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Rotary monthly theme: September: New Generations

This week



Club business meeting

You elected them. They've been meeting in secret once a month on Monday afternoons (well, actually, you're welcome to attend). So what have they (the Board of Directors – and also the chairmen of the service committees) been doing? What have they planned and (with your assistance) achieved, what remains to be done, what have they been spending money on and how much is left?

Come along on Monday and find out. Be amazed by the brilliance of their presentations, ask them the hard questions and put forward your proposals for what they should do next. Let them know who's really in charge!

Last week's guests & announcements

President Tony:

- Welcomed Mayor Jennifer Anderson, guest speaker Lucy Hobgood-Brown, Sue Arnaudon, Linda Cloughton, Christine Egan, Sachiko Gehrmann, Filomena Khaw, Barbara Lines, Anne Love, Sarah Murray, Susan Rountree, Andrea Sjovali, Sandy Tulliet, Craig McClelland, Sara Mehrabi, Sara Sackville, Joyce Cribb, Adrienne Hall, Laura Riddell, Anne Maslen and Judy Timms.
- Showed the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic promotional video.
- Outlined the club's numerous activities and projects benefitting the local and international community.
- Reported that he and 17 other members attended Lifeline's Sapphire Gala Ball (but was unsure where).

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School For Life Foundation

Happy September!

What a wonderful month August has been.

Staff and students have enjoyed the last few weeks on holidays, resting and recharging for Term 3. Despite being on holidays, a group of enthusiastic students have returned to school to write letters to the Year 7 students at PLC Pymble, an exciting and informative initiative.

This month, we farewell Marc Sazdanoff who has done an incredible job volunteering over the past few months at Katuuso. We are very grateful for his hard work.

The teachers return from holidays this week to prepare for term 3. They will work through their programs and lesson plans as well as ensure their classrooms are fresh and vibrant ready for the children's return on the 15th September.

We also have a new video demonstrating School for Life's impact on the lives of women in Uganda [available for viewing here](#).

Happy reading!

Annabelle Chauncy and Dave Everett



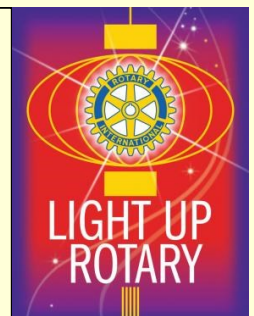
Rotary International Convention 2015



Come join us in São Paulo for our very own Carnival.

Celebrate with us and feel the heartbeat of samba during our own Rotary Carnival, a Host

Organization Committee event, Saturday, 6 June 2015. Thanks to the change in convention dates, you'll find it even more convenient to attend this must-see event. This year's convention begins and ends one day earlier than previously scheduled - 6 to 9 June 2015 - because the original opening day coincided with one of the city's most popular parades.



The club meets every Monday 6.30pm at Killara Golf Club, 556 Pacific Highway, Killara. Visitors welcome (Tel: 9498 2700). www.kuringgairotary.org.au

Rotary International
Theme 2014-2015

From an article by Anne Summers in the Sydney Morning Herald, 13 September 2014:

"A week ago in Sydney an initiative call Our Watch was launched that aims to end violence against women and their children. After decades of launches of programs that sought to do little more than "raise awareness" or make a few blokes take some ownership of the issue, it is about time we made this simple pledge: it's got to stop.

. . . the chief executive of the Melbourne-based Foundation to Prevent Violence Against Women and their Children, which has launched Our Watch, [said] their project would use similar approaches to campaigns that have successfully tackled smoking and drink driving in this country.

. . . None of this would be happening if it weren't for Julie Collins, minister for the status of women in the Gillard-Rudd government, and Mary Wooldridge, Victorian Minister for Community Services, who got together in July last year to set up the Foundation.

The Abbott government has maintained support . . . but the Baird government has not signed on. Instead, NSW has been busy dismantling a 40-year old women's refuge program that was established to provide safety – or prevent deaths – for women and children escaping violence. Yet a program of this magnitude has to be national in scope."

Board meeting 1 September

Edited extracts from the minutes of a meeting of the Board held on 1 September 2014:

Accounts: Detailed year to date accounts and budgets were received. Budgets for the 2014/2015 year need to be finalised with service committee chairmen for presentation to the club. The 2013/2014 audit is progressing well. 28 members have paid their subscriptions. It was noted that the Project Account includes unspent grants for Tick Awareness and Neringah Hospital projects.

Membership: It was noted that there are a number of potential new members. The "fireside chat" regime is to be reviewed and reinstated. The new club brochure is to be finalised.

Rotary Foundation: It was noted that there are some District Grants still available.

Projects: Proposals are in train to operate a BBQ for the Light the light Leukaemia fundraiser on 21 September and to join with the West Pymble Chamber of Commerce for a Christmas function BBQ on 6 December.

General Business: A review of the club constitution will be conducted by Geoff Hungerford and Michael Tyler. Tony McClelland will update our understanding of acronyms. It is anticipated that RC Wahroonga will join us to run the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic. We will 'interface' with the Spring Cycle on 19 October.

Next meeting: 5.30pm 6th October, 2014 at Killara Golf Club

Last week's speaker

Lucy Hobgood-Brown Women in Rotary

By our guest Christine Egan

Clever Hunters Hill Rotary – Lucy's membership started when, as a guest speaker, she was handed a pre-completed application form to sign. Perhaps this is an idea Ku-ring-gai should adopt!



When a woman of such passion and dedication, who is concerned about who will continue the legacy she has worked so hard to achieve in Africa, turns to Rotary, then there is a need to fulfil that obligation. To quote Lucy "we have now witnessed her story and need to write the next chapters". To do this Rotary will need to expand its vision of diversity to include other nationalities, women and people with disabilities. Diversity brings new thinking and new ideas to assist all communities.

Lucy asked "Why is it that there are still something like 87 Rotary clubs in Australia which are open to male membership only?" Women comprise of only 20% of Rotaries membership. How do we shift the PERCEPTION that Rotary is only open to men? The REALITY is that women have a lot to contribute, but we need to find ways to be inclusive – for example:

- Communicate and share the vision
- Mentor and encourage
- Encourage community spirit
- Be inclusive of migrants who provide different networks and skills
- Family friendly Rotary – coffee mornings with projects that can include participation by young adults and children.

Lucy presented some ideas for next steps and recruitment of women:

- International Women's Day – Sunday, 8 March, 2015 – invite a female speaker and hold a function for female members at the club's meeting next day.
- Partner with other clubs to promote the "Peace Circle"
- Embrace diversity
- Hold a business networking function – many women are in small to medium businesses which could provide products as door prizes.

Above all remember the following:

We need to:

- Be sustainable
- Be relevant
- Have FUN!

Travellers' tales

Malcolm and Margaret Braid visited the Franz Josef Glacier in South Island, New Zealand - to judge from the photo it was during either a snow storm or an earthquake!



Email from the mayor

Dear Tony

I want to thank you very much for inviting me to your Rotary dinner event last night.

The guest speaker was extremely interesting and the meal most enjoyable.

It is always inspiring to hear first-hand about all the projects that Rotary is undertaking both locally and overseas. I was thoroughly impressed, as usual.

I would also like to inform you that, after a last minute change of circumstances, I was re-elected mayor tonight for another twelve months.

Of course, this means that I look forward to continuing to support Rotary initiatives in my capacity as mayor.

Again, many thanks for a lovely night and I hope we catch up again soon.

Kind regards

Jennifer Anderson | Mayor | Ku-ring-gai Council

International service report

This year our International Service committee will continue to participate in a limited number of very worthy international causes. Our budget is \$10,000.



ShelterBox will again be a major benefactor. \$2,000 has been allocated for 2 shelter boxes, each of which will provide shelter and basic living equipment for up to 10 people affected by

natural disasters.

Rotary Oceanic Medical Aid for Children

(ROMAC) do wonderful work on children who need specialist medical care in the Oceania region. \$1,000 has been allocated.



Rotarians against Malaria. \$1,000 has been allocated to provide mosquito nets treated with insecticide for communities in Papua New Guinea to help reduce the incidence of malaria in that country.



School for Life Foundation in Uganda aims to create sustainable and long-lasting development through the provision of education. 2 young Australians, Annabelle Chauncy and David Everett started the Foundation in 2008 and so far have raised in excess of \$1.6m. Our club has been a contributor in the past. This is our major recipient this year and \$5,000 has been allocated.

Contingency funds \$1,000 will be held in reserve, to be allocated on an 'as needs' basis.

Roger Desmarchelier

Ticking along

Associate Professor Sheryl van Nunen was asked by Ku-ring-gai Council to give a talk on tick bite prevention and management to Council staff on Wednesday, 17th September. The Council was responding to misleading advice that had appeared in the press recently and

wanted to have an authoritative version of best practice given to the staff.

This was the first time that the brochure developed by Ku-ring-gai Rotary Club and supported by both our Club and Chatswood Rotary went public, providing support material for Prof Nunen's presentation. The brochure carries the following acknowledgment:



This pamphlet was published and distributed by the TiARA Fund (Tick-induced Allergies Research and Awareness Fund) Royal North Shore Hospital St Leonards NSW 2065 Australia with the support of Ku-ring-gai and Chatswood Rotary Clubs.

Rob Hall

Rotaract club trivia night

Dear members,

Invitation to Rotary Club of Macquarie University Trivia Night 11 October 2014

I hope this email finds you well.

I am delighted to invite you to Rotaract Club of Macquarie University's big annual Trivia Night of this year, which will happen on Saturday 11 October 2014 at 6pm.

We are hoping to raise over \$5,000 and we need your help to make it a success! Please feel free to bring your family and friends and book your table to attend the night by emailing trivia@rotaractmq.org. For more information, see the attached flyer. There will be prizes to win! Please further distribute this to your networks.

As last year and an official sponsor, we are continuing to support Human and Hope Association, an NGO in Cambodia that provide educational, vocational and community training to the poorest communities in Siem Reap. All money raised on the night will go to HHA and the Rotaract Club of Macquarie University are supporting all resources to organise the night with our own club funds.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Thanks so much.

Met vriendelijke groet / Warmest regards,

Marlous Teh, President 2014-2015

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Rotarian encounters



While in Paris last weekend, Frances & I were having lunch along Champs Elysees near Arc de Triomphe and noticed people wearing polo shirts with the Rotary logo.

On asking where they were from, we discovered they were Australians from Albany in WA. We found out they

were 28 students, plus teachers/parents from 3 high schools in the area, and the total group had incredibly

gratefully received financial support for this trip from 3 Rotary clubs - Albany City, Port Albany and Mt Barker. Their primary purpose of their France trip and the key reason Rotary clubs got in behind the trip was to attend the Western Front 100 year commemorations.

Albany has a sister city in France - Peronne, which will be holding ceremonies to mark the 100 years. 3 students have been selected to lay a wreath on behalf of Albany. The students were selected for this trip after applying & writing an essay about what this trip meant to them & Albany/Australia.



Pictured at the left is teacher Barbara McNeill, who's husband Geoff is a Rotarian with Albany City club.

Barbara was enthusiastic about the trip, students, Rotary's incredible support to make this trip happen - and meeting a fellow Rotarian interested in what their trip was all about.

Lindsay Forrest

Ebola affects Bo Hospital

Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd has a registered project in Bo, Sierra Leone (No.



46/2007-07 sponsored by our club and the Rotary Club of Turrumurra) whose aim is to build and extend the Bo Children's Hospital and to provide hygiene and basic health care and education.

The hospital now has a need of the highest order to provide an isolation ward. A quarantine ward has been on the project list for some time but now it is not an overstatement to say it is a matter of life and death. They need to raise \$40,000.

As we are all aware the ebola virus is highly contagious between humans and has no known cure. The latest information available from Sierra Leone Government Ministry of Health (as at August 29th, 2014) is that the country has recorded 1033 cases with 383 deaths (including 140 health workers), and additional suspected cases.

BY POPULAR DEMAND Ku-ring-gai Rotary TRIVIA NITE !

In aid of the Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai Women's Refuge

Bring your friends & join in the fun & games! Book a table for 8 or 10.



Questions and clues on the BIG screen

7:00 pm SATURDAY 25th October 2014

at WARRAWEE BOWLING CLUB 1479 Pacific Highway, Warrawee
Bookings: ross.egan@chubb.com.au or TICKETS AT THE DOOR: \$20



BYO SUPPER
(Drinks available at the bar)



70s Trivia Night

ENTRY
\$10 STUDENTS
\$15 ADULTS

70s THEMED DRESS

SATURDAY 11TH OCTOBER, 6:00 - 9:30PM
ATRIUM, CAMPUS HUB, MACQUARIE UNIVERSITY

ALL PROFITS GO TO THE HUMAN AND HOPE ASSOCIATION

BYO snacks and drinks. A sausage sizzle will be available. For bookings for tables of 8-10 people and more information, please email trivia@rotaractmq.org



Rotaract Club of
Macquarie University

Calendar of events

September	29	Chris Golis - Emotional intelligence
October	6	Public holiday - no meeting
	13	Rotary Hat Day - joint meeting - Rotary clubs of Ku-ring-gai, St Ives and Turramurra
	20	Annabelle Chauncy - School For Life update
	25	(Saturday) Trivia night - venue: Warrawee Bowling Club
	27	John Lockyer & Annabelle Daniel – Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai Women's Refuge
November	10	Tony Castley - Rotary Foundation
	17	Suzy Ogelsby – Fitness for cyclists and golfers
December	15	Christmas party chez Tyler (last meeting in 2014)
	22	No meeting
	29	No meeting
January	5	No meeting
	12	TBA
March	16	Bobbin Head Cycle Classic club briefing
	29	(Sunday) Bobbin Head Cycle Classic
May	17	Meeting postponed 3 days
	20	(Wednesday) Bobbin Head Cycle Classic presentation to charities

Club officers and committee chairmen 2014-15

Board of directors

President	Tony McClelland
Vice President	John Aitken
President Elect	Graham Timms
Secretary	Geoff Hungerford
Treasurer	Graham Maslen
Director - Membership	Greg Newling
Director - Public Relations	Michael Midlam
Director - Club Administration	Joy Newling
Director - Service Projects	John Aitken
Director - Rotary Foundation	Graham Timms

Service committee chairmen

Club Service	Joy Newling
Vocational Service	Michael Midlam
Community Service	Ross Lambert
International Service	Roger Desmarchelier
Youth Service	[Vacant]
Bobbin Head Cycle Classic	Bob Elsworth
Sergeant-at-Arms	Malcolm Braid

Club committees 2014-15

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

Club History: Malcolm Braid, Tom Jackson

Club Service/Club Administration: Joy Newling, Geoff Hungerford, Graham Maslen, Michael Tyler

Community Service: Ross Lambert, Lou Coenen, Gary Dawson, Roger Desmarchelier, Ross Egan (Daffodil Day), Bob Elsworth, Rob Hall, Chris Hoch (Red Shield Appeal), Geoff Hungerford (Markets) Caroline Jones, Nick Kenyon, Loïc Lacombe, Jack McCartney, Michael Midlam (Bowel Scan), Frank White (Markets)

International Service: Roger Desmarchelier, David Forsythe, Graham Maslen, Greg Newling, Peter Tang

Membership: Greg Newling, Dilys Geddes, Linda Lam-Rohlf

Public Relations: Michael Midlam

Program: Rob Hall, Ross Egan

Rotary Foundation: Graham Timms

Vocational Service: Michael Midlam

Youth Service: Greg Goodman, Malcolm Braid, Joyce Enos, Emyr Evans, Bob Ivey, Tom Jackson, Linda Lam-Rohlf, Joy Newling, Ted Price