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This week: joint meeting with Rotary Clubs of St Ives and Turramurra
6.30 for 7 pm Wednesday, 16 October
Pymble Golf Club, Cowan Road, St Ives

There will be no meeting at West Pymble Bicentennial Club on Monday, 14 October **BUT** members still need to record their apologies on the website **by 3 pm on Monday** if they are unable to attend the meeting on Wednesday.

Let's have a good turnout to meet the members of our partners in the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic project.

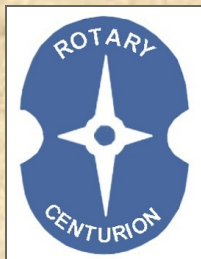
Our substitute Hat Day postponed



Did you wear a hat and make a gold coin contribution to Australian Rotary Health on Friday, 11 October? Well, whether you did or not, you'll still have the opportunity to do so at our club meeting on 18 November, when our guest speaker will be Terry Davies from Australian Rotary Health.

Rotary Centurion program

The Centurion Program is the Australian program that helps people to support the great work of the Rotary Foundation, Rotary's own charity. It gives Rotarians, friends and family an opportunity for personal giving of a tax deductible donation of \$100 for as long as you choose.



Donors receive a receipt from the Australian Rotary Foundation Trust and we can each make a choice to have the donation automatically debited to our credit card or to renew each year.

What happens to the money? Your contribution becomes part of the District Annual Giving Program which

means that half of your \$100 comes back to support District Foundation programs that support our club's activities.

New Centurions receive a Centurion badge when they join and renewal reminders are sent out soon after the start of the new financial year.

In the next few weeks Graham Timms will be pestering you to become a Centurion. It's important. Over the years our club has received many District and Foundation grants to carry out our projects – in fact far more than we have contributed.

All you have to do is fill out the form that he will give you. It's as simple as that.

Call for event organisers

Graham and Judy Timms are kindly providing the venue for our **International Night** on 4 November and Michael and Louise Tyler are hosting our **Christmas party** on 16 December.



Organisers for each event are required. Let's not leave it all to our hosts. Please put up your hand and pitch in. No previous experience required. Apply to President Tony now!

Rotary International Convention Host Hospitality Night Tuesday, 3 June 2014

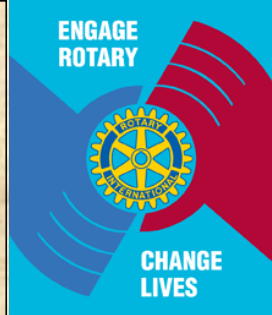
The Rotary International Convention is an unrivalled opportunity to get to know Rotarians from all over the world. Sydney Rotarians are being urged to get into the spirit of the convention by hosting visiting delegates for dinner on Tuesday, 3 June 2014 - whether at home or at a restaurant. You can register as a host online at <http://rotary2014.com.au/event/home-hospitality/>.



As an alternative to the official hospitality night program, Michael Tyler has suggested that all club members pro-

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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

vide home hosting for convention delegates and exchange their guests for dinner on Tuesday, 3 June.

The Tylers have already arranged to host 4 Rotarians from Colorado. Four other members of our club have indicated their interest in hosting visitors and exchanging guests for the Home Hospitality Night.

Will you join in too? If you are keen to do so, please register your interest with Michael.

Rotary International Convention Home Stay Hosting



Sydney Rotarians will be asked to host overseas Rotarians visiting for the International Convention from 1– 4 June 2014. Keep watch on the convention website to see when you can register your interest in providing home stay hosting. See <http://rotary2014.com.au/the-convention/home-hosting/>.

Last meeting's speaker



Ross Lambert Club Facebook page

Our scheduled speaker being indisposed, Ross Lambert stepped in at short notice to talk about the club's proposed Facebook page. Ross gave a short demonstration of Facebook

and made these points, amongst others:

- Facebook is the biggest business in the world. The club needs to be involved with it.
- Social media, including Facebook, has enormous usage and reach.
- 90% of people trust personal recommendations (e.g., 'liking' of Facebook pages). Only 14% of people trust advertisements.
- 1,500 'likes' have a potential reach of perhaps 500,000 people, thus getting messages out far more effectively than ordinary advertising.
- The club needs to be on Facebook to attract younger members.
- If the club can create interest in itself and its projects through use of social media, its membership will increase.
- The Facebook page will require interesting content in order to attract others.
- It is essential that members keep the Facebook page up to date and 'alive'.
- Currently only 9 members have Facebook pages.
- Facebook will only work for the club if the great majority of members actively participate in it by posting information on the club's page and 'liking' and commenting on others' posts.

School For Life Foundation

Did you miss our documentary on Channel 9? Here's your chance to see it again!

Due to the overwhelming response we received to our Channel 9 documentary 'We Built a School in Africa' on Saturday, we are delighted to invite you along to an exclusive screening of the show hosted by and including a Q&A with celebrity Sarah Harris.



The screening will be on 15th October at the Walsh Theatre, The Orpheum, 380 Military Road, Cremorne. Pre-drinks commence at 6:15pm for a 6:40pm screening and will be directly followed by an up close and personal insight with Sarah Harris about her trip to Uganda.

Tickets are \$20 and are available by through out [online store](#).

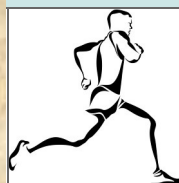
Annabelle Chauncy & Dave Everett
Founding Directors

Rotary Foundation dinner

The keynote speaker for the bi-district Foundation dinner on 18 November is RI President Elect Garry Huang. This is a great opportunity to to hear him speak and to meet him and his wife Corrine. If you are interested in the Foundation or the future direction of Rotary, register now at <http://www.crsadmin.com/EventPortal/Registrations/PublicFill/EventPublicFill.aspx?evtid=cf1c173e-59f7-4bb9-b5c6-cd1be743d51a>



Sports section



Are you finding it difficult to keep up with Peter Tang? Well, no wonder. He's probably the fastest Rotarian in our club without a bicycle.

Peter competed in the recent Sydney Half Marathon and recorded a personal best of 1:51:43, placing him 17th out of 2822 in his age group. That's impressive! Well done, Peter.

Did any other members or their family compete in the event?

Club shirts, caps and aprons

If you don't have a club shirt, cap or apron, apply to Roger Desmarchelier. He's giving them away!