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Rotary monthly theme: October: Vocational Service

This week

John Lockyer & Annabelle Daniel – Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter



Support of the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter is one of our club's major projects at present - assisting with purchase and fitout of the shelter.

The purposes of the shelter include:

- Provision of temporary supported accommodation for women in times of crisis such as homelessness and / or domestic violence.
- Provision of a safe non-threatening environment for women that will assist them through their emotional and physical crisis.

John Lockyer is chairman of the HKWS' steering committee and Annabelle Daniel is CEO of women's community shelters. Their visit to our club will be the first time that we have heard directly from the organisers about their work and the shelter.

Don't miss this opportunity to find out the details of this important club project.

Last week's guests and announcements

President Tony:

- Welcomed our guest speaker, Dave Everett, Greg Bloomfield and Joyce Cribb.
- Thanked Ross Lambert, Ross Egan, Geoff Hungerford, Chris Hoch and Bob Elsworth for helping Tony hand out leaflets about the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic at the Sydney Spring Ride. He said they handed leaflets to 98% of the participants, received many positive comments and enquiries about the BHCC and 7 riders had registered for it already.

Greg Newling drew attention to 'Beat4Life', which is seeking to raise \$58,000 through the 'Pozible' 'crowd-funding' site for research into a cure for a rare form of muscular dystrophy. See <http://www.pozible.com/project/186305>



Michael Midlam called for nominations for Pride of Work awards. Nominees can be any local persons or businesses that demonstrate excellence of service. Past recipients have included secretaries, policemen, a hair dressing salon and a chocolate manufacturer and retailer. Who do you know who has provided you with exceptional service?

RAWCS quarterly meeting



The next quarterly Rotary Australia World Community Service meeting will be held at Wentworth Falls on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th November 2014, hosted by the Rotary Club of Central Blue Mountains.

This RAWCS weekend will not only be fun, but will give

you the opportunity to talk with like-minded Rotarians about your project/s while learning from their experiences.

The program includes a wonderful line-up of fabulous and interesting speakers.

The after dinner speaker on Saturday evening will be **Past District Governor Jennifer Scott**, presenting on the Sustainable Cambodia Project – our District Governor's Partner's project. The Saturday afternoon feature speaker will be **Past President Rob Mitchell** speaking on "A new school in Borjagai, Afghanistan", a project of the Rotary Club of Ryde.

Cheers, Theo Glockermann

RAWCS District Representative 9685

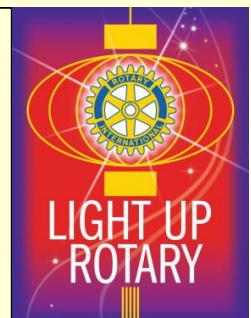
If you wish to attend Saturday afternoon \$7.50, Saturday night dinner \$35 and/or Sunday morning please:

RSVP: RAWCS Eastern Region Secretary Ted Lewis: lewisted@ozemail.com.au

or RAWCS District Rep: Theo Glockerman: theo-geo@bigpond.net.au

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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

Rotary International Theme 2014-2015

BHCC leaflet distribution



Volunteers are sought to hand out flyers for the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic to participants in the 'Gong ride **next Sunday 2 November**.

If you can help, please contact President Tony.

Board of directors meeting

Want to know what our board of directors is up to? Want to see them in action?

Don't miss their next meeting at **5.00 pm on Monday, 3 November** at **Killara Golf Club**.



Lifeline sausage sizzle

Hi Paul and Tony

I am sending you this email on the off chance one of your clubs might be able to assist – no worries at all if you can't!

Lifeline is having a formal opening of our lovely new shop at Pennant Hills on 13th November. This date, [13 11 14](#), just happens to be the same number as our 24/7 telephone crisis number, so most Lifeline Centres around Australia are holding some sort of event.

Anyway, it has been suggested that we try to have a sausage sizzle outside the shop along with a musician, racks of clothes for sale and a couple of guests etc. talking – and so on. I will obviously be trying to connect fundraising/Op Shops with [13 11 14](#). I have a musician lined up but no barbeque and I wondered if by any chance one of your clubs might be able to assist. We can always just organise some platters of food if a sausage sizzle is too difficult.

I will be sending an invitation to the opening to all our Rotary friends, so that all your members know that we would love to see them. The opening will be between midday and 2.00 p.m.

With kind regards
Wendy Carver
CEO



YWAM - Overcoming the Impossible

Dear Ku-ring-gai Rotary Club,

I'm writing in regard to the **YWAM Training and Medical Ship's 'Overcoming the Impossible' tour visiting Sydney, on October 18th through to December 4th.**

YWAM Medical Ships - Australia (YWAM MSA) is a charity that provides global opportunities for volunteers to care, connect, serve and build with individuals and communities; particularly addressing health care and training needs in Papua New Guinea.

A current snapshot of Papua New Guinea (PNG) shows:

- An estimated five women in PNG die in childbirth every day
- 1 in 13 children die before the age of five
- 43% of PNG's population is under the age of 15...a quarter of whom will not live to reach 40.



Over the last 5 years, YWAM MSA volunteers have gone into remote areas of PNG via its vessel *MV Pacific Link*, achieving over 180,000 health, training and community development outputs. YWAM MSA's is launching its **new vessel** that will replace the 35 year-old Pacific Link during the *Overcoming the Impossible* tour.

Please watch this short video for more information on our work: <http://www.youtube.com/user/YWAMMSA>

During the ship's visit to Sydney, we will be hosting a range of events and meetings onboard - aimed at raising awareness about the critical health needs in PNG, recruiting volunteers and raising funds. We will also have the ship open to the public on the weekends for tours.

Should you be interested, we would love to offer to host a meeting on board the MV Ammari itself and offer private tours for your members following the meeting if they wish. As an alternative, representatives are available to give presentations to your club that help articulate our vision for Papua New Guinea.

The ship will be wharfed at White Bay Cruise Terminal, Berth 3, Rozelle. Should you wish to learn more about this opportunity, please do not hesitate to contact me via email or: 04 3233 7401

Kind regards,

Ashleigh Schieving

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Youth With A Mission - Reef To Outback Registered Training Organisation

Last week's speaker

Dave Everett

School For Life update

Dave Everett started his presentation by showing the video that you can view at <http://schoolforlife.org.au/about/our-story/>

Dave was born in Botswana; grew up in the Hills District of Sydney; studied marine biology at Sydney University; decided it wasn't for him; and returned to Africa to carry out a variety of projects in Kenya.

While in Africa Dave met Annabelle Chauncy. She grew up in the Southern Highlands of NSW; studied arts/law



at Sydney University; and went to Africa to work on aid projects.

Dave and Annabelle decided that they wanted to set up their own charity to provide education as a way of breaking the poverty cycle in Africa. With the assistance of a board of directors from the 'big end of town' they gained the support and credibility they needed to make the School For Life Foundation a success.

In Uganda 49% of the population of 33 million is aged less than 14. The vast majority are uneducated and unskilled. The typical village school is a disused cattle pen with a bare earth floor, no furniture and draughty slatted sides, rather than walls.

Early on Dave and Annabelle exceeded their expectations and raised \$110,000 at a function in Sydney. They then worked with the national and district governments of Uganda, focussing on asking what the local community wanted.

The result was Katuuso Primary and Vocational School, whose motto 'Nezikookolima' means 'every great rooster came from an egg'. The school now has 220 children in classes from kindergarten to Year 4, including disabled children.



To overcome endemic disease problems, the Foundation installed a fresh water bore, which provides clean water for the whole local community. The school also provides a nutritious feeding program for the children, which overcomes the lack of food at home, which adversely affected the children's ability to concentrate at school.



Dave told us about:

- A person who was employed as a cleaner and subsequently became a teacher at the school.
- Quarterly health care visits by medical staff from Kampala.
- Epileptic children who were fitting 3 times a day, but whose condition has been brought under control with medication.
- A school trip to a zoo, the highlight of which was the sight of Lake Victoria - a body of water beyond the children's comprehension.
- Solar electricity, installed with the help of our club and others, enabling the use of computers, refrigerators,

freezers and lights for night classes.

- A tailoring program established with the aid of SewAid International, which has enabled the women involved to quadruple their income. The proceeds of sale of products such as kimonos, aprons and makeup bags go back into the program.



- Cash crops of chilli and coffee, which the Foundation is now exporting to Europe.

The Foundation has recently acquired a new site at nearby Bujjuuko, on which it plans to build another primary school and a secondary school. At the new site an animal husbandry facility has been established, raising goats (the Foundation's 'lawnmowers') and pigs for sale.



Answering questions, Dave said:

- Graduates of the schools have the potential to develop careers in many fields, including engineering and medicine.

- Katuuso school has to turn away half its applicants.
- In due course the sewing ladies will manufacture school uniforms.
- There are 1,000 residents in the locality of Katuuso.
- The people in the area suffers from malaria and typhoid.
- The Katuuso water bore has problems at present. The Foundation plans to replace it with a roofwater harvesting system.
- Eventually the 3 schools will accommodate 1,200 students.

In proposing a vote of thanks, Past President Roger Desmarchelier presented a cheque for \$3,000 from the club to the Foundation.



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Calendar of events

November	10	Tony Castley - Rotary Foundation
	17	Suzy Ogelsby - Fitness for cyclists and golfers
	24	Nicola Allan - A student talks (subject TBA)
December	1	TBA
	8	TBA
	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	14	(Thursday) Fundraising night: Pymble Players: a Hercule Poirot whodunit
	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 (Koongga Editor)

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-Rohifs

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-Rohifs, Joy Newling, Ted Price