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Welcome Rotarian Rob Hall!



President Tony McClelland, Adrienne Hall & Rob Hall

Last week President Tony inducted Dr Rob Hall as a member of the club. Rob started out in engineering, but changed to psychology. He has taught at every university in Sydney and now runs his own social research consulting company. His Rotary classification is 'Social Research' and he joins the club's Community Service Committee.

Rob's father was a member of the Rotary Club of Wallsend in Newcastle. Rob's earliest involvement with Rotary was when he was sponsored to attend the Rotary Youth Leadership Award program. He was also an Exchange Student to New Zealand. He was attracted to join our club by its range of projects (his wife, Adrienne, is a Lifeline counsellor and assistant to its CEO, Wendy Carver) and by its website, which he described as "a real cracker".

Welcome aboard, Rob and Adrienne!

Rotary International Convention

Greg and Joy Newling spoke enthusiastically of their experiences at Rotary International Conventions in Brisbane and Malmö and the friends they made there. They said being amongst 15,000 Rotarians and hearing world-class speakers was truly inspiring.

Register before the end of December to attend the RI Convention in Sydney next year!



Bobbin Head Cycle Classic



Peter Kipps reported that organisation of the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic, to be held on

Sunday, 23 March 2014, is in full swing. The fundraising target is \$181,000.

Permission has been given for up to 2,500 riders. There will be a choice of 4 rides - 12, 57, 80 and 104 km. The rides have been made easier by eliminating a difficult final hill. Registration will open in October and there will be a reduced 'early bird' entry fee.

The event has been given a nickname "The Bobbo" and a new tag line "Pedal To Save Lives". It is being promoted through FaceBook and Twitter, as well as through the BHCC website, flyer handouts at other cycling events, through bike shops and clubs, rider emails and banners and trailer signs.

Jack McCartney is managing sponsorships. Last year's lead sponsor, FIIG Securities Limited, has renewed its commitment. Other sponsors so far are Lady Davidson Hospital, Turramurra North Real Estate and Lively Pilates Studio.

Jack needs members' help to identify more potential sponsors. Greg Goodman found names on LinkedIn.

This Week's Meeting - Change Of Day and Venue

This week's club meeting will be held at the **Hornsby RSL Club on Tuesday, 24 September**. Consequently there will be no meeting at West Pymble Bicentennial Club on Monday, 23 September.

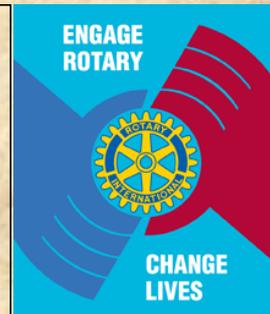
The meeting will be a joint meeting of northern Sydney Rotary clubs and is being held for the official visit of District Governor Graeme Davies. (The District is now so large that it's impractical for the DG to visit every club separately.)

Let's have a good turn out of our members to hear the latest news from our new District. It's business as usual, fellows!



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The club meets every Monday 6.30pm at West Pymble Bicentennial Club, 2 Prince of Wales Drive, West Pymble. Visitors welcome. www.kuringgairotary.org.au

Rotary International Theme 2013-2014

New Member Talks



Jack McCartney

Jack has been married for 20 years and has 2 children Caitlin (16) and William (13). He currently lives in Gordon, having largely grown up on Sydney's North Shore. He spent his last 3 years of high school in Orange to help him focus on studies, rather

than his promising surfing career.

His first job was working for his uncle who was responsible for bringing the Hobie Catamaran to Australia. Jack became a sponsored sailor and represented Australia where he ranked 9th in the world titles held at Tahiti.

Whilst he trained as an accountant, his career took off when he worked at Bankers Trust for 13 years, largely in Financial Services. He moved to Colonial First State to run their Corporate Superannuation business and stayed for 5 years before moving to the Commonwealth Bank for 7 years, where he ran their Wealth Management division in their Business Bank.

Jack was, and still is, an active sportsman (he is a regular cyclist) and has many injuries to show for it including screws in his ankle, a snapped achilles, meniscus operation in the knee, hamstring donor to his daughter and a hip resurfacing.

Some of his more memorable experiences have been walking the Kokoda Track, where he gained a deeper appreciation of the horrific experiences our young diggers went through.

He also had the opportunity to take his son to Arnhem Land, where they lived with a local Aboriginal clan, immersing themselves in their culture. More recently he cycled the French Alps where he did a stage of the Tour de France.

A restructure at work has provided Jack with an opportunity to re-think his priorities, which is the main reason he joined Rotary. He is hoping to make a contribution to the local community to help repay the good fortune he has experienced.



Greg Goodman

Greg is married to Anne and has 5 children and 5 grandchildren. Anne works with Lifeline at Gordon and is one of the Lifeline organisers of the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic bike ride, as well as a telephone counsellor. Anne is also a keen

bike rider and has completed the 100k ride twice.

Greg and his family have lived in Gordon for the last 22 years and previously lived on the upper North Shore and Northern Beaches.

He attended North Sydney Technical High school and Narrabeen Boys High, leaving at the end of year four before completing the leaving certificate. He completed a Commerce Certificate at Seaforth Technical College.

Greg had many junior accounting roles before settling into investment banking for around 25 years, including 22 years as a director and senior vice president at

Bankers Trust Australia. At Bankers Trust he held many positions including Chief Financial Officer, Company Secretary, Regional Head of Compliance, Head of HR, legal and tax.

Greg currently owns a recruitment agency, Compliance and Risk Management Recruitment, which specialises in compliance, audit and risk management. He also sits on boards and compliance, audit and risk committees, as well as consulting on governance, risk, compliance and ethics through his other business, Compliance Australia. He is passionate about the need for ethics in the workplace and recently managed an assignment for the NSW Public Service designing an ethical framework.

Greg's family history reflects a strong Italian link to his great grandfather, Lorete Antonio Buonomano, who settled in Sydney in 1893 from Ischia in the Bay of Naples. On his mother's side, his great grandfather was born in Piedmont in Northern Italy. The family had a long history with the Australian Navy and Greg's relatives changed their name to Goodman between the two world wars. The Buonomano family history can be traced back to Spain in the thirteenth century. His grandfather was mayor of North Sydney and a successful property investor.

Two of Greg's sons play rugby, one for Sydney University and the other for Knox Old Boys. All three of his sons went to Barker College. One of his sons, Stuart, was the Captain of the Australia A Schoolboys team in 2010. Greg has been involved with rugby as the Secretary of St Ives Juniors, Secretary of the Barker Rugby Club, as well as coaching and a managing a number of junior teams in the Gordon district. He is a level one coach and referee.

His hobbies are rugby union, gym and music, mainly jazz and blues.

A Date For Your Diary

MOVIE FUNDRAISER -DIANA

Hosted by the Rotary E-Club of Greater Sydney

**Sunday 27 October
6pm for a 7pm Screening**

Roseville Twin Cinemas

Tickets are only \$25 and available for online purchase
<http://eclubgreatersydney.eventbrite.com.au/>



Include nibbles, tea, coffee and soft drink on arrival.

Cash Bar and ATM facilities available .

All profits will be donated to our 2013/14 Major Project - Kisaru Nkera Initiatives
www.kinikenya.com

