

# Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March

\*\* NO MEETING \*\* R&R after Book Fair

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> March David Hart - Interplast

### Monday 31st March

Alzheimer's Australia - The Future + New Member Induction

### **Duty Roster**

| Next Meeting   | g – Monday 24 March | Following Meeting – Monday 31 March |                |  |
|----------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|--|
| Speaker Host   | Sandy Burrage       | Speaker Host                        | Barry Freeman  |  |
| Night Reporter | Ross Ballinger      | Night Reporter                      | Keith Ball     |  |
| Front Desk     | Barry Lambert       | Front Desk                          | Barry Lambert  |  |
| Front Desk     | Brian Furrer        | Front Desk                          | Brian Furrer   |  |
| Steward        | Colin Wright        | Steward                             | Colin Baxter   |  |
| Steward        | Cawas Sahukar       | Steward                             | David Turnbull |  |
| Photographer   | Bob Myers.          | Photographer                        | Ross Ballinger |  |

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### **Upcoming Events**

Tuesday 11 – Thursday 13 March Book sort & setup at Uniting Church Friday 14 & Saturday 15 March Book Fair – Uniting Church – ALL HANDS

Saturday 15 March
Dinner following the Book Fair- Pennant Hills

Sunday 30 March Callicoma Track walk

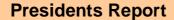
Tuesday 1 April
Board meeting 7:30 – Makin's home

**Easter Monday 21 April** Bunnings BBQ - Dural

#### 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\*\*





I have thanked Members & Partners by e-mail for all the effort put in to the recent **Book Sale.** For the benefit of our wider readership including "friends of Rotary" we achieved our financial target of raising \$10,000 which will **enable us to fulfil our planned donations to our major charities** which this year include Alzheimers Australia, Lifeline, Warrah (a local charity looking after the Intellectually Disadvantaged) & Operation Hope (which runs courses for disadvantaged youngsters at Vision Valley). We also support various Rotary Charities & Youth Programs & various local schools & community groups. Finally we were able to help the Presbyterian Church of Bowral, and ourselves, by giving them 40 to 50 boxes of leftover books for the sale they are planning in April. After the Sale we had an enjoyable night at Belmontes Pizzeria at Pennant Hills

Our next Meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> March has David Hart speaking about Interplast. Interplast is a Rotary charity which funds teams of Australian Surgeons & Nurses to go to some of the poorer parts of Asia and do a variety of often relatively simple surgery that has a huge impact on the quality of life of those concerned. They also endeavour to pass on their skills to locals whenever possible.

Finally we have a speaker from **Alzheimer Australia on 31**<sup>st</sup> **march**. This night has been added as a Partners night & we encourage Partners who would like to find out more about this excellent organisation, which is the Presidents Charity for this year.

### Regards Clive

# Night Report for 10 March Meeting

Douglas Talked about the Calacoma Walk on 30 Mar to see what we could possibly do to improve the track (for newer members we built some stairs on the track nearly 20 years ago).

Rosemary wants everyone to check the current members directory for accuracy and let her know changes ASAP.

Mar 31 Alzheimer's night is a partner's night

Vilde Got good photos of the storm from Bondi. Found a new best friend at Mudgee "Finlay" Bobs 4 yr old grand daughter.

Clive told us of Jim's hip replacement (Update of 17 Mar Jim is home. He is not without pain yet. He has to take some fancy pills but is walking (most of the time aided by a stick) and doing his exercises as instructed.)

Debate The Topic "Marriage is an incredible institution" A Difficult topic that was really a no win subject either at Rotary or at home.

The speakers were; Bob who tried to define incredible as impossible to believe; Barry L who had trouble with "infrequently" as to whether it was 1 word or 2; Graham C brought religion and money into the topic; Tony Who related the desk calendar on the day he was married "Father forgive them for they don't know what they are doing"; Rob H and Barry F tried (briefly) to bring some rationale to the debate The event was one with considerable humour even if the topic was not really addressed. Larry Jacka in summing it up as one could imagine awarded it a draw but it was done in typical Larry style with his addition to the jokes.

Rosyln was the Sergeant (Colin W fined for trying to induce a new member)

Helen B won the heads and tails and Lyn H won the raffle

Ross Ballinger, Night reporter





# Sharon Bickford helping a Friend in Need – The hair is gone

Sharon did have her head shaved last Saturday. This is to help a friend in need, Lisa, who is suffering with Lyme disease and can only get treatment in Germany. You can still contribute to this worthy cause. *The pledge page is: http://peoplepledge.com.au/2014/lisa-tubnor/*If you do contribute, let Sharon know, at <a href="mailto:sharon.bickford@hotmail.com">sharon.bickford@hotmail.com</a>

## The Club Website is back (you didn't notice it was gone?)

Well, it was briefly, and is resurrected. All Bulletins have been loaded. Any articles you would like loaded, please forward them to me *Regards*, *Bob Davison (Editor)* 

**German Evening of Dancing – from District** 

# German Evening

Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup> of April 2014 At the German-Austrian Club, 73 Curtin Street, Cabramatta



Just \$75pp Try all dishes, full smorgasbord

Patrolled car-park
Funds to Australian Rotary Health - 9685 project Cararoo & 9675 project GinPRA

### **Cherrybrook Movie Under the Stars 2014 – Sat 22 March**

### A night with the stars

Cherrybrook's annual Movie Under the Stars event is a fun way to spend a night with the family, all while watching a movie under starlight. Held in John Purchase Oval Cherrybrook, the event is a great way to spend a Saturday night outdoors with your local community.

The event was originally started in 2012, as a way to re-open John Purchase Oval after its refurbishment. Attracting close to 1000 people, the event was such a success, that they decided to make it an annual event.

Hosted by the Girl Scouts, this year's movie will be 'Monsters University', a fun, family-friendly film for people of all ages. The event will start from 5pm, featuring a range of food stalls and activities, with the movie due to start at 7:30pm.

Entry is by Gold Coin donation, (cheaper than going to the movies!), and the event is alcohol-free, making it a great family event. So, if you're in the Hills

district this Saturday, why not bring a gold coin (and something to sit on), and have a fun night under the stars with your favourite monsters.4







Anniversaries
Jim & Dianne Simpson 21<sup>st</sup> Mar
Birthdays
Nil

# **Food for Thought**





Hmmm.... Not today ☺

### **Humour – The English Plural**

The English Plural according to....

We'll begin with a box, and the plural is boxes, But the plural of ox becomes oxen, not oxes. One fowl is a goose, but two are called geese, Yet the plural of moose should never be meese. You may find a lone mouse or a nest full of mice, Yet the plural of house is houses, not hice. If the plural of man is always called men, Why shouldn't the plural of pan be called pen? If I speak of my foot and show you my feet, And I give you a boot, would a pair be called beet? If one is a tooth and a whole set are teeth, Why shouldn't the plural of booth be called beeth? Then one may be that, and there would be those, Yet hat in the plural would never be hose, And the plural of cat is cats, not cose.

We speak of a brother and also of brethren, But though we say mother, we never say methren. Then the masculine pronouns are he, his and him, But imagine the feminine:

she, shis and shim!

Let's face it - English is a crazy language.

There is no egg in eggplant nor ham in hamburger; Neither apple nor pine in pineapple. English muffins weren't invented in England.

We take English for granted, but if we explore its paradoxes, We find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square, And a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig. And why is it that writers write, but fingers don't fing, Grocers don't groce and hammers don't ham?

Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend?

If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but one of them. What do yo

If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but one of them, What do you call it? If teachers taught, why didn't preachers praught?

If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

Sometimes I think all the folks who grew up speaking English Should be committed to an asylum for the verbally insane.

In what other language do people recite at a play and play at a recital?

We ship by truck but send cargo by ship...

We have noses that run and feet that smell.

We park in a driveway and drive in a parkway.

And how can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, While a wise man and a wise guy are opposites?

You have to marvel at the unique lunacy of a language In which your house can burn up as it burns down, In which you fill in a form by filling it out, And in which an alarm goes off by going on. And in closing........

If Father is Pop, how come Mother's not Mop.??????

|            | Vilde's   | s Calendar | – invite he                    | r out if date                 | not vellow               |                                      |
|------------|-----------|------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| March 2014 |           |            |                                |                               | ,                        |                                      |
| M          | T         | W          | T                              | F                             | S                        | S                                    |
| 10         | 11        | 12         | 13                             | 14                            | 15 Entrance<br>Fergusons | 16 Entrance<br>Fergusons             |
| 17         | 18        | 19         | 20                             | 21 Umina<br>Beach             | 22 Umina<br>Beach        | 23 Umina<br>Beach then<br>Move house |
| 24         | 25        | 26         | 27                             | 28                            | 29                       | 30                                   |
| April 2014 |           |            |                                |                               |                          |                                      |
| M          | T         | W          | T                              | F                             | S                        | S                                    |
|            | 1         | 2          | 3                              | 4                             | 5 Forster                | 6 Forster                            |
| 7          | 8         | 9          | 10 Safari                      | 11 Safari                     | 12 Safari                | 13 Safari                            |
| 14 Safari  | 15 Safari | 16 Safari  | 17 Safari                      | 18 Safari                     | 19 Safari                | 20 Safari                            |
| 21 Safari  | 22 Safari | 23 Safari  | 24 Safari<br>Family<br>arrives | 25 Safari<br>Massi<br>arrives | 26 Safari                | 27                                   |
| 28         | 29        | 30         |                                |                               |                          |                                      |
| May 2014   |           |            |                                |                               |                          |                                      |
| М          | 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         | 20        | 21         | 22                             | 23                            | 24                       | 25                                   |
| 26         | 27        | 28         | 29                             | 30                            | 31                       |                                      |
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|      |     | Club Programe 2013-2014  |     | RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night. |  |
|------|-----|--|-----|--|--|
|      |     | Updated 3/3/2014 by RWH  |     | Tentative date hold only               |  |
| Mar  | -14 | Literacy Month   |     |  |  |
| Mon  | 17  | No Meeting. R&R following Book Sale  |     | Rob Hamer                              |  |
| Mon  | 24  | David Hart from Interplast.  |     | Tony Makin                             |  |
| Sun  | 30  | Callicoma Track walk   |     | Douglas Lam                            |  |
| Mon  | 31  | Alzheimer's Australia – The Future   | Yes | Barry Freeman                          |  |
| Apr- | -14 | Magazine Month   |     |  |  |
| Tues | 1   | Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 - Makin's home  |     |  |  |
| Mon  | 7   | Vocational visit to KIA Homeland - Cnr Windsor Rd & Victoria Av, Castle Hill                                   | Yes | Colin Sharpe                           |  |
| Mon  | 14  | Mark Wallace Rotary Down Under   | Yes | Rob Hamer                              |  |
| Mon  | 21  | Bunnings BBQ - Dural   | Yes | Barry Lambert                          |  |
| Mon  | 21  | No Meeting - Easter Monday   |     |  |  |
| Sat  | 26  | Bunnings BBQ – Thornleigh  | Yes | Barry Lambert                          |  |
| Mon  | 28  | Anzac meeting – Lieutenant Colonel John Pritchard - Royal Aust Engineers (Ret'd)                               | Yes | Rob Hamer                              |  |
| May  | -14 | Community Month  |     |  |  |
| Thur | 1   | Vanuatu RAWCS trip – through May 11 <sup>th</sup>  | Yes | Tony Makin                             |  |
| Mon  | 5   | Anniversary meeting – past members night   | Yes | Ross Ballinger,<br>Alan Paynter        |  |
| Tues | 6   | Club Board Meeting 7:15 for 7:30. Combined current and incoming Boards   |     | Clive Denmark                          |  |
| Mon  | 12  | Nadia Messiha – Hills Family Lawyers. A bird's eye view of Family Law – Property, Parenting & Grand-parenting. | Yes | Rob Hamer                              |  |
| Mon  | 19  | Philip Smith – ROMAC (Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children)   |     | Rob Hamer                              |  |
| Sun  | 25  | Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal   |     |  |  |
| Mon  | 26  | Vocational Awards – Pride of Workmanship   |     | Colin Sharpe                           |  |
| Jun- | -14 | Rotary Fellowship Month  |     |  |  |
| Sun  | 1   | Rotary International Convention – Homebush   | Yes | David Turnbull                         |  |
| Mon  | 2   | Rotary International Convention – Homebush   | Yes | David Turnbull                         |  |
| Mon  | 2   | No Meeting   |     |  |  |
| Tue  | 3   | Rotary International Convention – Homebush   | Yes | David Turnbull                         |  |
| Wed  | 4   | Rotary International Convention - Homebush   | Yes | David Turnbull                         |  |
| Mon  | 9   | Public Holiday – Queen's Birthday – NO MEETING   |     |  |  |
| Wed  | 11  | Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 Combined current and incoming Boards  |     | Clive Denmark                          |  |
| Mon  | 16  | The Great Debate - Rotarians vs Rotaryannes - subject "TBA"  | Yes | Jim Simpson                            |  |
| Mon  | 23  | Mike Thomas Exec Officer of Ronald MacDonald House   |     | Rob Hamer                              |  |
| Fri  | 27  | Club Changeover Dinner   | Yes | Barry Freeman<br>Clive Denmark         |  |
| Mon  | 30  | No meeting following Changeover  |     |  |  |

| 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 |  |  |  |  |