringle-gifts).	Yes	
Mon	24	No Meeting		
Sun	30	BBQ Bunnings Dural	Yes	Barry Lambert
Mon	31	No Meeting		

### Vilde's Family Program

2013-2014

**Vilde's Contact – email: [sollien.vilde@gmail.com](mailto:sollien.vilde@gmail.com) mobile: 0402 573 441**

Week Ending Friday	Host Family	Planned Activities	Vilde with You
	Clarks 19-07-2013 to 30-11-2013		
	Davisons 01-12-2013 to 21-03-2014		
	Fergusons 22-03-2014 to 18-07-2014		

### 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	0458 123 722
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