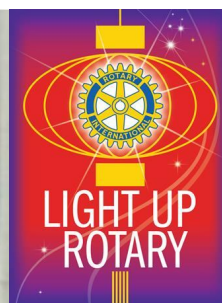




The Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Club Bulletin

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Monday 9th March

Club Visioning 6 – 10pm

Monday 16th March

Alan Barge – University of the Third Age

Monday 23rd March

Lee Ussher – Surviving Facebook & Twitter – **Partners Night**

Duty Roster

Next Meeting – Monday 9 March		Following Meeting – Monday 16 March	
Speaker Host	n/a	Speaker Host	Ian Roberts
Night Reporter	Jim Simpson	Night Reporter	Keith Ball
Front Desk	Bob Davison	Front Desk	Bob Davison
Front Desk	Bernard Chandra	Front Desk	Brian Furrer
Steward	Colin Sharpe	Steward	Colin Baxter
Steward	Colin Wright	Steward	David Turnbull
Photographer	Ross Ballinger	Photographer	Ross Ballinger

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Upcoming Events

March 11 Board Meeting – Sharpe's residence	March 14 Book Sale – major sort at church hall, 9:00am
March 13-15 Mt Kosciuszko walk with Maxx	March 20-22 District 9685 Conference – Hunter Valley
March 27-28 Book Sale – Uniting Church	April 11 Friendship Dinners commence

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 – 2nd Feb 2015



2nd ...Best Exotic Marigold Hotel

Helen MirrenIt's just going to take time....

Friend“How much TIME have you got”

Well, there we were at the above movie last Thursday evening, and for the past 2 hours we had been subjected to the, could I say courtship?, of Helen Mirren and Bill Nighy, both wanting to get together but each too afraid to ask and fearful of what might happen if an approach was made.

A friend (cannot remember who) told Helen Mirren to get on with it and she replied that “It is going to take time” or something like that. The friend then came out with those incredibly important words for us all of.....

“How much TIME have you got?”

Well! I sat there as if I had been whacked in the head. This was significant, because I cannot answer that question.

None of us can.

However, one thing is for sure. We all have much less time that we used to have, and we are using it up, it seems, at a rate much **faster than ever before**.

So what?

Well, for me that is a real wake up call, a call that I have had a couple of times now. You will all have had similar calls I would think. I need to live my life to the fullest and DO the things that I would like to do. No excuses!. Get on with it.

Who knows what tomorrow may bring?

I do like the idea of a “Bucket List”.

The idea of writing down the things I want to do.

Make a plan of sorts.

I know if I don't do this, I will be busy, but I will drift along without achieving what I would really like to achieve.

Let's leave it at that.

I hope these words do help you all in some small way to focus your time and energies and apply them to those things that are really important to you.

Have an incredible week.

Barry

Night Report – 2nd Mar 2015

Anne Sharpe lit up the meeting with the Rotary candle.

Grace was led by Ross and a perfect toast by Stan.

President Barry introduced the guests: Maxx's Mum Marianne and sister Amanda, Guest speaker John Hanson and Joanne Sharpe in a supporting role, Thomasina Fransen (checking out Rotary) and partners Jill, Anne and Glenda.

Barry's saying for the week (from the Second Best Marigold Hotel) is "How much time have you got?"

President Barry advertised the Cherrybrook Movie Under the Stars, organised by the John Purchase Public School – 7th March the Lego Movie.

Also a Night at the Madison to raise money for the DG's wife's project - \$35/head including wine, Friday 17th March.

Maxx updated us on his last two weeks – including a mad weekend at Umina Beach with surfing lessons and a treasure hunt (which Maxx won with Pedro as a partner). The following weekend included Tooronga Zoo and Bondi Beach (you have to do this but not sure why??).

Directors' reports:

- Andrew Little on Book Sale – Next book sort on 14th March. Need more fruit boxes.
- Colin Wright weekend away – 16/17th May, visiting Kangaroo Valley and all points South. This is a goer but more seats available for members and guests.
- Colin Sharpe:
 - Monday 13th April is Anzac meeting (partners).
 - Pride of Workmanship – need possible recipients.
 - Friendship dinners second round is in April – need volunteers for hosts.
- Peter Cleary – we are to have a speaker on first aid – we get the chance to give a blow job to some manikins.
- Rosemary Clarke on the Garage Sale – now firmed up for 26/27th September. Furniture to be "small furniture". More food and new stalls to be set up this year.
- Graham Cuthbertson – He and Maxx to walk to Kosciusko on 13-15th March (only 7 hours and 23km). Anyone welcome.

Jill Turnbull announced that Ann Turner has fallen and broken a hip. She sent her love to the club.

President Barry has produced some letters to distribute to neighbours who could be possible members – 4 volunteers took 10 letters each to trial the process.

At short notice John Hanson stepped in to fill the void left by a missing speaker. He presented a fascinating account of the Desert Graveyard where aeroplanes go to die. This is in Victorville in US where a five bedroom house costs \$250,000 but the crime rate is higher than Rio. The town sports a cement works and a huge ex-Air force airport. The only planes using the airport regularly are ConAir flights. The aeroplane storage facility includes short-term (ie likely to be resold), long-term store (not sure where they are going) and terminal – to be chopped up by large munching machines for conversion into coke cans.

The Sergeant extracted money from all except the Pommies (for a change) for the pathetic cricket results.

Andrew Little won the raffle (after Graham Cuthbertson declined to accept) and Colin Sharpe won heads and tails.

Night Reporter: **Tony Makin**

Night Report – 23rd Feb 2015

The previous meeting report was received after I went to press, so I include it here, Ed

President Barry opened the meeting and welcomed all guests.

He gave us a Motto as well as a Quote for the evening – the Motto was from the International Director of Rotary and went something like this:

“Is it better to sit in the dark and contemplate failure or would it be better to light a candle and see what we can do?”

President Barry then followed up with the following Quote (author unknown):

“If you dream big, believe big and pray big, big things will happen”

John Tchetchenian was invited to light the candle.

- Andrew Little provided a progress report on the Book Sale – we need more ‘Category Managers’ not necessarily ‘Gurus’ but people who will be aware of what books are available in each category – we also require more fruit boxes (500 was mentioned). Cawas commented that a ‘cheat sheet’ of each category would help.
- Peter Cleary reminded members that if anyone wanted to put an event in the Club Program to let him know as he is managing it.
- Graham Cuthbertson advised that the BBQ for the residents of ARV Flinders was held at the Kokoda Track Memorial Walk in Concord and was attended by 18 residents and that they all enjoyed themselves.
- He also mentioned that Maxx's Mt Kosciuszko walk was fast approaching in approx. 3 weeks.

Tony Coote then introduced the speakers for tonight.

First up was Emma from RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) who provided us with her experience from the week live-in camp.

Emma said that the week was as intense as it was exciting and that the focus of the camp was about ‘leadership training’. They had a number of different people come and talk to them about what being a leader was all about – there was a focus on enhancing the skills that the participants already possessed and not necessarily learning new skills. Emma said that there are a number of different ways to being a leader and that it was important to know when to step forward (as a leader) but also to know when to take a step back to utilize the skills of your team members.

Tony then introduced Jacob and Fiona (both from Pennant Hills High) who attended the RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) weekend camp at Narrabeen Sports Centre.

Jacob was up first and he gave us his impression of the camp as follows: He wasn't sure what to expect but it looked like everyone else was feeling the same thing – they broke the ice by playing games such as musical chairs to introduce each other. Jacob joked that he had expected half-cooked or burnt camp food but was pleasantly surprised as the food was great! There were plenty of activities during the weekend such as making a video for charity and also building a raft which they got to sail in – unfortunately Jacob's raft fell apart about halfway through the journey!

Fiona was next up and she gave her impression of the camp as follows:

Similar to Jacob's experience – no-one knew anyone so they had to make new friends.

Fiona said that she was in team ‘yellow’ and that they had to come up with a war cry for each team.

Both Jacob and Fiona said that they learnt valuable leadership skills but the camp also helped the participants to think outside the box which helped them gain confidence.

Maxx then gave us an update of his week as follows:

- He actually visited the RYPEN camp in Narrabeen and spoke about Youth Exchange to get them thinking about a year overseas.

- Maxx has now been in Australia for 7.5 months and loves it here as it's 'summer all year round' compared to Finland!
- He has made many new friends from around the world eg, Japan, South America.
- Maxx said that the exchange program has definitely helped him grow as a person – more independence for example taking public transport (something he hadn't done in his home town), skills such as public speaking and also more confidence so much so that he is now more willing to try different foods since he has been in Oz (still can't get used to Vegemite!).

Sergeant Graham then did his best to raise some funds via fines but found it fairly tough tonight as most people were on the ball. He did entertain us with a couple of significant past events that had occurred on this date: The Polio vaccine was first released in the US in 1954 and in 1455 the Gutenberg Bible was first published for mass circulation using movable type.

Tony won the raffle

Emma won Heads or Tails.

Next week our guest speaker will be Joanne Sharpe's husband who works for Qantas.

The week after that we have the Club Visioning night – Dudley Mercer will also be attending.

Emma was invited to snuff out the candle.

President Barry closed the meeting at 21.00.



2015 Book Sale Flyer – it's on 27-28 March



ROTARY CLUB OF WEST PENNANT HILLS & CHERRYBROOK INC.
Proceeds will go to local Rotary charities

GIANT BOOK SALE

COME ALONG AND JOIN US

Fri 27th March - 9am-8pm

Sat 28th March - 8am-3pm

**Uniting Church
134 New Line Road
Cherrybrook**



We are looking for donations of books in good condition, original CD's & DVD's, records, sheet music.

Donations accepted until 24 March

We really appreciate all the support that you give us with these donations. Thank you.

Please note we are not able to accept textbooks, encyclopedias, damaged or dirty books, magazines, coffee table books, Readers Digest, condensed editions.

**RING OUR HOTLINE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND FOR
DETAILS OF A CONVENIENT DROP OFF LOCATION**

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www.wphcrotary.org - email: wphc.rotary@gmail.com

Weekend Away – Bateman's Bay – xx May 2015

May 16 & 17 Weekend Away – BUS TOUR.

Must have final numbers by End of Feb + \$50 Deposit per person

Full cost \$340/pp shared + \$45 single

Great chance to experience a Friendship Event that includes

- Batemans Bay and Twilight Dinner Cruise
- Illawarra Fly Treetop Walk
- Kangaroo Valley, Ulladulla
- Mogo Township, Mogo Zoo, Berry



Support Rob's Ride for End Polio Now



ROB RIDES AUSTRALIA FOR

ENDPOLIONOW

Help Rotary to provide critical funding to eradicate Polio forever.

Donate on:
ideas.rotary.org
(Tax deductible over \$2)
Fundraising by Rotary District 9685

Rob Lewandowski from Tasmania, attempting to ride around Australia in 34 days to break the Guinness World Record.

Follow Rob on www.facebook.com/robridesaustralia
<http://dreamteamtalk.com/robsride/index.html>

Rotarians and bike riders of Australia- join Rob Lewandowski from Tasmania in his epic ride around Australia in 34 days to create a new Guinness Record, while raising money for Rotary's' **End Polio Now** campaign. Please support this ride by donating on ideas.rotary.org

Bike riders can join Rob on the road (30kph) and everyone can donate a few dollars so that this rides can raise valuable money to eradicate Polio !!

Approximate times and Places - but check



for more accurate details

<https://www.facebook.com/rob.rides.australia?fref=ts>

Ann Turner

Jill gave an update on Ann Turner who had a fall and broke her hip. She is in Lady Davidson for rehab. She is sorry to have missed the partners high tea on Monday, she so looks forward to catching up with her friends. She also gives her thanks for the best wishes and flowers from the club.

Birthdays and Anniversaries



nil



nil

A Poem – 50 shades of.....

FIFTY SHADES OF GREY BY PAM AYRES

The missus bought a Paperback,
down Shepton Mallet way,
I had a look inside her bag;.....
T'was "Fifty Shades of Grey".
Well I just left her to it,
And at ten I went to bed.
An hour later she appeared;
The sight filled me with dread.
In her left hand she held a rope;
And in her right a whip!
She threw them down upon the floor,
And then began to strip.
Well fifty years or so ago;
I might have had a peek;
But Mabel hasn't weathered well;
She's eighty four next week!!
Watching Mabel bump and grind;
Could not have been much grimmer.
And things then went from bad to worse;
She toppled off her Zimmer!
She struggled back upon her feet;
A couple minutes later;
She put her teeth back in and said
"I am a dominator!!"
Now if you knew our Mabel,
You'd see just why I spluttered,
I'd spent two months in traction
For the last complaint I'd uttered.
She stood there nude and naked
Bent forward just a bit
I went to hold her, sensual like
and stood on her left t**
Mabel screamed, her teeth shot out;
My God what had I done!
She moaned and groaned then shouted out:
"Step on the other one!!"
Well readers, I can tell no more;
Of what occurred that day.
Suffice to say my jet black hair,
Turned fifty shades of grey!!

CLUB PROGRAM – as at 26Feb2015 – updates to Peter Cleary please

Club Programme 2014-2015				
		Updated 19/02/2015 by PHC	Partners	Co-ordinator
Feb-15		World Understanding Month		
Mon	23	Youth Night -RYPEN, RYLA, NYSF reports.	Optional	Tony Coote
Thurs	26	Movie Night-Event Cinemas Castle Hill for Polio Plus		Barry Freeman
Sat	28	Book Sale -MAJOR Sorting, 9:00am at Church Hall	All	Andrew Little
Mar-15		Literacy Month		
Mon	2	Jo Sharpe's Partner to speak on QANTAS Domestic Logistic Management	Optional	Peter Cleary
Mon	9	Club visioning night 6-10pm		Barry Freeman
Weds	11	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30		Barry Freeman
Fri	13	Exchange student's Mount Kosciuszko walk		Graham Cuth.
Sat	14	staying at North Perisher Ski Lodge		Graham Cuth.
Sat	14	Book Sale - MAJOR Sorting at Church Hall 9:00am.	All	Max Henderson
Sun	15	Mt Kosciuszko Exchange Student walk.		Graham Cuth.
Mon	16	Alan Barge - University of the Third Age	Optional	Barry Freeman
Fri	20	District 9685 Conference	Optional	
Sat	21	District 9685 Conference	Optional	
Sun	22	District 9685 Conference	Optional	
Mon	23	Lee Ussher-Surviving Facebook and Twitter	Yes	Barry Freeman
Tues	24	Moving of Books from garages and containers etc. to Church carpark and setup	All	Andrew Little
Wed	25	Moving of Books from garages and containers etc. to Church carpark and setup	All	Andrew Little
Thurs	26	Moving of Books from garages and containers etc. to Church carpark and setup	All	Andrew Little
Fri	27	Book Sale - Uniting Church, New Line Road, Cherrybrook	All	Andrew Little
Sat	28	Book Sale - Uniting Church, New Line Road, Cherrybrook	All	Andrew Little
Sat	28	Book Sale "Post Mortem" Dinner	All	Andrew Little
Mon	30	No Meeting - R&R following Book Sale		
Apr-15		Magazine Month		
Sun	5	PRT Meeting 10am.		Barry Freeman
Mon	6	No Meeting - Easter Monday		
Weds	8	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30		Barry Freeman
Sat	11	Friendship Dinners Start for this week till 19/4		Social Comm.
Mon	13	Pre Anzac meeting - Peter Sweeney invited 16/06/2014 - Partners Night	Yes	Peter Cleary
Sun	19	International Committee Project meeting and BBQ lunch	Optional	
Mon	20	Looking for speaker - Centenary of Gallipoli Landing remembrance.	Optional	Peter Cleary
Sun	26	Bunnings BBQ Dural		Barry Lambert
Mon	27	Frontier Services- Help for the Outback NSW	Optional	Peter Cleary
May-15		Community Month		
Mon	4	Northwest Rail Link Update		Peter Cleary
Thurs	7	Bowel Scan Sales commence at Cherrybrook Shopping Centre all through May		Barry Lambert
Fri	8	Ronald McDonald House Dinner preparation		
Mon	11	Vocational Awards - Pride of Workmanship	Yes	Peter Cleary
Weds	13	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 Combined current and incoming Boards		Barry Freeman
Sat	16	Weekend away- The social highlight of the year	Optional	Social Comm.
Sun	17	Weekend away- The social highlight of the year	Optional	Social Comm.
Mon	18	Looking for speaker	Optional	Colin Sharpe
Mon	25	Looking for speaker	Optional	Peter Cleary
Sun	31	Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal		
Jun-15		Rotary Fellowship Month		
Mon	1	Victor Chang Speaker	Optional	Peter Cleary
Mon	8	No Meeting - Queens Birthday. Many Happy Returns!		
Weds	10	Club Board Meeting 7.15 for 7.30 Combined current and incoming Boards		Barry Freeman
Mon	15	Exchange Student's final presentation - Partners Night	Yes	Tony Coote
Sat	20	Club Changeover Dinner. The Madison, Dural	Yes	Barry Freeman,
Mon	22	No meeting following Changeover.		
Mon	29	Looking for speaker	Optional	Peter Cleary

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
Mar 2015						1 St Ives sailing day
2 Rotary Mtg	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Rotary Mtg	10	11	12	13 Mt Kosciuszko	14 Mt Kosciuszko	15 Mt Kosciuszko
16 Rotary Mtg	17	18	19	20 Conference	21 Conference	22 Conference
23 Rotary Mtg	24	25	26	27 Book Sale	28 Book Sale	29
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Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook – Club Positions

President	Barry Freeman	0414 400 100
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	Teresa Janowski	0459 761 123
	Tony Coote	0412 812 624
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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