# Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook

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# **The Next Meetings**

Monday 18th April

Combined Anzac Meeting with Lions Club of WPH&C Venue - WPC Sports Club Partners Night



Monday 25th April

No Meeting - Public Holiday

**Monday 2nd May** 

Australian Army from the Inside - Julian Savio



Monday 11th May

**Motor Neuron Disease - Amelia Brock** 



## **Duty Roster**

Duty	Monday 18th April	Monday 2nd May	Monday 9th May
Speaker Host	Cawas Sahukar	Barry Freeman	Peter Cleary
Night Reporter	Colin Baxter	Alan Paynter	Steve Baker
Front Desk	Brian Furrer	Bob Davison	Bob Davison
Front Desk	Keith Ball	Brian Furrer	Brian Furrer
Steward		Andrew Little	Neville Hansen
Steward		Colin McGowan	Ian Roberts
Photographer	Peter Stanton	Peter Stanton	Peter Stanton

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President's Report Night Report	16th April	District Assembly at Kings School	
Birthdays and Anniversaries Humour	18th April	Combined Meeting with Lions Club of WPH&C to commemorate  Anzac. Partners Night	
Club Calendar	6th May 2016	Ronald McDonald House - <b>Meals from</b> the <b>Heart</b>	
Take me to the Club Calendar	29th May 2016	Salvation Army - Red Shield Appeal	
	29th May 2016	Vivid Lights Tour - see below for details	
	circa July 2016	RAWCS Working Bee in Vanuatu - contact David Turnbull	

#### Do You Need a Box Trailer?

I have a 6x4 box trailer I need to sell IT's in good nick and has 5 months Rego I'm looking for \$200. Regards Stan

## Avi's Message via Bob

We started the trip in Port Macquarie in a camp site. Then to Gold Coast(dreamworld), Sunshine Coast(Byronbay), Rockhampton("The Old Station"), Airlie Beach(Whitsundays), Cairns(Reef tour and diving), Alice Springs(leaning about Aboriginal people and visiting them), In the middle in absolutely nowhere between Alice and Coober, Coober Pedy(Opal mine tour and jewellery buying and town tour), I just arrived in Port Augusta and we are going to a farm up in the ranges.

I put a tick on the last theme park in the Gold Coast now, and it was absolutely a great experience with all of the students and trying the crazy rides.

Byronbay was so nice, being amongst the "hippie" people. It was a perfect weather day, where I also had a coconut on the beach.

Rockhampton was the part where we just crossed the tropical Capricorn. We stayed at a farm called The Old Farm. It was absolutely beautiful and nice to learn about the family hosting us.

Airlie had been the most beautiful place I've been so far. That is a true holiday place and looks like Paradise. Whitsundays was unreal. We also snorkelled in the reef they have and then just spend the day on the most white sanded beach I've seen.

Cairns we had time in the town and night shopping market.

Then we headed out to the reef on a big boat and spend the day snorkelling and diving. All I can say is that the underwater world is amazing and unreal.

In Alice Springs I bought a big painting by an aboriginal man. I thought it would be good to invest in a painting where it was from a part of Australia there the traditions are still alive and where I met the artist, I

will show you it when I'm back.

Kings Canyon we hiked and stayed at a place where you wonder why people even live there. But still absolutely beautiful.

Uluru we watched the sunset where we met a lot of other people taking photos with their flags.

We walked around Uluru and explored the caves and then Kata Tjuta, it was a big day of walking and again amazed by the beauty of central Australia.

Coober Pedy we went to the town only restaurant and apparently a famous pizza cook. And we had a tour in a real mine and then I bought a opal ring and a necklace for my grandmother back home.

Today we had another 7-8 hours bus ride to Port Augusta as all the other days in Central Australia, and about to see some sheep shearing on the farm.

All days we've woken up between 4.30-6.00 witch is so exhausting but then you realise how long a day can actually be. But I look forward to sleeping in someday again.

Hope everything is good in the club and I look forward to see you all again.

I have trying to sent some post cards from where I have been so you can see.

I have so much more to tell went on back and a hole lot of photos.

#### 2016 Book Sale

The 2016 giant book sale, held at the Uniting Church in Cherrybrook, was a huge success with around \$14,000 being raised, surpassing last year's results. Thanks to the kindness of local people donating books, CD's, DVD's and records, we had over 5,500 fiction and nonfiction books for sale, as well as hundreds of CD's, DVD's and records.

A considerable amount of planning, preparation and hard work went into making this book sale the success that it was, with great support from club members, their partners and assistance from Hills Rotaract



members and others. Many customers commented that this was the best run book sale that they had been to as fiction books were sorted by author surname and non-fiction was sorted into 25 main categories which allowed people to easily find what they were looking for.

The book sale is a great way for our members to participate in community service to raise funds for well deserving charities and local community projects that are undertaken by our club. At the same time it also provides fellowship and enjoyment of working together as a team.

Proceeds from the book sale will be donated to our designated charities this year, including Books In Homes Australia, Shine For Kids, Lynch Syndrome Australia, Operation Hope. We would also like to thank the Cherrybrook Uniting Church for use of their premises to hold the book sale.

## Salvation Army - Red Shield Appeal - 29th May

Spend a Sunday morning by overseeing children from local schools collecting monies for the Red Shield Appeal



# **Vivid Lights Tour - 29th May**

What a fantastic opportunity to see Sydney showing off.

If you have not told Colin Sharpe you are attending then please do so.

Payment is due by 15th May. Cost is \$68 per adult (\$60 for child 14yo and under)
Front Desk will take payment from 2nd May or make a payment directly to the Club.
I am wary of publishing bank details here, so look for the email from Colin Sharpe dated 12th April.

## **Youth Exchange - Reports from Amelia Craig**

Amelia's March report now resides at <a href="http://www.wphcrotary.org/exchange.html">http://www.wphcrotary.org/exchange.html</a>

#### **Website Statistics**

/Youth

/Fund Raising

Unique Visitors - w/e 11th August Page Views - w/e 11th August	181 719	
Top 20 Pages (This Month)		(I think this is MTD, so 11 days)
/ (Home)	270	
/Club Bulletin	103	
/2016 Book Fair	67	
/2016 District Conference	49	
/Night Report	40	
/Blog	38	
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#### **Tentative Comments**

Most Members read the pdf version of the Bulletin Brittany's Blog was worth the effort - Top Youth Related Page There is a cohort of Youth looking for information

#### **Cawas Contribution**



# Information from other clubs

# **Rotary Club of Patong Beach**

**Denis Carpenter** recently emailed a copy of his Club's Bulletin. I have attached an edited version of his email:-

Greetings from Bangkok
Thanks for including me in the circulation
I note as per our brief chat when I visited, you are the director for Membership
Attached is this week's edition of the Bulletin
I will **NOT** add you to the weekly Bulletin circulation unless you request

As the only English speaking club on Phuket (7 clubs in all) one deals with 13 different nationalities Currently, our President is Swiss & although a good guy is VERY German in his "management" ACHTUNG! Of course, the DG has approximately 90 clubs to visit ... no mean feat Membership remains one of our biggest challenges as IMO, a person has to join for the right reason.

Best regards Denis Carpenter

To view the Bulletin "click" on this link Volume 10, Issue 38 12th April 2016

# Rotary Club of Alexandria Cosmopolitan "Cross Egypt Challenge"

The email starts......

Dear Rotarian friends around the world,

The board and members of the Rotary Club of Alexandria Cosmopolitan - District 2451 – Egypt are happy to invite you and the members of your prestigious and respectful club to learn more about and share our Rotary organized initiative, "Cross Egypt Challenge" that aims to promote tourism to Egypt and world understanding.

.....but it is long and voluminous.

If you are interested in riding a motorbike or scooter across Egypt, then the full text of the email is available.

To see promotional video try www.CrossEgyptChallenge.com





# **More Rotary Graphics**

Thought I might follow a theme. These images can be downloaded by left clicking and saving. At least the middle version is unique.











# Significant Club fundraising events during the year



<u>The Book Sale March 2016.</u> As the result of a lot of hard work the March book fair which was a great success, especially from the organisers Max Henderson, Andrew Little and Clive Denmark. Funds raised were \$14,000. Well done.



#### The Trivia Night

The Club held a very successful trivia night on Saturday 29 August 2015 at the Cherrybrook Community Centre, raising just over \$5,000 for local charities including: Shine for Kids, Books in Homes Australia, Familial Cancer - Lynch Syndrome Australia, Warrah Society and other charities supported by the club. David cleaning up



#### **The Garage Sale**

We had a very successful **Garage Sale** on the weekend of 26/27 September raising over \$24k gross. The weather made it hard to set-up in the lead up to the event, but for the sale the wet weather stayed away.



#### **Barbecues**

The club runs fund raising barbecues throughout the year, mainly at Bunnings both Dural and Thornleigh.

Barry (BBQ coordinator, Aviaaja, Neville, Ian and Barry cooking at Bunnings Dural December 12th.

# Meetings

Monday 6:30pm for 7:00pm - Springfield House - 245 New Line Road, Dural.

### **Apologies**

If you are unable to attend or are bringing a guest (even if they are your partner) you must notify Gilda. Phone 9439 1422 or email <a href="mailto:accounts@lhogroup.com.au">accounts@lhogroup.com.au</a> 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 11th April 2016**

Fellow members,

School Holidays and many of our members are travelling. But we still had a good roll up to our Club Assembly on Monday. Keith made a presentation on formation of a Satellite Club, as a way of growing Rotary membership in our area. A committee has been set up to investigate and report back to the board. General discussion followed, around ways to build membership. Its clear that effective marketing of the club is our most important priority. This includes making Marketing a Board Position. Also media, our website, Facebook and other tools to help us get the



message out. The details are in the Night Report. Tony Makin's summary of events makes enjoyable reading. Thanks Tony.

A great night on Wednesday for those who went along to see Eddy the Eagle at Castle Hill. A "feel good" movie and dinner in the Piazza afterwards. The message- "If you set your mind to it, its amazing what you can achieve". This was a district fundraiser in support of Rotary's fight against Polio – also an amazing achievement. Only 7 cases have occurred this year, in Pakistan and Afghanistan. The goal is in sight!

Monday Night 2nd May is the next meeting at Springfield. On that evening we will be inducting Janelle Craig into our club. Julian Savio will be telling us about "The Army from the Inside". It will be a great evening, and of course, partners are always welcome.

I'll see many of you at the Anzac Meeting with Lions on Monday 18th April.

Tony

## **Night Report 11th April**

Clive led the grace and Cawas toasted everyone except the Queen.

President Tony's introductory chat included:

- o A plug for the Anzac night organised by Lions on 18th April 2016. Numbers to be confirmed immediately.
- o Frank has sold his part of the Madeson.

Bob then read from his phone a multi-page report from Avi who is doing all those things that Australians never do, including of course Coober Pedy.

Colin Sharpe updated us on the burgeoning social calendar:

- Money due soon for Vivid details to be announced by email.
- Second round of friendship dinners due late May teams have been picked with more than enough hosts volunteering well done.
- Colin Baxter announced that the Christmas lunch will be at Springfield on 11th December 2016. Good news! An advert for a fat person to fill the red suit is to be published soon.

Brian followed up on the Tree of Joy with certificates received from the Uniting Church for the gifts we provided.

President Tony was then back with a very professional presentation on membership and how we can expand our club effectively:

- Advised that many of the items discussed at the visioning sessions run by PP Barry
   Freeman had actually been put into action.
- Current membership is 39 with likely + and about 3 this year, resulting in about the same at the end of the year.
- Powerpoint presentation included a to do list:
  - Marketing to be pursued.
  - Meetings need to be fun and varied just like they have been all year.
  - Lower cost of membership an issue.
  - Opportunities include social media (ie Rotarians need to walk round the city staring at their phones and running into people), Rotaract (brilliant effort at the book sale with little prompting), appointing a director for marketing, check on what other clubs are doing and advertising.

Keith then provided a long presentation (during which he never closed his eyes). This included some interesting stuff including his work on a brochure (great sample on the tables) and the development of business cards for all members.

Keith then went through a whole load of stuff from the Council on Legislation in Chicago. Most of the stuff the Council discussed was dead boring but two things stood out:

- Clubs are to be allowed, if not encouraged, to approach meetings more flexibly with no need to abide by the 60% rule (although District will still be interested in this for some reason), e-meetings are ok.
- And more seriously Satellite Clubs are to be encouraged. The definition of this seems
  to be a club in the same area but with a different format, different meeting schedule,
  possibly different age spectrum but ultimately to be turned into a real club. There was
  huge discussion on this issue, particularly on the suggestion that the Satellite is to
  become a full club at some stage and what this would do to our current club. The Board
  has approved investigation of a Satellite club nonetheless.

Then the Club Assembly took off with the following issues raised (abbreviated from 60 minutes of talking):

Pres Tony noted that a Satellite club would be a lot of work.

Barry said that Satellite clubs were discussed at PETS 2 years ago but the thought of "another club in the area" was not attractive.

Colin Baxter pointed out that no-one has anything bad to say about Rotary but we may not be taking advantage of this. Also he thought the book sale should go for more than 1½ days considering the effort to set up.

Steve Baker wanted a Satellite club to do something for us and not primarily for Rotary in general but worth considering.

Clive did not understand the concept of the Satellite club eventually becoming a real club (we are all struggling with this!). However something needs to change if we are to attract younger people.

Brian – there are different sorts of club service available, not just what we normally do.

Ian – we have great tools available to us but may not know how to use them. Also suggested a 6 monthly expose to show our product and achievements to the community.

Janelle identified some concept issues:

- Rotary has a great "brand" in the community, but
- People don't know if they can join if not in business.
- Rotary is perceived as a blokey thing.
- We need to identify what we do more successfully.

Pres Tony advised that the District meetings included a lot of 40ish female members.

Peter Stanton – 50% of people approached at the Fiji bucket collection did not know much about Rotary.

Cawas – we must advise the public how their contributions are being spent following a collection.

Colin Baxter – 1. We should advertise the fact that all our collection goes to the cause, no admin fee. 2. Satellite club could be attractive to the young people going through the various Rotary youth schemes.

Neville – we should list forthcoming events on the website (perhaps we do?).

Keith (still awake) -1. We should only pursue a Satellite club if it assists our club. 2. There is a webinar this week on starting a new club.

Stan – Stanmore medical centre has copies of club bulletins from the local club for anyone to

pick up – good promo.

Douglas – we need to ensure that the community is fully informed about where our their money is spent.

Tom reminded the club that about 7 members now live some distance away. It was immediately recognised that it would be useful to us Skype for some committee meetings.

Colin Sharpe underlined the need for a marketing director and recognised the work Carol had done to date in chasing the media.

Charlie was strongly in favour of using social media to get our message out.

John – need to brand our club as local to our patch so people associate with us.

(Apologies if I have offended, misquoted, underquoted or in any other way stuffed up these comments – my PI policy number is 1000000025).

Pres Tony pulled out his own number from the raffle. It is amazing how many times the drawer of the raffle has pulled out his/her own number isn't it?

Stanley skilfully won the heads and tails.

#### Tony Makin

















# Birthdays, Anniversaries and Humour

# **Birthdays**



Douglas Lam - 21st April Julianne Stanton - 21st April

# **Anniversaries**



Freeman's - 24th April

#### This Week's Humour

#### **Bulletin Editors Note:**

No contributions this week.

So, a singular joke from me and some Sudoku

If you do not like my joke then **please contribute** to avoid future occurrences.

#### **Two Firemen**

- Q. What do you call two Mexican firemen?
- A. Hose A and Hose B

#### Sudoku

I have attached a document containing two Sudoku Problems. Link is "<u>Two Sudoku Problems"</u> If you need a rating, then both are **HARD!** I took circa 20 minutes to solve each of these.

Logic is all you need to solve these puzzles. Guesswork is **not** required.

#### To the uninitiated:

Sudoku is a 9 by 9 grid. Each Column of 9 numbers, each Row of 9 numbers and each of the 9 3 by 3 sub grids must contain the numbers 1 to 9 (no missing numbers, no repeats)

Enjoy

# **Club Program**

		Club Program 2015-2016 Updated 5/4/2016	Partners
Apr-16		Maternal and Child Health	
Mon	4	Social Media in Rotary - Evan Burrell	
Tue	5	Membership Committee Meeting	
Wed	6	Club Board Meeting at Sharpe's	
Mon	11	Club Assembly also Partners Event Mah Jong at Coote's	
Wed	13	District Rotary Foundation Movie Night - "Eddie the Eagle"	
Mon	18	Combined Anzac Meeting with Lions Club of WPH&C at WPH Sports Club	
Wed	20	Garage Sale Meeting at Hansen's	
Mon	25	No Meeting ANZAC DAY	
May-16		Youth Services	
Mon	2	Australian Army from the inside - Julian Savio	
Tue	3	Membership Committee Meeting	
Fri	6	Ronald McDonald House - <b>Meals from the Heart</b> - 4pm to 10pm	
Mon	9	Motor Neurone Disease - Amelia Brock	
Wed	11	Club Board Meeting at Clarke's	
Mon	16	Looking for speaker	
Tue	17	Youth Committee Meeting	
Mon	23	Pride of Workmanship	Yes
Sun	29	Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal	
Sun	29	Vivid Sydney Bus trip inc arvo tea & dinner - leave 2pm home 10:30 pm	
Mon	30	No Meeting after Vivid Trip	
Tues	31	Membership Committee Meeting	
Jun-16		Rotary Fellowship	
Mon	6	Caught in the Nepal Earthquake - Jan Pryor	
Wed	Wed 8 Club Board Meeting at Turnbull's		
Mon	13		
Sat	18	Club Change over Amigos to Rosemary @ The Madison	Yes

Mon	20	No Meeting after Change Over	
Mon	27	Antarctica Talk and Video - Howard Fleming	
Jul-16			
Mon	4	Prevention of Domestic Violence	
Tue	5	Membership Committee Meeting	
Mon	11	Club Assembly	
Tue	12	Youth Committee Meeting	
Wed	13	Club Board Meeting	
Mon	18	CareFlight	Yes
Mon	25	Controlling and Managing Aged Care	
Aug-16	20	Controlling and Managing Aged Gare	
Mon	1	Looking for speaker	
Tue	2	Membership Committee Meeting	
Mon	8	Looking for speaker	
Wed	10	Club Board Meeting	
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Mon		Youth Night	
Mon	22	Looking for speaker	
Mon	29	Looking for speaker	
Sep-16	-		
Mon	5	Looking for speaker	
Tue	6	Membership Committee Meeting	
Mon	12	Looking for speaker	
Wed	14	Club Board Meeting	
Mon	19	Looking for speaker	
Mon	26	Looking for speaker	
Oct-16			
Sun	2	Bunnings BBQ - Dural	
Mon	3	No Meeting - Labour Day	
Tue	4	Membership Committee Meeting	
Sat	8	Garage Sale	
Sun	9	Garage Sale	
Mon	10	No Meeting after Garage Sale	
Tue	11	Youth Committee Meeting	
Wed	12	Club Board Meeting	
Mon	17	Looking for speaker	
Sat	22	Chinese Lantern Festival	
Mon	24	Looking for speaker	
Mon	31	Looking for speaker	
Nov-16			
Tue	1	Membership Committee Meeting	
Mon	7	Looking for speaker	
Wed	9	Club Board Meeting	
Mon	14	Looking for speaker	
Mon	21	Looking for speaker	
Mon	28	Looking for speaker	
Dec-16		<u> </u>	
Sat	3	Bunnings BBQ - Dural	
Mon	5	Looking for speaker	
Tue	6	Membership Committee Meeting	
Mon	12	Looking for speaker	
Wed	14	Club Board Meeting	
Mon	19	Looking for speaker	
Mon	26	No Meeting - Boxing Day	