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Sergeant is sure to.

This week's speaker

Terry Davies What is Australian Rotary Health?



When did Australian Rotary Health start? Where is it

based? What does it do? How does it work? What has it achieved? How is it funded?

If you don't know the answers to these questions or if you have other questions, come along and get the answers direct from ARH's corporate manager.

Terry is a Rotarian and also Foundation Supervisor with the Rotary Foundation.

Hat Day



This week's meeting is also our postponed 'Hat Day' in support of Australian Rotary Health, so remember to wear your favourite or most unusual hat and make a gold coin donation to the cause. (Hatless attendees will be expected to donate as well,

on the grounds of their failure to join in the fun.)

sending ShelterBoxes to house more than 5,000 people made homeless by Typhoon Haiyan the Philippines

Last week President Tony read out this email from Annabelle Chauncy:

School For Life Foundation

Ivey and Ross Lambert. Koongga hopes that you collected an advertising fee from the chemist. If not, the

STOP PRESS: ShelterBox Australia has in place or is

"I just wanted to pass on my sincere thanks to you and the whole of Rotary Ku Ring Gai for having me on Monday evening and also for so generously fundraising on our behalf. It's such a privilege to be involved with you all and we are grateful for every bit of support you provide us.

Congratulations on such a fun and successful evening and please thank all those involved in making it possible.

I look forward to visiting when I return from Uganda.

Warm regards

Annabelle"

See Annabelle interviewed on 'Weekend Today' and do your Christmas shopping at http://schoolforlife.org.au/



Bushfire appeal & ShelterBox

Despite appearances, these Rotarians (yes, we can see you hiding behind the poster, Ross Lambert) and Rotaractors were selling



raffle tickets to raise funds for bushfire victims (as well as taking donations for ShelterBox) on Saturday.

Well done John Aitken, Ross Egan, Dilys Geddes, Bob

Cycling club membership drive

Less than half way through his Presidential year, having already inducted 5 members of his cycling club as Rotarians at the rate of 1 a month, President Tony is starting to run out of candidates. So he needs your help to recruit new members to his cycling club. Existing Rotarians need not apply. Tony will also accept nominations of non-cyclists as members of our club. So who do you know who would make a good Rotarian?

Thanks to international night helpers

Judy Timms thanks Anne Maslen, Joy Newling & Louise Tyler for their help at the club's international night.

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ENGAGE ROTARY CHANGE LIVES

Rotary International Theme 2013-2014

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

I told you so



President Tony announced that, to make up for 36 lost years when he refused all board positions, he's gladly accepted the position of President For Life of the club.

He's really taken to this President lark, hasn't he? Well, there goes his shot at being District Governor. (What's District's loss is our gain.) Somebody challenge him for 2015-16, please!

Gang of three

President Tony thanked Vice President John Aitken and Secretary Geoff Hungerford for their absolute dependability in fulfilling their respective



roles (John as co-ordinator of the club's service committees). Tony disclosed that his continuation as President is conditional on their continuation in their positions. So if you want to take over any of those roles, you'll have to arrange for all 3 to be purged.

Christmas stocking filler - raising funds for Guide Dog training



From Caroline Jones: The Landings Choir's recipe book is selling for \$15 a copy and all profits go to the training of Guide Dogs. Our recipe books would make tremendous stocking fillers for Christmas and the reci-

pes are delicious too! Contact me for your copies now.

The Landings Choir began five years ago. A group of residents from The Landings Retirement Village meet at the clubhouse every Tuesday afternoon from 2–3pm and then enjoy afternoon tea together. From a small number of enthusiastic singers, the group has expanded to 30 and it is still growing.

The Landings Choir has rapidly become part of the neighbourhood and periodically accompanies Sunday afternoon worship at Lady Davidson chapel and at The Landings' ecumenical service.

Choir members have rummaged through their cookbooks for old family favourites and collated them into

this recipe book. Having recently visited the Guide Dogs Training Centre, the Choir hopes to donate profits from the sale of the cookbook to this worthwhile organisation.



Bobbin Head Cycle Classic

Marketing for the BHCC is underway with the Turramurra, St Ives and Ku-ring-gai Rotary clubs along with the receiving charities all participating in an across-Sydney marketing plan.

Each club and charity has been allocated a number of council areas to



target and teams are being coordinated to ensure the tasks are undertaken in line with the timetable.

The objectives for each team are to visit all bike shops, community shopping centres, coffee shops on recognised bike rides and the local council with BHCC flyers and other information. In addition we need to enquire from each council whether it has provision for banners to be installed for a period leading up to the BHCC. Geoff Hungerford is coordinating the banners for all clubs and charities.

This year our club has Ryde, Parramatta, Sydney CBD, Holroyd and Penrith council areas. Volunteers to date are Ross Egan, Dilys Geddes and Roger Desmarchelier, with Greg Newling working with Eagles RAPS to cover Blacktown.

Ross Egan has also volunteered to be 2 I/C to myself as the BHCC co-ordinator for all areas. We would like another two or three volunteers to assist with our marketing implementation, so let me know in the next two weeks if you can help.

Between Peter Kipps and myself we will keep you up to date on progress.

Malcolm Braid

Bike Shop Team Leader

Trivia night - next Saturday!



Ross Egan announced that 100 people are booked for the club's trivia night at Warrawee Bowling Club on Saturday, 23 November.

Details: 6.30 for 7 pm. \$20 per person. BYO food. Drinks at bar prices.

There's plenty of room for more people, so keep inviting your friends, relatives, potential Rotarians and anyone else you can think of.

Clarke Road School

It was a very important day at Clarke Road School on Monday, 4 November. It was the Official Opening of the new school.

It was a celebration of many achievements: fantastic new facilities for students and staff, quality workmanship – the builders, Stephen Edwards Constructions, won an award from the Master Builders Association – amazing performances by the students and heartfelt speeches.

It was finished within an hour and the audience included

all the students and staff, many parents and official guests. I felt very honoured to attend and represent this club.

Our Rotary club was thanked for its contribution more

than once. The new lectern that we helped fund was used and looked great.



The program included:

Welcome to country and the National Anthem

Principal's address by Ms Diane Robertson included thanks to many people including those involved in the provision, design and building of the wonderful facilities.

Drumbala performance. The students involved really enjoyed their drumming piece – some of us were lucky to see it when we helped with the BBQ at the Unofficial Opening Party in August

Official Opening and unveiling of plaque by Mr Matt Kean MP, Member for Hornsby

Musical item 'You've got a friend in me' by the combined Junior Signing Choir with students from Clarke Road School and Hornsby South Public School

P&C President, Mrs Kati Herrington, spoke very briefly and then, together with past Principal, Mr Tony Brain, cut the impressive cake. Tony was instrumental in advocating for the new school just a few years ago before he retired.

The final musical item 'We are One' by Senior Signing Choir, was very moving and had us all involved.

Surprise finale was a net opening in the ceiling and many red, white and blue balloons (the new colours for the school) descending on the students, much to their excitement!

Members of the P&C then served morning tea in the turpentine forest corner and many of the guests commented on what a lovely and peaceful area it was. The BBQ which members of our Club originally constructed as part of our Centenary of Rotary Project has been rebuilt here, complete with new roof, and is already being used for the benefit of the school community.



All in all, a memorable morning. I was glad to be part of it and proud that our club is contributing to such a special school.

Joy Newling

Gordon Market

Ross Lambert reports that the November market produced \$3993.15 for our the 2 organising clubs' project accounts. Previous year comparisons: 2012: \$4398; 2011: \$3297; 2010: \$3241

Last week: club forum

At the club forum last week:

- President Tony challenged Treasurer Graham Maslen to cycle against him at the next international night, to see who could cover the most distance in 3 minutes.
- In response, Graham reported the amount of funds held in the club's general account, project account

and on term deposit.

He said that the club's main sources of income are the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic, Gordon Market, Trivia night and International night.

Warming to his theme, he then asked for suggestions for ways to raise more funds - and ways to spend the money.

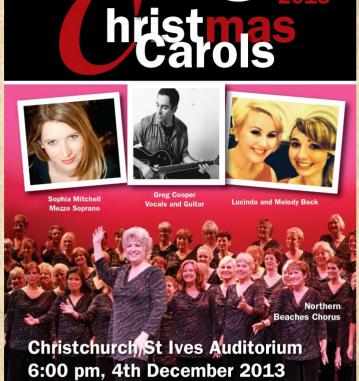
In particular, he said that he wanted to create a surplus, so that the club could contribute to emergencies as they arose. He referred to Hornsby Rotary club raising significant funds for bushfire victims by selling raffle tickets over 2 weekends.

A proposal was put forward to have collection buckets as local shopping centres the next weekend, subject to the agreement of the centres. Several members volunteered mind the buckets and sell raffle tickets (see earlier item).

Graham noted that the funds raised at the trivia night would be divided between PolioPlus and the bush fire appeal.

He reported that \$1,550 was raised at the international night.

- Ross Lambert announced that he has Crosslands Rotaract fundraising Christmas cards for sale.
- Roger Desmarchelier announced Christmas carols at Christ Church, St Ives on 4 December and said that the church gives back to service organisations.
- President Tony said that he would circulate participants in the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic concerning possible membership of the club.
- Dilys Geddes expressed her concern that the club had not followed up the guests at the last Rotary Awareness Night who had contributed ideas on possible projects for the club to undertake.
- Caroline Jones proposed that the club support the Royal Flying Doctor Service next year.
- Malcolm Braid reported that a new Rotary club was proposed for the Gordon/Killara area. President Tony said that he would support a morning club, but not an evening club.
- President Tony said that he is still seeking a member to act as 'speaker seeker' for the club.
- Ross Egan said that is taking steps to arrange a speaker on nuclear power.
- Bob Ivey proposed club restaurant nights. President Tony said that he proposed to arrange 2 during the remainder of the current Rotary year.
- Ross Lambert reported that 'The Lab' has approved establishment of a branch in Killara.
- Ross Lambert said that Bunnings has agreed to supply some of the materials that the club needs in order to compete conversion of the kiosk at Neringah Hospital. Ross is seeking the remaining materials from elsewhere and hopes to continue the project in the next couple of weeks.



Combined Service Organisations



Subaru discount for Rotarians

Subaru has offered Rotarians of District 9685 fleet discount rates for the purchase of any new Subaru. The latest advertisement is attached. If Rotarians click on this link and complete the form a referral letter will issue or they may simply quote Code Number 102995 to the dealer.

NB: This offer ends on 30 November.