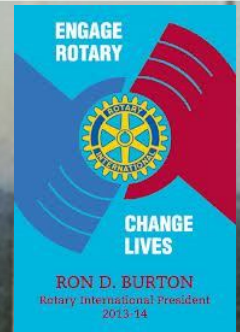




# The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Club Bulletin

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## Monday October 7

\*No Meeting\* - Labour Day Public Holiday

## Tuesday October 15

Golf Day at Oatlands Golf Club with Hunters Hill Rotary Club (NO MEETING MONDAY)

## Monday October 21

Business Network Meeting - \*\* at Springfield House \*\*

## Duty Roster

Next Meeting – Monday 21 September		Following Meeting – Monday 28 October	
<b>Speaker Host</b>	Rosemary Clarke	<b>Speaker Host</b>	Colin Sharp
<b>Night Reporter</b>	Max Henderson	<b>Night Reporter</b>	Tom Westcott
<b>Front Desk</b>	Brian Furrer	<b>Front Desk</b>	Bob Davison
<b>Front Desk</b>	Bob Myers	<b>Front Desk</b>	Carol Russell
<b>Steward</b>	Channa Jayasuriya	<b>Steward</b>	Douglas Lam
<b>Steward</b>	Bob Davison	<b>Steward</b>	Cawas Sahuka
<b>Photographer</b>	Ross/Bob	<b>Photographer</b>	Ross/Bob

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## Upcoming Events

<b>Monday October 7</b> Bunnings BBQ at Dural	<b>Tuesday October 15</b> Golf Day and Dinner at Oatlands
<b>Sunday October 20</b> Porsche Car Club – BBQ & Coffee	<b>Saturday October 26</b> Chinese Lantern Festival

## Meetings

Monday 6.30pm for 7.00pm – Springfield House – 245 New Line Road, Dural. <http://www.rotarydistrict9685.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



I am sure I am not the only member who is still suffering from “Post Garage Sale” syndrome!

Perhaps it is just as well that we effectively have a two week break before our next Dinner Meeting, except for those involved in the Golf day & dinner.

Our next Dinner Meeting is a first for the Club- a Business Networking Meeting. Rosemary & Barry have been steadily building numbers, but are still happy to get more leads from members, & there appears to be a solid level of interest in what should be an interesting meeting.

Our guests will be a mixture of local business people, some who have had contact with the club though being involved in pride of workmanship, helping us at the garage sale or providing us with Raffle prizes or sponsorship but many will be meeting us for the first time.

Barry has laid on a top speaker with a marketing background & the intention is to give each guest say 2 minutes to introduce themselves. We will try to structure the meeting in a way that allows time during and after the meeting for introductions & exchange of ideas & business cards. Please get in to the spirit of the occasion, introduce yourselves & make our guests welcome.

Just a reminder, we do have two of our regular community/fundraising events in late October, one of which is before the next Dinner Meeting

The Porsche day where we run a Bar B Q Breakfast & Lunch is being held at the usual venue near Silverwater Jail on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October. Tom is running it and as he is in NZ till 9<sup>th</sup> October I thought it fair to try to help him by asking members to e-mail YES ( or No) to him , copy to me , if you are able to help AM/PM/Allday.

The second event is the Chinese Lantern Festival which is being organised by Douglas on Saturday Evening on 26<sup>th</sup> October.

Finally we have the evening with Nick Farr Jones on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November. It is regrettable that that is only 5 days after the Baulkham Hills TAFE evening which is essentially a social evening (but neither could be changed to another date). Many of our partners will not want to go to both. Numbers are limited to 36 for the TAFE & it is our intentions to invite guests, prospective members & other Clubs to the Nick Farr Jones Evening.

*President Clive Denmark*

## Night Report

Sergeant Jim opened the meeting at 7am and welcomed Counsellor Dr. Michelle Burns, Mayor of Baulkham Hills Shire Council. He also welcomed partner Dianne Simpson.

Rosemary explained that the next meeting at Springfield is on 21<sup>st</sup> October and is the Business Network meeting. Barry Freeman is mailing out invites (22 or more) and so far we have 4 definites. If you know of a local business person to invite, forward thee details to Barry ASAP.

Barry Lambert has finalised the volunteers for Bunnings at Dural on Mon 7<sup>th</sup> October:

Am: Bob Myers, Sandy, Larry. Swing: Douglas, Rosemary pm: Bob D, Barry and Helen

Ian reported that the Garage Sale grossed \$22,474 with a net of \$17,925 (then David declared late expense around \$300). So our profit was up slightly from last year.

He also advised that our audit of last year's accounts was completed 8<sup>th</sup> July – there are no issues.

Brian has asked charities to advise their need for Tree of Joy. These will be reviewed by the Tree of Joy committee (which he finalised at the time).

Colin Sharp had circulated a list for bookings for dinner at Baulkham Hills TAFE on 14<sup>th</sup> November. There are 36 places, and 34 names – Colin will circulate to the Club for the benefit of those not present (on a first in basis).

Douglas asked for volunteers for the BBQ at the Chinese Lantern Festival on Sat 26 October. Rosemary will organise a Club information display.

Bob Davison asked the Club to think of RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) nominations. This is for young people in our community (18-27 year old) with demonstrated leadership potential. Refer your recommendation to him.

He also asked for someone to host Vilde from 16 to 25 November when he and Bev are away in Phuket. Ros and Gino eagerly volunteered.

Tom (who was absent – in NZ) is organising the Porsche Car Club day on Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October. This is a great fundraiser and a great opportunity to see some great machinery. Clive will be asking for volunteers in Tom's absence, so keep the date free.

Tom has also produced some professional personalised Rotary business cards. You can have your own - \$40 for 100 cards.

Tony circulated tickets provided by the RC of Upper Blue Mountains. Ticket price \$5 for a gorgeous quilt as prize.

Jim spoke of the golf day which is Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October. We need sponsors (\$300 to sponsor a hole, with your signage), raffle prizes, players (\$75 to play), people need to book for the dinner (there is no meeting on Mon 14<sup>th</sup> so this is the Club event for the week, dinner cost \$50 of which \$20 is a donation). Please contact Jim or Clive. Clive commented that the Club has only a few golfers, but if we got reasonable support it is a good way to make \$3-4k (without heavy lifting!).

Rob introduced our guest speaker, Counsellor Dr. Michelle Burns. Michelle has been a Counsellor for 5 years, and the Mayor of Hills Shire for the past year.

Michelle opened her talk by saying she is often asked three questions: 1. What is it like to be Mayor? 2. Why? 3. Is the North West Rail Link actually happening? - questions she hopes to answer.

She was previously in medical research. She loved the research and discovery as you never know where it will take you. Being Mayor and a medical researcher are miles apart, but there are similarities. As Mayor she has the opportunity to improve the lives of residents, trouble shoot and solve problems. It is challenging, rewarding, and at times, exhilarating.

The State Government set a target of 100,000 additional residents over 20 years.

The shire is a mix of big block, small block homes, but we will see more apartments in town centres with access to transport, shops and infrastructure.

More people want to work near home, so there is a need to encourage start-up businesses to create jobs.

The North West Railway is a game changer. The Hills Council Chambers is being demolished (apart from admin, for construction) – Council moves to Norwest by year end. There will be increased building height around stations.

We also need to ensure green space as it is proved to benefit mental health (hence the showground will be redeveloped with a lot of green)

We have a tight knit community hence need to incorporate a social fabric.

There is an impact document (Hills Shire Plan) and there is a budget of \$100m for infrastructure over the next 4 years.

There is a plan to rejuvenate halls, sports facilities and town centres (eg Baulkham Hills) to make the area a place that people want to go.

Connectivity refers to how people move around and there are plans for footpaths, roads (but the major roads require State Government support) and events.

Michelle made a point of thanking the Club and Rotary for their work in the community, it is appreciated.

There was a lively question time, issues with local roads (State Government problem, of course), boundaries/amalgamations etc. A very informative and lively session.

The raffle and heads and tails were both won by Tony. Sandy collected the fines and commented on what a great job Jim was doing as the box was rather heavy.

A very full meeting, and Clive managed to finish at 8:27 – well done.

***Night Reporter: Bob Davison***





## Garage Sale – Cupcake Decorating

### ‘DECORATE YOUR OWN CUPCAKE’ – FAMILY FUN SUNDAY 22/9/2013

Everything for this stall was donated so the money we took was all profit. We started the day with 13 dozen cupcakes, about 100 x 60ml tubs of coloured icing (enough for 2 cakes) and cake decorations – M&Ms, mini marshmallows, coloured sprinkles and mini choc buds. Jenny, Anne and Pat Baseley manned the stall on the day.

As we’d never done this before we had to make it up as we went along. We originally priced the cakes at \$1.00 each. Our first customer was a mum who had just pulled into the petrol station after her kids had been to swimming lessons - the kids saw the jumping castle and wanted to have a go! The feedback from this mum was that \$1.00 was too cheap so she voluntarily paid \$2.00 for each of her kids. Some others, with more than one kid, seemed to balk at the \$2.00 as the other attractions were also charging \$2 a go. We finally settled on \$2.00 for 2 cakes as we had plenty, and 1 pot of icing, so for a parent with 2 kids, it was \$1.00 a cake and they shared a pot of icing (just had to fight over the colour!)

#### WHAT WOULD WE DO DIFFERENTLY NEXT TIME?

**Icing:** Instead of individual pots of icing, I think it would be better to have the various colours in larger tubs and then we’d ice the cake for the little ones and give it to them to decorate, as they couldn’t quite get the spreading action going and we had to help them. The older kids, we would just give them a dollop of icing with the cake.

**Have some cakes already iced/decorated for selling:** As the only other food available was the BBQ, we found some people came to us looking to buy a cake to have with coffee/drinks. Pat and Anne made up a number of iced cakes for people to buy and a couple of people bought some to take home.

**Price:** Depends whether we want to make a bit more money, or just use the Fun Day activities to bring more people into the garage sale on the Sunday. I’d definitely charge \$2 for cakes already decorated for sale with drinks etc. – maybe still keep it at \$1.00 for the kids? Don’t know – see what others think. We only had about 2 dozen cakes left at the end of the day but quite a few pots of icing.

It was interesting watching the various methods the kids used to ice the cakes – some liked the idea of putting the lollies/sprinkles into the plate and then upending the iced cake onto the stuff in the plate to see what stuck (this method was favoured by Anne!! ☺). Others were a picture of studied concentration as they placed perfectly spaced M&Ms and created works of art!

We got positive feedback from a lot of the parents, saying what a great idea it was. They could leave the kids decorating the cakes while they wandered off to look at the clothing etc. We had little ones (youngest 3) up to late primary school/early teenage.

We handed over \$70 in notes during the afternoon and at the end of the day also a bag of coin (maybe about \$30 - \$50 which included the float) – total takings probably about \$100.

*Jenny*

## **Golf Day at Oatlands – We need your support**

The Golf Day is our next major event on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October. **We still need sponsors** at \$300.

The more we can get we can claim a bigger share of the day's profits.

We also need players, and teams (of players). I can't play but will have a go – anyone else interested in forming a team – just email me.

That night we have a celebratory dinner at Oatlands Golf Club in place of the Club meeting on the Monday. Cost is \$50 of which \$20 is a donation to our charities. Please advise Jim or Clive.

If the Club gives their full support, it is a great day and we make several \$k with least effort – definitely worth getting behind.

I look forward to seeing you there,

*Bob Davison.*

## **Porsche Club Day – BBQ – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October**

Tom is running the Porsche day now that Tim Bickford has moved to Mudgee (though he is still our liaison with the Porsche Car Club).

Tom is looking for the following volunteers:

6 people from 6.00am to 10.00am

6 from 9 to 1pm

6 from 11 to 3pm

This gives us 12 over the busy period leading up to & covering an early lunch

If you are available could you reply to Tom (cc Clive) which shift(s) you can cover.

If you are not available could you reply to that effect.

## **September Report from Bethany in Denmark**

### **Hi everyone!**

So, it has been a month since I last wrote to you all, and it feels like I have done so much!!! The past month has been full of all sorts of small events like my friend Sarah coming to visit me and I saw the Queen again!

A few weeks ago, just after the holidays ended my friend Sarah (who is also from Sydney Australia) came to Horsens for 5 days and that was so fun. Unfortunately, she lives about 3 hours away by train so we can't see each other much, so when she came over we tried to see a bit. One of the days we spent at LEGOLAND with Sarah, my host mum, and my two little host brothers and that was great. It was not very busy, which was great because we only had to wait 5 minutes or less for every ride so by the end of the day, we were all VERY tired! The day before, Sarah and I went to the Horsens Medieval Festival, which usually is held in the walking street, but this year it was at the Big Old Prison. We weren't sure what it was and we were only thinking of staying a short time, but there were so many people and medieval stalls and old games that we spent several hours there!

After Sarah left the week wasn't too busy until the weekend, which was packed full! On the Thursday I had my Rotary Meeting and then went to a Jazz Concert in a Church then on Friday I spent the day with my 1<sup>st</sup> host family, and 300 other people, celebrating my 1<sup>st</sup> host families business of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and that caught up with some friends.

On Saturday and Sunday I had my districts Get Together in Ry, which was super fun! Not only did I get to meet all the Newbies, I got to see my friends again from Eurotour!

Then on the Tuesday I went with another friend to Jelling to see the Queen who was there for the Opening of some new statues and Historic events. Then the following weekend I drove with my 2<sup>nd</sup> Host dad, and some other Rotarians from my club, down to Germany where my Club in Denmark is partners with this club in Germany. We only stayed there for the weekend but it was so nice to live in a German house and see how their Rotary Club works. They were all so nice and I had a lovely time!

The rest of the time I have been busy every day, but mostly just catching up with friends or doing something with a Rotarian or my host family, and it has been lovely.

In 2 days, I will be going to Paris with my French class and I am super excited!!! I have also planned to go to Germany again with 5 other girls from my class to visit a friend who lives in Germany. Flora was an exchange student in Denmark too, from Jan – June and she was in the same class as me, so I am very excited to go with my good friends for a road trip down to where Flora lives.

That's it for now!



## Ronald McDonald House Westmead – Trivia Night



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## Birthdays and Anniversaries



### Anniversaries

*Pat & Stan Baseley – 19<sup>th</sup> October*

### Birthdays

*Brian Furrer – 14<sup>th</sup> October*

*Colin McGowan – 15<sup>th</sup> October*

*Annette McEwen – 21<sup>st</sup> October*

*Ian Roberts – 25<sup>th</sup> October*

*Jim Simpson – 25<sup>th</sup> October*

## Food for Thought



If everything is important, then nothing is.      Anon.

## Humour

I was visiting my daughter last night when I asked if she had a newspaper handy.

"This is the 21st century Dad," she said. "We don't waste money on newspapers.

Here, use my I Pad."

I can tell you this: that fly never knew what hit him.

Club Progame 2013-2014			RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night.	hols
Updated 16/09/2013 by RWH			Tentative date hold only	
<b>Sep-13</b>		<b>New Generations Month</b>		
Mon	30	Councillor Dr. Michelle Byrne, Mayor, The Hills Shire Council	Yes	Rob Hamer
<b>Oct-13</b>		<b>Vocational Service Month</b>		
Tues	1	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 at Bob Davison's home.		Clive Denmark
Mon	7	No Meeting - Labour Day Pub Holiday		
Mon	7	BBQ Bunnings Dural <b>LONG WEEKEND MONDAY</b>	Yes	Barry Lambert
Mon	14	No Meeting- <b>See Tuesday Night</b>		Rob Hamer
Tues	15	Golf Day Oatlands Golf Club with Hunters Hill Rotary Club	Yes	Clive Denmark
Tues	15	Dinner at Oatlands Golf Club with guests and Hunters Hill Rotary Club following Golf Day.	Yes	
Sun	20	Porsche Car Club at the Amory Homebush. BBQ and Coffee. <b>Commitment to be confirmed.</b> Date confirmed from the Porsche Club's website calendar.	Yes	TBA
Mon	21	Business Network Meeting.		Rosemary Clarke
Sat	26	Chinese Lantern Festival.	Yes	Douglas Lam
Mon	28	Vocational Night - Chris Lew		Colin Sharpe
<b>Nov-13</b>		<b>Rotary Foundation Month</b>		
Mon	4	Melbourne Cup meeting.	Yes	Jim Simpson
Tues	5	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30		Clive Denmark
Sat	9	Theatre in the Park; Brooklyn A fabulous night. <a href="http://www.theatreinthepark.com.au">www.theatreinthepark.com.au</a>	Yes	Social Comm.
Mon	11	Meeting deferred to Thursday		
Thurs	14	Catering College Dinner	Yes	Social Comm.
Mon	18	Nick Farr-Jones		Rosemary Clarke
Mon	25	Youth Night = Tree of Joy recipient or representative.	Yes	Rosemary Clarke
<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 ?		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		
<b>Jan-14</b>		<b>Rotary Awareness Month</b>		
Mon	6	No Meeting		
Mon	13	Club Assembly		Clive Denmark
Mon	20	Looking for speaker	Yes	
Fri	22	Exchange Student Beth returns to Australia from Denmark.	TBC	Bob Davison
Mon	27	Australia Day Holiday		

### **Directors 2013-14**

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