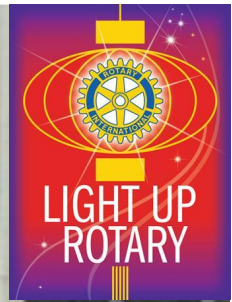




The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Club Bulletin



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Monday 17th November Pacific Australia Cultural Exchange
Monday 24th November – Partners - YOUTH NIGHT, Maxx's presentation – Finland. Meet our Outbound, RYLA and RYPEN youth
Monday 1st December Annual General Meeting – get your nominations in for 2015 Board

Duty Roster

Next Meeting – Monday 17 November		Following Meeting – Monday 24 November	
Speaker Host	Tony Coote	Speaker Host	Tony Coote
Night Reporter	Alan Paynter	Night Reporter	Douglas Lam
Front Desk	Bob Davison	Front Desk	Bob Davison
Front Desk	Brian Furrer	Front Desk	Andrew Little
Steward	Daniel Tan	Steward	John Tchetchenian
Steward	Colin Sharpe	Steward	David Turnbull
Photographer	Ross Ballinger	Photographer	Ross Ballinger

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Upcoming Events

November 12 Club Board meeting – Keith Ball's	November 21 Musical-Cinderella – Hornsby RSL
November 22 Donations In Kind working bee- Minchinbury	November 26 Book Fair meeting – Henderson's
December 11 Tree of Joy – Santa's workshop @ Turnbolls	December 14 Christmas Lunch + Kris Kringle

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****

President's Report #17 – week commencing 10th November 2014



“There is NO money problem
It is always an idea problem
So...THINK longer”
Robert Schuller

You know, this one caught my eye, because of the word THINK.

The fact is that most people spend most of their time doing and not enough time thinking. I am certainly guilty of that.

One of the reasons for me not spending enough time thinking (very little in fact) is that I find it very hard. Although, come to think of it, if I just make a start by making a cup of tea taking a pen and my little A5 book into the lounge room, opening the book and thereby begin the process by focusing on one thing, I CAN think and DO think.

Half the battle is making a start!

The other thought that comes to mind here is that we cannot do everything by ourselves. Sometimes, possibly more often than not, we need the help of others, in order to think through some problem or opportunity. All of us have available to us many people who have skills that we don't have and they are usually very willing to help if asked.

In our Rotary club (even in our Zone, District, Rotary wider network) we have an incredible range of people of amazing knowledge and ability and they are only too willing to help when asked.

But.....Do we ever seek that help?....Don't know!

However, I digress. The real issue is time. Making time to think. That jolly TV is there at night when we are tired and it is just so easy to sit down, relax, and be entertained isn't it. It's also easy to do things that we like.

Thinking is hard work but it can provide the solution to many of the situations that we find ourselves in.

As Miss Piggy once said to Kermit, who had indicated that he did not have time to do something.

Make Time!

Have a brilliant week, everyone.

Barry

Night Report – 10th November

The evening started with a welcome from President Barry and the candle being lit by Gino. A warm welcome was given to our newest member, John Tchetchenian who was inducted on 3rd November and who received his Rotary badge from Barry.

Maxx, our exchange student then described his previous week of activities, including movies, touring the City, Bondi Beach, Newtown Festival, Ice Cream and meeting other exchange students. Somehow *school* did not rate as high as the aforementioned!

- Doug Lam spoke about the Tree of Joy and that a meeting to get the labels sorted out would be held at his house tomorrow night (11th November).
- Tony Coote advised that we were provided with a thank you certificate from Telopea school for the funding we provided for their learn to swim program.
- Youth night is planned for 24th November and the Assistant Governor will be attending. Maxx will be presenting a talk on life in Finland.
- Stan B. reported on Diane Wright's progress after having a hip replacement.
- Andrew L. is the project manager of the book sale and Max H. spoke about the wisdom of having a project management team to support the enormous planning of the Book Sale and the Garage Sale.
- David Turnbull reported on the North West Disability BBQ that he, nine other Rotarians and two partners manned at the weekend. They cooked bacon and eggs, the usual sausages, along with the addition of 15 kilos of chicken and gravy. About \$900 was made on the stall but the attendance numbers were not so good. However, it was a great opportunity for Rotary to support a special community project.
- Additional opportunities to support Warrah have been identified regarding the pool area and the planting of appropriate vegetation to enhance the area. Colin B's daughter has offered her expertise to design the landscaping.
- Carol then gave out the sweepstake winnings from the Melbourne Cup to numerous members, who received anything from \$28 to \$3 in prize money!!
- Col Sharp mentioned that anyone wishing to go to the Christmas lunch, needed to pay instantly!
- It was mentioned that there were 20 attendees for Cinderella next Fri night.
- It was announced that the President's New Year Lunch would be held at Greenshades, Galston on 4th January.
- The President's Charity Picnic will be held on 1st February at Fagan Park. The idea is to bring a picnic and members pay the usual \$30 which will go to charity, in lieu of the Monday night meeting.
- Barry mentioned that in three weeks' time, the AGM will be held to elect a new Board, starting from July next year. Get your nominations in.
- Bob Davison mentioned Donations in Kind will be held on Saturday 22nd November. Miriam has organised a container for us to load.

After we had enjoyed a good meal, it was time for Tony M. to introduce Ross and Helen to hear about their Rotary E Club of Queensland trip – Red Centre Tag Along Tour. It was an amazing trip that covered 11,000 kms in a caravan over a period of 7 weeks. So.... We all sat back and listened to them recounting their amazing journey which had exceptional ‘highs’ some devastating ‘lows’ plus a near death experience!! Sounds like a Best Seller.

“Cheat Sheets” were provided by Ross to the Night Reporter and published below the following information gives all the stats of their journey. However they pale into insignificance when they spoke about the wonderful friendships made, the comraderie experienced and the satisfaction of knowing that a valued contribution had been made.

Sandy Burrage, Night Reporter





RED CENTRE TAG ALONG TOUR – Ross Ballinger

This is more about Rotary than what we saw on the trip. 18 Caravans 35 people

The trip started in Queensland at Cubbie Station. Through Lightning Ridge, Bourke, Broken Hill, Flinders Ranges, Coober Pedy, Ayers Rock, Kings Canyon, Alice Springs, Devils Marbles, Tennant Creek, Winton, Longreach, Carnarvon Gorge and finishing at Roma.

We then went on to Birdsville to do a BBQ over 4 days and act as volunteers; marshals for the fun run and waiters at the cocktail party.

We had travelled 11,000k over 7 weeks by the time we got home.

Organised by the Queensland E Rotary Club (Next Gen) to raise funds for the Royal flying Doctor.

What is an E Rotary Club?:

- It's a club that meets on line. Imagine Skype on steroids
- It's designed to allow members to come together who cannot come to a regular meeting.
- They still have a normal weekly meeting. Fellowship, Rotary Business, a Speaker, and a Sargent (Happy Fines and a "Bugger" Fine. (Everyone makes an annual donation to the foundation of say \$50).
- Based in Gold Coast (Total membership of about 30+ but less than 1/3 are local). Some are overseas. Meet on Wed Evening. Log into "Come to Meeting"
- Members do their own service work.

One has written a book and travels around Australia getting work as a nurse and speaking to Rotary and Probus clubs about Pancreatic Cancer. Proceeds of the Book go to the Health Foundation.

- Bunnings BBQ staffed by members and friends of Rotary (e.g. Previous Exchange Students on Facebook)

They are renovating (by supplying labour) houses for the pilots and doctors at flying Doctor Bases throughout Queensland.

- They use Rotary as a resource by partnering with other Rotary clubs and members to staff various projects.

Royal Flying Doctor Service:

Cover 85% of Australia

22 Bases 1300 Staff

67 Aircraft 200 landings per day

700 patient contacts per day

44 Clinics per day

Aircraft

Cost \$7m +\$1m to fit out

Replaced after 10 years

All financed by donations as are facilities

The Tour

We were fortunate to get a tour of Cubby Station (It's virtually closed to visitors) since the Chinese bought it. We started at a cattle feed lot next door owned by Rotarians who arranged the tour and access to Cubby.

80k Hectares (800 sq kilometres) 25% cotton 15% water storage
Water storage = to 1 Sydney harbour = 0.2% of the Murray River flow

550 Double B loads of Fertiliser
53,000 Bales of Cotton 10,000 Trailer loads

Stayed on Rossmore Cattle Station on river bank
Outback Beds

Broken Hill stayed on racecourse
Silver City Art Centre and Panoramic Painting
Royal Flying Doctor Base Visit
Rotary Meeting Speaker - Murray Darling River Authority

Flinders Ranges Rawnsley Park Caravan Park
Light Plane Incident

Ayers Rock or Uluru
Sounds of Silence Dinner

Kings Canyon
Crater Rim Walk
Car Crash

Alice Springs
Mayoral Reception
Marched in Parade
Assisted in Todd River races
Breakfast with 2 local Rotary clubs

Tennant Creek
Met with local club over breakfast
6 members 29 projects per year
Donated books to School Library
Say 700 Increased Size by 50 %
School size 400 Over ½ aboriginal

Mt Isa
Joint meeting Local Club
Mt Isa Rodeo
Budget \$1.5m 40,000 attend
Professional Organisers
100 run the event + 400 volunteers
\$70k Dividend (Divided between 2 clubs)
Discussion with Police "Policing in the Outback"

Winton
Dinosaurs
Met National Science School Attendee as a Guide
Pay \$3000 to go on a dig for artefacts
Went on site of Stampede

Longreach
Qantas Museum
Stockman Hall of Fame
Joint meeting with Local Rotary

Happy Hours
Resident Musician
Some involved in Rotary Fellowship of Caravans
Heard about good work of Outback Links

Birdsville Races

Purpose Fundraising and public awareness exercise for RFDS and Rotary
About 800 k west of Roma
New team 20 Volunteers
Camping Confined
BBQ over 4 Days
Volunteered as Marshalls for the Fun Run & Waiters for the Cocktail Party
Result- Financial Minimal -Awareness Brilliant

Conclusion

Great group very supportive
Extremely well planned
Did and saw a great deal that we could not of done alone.
Gave us an understanding of what the outback is

Thank You Rotarians – Traditional Chinese Dumpling Dinner Friday Nov 14 – Crestwood Community Centre, Baulkham Hills



Event to be held:

Friday, November 14, 2014 from
6:00 PM to 8:00 PM (PST)

Crestwood Community Centre

Cnr Crestwood Drive and Chapel Lane
Baulkham Hills, NSW
Australia

[View Map](#)

The presenters of Shen Yun Performing Arts and Ms Sophie Xiao, immediate past president of Eastwood Rotary Club, are delighted to invite you to join us for a fun-filled Traditional Chinese Dumpling Dinner. Learn the art of dumpling making which dates back to the Han Dynasty (206 BC-220 AD), with traditional Chinese chef Bob Wu. A hands on experience you are sure to remember! Enjoy team trivia, pre-Christmas networking with Rotarians from other clubs, refreshments and a delicious dumpling dinner. Booking is essential as seats are limited (2 - 4 "representatives" per club).

This is a free event, when booking please advise if you have any special dietary requirements.

Dress Code: Smart casual.

RSVP by Saturday 8 Nov 14. Email: rotaryfunction@gmail.com

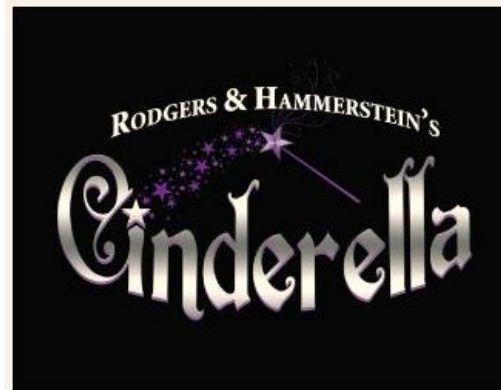
Phone: 0400 888 324 (Sophie), 0404 756 222 (Alice)

Warm regards,

Sophie Xiao, Immediate past president of Eastwood Rotary Club

**Cinderella – by SYMT
Friday Nov 21 – Hornsby RSL**

Colin Sharp has booked two tables for:



The show starts at 8 PM and those who choose can gather for dinner in the bistro at 6.30.

About the event

Arguably the world's most famous fairy tale is retold with the Rodgers & Hammerstein hallmarks of originality, charm and elegance. Accompanied by a live 17-piece orchestra, the Sydney Youth Musical Theatre bring to life a world of magic and romance that is sure to appeal to the whole family. SYMT is now in its 36th year of producing musical theatre in the Sydney region and remains the only exclusive youth musical society in Australia. Each year, SYMT produces two productions, one in July (14-25yrs) and one in November (10-18yrs).

This is a fabulously talented cast in a show not to be missed

Birthdays and Anniversaries

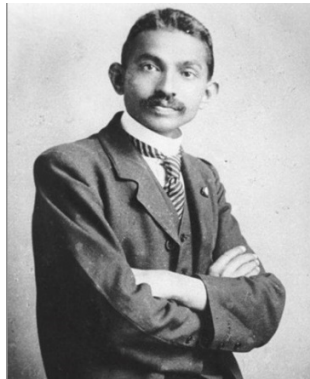


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Humour – Mahatma Gandhi



. Repartee at its best .

Gandhi ... A lovely little anecdote, about one of life's more interesting characters ...

When Mahatma Gandhi was studying law at the University College of London, a professor, whose last name was Peters, disliked him intensely and always displayed animosity towards him.

Also, because Gandhi never lowered his head when addressing him as he expected, there were always "arguments" and confrontations.

One day, Mr. Peters was having lunch at the dining room of the University, and Gandhi came along with his tray and sat next to the professor. The professor said, "Mr Gandhi, you do not understand. A pig and a bird do not sit together to eat."

Gandhi looked at him as a parent would a rude child and calmly replied, "You do not worry professor. I'll fly away," and he went and sat at another table.

Mr. Peters, reddened with rage, decided to take revenge on the next test paper, but Gandhi responded brilliantly to all questions.

Mr. Peters, unhappy and frustrated, asked him the following question:

"Mr Gandhi, if you were walking down the street and found a package, and within was a bag of wisdom and another bag with a lot of money, which one would you take?"

Without hesitating, Gandhi responded, "The one with the money, of course."

Mr. Peters, smiling sarcastically said, "I, in your place, would have taken the wisdom."

Gandhi shrugged indifferently and responded, "Each one takes what he doesn't have."

Mr. Peters, by this time was fit to be tied. So great was his anger that he wrote on Gandhi's exam sheet the word "idiot" and gave it to Gandhi.

Gandhi took the exam sheet and sat down at his desk, trying very hard to remain calm while he contemplated his next move.

A few minutes later, Gandhi got up, went to the professor and said to him in a dignified but sarcastically polite tone, "Mr. Peters, you autographed the sheet, but you did not give me the grade."

Ed: thanks again, Stan.

Club Programme 2014-2015

		Updated 04/08/2014 by RWH	PARTNERS night.
Nov-14		Rotary Foundation Month	
Weds	12	Club Board Meeting 7:15 for 7:30 @ Keith Ball's	Barry Freeman
Mon	17	Pacific Australia Cultural Exchange – Jack Elliot + PDG David Rands on Rotary Leadership Institute	Tony Coote
Mon	22	DIK working bee 8:30am-12:30pm Minchinbury	Yes Bob Davison
Mon	24	Youth Night - Maxx's presentation and meet RYPEN & RYLA candidates	Yes Tony Coote
Wed	26	Book Fair meeting #1 at Max Henderson's	Max Henderson
Dec-14		Rotary Fellowship Month	
Mon	1	Annual General Meeting	Jim Simpson
Sun	7	PRT Meeting 10am	Barry Freeman
Mon	8	Rotary Foundation Monica Saville	Yes Barry Freeman
Weds	10	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30	Barry Freeman
Thurs	11	Tree of Joy- Santa's Workshop at the Turnbull's 7.30pm	Yes Douglas Lam
Sun	14	Christmas luncheon + Kris Kringle Gifts – Baulkham Hills Sports Club	Yes Social Comm
Mon	15	No Meeting following Christmas Luncheon	
Tues	17	New Board - meeting at President Elect's at 7:30pm. TBC	Barry Freeman
Mon	22	No Meeting	
Mon	29	No Meeting	
Jan-15		Rotary Awareness Month	
Mon	5	No Meeting	
Sun	4	President's Picnic	Barry Freeman
Sun	11	Bunnings Thornleigh BBQ	Barry Lambert
Mon	12	New Member's night	Keith Ball
Mon	19	Club Assembly	Barry Freeman
Mon	26	Australia Day – No meeting	
Feb-15		World Understanding Month	
Sun	1	Family Charity Picnic	Barry Freeman
Sun	1	PRT Meeting 10am	Barry Freeman
Mon	2	No meeting following Charity family picnic	
Fri	6	Mount Kosciuszko walk with Maxx	Yes Graham Cuth.
Sat	7	staying at North Perisher	Yes Graham Cuth.
Sun	8	Ski Lodge	Yes Graham Cuth.
Mon	9	Dr Paul Wrigley – Sensory Neurophysiology Research At the Pain Management Research Institute	Yes Barry Freeman
Tues	10	Book Fair Meeting	
Wed	11	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30	Barry Freeman
Mon	16	Detective Hans Rupp Partners Night	Yes Tony Coote
Fri	20	Book Fair - Sorting.	Yes Max Henderson
Sun	22	Club social Barbeque with guests from ARV. 10am-2pm, Kokoda Memorial Walkway BBQ area (adjoining Cafe end Killoola St Concord)	Yes
Mon	23	Youth Night -RYPEN, RYLA reports.	Yes Tony Coote
Mar-15		Literacy Month	
Mon	2	Norwest Rail Link Update (TBC)	
Thu	6	Bowel Scan sales commence – Cherrybrook Shopping Centre (Date TBC)	Barry Lambert

Maxx's Calendar – Which day will you invite Maxx out? (If not **yellow**)

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat	Sun
Nov 2014						
10 Rotary Mtg	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Rotary Mtg	18	19 Dinner Davisons	20	21	22 Donations in Kind	23
24 Rotary Mtg Presentation	25	26	27	28	29	30
Dec 2014						
1 Rotary Mtg	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Rotary Mtg	9	10	11	12	13	14 Xmas Lunch
15 Rotary Mtg	16	17	18	19	20 School Hols Start	21
22	23	24	25 Xmas	26	27	28

Club Positions 2014-15

Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

President	Barry Freeman	0414 400 100
President Elect	TBA	
Past President	Clive Denmark	0400 425 210
Secretary	Jim Simpson	0439 465 725
Treasurer	Bob Davison	0413 008 574
Membership	Keith Ball	0478 599 155
Club Services	Douglas Lam	0419 421 659
Youth Services	Tony Coote	0412 812 624
Community Services	David Turnbull	0408 246 669
International	Cawas Sahukar	0432 692 602
Foundation	Ross Ballinger	0418 868 026
Vocational/Social Services Director	Colin Sharpe	0408 810 463
Fundraiser Director	Max Henderson	0404 020 985
Public Relations	Carol Russell	0418 431 157