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Meeting Apology

Please use the club website **before 3 pm** on meeting day to apologise or add a guest, or you will be required to reimburse the club for your meal cost.

<http://www.kuringgairotary.org.au>

This week

John Aitken 10 on me

Last Week

Changeover

Cheque for \$12, 266.55

President Caroline presenting a cheque for \$12,266.55 to Wendy Carver, Lifeline. This was half of the profit from BHCC



Ivan Cribb

Ivan responded to a Toast to our Club and referred to the 56 year of contribution we have made to the community in cluding Lifeline and Clarke Road School

Norris Dunn

I phoned Norris this week and I was saddened to learn he had his foot amputated from the heel forward. Norris still sounds very positive and cheerful but said he is physically weak.

Roger Desmarchelier

Roger our incoming President



Caroline Jones

Caroline or outgoing President. Caroline is a quiet achiever who put an active stamp on 1112 with her long list of achievements, including securing sponsors for BHCC and encouraging past members to attend the Changeover.

Caroline was assisted at the Changeover by the capable and humorous David Forsythe. Thank you Caroline for a good year



Best Wishes from Emyr

Dear Roger and Caroline

I didn't want the occasion to go by without my wishing you a most successful ChangeOver evening tomorrow. And loads of success to Roger of course during the incoming Rotary Year.

No doubt I'll hear all about it when I read next week's Koonga!

Roger Desmarchelier and Sakuji Tanaka

Sakuji Tanaka

President 2012.13

"Peace, in all of the ways that we can understand it, is a real goal and a realistic goal for Rotary," he said.

"Peace is not something that can only be achieved through agreements, by governments, or through heroic struggles. It is something that we can find and that we can achieve, every day and in many simple ways." Peace has different meanings for different people, Tanaka said.

"No definition is right, and no definition is wrong," he said. "However we use the word, this is what peace means for us.

"No matter how we use, or understand the word, Rotary can help us to achieve it," he added.

Tanaka, a businessman from the greater Tokyo metropolitan area, shared how becoming a Rotarian broadened his understanding of the world. After joining the Rotary Club of Yashio, in 1975, he said, he began to realize that his life's purpose was not to make more money, but to be useful to other people.

"I realized that by helping others, even in the simplest of ways, I could help to build peace," Tanaka said.

He noted that the Japanese tradition of putting the needs of society above the needs of the individual helped his country rebuild after the tsunami and earthquake in March.

"This is a lesson that I think the whole world can learn from, in a positive way. When we see the needs of others as more important than our own needs -- when we focus our energies on a shared goal that is for the good of all -- this changes everything," he said. "It changes our priorities in a completely fundamental way. And it changes how we understand the idea of peace."

Tanaka will ask Rotarians to focus their energy on supporting the three priorities of the RI Strategic Plan, he said. He added that he will ask the incoming leaders to promote three Rotary peace forums, to be held in Hiroshima, Japan; Berlin; and Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.

"In Rotary, our business is not profit. Our business is peace," he said. "Our reward is not financial, but the happiness and satisfaction of seeing a better, more peaceful world, one that we have achieved through our own efforts."

Changeover

John Dodd accepted a sizeable bequest from The Late Frank Fisher to Rotary Foundation

Pat and Stephen Fisher representing the Late Frank



Our ever helpful Mayor Jennifer Anderson



Three Paul Harris Awards

Geoff Hungerford



Peter Kipps



Tony McClelland



Page 1 Caroline's Annual Report

It has been a great honour to be President of such a wonderful Club and I would like to thank every member, past and present, and their partners for their enormous help and support to me during the year.

Such enthusiasm across all avenues of service resulted in our Club receiving a prestigious 2011–12 Change-maker Award from Rotary International for "making positive and significant changes in the community and the world".

These changes have been substantial. Moreover, our enormously successful Bobbin Head Cycle Classic, which jointly raised with the Rotary Club of Turramurra \$24,533 for Lifeline and Bo Hospital, did not prevent us from carrying out our normal projects. Our monthly Gordon Markets, for example, raised \$15,000, Bowelscan raised \$3,720 whilst we donated \$4,000 to ShelterBox and aided by a \$2,000 Simplified Grant we provided a much-needed bus for Eagles RAPS for \$4,000.

needed bus for Eagles RAPS for \$4,000. Members have worked extremely hard in promoting and supporting our Cycle Classic (even through the night), fundraising, encouraging our youth and raising Rotary awareness. Amongst others, Peter Kipps, Bob Ivey and Tony McClelland managed BHCC, its website and Koongga – for which we were runner-up to the prestigious Norm Roach Website Award – and worked on the club's finances and weekly set-up. Geoff Hungerford's secretarial, Gordon markets and audit work was also meritorious.

I have printed our calendar of events on the back cover of this Annual Report because it highlights in a very special and succinct way the complex, committed and continual involvement of Rotary Club of Ku-ring-gai members in projects across the board. It shows a full program of vocational, youth, international and community service, speakers, visits and projects and the amount of money which has been raised at each event. Membership has stabilised and two more have been welcomed into our Rotary family. The Club is strong and able to take on new members and projects safe in the capable hands of your new President.

HELP! Lifeline

URGENT!

DON'T GO TO THE GYM!

COME AND HELP AT THE LIFELINE BOOK-FAIR!

Dear Rotary and Rotaract members, friends and supporters,

We are beginning to get a bit anxious that we haven't heard back from you, whether you are able to help at our bookfair.

Our men need to know how many people are coming to help them.

We need lots of people to come:

To Knox College at 8.30 am on Friday 6 July - to unload trestle tables from trucks and set them up in the hall.

To Knox College at 9.00 am on Saturday 7 July - to unload boxes of books from trucks, and trolley them to tables.

To Knox College at 5.00 pm on Sunday 15 July - to load boxes of unsold books into trucks; and to load trestle tables into trucks - till about 8.00 pm.

To West Lindfield Lifeline Book Depot: (the old Scout Hall) at 5.30 pm on Sunday 15 July - to unload trestle tables and boxes of books into Scout Hall

Please bring yourselves, your friends, your strong sons and daughters.

More hands make light work

From Pat Skellet

Dear Tony , Many thanks as usual for the Koongga. I do enjoy keeping up with the progress of the Club even if I can't get along to meetings occasionally. I particularly liked this edition because it made me somewhat nostalgic reading the potted histories of Ted, Wally and yourself. I had recognised in the Kia advertisement Ted's pharmacy and reading his story about West Pymble took me back to the early years when we arrived there to set up house (1978) and became part of the community. I well remember Ivan forever chasing the people at the West Pymble Shopping Centre to let them know about Rotary and how chuffed he was when Ted finally relented and indicated a desire to join us. What a stalwart member of the community he has been. Also Wally, living all those years in the same community - he must know everything one in the district.

Tony, I see that you were born in Nundle - I did not know that before. I was born in Uralla, just up the road and after my parents moved to Brisbane we would regularly visit Uralla after the war years to catch up with the relatives and friends of my father. I used to love going to cattle sales in places like Inverell with my grandfather and uncle. Sadly it is many years since I last visited the New England and most of the relatives have either passed on or relocated with their families to the big cities.

Your life Tony has been full of ups and downs but you have stuck to your gun throughout it and best wishes to you for that. Rotary has much to thank you for, even if sometimes you made very clear your thoughts on what used to happen at District level.

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Jul	2	BM. John Aitken speaker
	9	
	16	
	23	Club Forum
	30	
Aug	6	BM. Bob Ivey speaker
	13	Rotary Awareness Night
	20	Wed.22nd. District Governor's Meeting. Hornsby RSL. replaces our 20th meeting
	27	
Sep	3	BM
	10	Tues 11th. Debate with Turramurra at their meeting. Replaces 10th meeting
	17	
	24	
Oct	1	Labour Day public holiday
	8	BM
	15	
	22	Club Forum
	29	
Nov	5	BM
	12	
	19	Rotary Awareness Night
	26	
Dec	3	BM
	10	
	17	Christmas Party
	24	Christmas Break
	31	Christmas Break
Jan	7	Christmas Break
	14	BM. Bowling Night
	21	Club Forum
	28	Theatre Night
Feb	4	BM
	11	
	18	Rotary Awareness Night
	25	
Mar	4	BM
	11	
	18	
	25	
Apr	1	Easter
	8	BM
	15	
	22	Club Forum
	29	
May	6	BM
	13	
	20	Rotary Awareness Night
	27	
Jun	3	BM
	10	Queens Birthday public holiday
	17	
	24	Changeover Night