

Monday 20th January

John Krisenthal - Seniors Helpers

Monday 27th January

NO MEETING Australia Day Holiday

Monday 3rd February

John Lees - Business Coach, Developer and Author

Duty Roster

Next Meeting	– Monday 20 January	Following Meeting – Monday 3 February			
Speaker Host	Rob Hamer	Speaker Host	Carol Russell		
Night Reporter	Barry Freemen	Night Reporter	Howard Fleming		
Front Desk	Brian Furrer	Front Desk	Bob Davison		
Front Desk	Alan Paynter	Front Desk	Brian Furrer		
Steward	Keith Ball	Steward	Colin Baxter		
Steward	Stan Baseley	Steward	John Fletcher		
Photographer	Ross Ballinger.	Photographer	Ross Ballinger.		

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Upcoming Events

Saturday February 1 Bunnings BBQ - Dural

Tuesday February 4 Board Meeting - Barry Freeman's home

Sunday February 6 Ronald McDonald House dinner

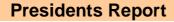
Weekend February 14-16 Vilde's Mount Kosciuszko walk

> **Sunday February 23 District 9685 Conference**

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





Pres. Clive is in NZ to attend the funeral of his brother, and has not been able to provide a report this week. Our condolences go out to Clive and family.

The Assembly discussion last meeting was worthwhile, Sandy has captured most of the discussion in the night report (well done, Sandy). I am summarising the sheets collected on the night and will provide to Clive for discussion at the next Board meeting.

Regards Editor, Bob Davison

Night Report for 16 December Meeting

Acting President, Bob Davison, told the meeting that Clive's absence was due to the fact that he was in New Zealand to attend the funeral of his younger brother. On behalf of all the members, Bob sent condolences to Clive and his family.

As it was a Club Forum night, Clive had written some of his thoughts about the 2013 Garage Sale for due consideration during the evening.

Bob informed the meeting that Vilde was at the moment spending time at Coppacobana so could not be at the first meeting of the Club for the year. He also gave an account of how she unwrapped all her Christmas presents two days before Christmas and was amazed and delighted to receive such a variety of gifts. Her comment was, "I have more presents than I would if I were at home". She was very appreciative of all that was given. Vilde will then be going onto the Gold Coast and will therefore miss the next two meetings.

Ross Ballinger mentioned that the Club has been rostered on to provide an evening meal at Ronald McDonald House. This will take place on Thursday, 6^{th} February and a list has gone round for members to nominate what they are prepared to provide for desserts – about 10 in all. Like last year, Ross informed the meeting that a baked dinner would be provided and that the staffing is on track.

Barry Lambert reported on the BBQ held at Thornleigh Bunnings grossed \$1,124 with expenditure being \$405 – giving a profit of approx. \$719. Barry thanked all who helped on the day. He also mentioned the date of forthcoming BBQs – the first one being at Dural on Saturday, 1st February. Other bookings will follow and Barry will inform the Club as they arise.

Barry then spoke about access to members details in regard to the Club directory. He informed the meeting that all you had to do was Google "Rotary District 9685" and set a password. The idea is that members can update information without having to go through the Secretary. There were a few 'glitches' with the demonstration and someone was heard to say, "It's really a b..... to fiddle around with it. However, if any member finds it difficult then Barry's the man to contact!! Rotary Down Under can also be received through electronic mail or it can stay as hard copy. It is believed that if everyone uses electronic mail, there may be a reduction in price.

Bob mentioned that home-stay for 5 or 6 days is required for visitors to the International Conference 1st - 4th June. If anyone can help, please refer to rotary2014.com.au/the-convention/homestay.

Graham Cuthbertson informed the meeting that the Kosciusko Walk had to be changed to 14th,15th and 16th January. The walk is about 22 kilometres long and if anyone is interested send an email to Graham.

The <u>Club Assembly</u> then commenced with many thoughts, ideas and concerns being aired in a spirited way. The following are some of the comments regarding methods of fundraising, how much we wish to raise and how to go about it, plus relationships with Hornsby Council, the Girl Guides and the general public. The following comments were made:

GARAGE SALE

- Garage Sale and Children's Fun Day with jumping castle, face painting etc. It was
 felt that in addition to the children's entertainment the fun day brought more
 people to the sale. It was also felt that this should continue and as the public
 become accustomed to this entertainment happening, it will further increase
 numbers attending.
- Comment was made that the set-up was really good in 2013 and the greater number of volunteers from the Fire Brigade made a big difference and was most welcome.
- The music Rob Wansborough played on his stall was most successful and gave a carnival atmosphere.
- Suggestion that banners should be put out earlier for greater promotion.
- Suggestion that if we linked in with Hornsby Council and use their web site we
 would get greater advertising opportunities which cost nothing.
- OH&S/WH&S. Concerns were voiced about the power supply and the danger if it rained. If the Council gave support of the event they can give permission for underground power to be installed.
- Traffic management. It was disclosed that Council "wants to talk" about what the club proposes to do for next year's Garage Sale.
- Also, immediately prior to the 2013 Garage Sale a Traffic Management Proposal was required by Council. This was hastily done by Barry but he feels they will

need more detail for the next Sale. No doubt Council will require more in the way of Risk Management and Risk Assessment.

- Members were adamant that non-Rotarian stallholders should attend.
- The suggestion that the Scout hall should be used was rejected.
 CLUB MEETINGS
- It was felt that changes should be made to attract new members. It was suggested that we still do not know a lot about each other and that members should give a short talk on their job, hobbies, etc. It was suggested that it be called "Member Talk".

ETHOS

- It was suggested that the Club had "lost its way" as we placed more emphasis on raising money than giving service.
- Club should get together for a few minutes a week to discuss possible community projects. It was mentioned that some of this had been undertaken in the past and that it is not always successful.
- Others felt that we need to seek out opportunities under the Rotary banner.
- A proposal was made that we undertake a hands-on project every three months.
- Contact some of the local charities, like Salvos, who would know needy people in the area and that we should not always be looking at money.
- Mention was made that elderly people can be very proud and although they may need help, they often will not ask for it.
- Possibility to register with Council Neighbourhood Aid.
- Clearing gardens and creating low maintenance areas. The problem is that a horticulturist would need to provide advice.
- Extending our connection with Dalmar to help at other times of the year.
- Kalakama Walk. This was a Rotary project a number of years ago. It is now overgrown and needs a lot of attention. If brought back to its original state it would be a wonderful community project.

It was agreed that a lot of good ideas and suggestions had come out of the Forum and that due consideration should be given to all.

The evening finished off with David Turnbull winning the raffle but the poor 'down-trodden English-born members were again hounded for money!! Heads and tails was also won by David Turnbull and being the gentleman that he is - he declined to take the second bottle.

Jim Simpson offered an extension ladder for nothing, provided it was picked up. And a good report on Howard was given – he is recuperating well on crutches.

Night Reporter: Sandy Burrage

Vanuatu Update

The Club Assembly identified we want more hands on projects. This includes international projects and Tony Makin is organising a RAWCS project in Vanuatu May 1-11. We will be working with some Nevans to do much needed maintenance on a school. The first planning meeting was in December, there will be several more before we leave.

This project will be a great experience. You are in a very beautiful and unspoilt part of the world. The Nevans are a very friendly people and you will see their chieftan/village life. It is a great learning experience. We will have ample free time to experience what Vanuatu has to offer.

If you are interested in learning more then talk to Tony. There is still plenty of time to sign on for the trip.

District 9685 Conference - 23Feb 2014



Conference website



Experience Rotary beyond your club

We are looking forward to an exciting day, packed full of information, entertainment and inspiration.

Showcase in the Mall on Saturday
Conference Showcase on Sunday
Breakout sessions will allow interaction
Participate in the on-line conference

Registrations will be closing on Friday 7 Feb, so make your booking **now**!!

Bunnings BBQ Dural – Saturday 1st Feb

Barry Lambert is calling for volunteers, if you can help please email him:
"I am looking for 3 people for Morning shift (8am to noon), 3 people for Afternoon (noon to 4pm) plus one for Swing Shift (11am to 2:30pm) "

Birthdays and Anniversaries





AnniversariesRosemary& Rob Clarke – 29th January

Birthdays Jean Baker – 27th January

Food for Thought





"One of the most important keys to Success is having the discipline to do what you know you should do, even when you don't feel like doing it." - Anom

Humour

Paddy & Mick

Paddy and Mick were walking along a street in London when Paddy looked in a shop window and sees a sign that catches his eye.

The sign read "Suits £5.00 each, Shirts £2.00 each, trousers £2.50 per pair".

Paddy said to his pal, "Mick look at the prices! We could buy a whole lot of them and when we get back to Ireland we could make a fortune.

When we go in I'll put on my best English accent. You stay quiet! Let me do all da talking, 'cause if they hear our accents, they will know we are from Ireland and they'll try to rip us off."

"Roight y'are, Paddy. I'll keep me mouth shut," said Mick.

They go in and Paddy said in a posh voice, "Hello my good man. I'll take 50 suits at £5.00 each, 100 shirts at £2.00 each, and 50 pairs of trousers at £2.50 each."

The owner of the shop said quietly, "You're from Ireland , aren't you?"

"Well yes," said a surprised Paddy.. "What gave it away?"

The owner replied "We're a dry-cleaners".

Vilde's Calendar – invite her out if date not yellow						
January 2014	1					
M	T	W	T	F	S	S
13McGowan Copacabana	14McGowan Copacabana	15McGowan Copacabana	16McGowan Copacabana	17	18	19 Davison Gold Coast
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February 201	14					
M	T	W	Т	F	S	S
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Walk Mt Kosciuszko	15 Walk Mt Kosciuszko	16 Walk Mt Kosciuszko
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28		
March 2014						
M	T	W	Т	F	S	S
					1	2 St Ives Sailing Day
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10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Umina Beach	22 Umina Beach	23 Umina Beach Move house
24	25	26	27	28		

		Club Programe 2013-2014		S = PARTNERS on a leeting night.	hols
		Updated 10/12/2013 by RWH		Tentative date hold only	
Jan-	14	Rotary Awareness Month			
Mon	20	John Krisenthal - Seniors Helpers.	Yes	Rob Hamer	
Mon	27	Australia Day Holiday			
Feb-	Feb-14 World Understanding Month				
Sat	1	Bunnings BBQ - Dural	Yes	Barry Lambert	
Mon	3	John Lees Business Coach, Developer and Author	Yes	Carol Russell	
Tues	4	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30		Clive Denmark	
Thurs	6	Ronald McDonald House Westmead. Dinner with and for the residents.	Yes		
Mon	10	Operation Hope confirmed 09/12/13.	Yes	Rob Hamer	
Wed	12	Book Fair Meeting			
Fri	14	Vilde's Mount Kosciuszko walk	Yes	Graham Cuth.	
Sat	15	staying at North Perisher	Yes	Graham Cuth.	
Sun	16	Ski Lodge	Yes	Graham Cuth.	
Sat	15	Sorting for Booksale. Need approx 20 members/partners for am or pm sessions	Yes	Clive Denmark	
Sun	16	Sorting for Booksale. Need approx 20 members/partners for am or pm sessions	Yes	Clive Denmark	
Mon	17	Looking for speaker Approached Northwest Rail link Tom Gellibrand 09/12/13		Rob Hamer	
Fri	22	Book Fair - Sorting.			
Sun	23	District 9685 Conference at Chatswood.	Yes	David Turnbull	
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 -RYPEN, RYLA reports. Bethany Ferguson reports on her year.	Yes	Bob Davison	
Mar-	-14	Literacy Month			
Sat	1	Book Fair - Sorting.			
Mon	3	Looking for speaker Approached Northwest Rail link Tom Gellibrand 09/12/13		Rob Hamer	
Tues	4	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30		Clive Denmark	
Thurs	6	Bowel Scan sales commence at Cherrybrook Shopping Centre. Date TBC		Barry Lambert	
Mon	10	The Great Debate - subject "TBA"	Yes	Jim Simpson	
Wed	12	Moving of Books from garages and containers to Church carpark and setup	All	Clive Denmark	
Thurs	13	Moving of Books from garages and containers to Church carpark and setup			
Fri	14	Book Fair Uniting Church, New Line Road, Cherrybrook	All	Clive Denmark	
Sat	15	Book Fair Uniting Church, New Line Road, Cherrybrook	All	Clive Denmark	
Sat	15	Book Fair "Post Mortem" Dinner	All	Clive Denmark	
Mon	17	No Meeting. R&R following Book Sale		Rob Hamer	
Mon	24	David Hart from Interplast.		Tony Makin	
Mon	31	Looking for speaker - Red Balloon per Barry Freeman 09/12/2014		Rob Hamer	

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