



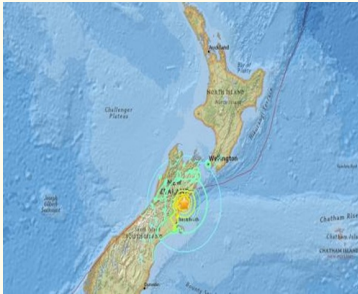
# K O O N G G A

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## ROTARY NEW ZEALAND - EARTHQUAKE APPEAL



**New Zealand** was hit by a 7.5 magnitude earthquake at 12.02 am on 14 November 2016. Fortunately major damage to communities was limited in the main to the South Island town of Kaikoura and surrounding districts.

Kaikoura, a coastal tourist town is situated 180 kms north of Christchurch and has a population of approx. 2000.

Following inquiries from within New Zealand and overseas an Appeal has been set up

Rotary New Zealand will be working with members of the New Zealand Disaster Relief Forum to provide any support that is called for. Any specific concerns as to welfare of people etc. email [info@rnzwcs.org](mailto:info@rnzwcs.org)

Kaikoura and surrounding districts which is in District 9970 does not have a Rotary club. Appeal funds will be distributed to community activities resultant from the Earthquake as approved by District Governor 9970.

### Four Donation Options Quoting Activity No. 999

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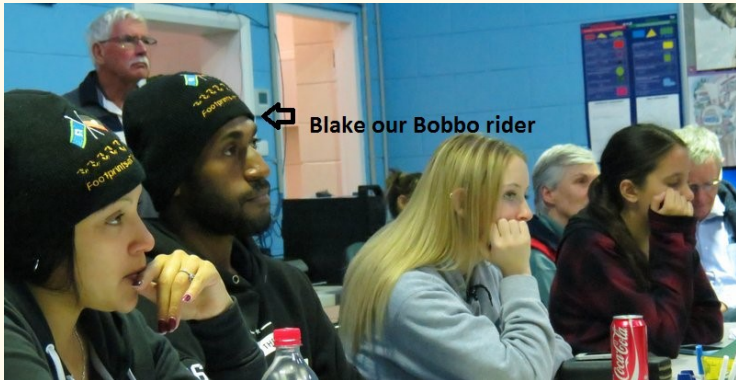
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## EaglesRAPS at Bobbo

Ku ring gai Club is sponsoring an EaglesRAPS student to ride in Bobbo 2017.

Today we registered Blake Pynor in the 80K ride.

We assisted Blake with some bicycle parts and repairs to get him started with training and we hope he does well in the ride



## Lifeline driver wanted

We received a call from Bob, the Manager at the Lifeline Op Shop at Asquith with a request for assistance

A couple of the drivers he uses have left and he is seeking volunteers to drive the van to collect clothes from the collection bins in the Ku ring gai area.

He suggested this could be an opportunity for people to spend a half day a week/month.

If you might have a few hours a week/month or whatever, please give Bob a call at Lifeline on mob [0418 222 069](tel:0418222069)

Ross Warden from the Rotary Club of Turrumurra has been helping with the van and collections

## International night

### International night 36 acceptances so far

This is a reminder about our **International Night on Monday, 21 November** at the home of **Georgina Manning, 37 Woodville Road, Wahroonga**.

It will be a night of fun, fellowship and fundraising so bring your partner and come and join us.

Time is 6.30 for 7, cost is \$30 each. BYO wine/soft drink

Last Monday night I circulated a list for you to advise if you were coming, and to nominate which **International food dish** you would like to bring. Choices are:

Dip, cheese, savouries, nibbles

Main dish – meat, fish, salad, vegetarian etc

Dessert

Please bring a small sign/label to say what your dish is so others know.

If you weren't there or didn't nominate a dish, please email me and let me know. We only have one more meeting before this popular event and there is a lot to finalise.

Many thanks, Joy Ph: 9487 2338, [0400 305 370](tel:0400305370)

## Announcements

**Malcolm Braid**— [www.rvfr-aus.org.au](http://www.rvfr-aus.org.au) address of his Caravan Group where their magazine can be found. Malcolm was with the Muster group which travelled to Mission Beach and back through Charters Towers, Emerald etc

### **White Ribbon day (Domestic Violence) Michael Midlam**

The list of people collecting for White Ribbon Day are:

10:00-12:00 Graham and Anne Maslen Geoff Hungerford

12:00-2:00 Emyr Evans

2:00-4:00 Tony McClelland Peter Kipps

There will be a table set up outside the entrance to the Event Cinemas. I will be there all day.

We could use another person on the 12:00-200 shift. Please contact me if you are interested.

## Announcements

**The Eagles Raps Christmas party** for the students is Wednesday 14 December. We are catering, and the menu is as follows:

Roast Pork  
Turkey Roll  
Ham  
Baked vegies pumpkin, carrots, sweet potato  
Cauliflower/broccoli in cheese sauce  
Potato Bake  
Peas/beans  
Fruit tray  
Paddle pops

We need people to cook, and bring food to Eagles. I will buy all the food and deliver it to whoever can cook and take it to Eagles. I will be doing the Ham and Potato Bake. I will be handing out a sign up sheet at tomorrow's meeting. If you will not be at the meeting and would like to help, please contact me. We will be cooking for about 35 in total.

Regards, Mike Midlam

### **NOTICE TO MEMBERS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Rotary Club of Ku-ring-gai Inc  
Monday 5th December 2016, 7.30pm  
Killara Golf Club

Notice will also be sent to Members e mail addresses and include relevant papers and nomination form for 2017/18 Directors

### **District 9685 Conference**



Early Bird Registration Lucky Draw

**Register and fully pay** for your Conference registration **before 31st December 2016** and go into the Draw to be **one of four** lucky delegates receive your Conference Registration refunded\* – so you can attend the Conference for free!

\* Early Bird Lucky Draw Winners will either be Platinum or Day Delegates – Platinum Delegates will be refunded \$150 and Day Delegates will be refunded \$100.

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**BBQ at markets** made approx \$150

## Short Steps - Small Grants

### Chris Curtis Lane Cove Rotary 2010.

There is so much need in the world it is often difficult to know where to begin.

That was the problem facing my club, **Lane Cove Rotary 2010.**

We had had been to such places as New Guinea and Nepal to do hands-on work under the old FAIM scheme (remember that?), but many people in need had been building things for centuries, what they lack are the resources to progress in other ways.

In 2010, I joined an NTA monitoring tour (more about the NTA later), to Eastern Indonesia and was very impressed with how things were done.

The concept of small manageable projects, good documentation and supervision, training, a review and reporting system, it was all there, it just needed to be put into a Rotary project context. I suggested a concept to my club and the rest is history, as they say.

So where exactly is the project located?

You may have an idea where Darwin lies on the map and may even have been to Bali at some time. If so, then you could have flown over parts of Nusa Tenggara Timur (NTT).

Flores Sumba and West Timor are the main islands and there are many smaller ones. It is part of the string of islands stretching east from Bali. Kupang, the capital in West Timor is about 840km from Darwin. On older English maps, the group is known as The Lesser Sunda Islands.

On the slide are some facts about the province and its people **Population. 6 million** people, about 90% Christian.

Annual income is about 1/3 of the Indonesian average.

Child malnutrition, growth problems and mortality are high because of lack of clean drinking water, sanitation and health facilities, and less than 40% children attend school. 80 children a year are reported to die of malaria.

Farming families on these islands survive at subsistence level in most cases. Cash producing crops are: Cocoa, coconuts, cashews, pigs, some cattle and rice, seaweed.

Water problems exist because of irregular rainfall and the lengthy dry sea-



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son. Sinking wells is often useless because of the local geology, which is often derived from uplifted coral reefs. Where wells are possible on the island fringes, they often use the same water strata as the septic toilet systems causing health problems.

[Graphic 3. Group at Kupang] Chris Curtis, Moira De Voss, Mary Bryant, Val Samuelson This slide shows is a small group of Rotarians from different clubs in NSW, at Kupang airport. We toured the project in 2015. This option is open to anyone with an interest, as I will explain a little later.

Kupang in West Timor, by the way, has a long history with Australia. It is where Captain Bligh landed in 1789 after been set adrift from the Bounty. After 6 weeks in an open boat with

16 of his crew, he landed in Kupang which was then a Dutch colony. It was a brilliant display of seamanship not yet discovered by Hollywood. As you know Bligh went on to become the 4th Governor of colonial Australia.

Kupang is also the place where Australian Sparrow force commandos landed in WWII to try to push the Japanese off the island. There is monument to them not far from the town.

[Graphic 4. Typical Small Projects]

In essence, our Small Grants Project raises money and funds specific small projects on farms and in schools in Eastern Indonesia.

Grants are generally about \$500 or less, and cover these types of projects;

### Farms

- Water tanks
- Wells
- Ablution blocks
- Farm training
- Agricultural advise

### Schools

- Library construction.
- Furniture
- Fences
- Librarian training

The people of the region are generally industrious and ready to accept new ideas. They have a traditional self-help system of cooperatives called ke-lompoks. These are groups of farmers or school groups similar to our P&C. This helps us a lot, as we want a project that is sympathetic to the culture and traditions of the people.

The Small Grants are made to these groups, rather than to individuals. When a Small Project is accepted for support, materials and project advice is provided, but the work is carried out by the Kelompok. This ensures that

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"ownership" of the project remains with the people and long term maintenance is ensured.

[Graphic 5. Typical kelompok Ternak Otan II

Most kelompoks don't have signs but this one tells us something about what they do. It is called Kelompok Cattle Farming Otan 1.

You can see that they have a membership of 21 and that they are involved in, cattle, fishing, seaweed, vegetables and forestry.

Interesting to note that the seaweed was introduced under the scheme I am describing, although not by Rotary at the time.

[Graphic 6. Coffee Demplotl

The needs of the people start with farm productivity and water supply and lead to school equipment and facilities. Farm productivity is important because it is a precursor for so many other things. With a little extra cash, farmers can allow their children to attend school, for example. Improved water supply leads to better sanitation and improved health.

[Graphic 9. School furniture] Better school facilities lead to better school attendance and educational results.

[Graphic 7. Water tank] Water equals hygiene as well as irrigation. Where the land does not provide because of the geology, tanks can fill the gap.

[Graphic 8. Two toilets]

These toilets might seem crude to us but are actually clean and efficient. [Graphic 9. Grass school library and furniture]

[Graphic 10. Another school furniture case.]

[Graphic 11. Kewatate school library and training]

[Graphic 12. Weaving] A little extra cash can make a big difference. Perhaps enough to send the kids to school.

So much for the small projects on farms and schools, let's go to our Rotary project.

A Unique Rotary Project!

As Rotary projects go, this one is probably unique, in that each year a new group of small projects to fund is selected. So that the encompassing "Rotary Project" is renewed, each year from a new mix of numerous small farm or school projects.

Last year we funded over 40 small projects in farms and schools to a value of \$12,000, for example.

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The NTA

Remember earlier that I mentioned the Nusa Tenggara Association, the NTA?

The NTA is an Australian Non Government Organisation, (an NGO) based in Canberra. It has worked in Eastern Indonesia since 1988. It is a fully accredited aid agency, mostly staffed by volunteers and partly funded by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). Further background information can be found on their website.

The NTA are our small grants facilitators. They do the organising, the training, sourcing of advisors, like agricultural field officers from the Indonesian Agricultural Department, and librarian training experts.

The NTA conducts a four-week project monitoring tour to Indonesia twice each year, usually in November and June. In each four-week period, more than 150 kelompoks, including about 50 schools, are visited and the members interviewed. Each kelompok will have one or more small projects in progress. And most importantly to us - produce a detailed report on each small project, its cost and successful completion. In addition, in each four-week monitoring period, they also hold two training seminars to help the kelompoks to plan and manage projects and to make submissions for grants.

The Rotary Small Grants Project is set up to engage with the NTA. Our management committee selects from the NTA small projects list and offers to support specific projects up to a value that we nominate. Because of the NTA monitoring system timetable, we usually operate from April to April each year.

(By the way, they welcome other individuals and groups to join them on these trips. It is how I became involved.)

[Graphic 13. Kelompok meeting]

This slide shows a typical review meeting. One of the 150 or more conducted in the 4-week tour. In each kelompok the format is similar;

Review the history of past and current grant projects. • Discuss and consider new grants.

Inspect the results of the grants already completed and,

In the case of farms, to advise the farmers on better farming methods and arrange for training where necessary.

In the case of schools, to discuss school needs like furniture, fencing to restrict wandering animals, libraries and librarian training.

All of these training opportunities are set up by NTA,



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Don't be misled by the hospitality shown here: Wonderfully friendly as it is: If you ask for another cup of tea. The lady of the house will need to go to a kitchen like this:

[Graphic 14. Typical kitchen]

No microwave oven or electric jug here!

Fellows and guests before I conclude, I would like to leave you with this final picture and focus on our purpose.

[Graphic 15. Woman at well]

**Water, sanitation, public health and education** for some of our nearest neighbours. Our volunteers have seen how effective the Small Grants Project can be. There are many demands on our Rotary dollars and a lot of need in the world, but a "small step" donation can result in another child going to school, and may even save a life. Great progress can be made with small steps.

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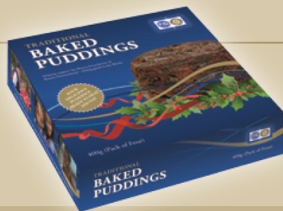
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## Calendar of events

21-Nov	International evening	
28 Nov	100 years of Rotary Foundation cele-	

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## Door Team

Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb
Dawson	Aitken		
Mahjoub	Kipps		

<b>President</b>	Michael Midlam
<b>Vice President</b>	John Aitken
<b>Immediate Past President</b>	Graham Timms
<b>President Elect</b>	Malcolm Braid
<b>Secretary</b>	Lindsay Forrest
<b>Treasurer</b>	Chris Lewis
<b>Director</b>	Greg Newling
<b>Director</b>	Linda Lam Rolfs
<b>Service committee chairpersons and committees</b>	
<b>Administration (Club Service)</b>	Gary Keating
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<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>	Graham Timms
<b>Club committees</b>	
<p><b>Administration:</b> Gary Keating, Geoff Hungerford, Rob Hall (Program), Bob Ivey (Web and social media), Graham Maslen, Tony McClelland (Koongga)</p> <p><b>Bobbin Head Cycle Classic:</b> Tony McClelland, John Aitken, Ross Egan, Bob Elsworth, Peter Kipps, Michael Midlam, Gary Keating</p> <p><b>Club History:</b> Malcolm Braid, Tom Jackson</p> <p><b>Community:</b> Roger Desmarchelier, Gary Dawson Rob Hall Geoff Hungerford (Gordon Markets) Gary Keating Ross Egan (Daffodil Day) Chris Hoch (Red Shield) Anil Fulwaria Nick Kenyon Ted Price Cathy Jackson</p> <p><b>International:</b> Georgina Manning, Rob Hall, Graham Timms, Graham Maslen, Greg Newling, Anil Fulwaria, Emyr Evans</p> <p><b>Membership:</b> Tony McClelland,</p> <p><b>Public Relations:</b> Emyr Evans, Georgina Manning,</p> <p><b>Rotary Foundation:</b> Chris Hoch, Peter Tang, Lindsay Forrest, , Greg Newling</p> <p><b>Social Events:</b> Joy Newling, Ross Egan, Georgina Manning,</p> <p><b>Vocational:</b> LOU Coenen, David Forsythe, Peter Kipps, M Tyler</p> <p><b>Youth:</b> Linda Lam-Rohlfs, , Cathy Jackson, Gary Keating, Chris Lewis, Matt Mahjoub, Andrew Marselos, Joy Newling, Don Riddell</p>	