



# K O O N G G A

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## This week: Billy Cantwell: Editing the North Shore Times

Billy Cantwell was born and raised in Ireland and came to Australia in 1987, keen to develop a media career.

In 1988, aged 23, he founded the Irish Echo, a newspaper for the Irish community in Sydney. The publication was soon expanded to other Australian cities and established itself as the journal of record for the Irish in Australia.

Billy settled in Balmain, married Kathy and raised three children.

In 2015, after steering the Irish Echo ship for 27 years, Billy decided to seek out other media opportunities and in July 2015 he became editor of the North Shore Times.

He will talk about the shifting media landscape, with particular reference to community journalism.



## Last week's guests & notices

### President Graham:

- Welcomed our guest speaker, Michael Harvey, and Joyce Cribb;
- Mentioned that the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic presentations will take place at a joint meeting of the four organising clubs at Pymble Golf Club on Wednesday, 18 May, so there will be no meeting of our club on Monday 16 May; and
- Encouraged members to attend the one day District Assembly at the Kings School Parramatta on Saturday, 16 April, to learn more about Rotary. (It's primarily for incoming board members, so others may have to register separately - contact President Graham if you are interested - Ed.)

### Tony McClelland:

- Announced that, following the retirement of the current Editor of Koongga at the end of June, Graham Timms

## Rotary monthly theme: Maternal & child health

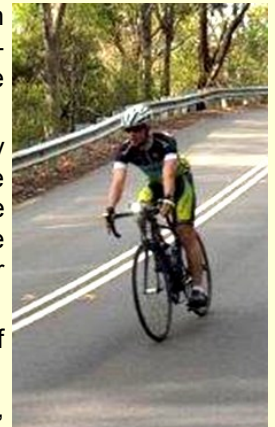
will write the reports of guest speakers' presentations and Geoff Hungerford will complete the sections on notices, rosters etc;

- Invited volunteers for the position of Editor;
- In the absence of any other volunteer, elected himself unopposed; and
- Announced that Koongga will change to a single column A5 format, making it easier to read on a screen.

Scarcely pausing, Tony went on to say:

- That invoices for the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic are still arriving and it is estimated that the funds raised will be \$130,000;
- Rider entries were diminished by another cycling event in Orange on the same day and by some potential riders preferring to take their families to the Easter Show;
- There was a "one off" cost of \$30,000 for new software;
- Thanks to all the key personnel, including:

Bob Elsworth	Marketing
Peter Kipps	Analytics
Jack McCartney	Sponsorship
Ross Egan	Logistics
John Aitken	Karuah site
Bob Ivey	Website
Geoff Hungerford	Trailers & banners
Lindsay Forrest	Team leader



Tony was reminded to thank himself for his work on registrations & finance.

**Malcolm Braid** reminded members of Dinners for 8 on Friday 8 - Sunday 10 April.

**Michael Midlam** spoke about the District Assembly and strongly recommended it to new members as a way to develop their knowledge about Rotary, the way that it is organised and operates and what it does.

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The club meets every Monday 6.30pm at Killara Golf Club, 556 Pacific Highway, Killara. Visitors welcome (Tel: 9498 2700). [www.kuringgairotary.org.au](http://www.kuringgairotary.org.au) 'Be a gift to the world' is the Rotary International President's theme for 2015-16

## Board meeting - Monday 11 April

All members are welcome to attend the club board meeting at Killara Golf Club at 5.30 pm on Monday, 11 April. Here's the agenda:

**Minutes of previous meeting:** 14<sup>th</sup> March, 2016

Matters arising from the Minutes

### Correspondence

For discussion

### Accounts

Project Account

General Account

Speaker Payment

Polio plus payment

### Membership

### Foundation

### Avenues of Service

### Projects

International – Laos Water Project

International – Budget review – Nepal, School for Life, Shelterbox, Fiji

Youth – Clarke Road bus

Community

### General Business

## International women's day at Katuuso



March 8th marked International Women's Day, and it appears we're not the only ones to appreciate our female staff. Unbeknownst to the women, the male teachers threw a surprise party for the ladies in honor of their day, complete with an extravagant home-cooked meal, music and dancing. Not only that, but each man decided to "partner" with a woman to ensure that her every need was met for the day. Needless to say the ladies were beyond touched by such a thoughtful gesture.

## A woman multiplies the investment made in her future

Development programs that invest in women's futures, be it through education, health or income-generating activities, have been internationally proven to yield effects that extend far beyond the individual.

When women are educated and have control over income, earnings are first spent on families. The benefits are realized by entire communities: **child health and nutrition improve, school enrollment rates increase, agriculture productivity rises and economies grow.**

The United Nations (2008) affirms that investing in fem-

ale education has 'a multiplier effect' on productivity, efficiency and sustained economic growth. When 10% more girls go to school, a country's GDP increases by 3% (USAID).

**Women reinvest 90% of their income into their families and communities**, spreading prosperity and driving change for future development. Meanwhile, men are found to reinvest only 30% to 40% of their income (Ernst & Young, 2011)

**School for Life has seen the 'multiplier effect' in action.** We have witnessed the far-reaching impact of increased access to education, skills and basic resources for women in the community. Female vocational students and employees pay SFL's investments forward, building strong families and an even stronger Katuuso village. **Meet the 'evidence'...**



### Teddy Namatoyu, KUMI Tailoring Project Participant

Teddy is 31 years old. She is the mother of five children, four of whom attend Katuuso Primary School and one in secondary school. She and her husband farm two acres of land which supplies fluctuating revenue. Participation in the KUMI Tailoring Project has secured income to reliably pay for school fees, nutritious meals, and renovations to the family home.

Teddy has gained a great deal of self-esteem from her ability to support her family; she takes pride in independently financing the education of all five children. She enjoys making clothes for them with her newly acquired skills.

Teddy has also been working on her numeracy and administration skills. She was appointed Treasurer of the tailoring group and will be responsible for keeping records of their savings.

## Opportunity to help Lifeline

Hello everyone,

We have an exciting volunteer opportunity for someone to make a real difference at Lifeline H2H in the role of Media Specialist. We are looking for someone who can generate creative, persuasive copy for media and help with developing our organisation's relations with local media.

If you have or know someone that has excellent professional writing and grammar skills, this role will allow you to really make a difference, by using your skills to support and promote your local Lifeline's fundraising

activities, events, and crisis prevention services.

If you can help us in this way, do send us an Expression of Interest and some details about your experience. If you have any queries, please contact Wendy Carver via [wendy.carver@lifelineh2h.org.au](mailto:wendy.carver@lifelineh2h.org.au) or 0412 416 535.

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## ***Dinners for 8 - first off the blocks***



The best part of the first 'Dinner for 8' to get a report in to Koongga was seeing Peter Kipps well on the road to recovery following his recent operation.

## ***Last meeting: Michael Harvey: The creation of Action Stations***



Michael Harvey is Assistant Director of Public Engagement and Research – Australian National Maritime Museum ('ANMM'). He is vitally concerned with the question how to attract more visitors.

The ANMM has 4 key ships: the Endeavour replica, HMAS Vampire (the last of the 'big gun' destroyers, a sister ship of the Voyager), HMAS Onslow (an Oberon class submarine) and the patrol boat HMAS Advance.

In 2012 all visitors could do was walk onto and around the ships, without any introduction or explanation of their special significance, unless they met a museum volunteer for a guided tour.

The international fleet review in October 2013 celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Royal Australian Navy ('RAN'). It coincided with the 100th anniversary of AN-ZAC ('Army Corps'), which overshadows the fact that the first Australian service personnel killed in World War I were sailors in the action between HMAS Sydney and the German cruiser Emden.

ANMM sought to create a new introduction to the RAN for visitors. It began by asking them what they knew and wanted to know. They knew little. They didn't understand the RAN's role in protecting overseas trade or the significance of the Cold War and the RAN's part in it. They didn't want to read information; they wanted to try things and challenge themselves.

ANMM needed to create a new Visitor Centre, to replace several 'temporary' shipping containers that had served

that function for 16 years. Architects designed the centre; ANMM had to design the interior displays.

Michael and his team set out to tell a story. The challenge was how to create an experience for visitors. They turned to film, inspired by the effect of movies such as 'Sink the Bismarck' and 'The Hunt for Red October'.

Using a single long screen, the team developed stories centred around imaginary actions involving each ship. Each movie is no more than 4 minutes long and is a different film genre for each ship.

The film for the Vampire simulates an attack on an enemy ship; the film for the Oberon shows it sneaking up and photographing the enemy ship. (The Advance film is yet to be made.)

The team was advised by the RAN and former RAN personnel (including former commanders of the ships). It was essential that every detail be accurate. The RAN provided 60 personnel for the project.



Visitors re-enact what they see in the films when they get on the ships. The films are supplemented by interactive displays in the middle of the Visitor Centre, one of the most interesting exhibits being a torpedo (an item which was not easy to source).

Michael commented on the importance of food in maintaining the morale of RAN personnel. He also noted that the stories told by the museum volunteers are the single most important part of visitors' experience.

ANMM is now studying how visitors interact with the various aspects of the Visitors Centre and the ships, with a view to making improvements.

Michael concluded by drawing attention to the ANMM's Classic and Wooden Boats Festival on Friday 15 - Sunday 17 April.

## ***Next week: Ken Zulumovski: Gamarada community healing and leadership initiatives***

'Gamarada' is a men's group which emerged out of recognition of unmet needs and lost potential among men in Redfern. It is a community driven program which provides a safe way for indigenous men to come together to heal themselves and aid in the healing of others.

Traditional healing methods form the core of the program, with some eastern and western influences. Throughout the program there is also an emphasis on practical techniques, including stress and anger management and the promotion of life skills.

Ken Zulumovski, managing director of the company that runs the program, will tell us how it operates and benefits the participants and the wider community.

# RUMORS BY NEIL SIMON

KU-RING-GAI TOWN HALL  
15 APR - 7 MAY  
[www.epicentretheatre.org.au](http://www.epicentretheatre.org.au)



**A comedy directed by Margaret Olive**

**Ku-ring-gai Town Hall, 1186 Pacific Highway Pymble  
15 April-7 May 2016**

**Performances:**

**Friday evenings 7.30pm Saturday matinees 2pm  
Saturday evenings 7.30pm Sunday matinees 6pm**

Four well-to-do couples are invited to the 10th anniversary celebration of Charlie and Myra Brock. They arrive at intervals to the party, only to find a rapidly developing set of unexpected, unlikely and disturbing circumstances. Suddenly, eight successful professionals become eight scrambling lunatics running for cover, and turning on each other at a moment's notice.

Formerly based in the city, Epicentre Theatre is a small professional theatre company which is now making Ku-ring-gai Town Hall their home.

**Tickets: \$28 (Adult), \$24 (Concession), \$150 (table of 6)**

Book at [www.epicentretheatre.org.au/rumors](http://www.epicentretheatre.org.au/rumors) or call 0407 589 281.

**Patrons are seated at tables for the shows and are encouraged to come early and to bring a picnic meal and drinks before the show. BYO alcohol is permitted. Tables are wheel chair accessible.**



**EAGLES RAPS**  
TOGETHER WE SOAR

## SPECIAL INVITATION

# 2016 FUNDRAISER FOR EAGLES RAPS



Many changes have happened in 2015/16 thanks to your generous support which has ensured our continued ability to work with our young people.

With your continued support in 2016 Eagles RAPS can become a registered school in early 2017. Join us in April to learn more, have fun, entertainment, lucky door prizes, raffles and auctions. Get involved and meet, ambassador for Eagles RAPS Inc Mark "FROSTY" Winterbottom, 2015 V8 Supercars Champion.

**DATE:** Thursday, April 21st 2016  
**TIME:** 6.00pm  
**VENUE:** Lily's restaurant  
162 Prospect Highway Seven Hills  
**COST:** \$60.00 per head

Wine, beer, soft drinks and canapés will be provided.  
The evening will be MC'd by Dr. Jim Taggart OAM and Tony Eades  
Purchase tickets or make a donation on [www.eaglesraps.org](http://www.eaglesraps.org)

Proudly sponsored by:



Eagles RAPS is a service for 'disadvantaged youth' that wish to complete their year 10 certificate and further education with the assistance of the mother and son team Sally Wynd and Scott Dent. This is all made possible from the support of the distance education programs through TAFE NSW and the funds raised by the staff, friends of the association and community members.  
Visit [www.eaglesraps.org](http://www.eaglesraps.org) for more info.

This not for profit organisation is for disadvantaged youth who want to achieve a brighter future for themselves.

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

If you are unable to attend this great event but want to help young kids achieve a brighter future, we welcome your donation

### YOU CAN FORWARD DONATIONS DIRECT TO:

**ACCOUNT NAME:** Eagles RAPS Inc.  
**BSB:** 062 293  
**ACCOUNT NUMBER:** 1015 1662

\$50    \$65    \$100    \$200    other

Thank you for making a difference in young lives.

For further information please contact Marten on 0418 464365 or [marten@eaglesraps.org](mailto:marten@eaglesraps.org)

## Calendar of events

April	11	Billy Cantwell: Editing the North Shore Times
	18	Ken Zulumovski: Gamarada Universal Indigenous Resources
	25	No meeting (Anzac Day)
May	2	Katie Miller-Crispe: Creating Operantics
	9	Debate with Lindfield Rotary Club (topic TBA)
	16	No meeting (meeting deferred to Wednesday 18 May)
	18	(Wednesday) Bobbin Head Cycle Classic presentations
	23	
	30	
June	6	
	13	No meeting (Queen's birthday)
	20	
	27	Club changeover
July	4	
	11	
	18	
	25	
August	1	

## Club officers and committee chairmen 2015-16

### Board of directors

<b>President</b>	Graham Timms
<b>Vice President</b>	John Aitken
<b>Immediate Past President</b>	Tony McClelland
<b>President Elect</b>	Michael Midlam
<b>Secretary</b>	Geoff Hungerford
<b>Treasurer</b>	Graham Maslen
<b>Director - Membership</b>	Tony McClelland
<b>Director - Public Relations</b>	Roger Desmarchelier
<b>Director - Club Administration</b>	Michael Midlam
<b>Director - Service Projects</b>	John Aitken
<b>Director - Rotary Foundation</b>	Peter Tang

### Service committee chairmen

<b>Administration (Club Service)</b>	Michael Midlam
<b>Vocational Service</b>	Lindsay Forrest
<b>Community Service</b>	Roger Desmarchelier
<b>International Service</b>	Georgina Manning
<b>Youth Service</b>	Linda Lam-Rohlfs
<b>Social events</b>	Joy Newling
<b>Bobbin Head Cycle Classic</b>	Tony McClelland
<b>Sergeant-at-Arms</b>	Malcolm Braid
<b>Assistant Secretary</b>	Lindsay Forrest
<b>Assistant Treasurer</b>	Chris Lewis

## Club committees 2015-16

**Administration:** Michael Midlam, Geoff Hungerford, Rob Hall (Program), Bob Ivey (Web and social media), Graham Maslen, Michael Tyler (Koongga)

**Bobbin Head Cycle Classic:** Tony McClelland, John Aitken, Ross Egan, Bob Elsworth, Peter Kipps, Graham Timms

**Club History:** Malcolm Braid, Tom Jackson

**Community:** Roger Desmarchelier, Gary Dawson, Ross Egan (Daffodil Day), Chris Hoch (Red Shield), Nick Kenyon, Ted Price

**International:** Georgina Manning, Roger Desmarchelier, Emyr Evans, Dilys Geddes, Rob Hall, Graham Maslen, Greg Newling

**Membership:** Tony McClelland, Ken Sackville

**Public Relations:** Roger Desmarchelier, Linda Lam-Rohlfs, Georgina Manning,

**Rotary Foundation:** Peter Tang, Lindsay Forrest, Chris Hoch, Greg Newling

**Social Events:** Joy Newling, Ross Egan, Dilys Geddes, Georgina Manning,

**Vocational:** Lindsay Forrest, Lou Coenen, David Forsythe, Peter Kipps, Michael Tyler

**Youth:** Linda Lam-Rohlfs, Anil Fulwaria, Gary Keating, Chris Lewis, Matt Mahjoub, Joy Newling, Don Riddell