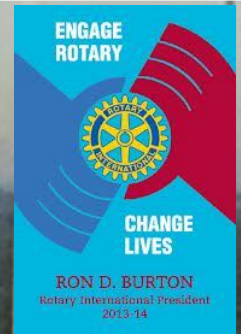




# The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Club Bulletin

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<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June</b> Sydney Youth Musical Theatre, Presentation and performance - PARTNERS
<b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June</b> ** after Changeover – NO MEETING **
<b>Monday 30<sup>th</sup> June</b> Mike Thomas, Exec Officer of Ronald MacDonald House

## Duty Roster

Next Meeting – Monday 16 June		Following Meeting – Monday 30 June	
<b>Speaker Host</b>	Max Henderson	<b>Speaker Host</b>	Gino Savio
<b>Night Reporter</b>	Steve Baker	<b>Night Reporter</b>	Sandy Burrage
<b>Front Desk</b>	Ian Roberts	<b>Front Desk</b>	Brian Furrer
<b>Front Desk</b>	Bob Davison	<b>Front Desk</b>	Bob Davison
<b>Steward</b>	Cawas Sahukar	<b>Steward</b>	Stan Baseley
<b>Steward</b>	Tony Coote	<b>Steward</b>	Bernard Chandra
<b>Photographer</b>	Bob Davison	<b>Photographer</b>	Ross Balinger

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## Upcoming Events

<b>June 12 Thursday</b> Board Meeting – Ian Roberts house	<b>June 21 Saturday</b> Club Changeover -- Madison
<b>June 23 Monday</b> No Meeting	<b>July 9 Wednesday</b> Vilde leaves to return home
<b>July 11 Friday</b> Hairspray at Hornsby RSL	<b>July 19 Saturday</b> Maxx, our exchange student, arrives from Finland

## 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



Well, the International Convention has come & gone. I was not able to attend Wednesdays Closing Session as I had to work in Coffs but passed my ticket on to Cawas for Rashna. It will be interesting to hear what the atmosphere was like. I'm sure the "10 Tenors" & "Maria Prior" gave a good account of themselves. If it was as good as the atmosphere for "Human Nature" on the opening day then it will have been truly memorable.

When we reported back last Monday night none of us included Brett Lee's session on his musical charity in India. He was interviewed in a Q & A type fashion by Jason Morrison (ex 2GB) & came across really well. He already has established it in several cities & has bought its first bus but is interesting in expanding it eventually to over 100 cities. Brett's passions are Cricket & Music & he is using his profile from the first & his love of the second to bring joy & purpose in to the lives of children who through ill health, being orphaned or poverty have precious little joy in their lives.

As an observation I was also struck by what a marvellous legacy has been left by the Olympics. The old Acer arena (now called Allphones) was a great venue. (it will also host an ice show, an ice hockey match USA v Canada, a bull riding contest & a Lady Gaga concert in the next few months.) The buildings that were used for Registration & the House of Friendship were spacious & had excellent amenities & there was so much space for wandering that 20,000 people never seemed to create any real overcrowding. A number of little trains were put on to help those that found the distances too much! The NSW government did its bit too by supplying trains, bus and ferries free to Rotarians for the week & I'm sure that got repaid many times over by the monies spent on hotels, meals & purchases by the Interstate & Overseas visitors.

It would be remiss of me not to mention the Volunteers (both Rotarians & a mix of others) who helped the overseas travellers find their way around the site but also around Sydney. Our own Barry Lambert was a good example spending 5 days at Central Railway station amongst a total roster, at that location alone, of 65 people whilst Larry Jacka did a stint at the Olympic site. Rotarians also provided some home hosting. Rob & Janet Hamer looked after a nice couple from Texas (Harv & Kay) who I had a chance to chat to when Rob kindly took me in to the Olympic site. Bob & Bev also hosted three overseas exchange students living in Queensland.

My year is drawing to a close. Next meeting on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June has **The Sydney Youth Musical theatre & partners are welcome**. The Changeover Dinner is on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> at the Madison. Please pay next Monday or by the direct debit that Barry has sent to you. I owe a big thanks to Barry for his efforts whilst I was away and to Graham Cuthbertson, & Col Baxter for chairing meetings whilst I was away. Barry has already had a couple of meetings of his new Board & they all appear ready, able & willing to hit the ground running so 2014/15 promises to be a great Year!

Regards Clive

## Night Report – 2<sup>nd</sup> June

The meeting opened with Grace by Tony Cootes and the Toast by Howard Fleming.

President Clive introduced our guest speaker Les Miller, who will talk to us later on his experience in Antarctica. The president then welcomed and thanked the partners who are attending this evening and included Jilda Coles.

As Vilde was away sick there was no weekly update on the exchange student activities.

David Turnbull, Colin Sharpe and Bob Davison all commented on the International Conference so far and were most complimentary of what they had experienced. The opening plenary session was well done and the concert by Human Nature thoroughly enjoyed by all. Colin Sharpe shared a number of photos and short videos to reinforce what occurred at Conference.

President elect, Barry Freeman raised a number of issues in regard to his upcoming year and in particular the search for interesting speakers some of whom may be of specific interest on partner's nights.

Barry also raised the issue of outstanding positions in the Club, namely, future president, web master and bulletin editor. There was no immediate response from members rushing PE Barry to fulfil these roles.

President Clive then introduced Les Miller, whom he has known for many years.

Les decided when he was 23, back in the mid-sixties, that he would like an adventure and was selected to be one of 26 to be in the party to go to Antarctica for a 12 month period.

Les was a qualified radio operator and ended up spending 14 months there, due to a request for the team to undertake additional research.

Les amused us with tales of his time there and expressed his love of the beauty of the place. His description of the ablution facilities and waste disposal methods had the audience in fits of laughter. We were assured that these facilities were much improved today.

Les suffered a minor plane crash while he was there and described how casual the authorities were in those days about safety requirements and reporting. OH & S was still way over the horizon. Les would hate to have to fill in all the paperwork today.

The members expressed their appreciation to Les for the talk, which was informative and most enjoyable.

Sergeant Jim extracted money from the Sharpe's and Turnbull's for their anniversaries and from the Painters for Lyn's birthday.

Stan won the raffle again and Barry Lambert won the heads & Tails.

Frank excelled himself with the meal and members around me voted 9.5 out of 10.

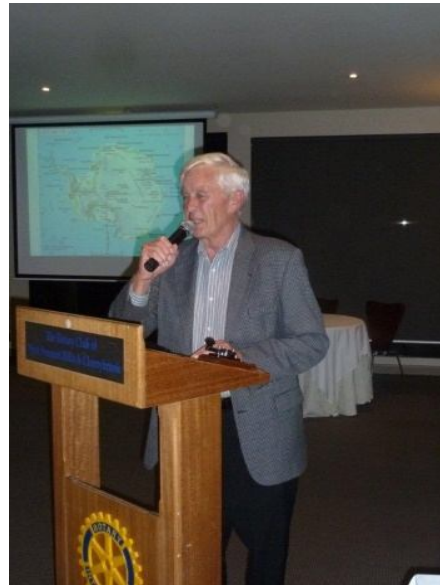
*David Turnbull, Night Reporter*

*The partners table*



*Antarctica*

*Les Miller*



## Birthdays and Anniversaries



### Anniversaries

Tony & Pamela Makin - 13<sup>th</sup> June  
Sandy & Mike Burrage - 20<sup>th</sup> June

### Birthdays

Roslyn Savio - 11<sup>th</sup> June

## See Hairspray the Musical

Max Henderson has been involved with The Sydney Youth Musical Theatre group and recommends Hairspray as a good night out. ( <http://www.symt.org.au/drupal/> provides some good insights. )


Colin Sharpe has tentatively booked seats for **Friday July 11<sup>th</sup>** (need to be confirmed Friday May 30<sup>th</sup>.)

- Seating is at tables of 10
- Cost is \$32/adult (\$27 for Seniors Card Holders)
- Start time is 7 pm with performance from 8 – 10.30 including an interval.
- Bistro Dinner may be taken to the table – prices range from \$8.50 to \$25.

Let Colin know if you are interested.

To give you a flavour for what is in store for those who are going Max has lined up some of the players to perform at the club meeting on 16 June.

Sydney Youth Musical Theatre



**HAIRSPRAY**  
THE MUSICAL

Book by Thomas Meehan, Music by Marc Shaiman, Lyrics by Scott Wittman & Marc Shaiman  
Based on the New Line Cinema film written and directed by John Waters, Orchestrations by Harold Wheeler, Arrangements by Marc Shaiman  
By arrangement with Hal Leonard Australia Pty Ltd, Exclusive agent for Music Theatre International (NY)

**Hornsby RSL Club, 4 High St, Hornsby**  
**JULY 4, 5, 10, 11 and 12. BOOKINGS: 9477 7777**

<http://hornsbyrsl.iwannaticket.com.au> - [www.symt.org.au](http://www.symt.org.au)

## Food for Thought



The funny thing about a strong woman is that she doesn't need you, she wants you.

But if you start slacking off, she'll be content without you.

(Ed: now that's a scary thought)

## Humour – Three Blondes



Three blondes were all applying for the last available position on the Texas Highway Patrol. The detective conducting the interview looked at the three of them and said, "So y'all want to be cops, huh?"

The blondes all nodded.

The detective got up, opened a file drawer, and pulled out a folder.

Sitting back down, he opened it, pulled out a picture, and said, "To be a detective, you have to be able to detect. You must be able to notice things such as distinguishing features and oddities like scars and so forth."

So he stuck the photo in the face of the first blonde and withdrew it after about two seconds.

"Now," he said, "did you notice any distinguishing features about this man?"

The blonde immediately said, "Yes, I did. He has only one eye!"

The detective shook his head and said, "Of course he has only one eye in this picture! It's a side profile of his face! You're dismissed!"

The first blonde hung ~~her~~ her head and walked out of the office.

The detective then turned to the second blonde, stuck the photo in ~~her~~ his face for two seconds, pulled it back, and said, "What about you? Notice anything unusual or Outstanding about this man?"

"Yes! He only has one ear!"

The detective put his head in his hands and exclaimed, "Didn't you hear what I just told the other applicant? This is side picture profile of the man's face! Of course you can only see one ear! You're excused too!"

The second blonde sheepishly walked out of the office.

The detective turned his attention to the third and last blonde and said, "This is probably a waste of time, but...." He flashed the photo in her face for a couple of seconds and withdrew it, saying, "All right, did you notice anything distinguishing or unusual features about this man?"

The blonde said, "I sure did. This man wears contact lenses."

The detective frowned, took another look at the picture, and began looking at some of the papers in the folder. He looked up at the blonde with a puzzled expression and said, "You're absolutely right! His bio says he wears contacts! How in the world could you tell that by looking at his picture?"

The blonde rolled her eyes and said, "Well, Helloooooooooooooo! With only one eye and one ear, he certainly can't wear glasses."

*Contributed by Stan Baseley, but modified by the editor so as not to offend real blondes.*

**Vilde's Calendar – invite her out if date not yellow**

**June 2014**

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
2	3	4	5	6 Youth group	7	8
9	10	11	12	13 Youth group	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Changeover	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Entrance - Fergusons	29 Entrance - Fergusons
30						

**July 2014**

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
	1	2	3	4	5 Farewell friends	6 Farewell friends
7	8	9 Flies home to Norway				

		<b>Club Programe 2013-2014</b>		RED YES = PARTNERS on a meeting night.	sc hols
		Updated 19/05/2014 by RWH		Tentative date hold only	
<b>Jun-14</b>		<b>Rotary Fellowship Month</b>			
Sun	1	<b>Rotary International Convention - Homebush</b>		<b>Yes</b>	David Turnbull
Mon	2	<b>Rotary International Convention - Homebush</b>		<b>Yes</b>	David Turnbull
Mon	2	Les Miller, Antarctica Tourism.			Clive Denmark
Tue	3	<b>Rotary International Convention - Homebush</b>		<b>Yes</b>	David Turnbull
Wed	4	<b>Rotary International Convention - Homebush</b>		<b>Yes</b>	David Turnbull
Mon	9	Public Holiday - Queens Birthday - No Meeting			
Thur	12	Club Board Meeting (Current) 7.15 for 7.30 at Ian Robert's			Clive Denmark
Mon	16	Sydney Youth Musical Theatre, Presentation and performance		<b>Yes</b>	Max Henderson
Sat	21	Club Changeover Dinner at The Madison, Dural		<b>Yes</b>	Barry Freeman, Clive Denmark
Mon	23	No meeting following Changeover.			
Sat	28	District Changeover at Hornsby RSL - Date TBC		<b>Yes</b>	Barry Freeman
Mon	30	Mike Thomas Exec Officer of Ronald MacDonald House.			Rob Hamer
<b>Jul-14</b>		<b>Rotary Fellowship Month</b>			
Mon	7	"The Plan" 2014-2015			Barry Freeman
Tues	8	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm			Barry Freeman
Fri	11	"Hairspray" the Musical – Hornsby RSL 7pm		<b>Yes</b>	Colin Sharpe
Mon	14	Vanuatu Presentation.		<b>Yes</b>	Tony Makin
Tues	16	Trivia Night Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm. TBC			Max Henderson
Sun	20	BBQ - Bunnings Thornleigh.		<b>Yes</b>	Barry Lambert
Mon	21	N. Webb Apiarist - moved from 16 June and confirmed 20/05			Rob Hamer
Mon	28	Club Assembly			Barry Freeman
Tues	29	Trivia Night Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm. TBC			Max Henderson
<b>Aug-14</b>		<b>Membership Extension Month</b>			
Mon	4	Looking for speaker			Rob Hamer
Mon	11	S Russell. Mayor of Hornsby Shire			Rob Hamer
Tues	12	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30			Barry Freeman
Mon	18	Looking for speaker			Rob Hamer
Tues	19	Trivia Night Meeting 7.15 for 7.30pm. TBC			Max Henderson
Sat	23	<b>Trivia Night - Cherrybrook Community Centre</b>		<b>Yes</b>	Max Henderson
Mon	25	Looking for speaker			Rob Hamer
Sun	31	Porsche Car Club at the Amory Homebush. BBQ and Coffee. Date from their website 27/03/2014.		<b>Yes</b>	Max Henderson



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