

## **Monday December 16**

Christmas Meeting with Santa - bring a Kris Kringle pressy

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2014

Club Assembly

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January
John Krisenthal - Seniors Helpers

## **Duty Roster**

| = w. <b>y</b>  |                      |                                       |                 |  |  |  |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| Next Meeting - | - Monday 16 December | Following Meeting – Monday 13 January |                 |  |  |  |
| Speaker Host   | Colin Wright         | Speaker Host                          | Clive Denmark   |  |  |  |
| Night Reporter | Graham Evans         | Night Reporter                        | Sandy Burrage   |  |  |  |
| Front Desk     | Bob Davison          | Front Desk                            | Bob Davison     |  |  |  |
| Front Desk     | Brian Furrer         | Front Desk                            | lan Roberts     |  |  |  |
| Steward        | Barry Lambert        | Steward                               | Carol Russell   |  |  |  |
| Steward        | Bob Myers            | Steward                               | Cawas Sahukar   |  |  |  |
| Photographer   | Ross Ballinger.      | Photographer                          | Ross Ballinger. |  |  |  |

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#### **Upcoming Events**

Thursday December 12

Tree of Joy – Santa's Workshop 7:30pm

**Tuesday December 17** 

New Board meeting - Barry Freeman's

**Sunday January 5** 

Presidents lunch - Geranium Cottage

Saturday January 11

**Bunnings BBQ - Thornleigh** 

#### 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 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\*\*





Based on an email from Pres. Clive to Ed:

I have not got much to say for a Presidents report & am off to Coffs or Wednesday so please remind everyone of the following:

Next meeting is our Christmas meeting. You need to book partners in & bring a present (\$10-\$15) for the kris kringle.

I have provisionally booked Geranium Cottage for Lunch on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January. I appreciate it seems early & there are still a number of Rotarians away but we have the normal 3 Mondays off on 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup> Dec & 6<sup>th</sup> Jan so this is still the best date.

Barry tells me we have a Bunnings at Thornleigh on the 11<sup>th</sup> January (they still need to confirm with us).

Our first meeting in the new year is on the 13<sup>th</sup> January which is traditionally a club assembly!

I sometimes wonder how many members read the bulletin so it was good to hear Steve Baker say that he read it regularly while he was away, that it helped him to keep in touch & that he thought you'd done a great job (and that should include Douglas!!)

## Regards President Clive Denmark

Ed: it is reassuring to get Steve's feedback, and the fact he was on the front desk on his first day back speaks heaps!

# **Night Report for 9 December Meeting**

Pres. Clive welcomed Steve Baker back from his travels and introduced guest speaker PDG David Rands.

The 'Tree of Joy" presents will be wrapped at David & Jill's at 7:30 pm Thursday 12/12/2013 for delivery the following day all are welcome, bring your wine.

Graham Cuthbertson advised that Vilde's Kosciuszko walk is on 7-9 Feb 2014 accommodation is still available in the lodge, contact Graham.

Vilde filled us in on her busy week, plenty of social activities with friends.

Col Baxter let us know that Howard is in hospital to have his hip done as it was causing problems, he visited his surgeon to see what could be done and there was a vacancy in his operating schedule so Howard jumped in. He should be at Mt Wilga Rehab soon.

David gave us a brief of the Vanatu trip leaving on 12 May 14 to go to Espiritu Santo to complete work on a local school. There are 8 fellows who expressed interest currently and room for more. Contact Tony for more details.

David also reminded us of the District 9685 conference in February next year, it's on for a single day only as the International Convention will be held in Sydney at Homebush this year 1-5 June 2014. This is an unrepeatable opportunity to attend an International Conference without the international air fares and accommodation, please give it consideration and register on the web site.

Larry introduced PDG David Rands to speak about the Rotary Foundation, which is the charitable arm of Rotary.

Areas of focus for the Foundation are:

Peace and Conflict Resolution
Disease Prevention and Treatment
Water and Sanitation
Maternal and Child Health
Basic Education and Literacy
Economic and Community Development

David explained how the funding for these areas is distributed, he explained the bequest system, leaving money to Rotary Foundation in your will. Also the Centurion programme which Larry advised will be managed by the clubs in future.

There is plenty of help available to access the grants at district and Larry can guide you if you wish to go that way.

Sargent Jim shared his 'pearls 'of wisdom, "I've finally got my head together but now the rest of me is falling apart". A lively fines session followed.

Heads and Tails was won by Barry Lambert and the wine passed to Turnbull for Thursdays event.

Next week is the Kris Kringle meeting gifts nominal value \$10 + cpi.

PLEASE BOOK YOUR PARTNER IN, if they are attending.

## Night Reporter: Peter Cleary







# **Some Photos from Santa's Workshop**

We had a successful workshop on Thursday sorting and relabelling the gifts from the Tree of Joy. Thanks to Brian and his team and all the volunteers.

















# Register NOW for the Sydney International Convention (discount ends 14<sup>th</sup> December)

.... Before it is too late! (to get the discount).

# **Birthdays and Anniversaries**





#### **Anniversaries**

Bob & Lyn Myers – 23<sup>rd</sup> December Graeme & Margaret Evans – 28<sup>th</sup> December

#### **Birthdays**

Ross Ballinger – 22<sup>nd</sup> December Rob Hamer – 23<sup>rd</sup> December Lynne Henderson – 28<sup>th</sup> December Helen Lambert – 29<sup>th</sup> December Pamela Makin – 31<sup>st</sup> December Cawas Sahukar – 7<sup>th</sup> January 2014

# **Food for Thought**





"Race is just a pigment of the imagination" - (Glen Highland)

# **Humour - The 6<sup>th</sup> (and Best) Affair**

Jake was dying. His wife sat at the bedside.

He looked up and said weakly: 'I have something I must confess.'

'There's no need to, 'his wife replied.

'No,' he insisted, 'I want to die in peace.

I slept with your sister, your best friend, her best friend, and your mother!'

'I know,' she replied. 'Now just rest and let the poison work.'

| Vilde's Calendar – invite her out if date not yellow |                          |                       |                      |                          |                          |                          |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| December 2013  |                          |                       |                      |                          |                          |                          |
| M  | T                        | W                     | T                    | F                        | S                        | S                        |
| 9  | 10                       | 11                    | 12                   | 13                       | 14                       | 15                       |
| 16   | 17                       | 18                    | 19                   | 20                       | 21                       | 22 Sunshine<br>Coast     |
| 23 Sunshine Coast                                    | 24 Sunshine<br>Coast     | 25 Sunshine<br>Coast  | 26 Sunshine<br>Coast | 27 Sunshine<br>Coast     | 28 Sunshine<br>Coast     | 29 Sunshine<br>Coast     |
| 30 Sunshine<br>Coast                                 | 31 Sunshine<br>Coast     |                       |                      |                          |                          |                          |
| January 201  | 4                        |                       |                      |                          |                          |                          |
| M  | T                        | W                     | T                    | F                        | S                        | S                        |
|  |                          | 1                     | 2                    | 3                        | 4                        | 5                        |
| 6  | 7                        | 8                     | 9                    | 10                       | 11                       | 12                       |
| 13   | 14                       | 15                    | 16                   | 17                       | 18                       | 19 Davison<br>Gold Coast |
| 20 Davison   | 21 Davison               | 22 Davison            | 23 Davison           | 24 Davison               | 25 Davison               | 26 Davison               |
| Gold Coast   | Gold Coast               | Gold Coast            | Gold Coast           | Gold Coast               | Gold Coast               | Gold Coast               |
| 27 Davison<br>Gold Coast                             | 28 Davison<br>Gold Coast | 29 Davison Gold Coast | 30                   | 31                       |                          |                          |
| February 2014  |                          |                       |                      |                          |                          | _                        |
| M  | T                        | W                     | T                    | F                        | S                        | S                        |
|  |                          |                       |                      |                          | 1                        | 2                        |
| 3  | 4                        | 5                     | 6                    | 7 Walk Mt.<br>Kosciuszko | 8 Walk Mt.<br>Kosciuszko | 9 Walk Mt.<br>Kosciuszko |
| 10   | 11                       | 12                    | 13                   | 14                       | 15                       | 16                       |
| 17   | 18                       | 19                    | 20                   | 21                       | 22                       | 23                       |
| 24   | 25                       | 26                    | 27                   | 28                       |                          |                          |

|      |     | Club Programe 2013-2014  |        | RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night. |      |
|------|-----|--|--------|--|------|
|      |     | Updated 11/12/2013 by RWH  | Tentat | ive date hold only                     | hols |
| Dec- | -13 | Rotary Fellowship Month  |        |  |      |
| Mon  | 9   | Rotary Foundation – David Rand   |        | Larry Jacka                            |      |
| Thu  | 12  | Tree of Joy- Santa's Workshop at the Turnbull's 7.30pm   | Yes    | Douglas Lam                            |      |
| Mon  | 16  | Christmas Meeting (Kris Kringle-gifts).  | Yes    | Colin Wright                           |      |
| Tues | 17  | New Board – Meeting at Barry Freeman's at 7:20pm   |        | Barry Freeman                          |      |
| Mon  | 24  | No Meeting   |        |  |      |
| Mon  | 31  | No Meeting   |        |  |      |
| Jan- | 14  | Rotary Awareness Month   |        |  |      |
| Sun  | 5   | President's luncheon – Geranium Cottage  | Yes    |  |      |
| Mon  | 6   | No Meeting   |        |  |      |
| Sat  | 11  | Bunnings BBQ Thornleigh - TBC  | Yes    | Barry Lambert                          |      |
| Sun  | 12  | Exchange Student Beth returns home from Denmark (21:35pm flight TG471)   |        | Barry Freeman                          |      |
| Mon  | 13  | Club Assembly  |        | Clive Denmark                          |      |
| Mon  | 20  | John Krisenthal - Seniors Helpers.   | Yes    | Rob Hamer                              |      |
| Mon  | 27  | Australia Day Holiday  |        |  |      |
| Feb- | -14 | World Understanding Month  |        |  |      |
| Mon  | 3   | John Lees Business Coach, Developer and Author   | Yes    | Carol Russell                          |      |
| Tues | 4   | Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30   |        | Clive Denmark                          |      |
| Thu  | 6   | Ronald McDonald House Westmead. Dinner with and for the residents.   | Yes    |  |      |
| Fri  | 7   | Vilde's Mount Kosciuszko wal   | Yes    | Graham Cuth.                           |      |
| Sat  | 8   | staying at North Perisher  | Yes    | Graham Cuth.                           |      |
| Sun  | 9   | Ski Lodge  | Yes    | Graham Cuth.                           |      |
| Mon  | 10  | Operation Hope confirmed 09/12/13.   | Yes    | Rob Hamer                              |      |
| Wed  | 12  | Book Fair Meeting  |        |  |      |
| Sat  | 15  | Booksale sorting sessions. Need approx 20 members/partners for am or pm  | Yes    | Clive Denmark                          |      |
| Sun  | 16  | Booksale sorting sessions. Need approx 20 members/partners for am or pm  | Yes    | Clive Denmark                          |      |
| Mon  | 17  | Looking for speaker Approached Northwest Rail link Tom Gellibrand09/12/13  |        | Rob Hamer                              |      |
| Fri  | 22  | Booksale - sorting   |        |  |      |
| Sun  | 23  | District 9685 Conference at Chatswood.   | Yes    |  |      |
| Sun  | 23  | Club social Barbeque 10-5, Kokoda Memorial Walkway BBQ area (adjoining Cafe end Killoola St Concord) Possible speaker on Kokoda. | ТВС    | Tony Makin                             |      |
| Mon  | 24  | Youth Night – Bethany's year in Denmark, RYPEN, RYLA reports   | Yes    | Bob Davison                            |      |

| Directors 2013-14                                 |                 |              |  |  |  |
|---|-----------------|--------------|--|--|--|
| Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook |                 |              |  |  |  |
| President   | Clive Denmark   | 0400 425 210 |  |  |  |
| President Elect                                   | Barry Freeman   | 0414 400 100 |  |  |  |
| Past President                                    | Bob Davison     | 0413 008 574 |  |  |  |
| Secretary   | Barry Lambert   | 0412 465 819 |  |  |  |
| Acting Secretary                                  | Keith Ball      | 0478 599 155 |  |  |  |
| Treasurer   | Ian Roberts     | 0401 898 989 |  |  |  |
| Membership  | Rosemary Clarke | 0439 819 965 |  |  |  |
| Club Services Director                            | Rob Hamer       | 0400 335 091 |  |  |  |
| Youth Services Director                           | Bob Davison     | 0413 008 574 |  |  |  |
| Community Services Director                       | Douglas Lam     | 0419 421 659 |  |  |  |
| International Director, Foundation and PR         | PDG Larry Jacka | 0418 690 898 |  |  |  |
| Vocational Director                               | Colin Sharpe    | 0408 810 463 |  |  |  |
| Fundraiser Director                               | Jim Simpson     | 0439 465 725 |  |  |  |
| Club Welfare Officer (non-executive)              | Stan Basely     | 02 9634 1084 |  |  |  |
| Social Committee Leader                           | Colin Wright    | 0409 393 027 |  |  |  |