

# KOONGGA

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### PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARD



# **Superintendent Scholz**

Host Officer, Mr Malcolm Braid on behalf of your President, Mr Michael Midlam.

Official guests

**Rotarians** 

Award recipients and their family and work colleagues Ladies and gentlemen

Firstly, let me introduce myself, I'm Superintendent Jenny Scholz and I'm the Commander, Kuring Gai Local Area Command and have been in this position since the end of May 2016. Let me please pass on my thanks and appreciation to Kuring gai Rotary Club for their support and acknowledge the work performed, in my absence by both Malcolm Braid and Detective Chief Inspector Gilroy.

I acknowledge the work and service of Kuring Gai Rotary Club undertake in the community and the fellowship among its membership. I'm familiar with the work both home and abroad that Rotary perform as my step father was a past President and involved in multiple projects over the years including being a host family for young people from across the World. As well as having friends participate in one of your Club's project, the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic over the years.

NSW Police Force and in particular, Kuring Gai Local Area Command has a wealth of expertise and commitment among its staff. We work together to protect our local community and my officers are motivated to some extent by the quest for

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personal and professional excellence. They do not generally seek any acknowledgement or recognition either publically or internally and are very comfortable to sit within a culture of teamwork and collective achievements.

Six years ago, we corporately acknowledged through the NSW state-wide Rotary awards individuals attached to various Commands but I know that individual policing Commands and various Rotary Clubs have long been acknowledging the work of individual officers. It is pleasure to continue this tradition here at Kuring Gai Local Area Command with the Kuring Gai Rotary Club. The awards are a worthwhile opportunity to recognise, honour and applaud some local officers for their workmanship, dedication and excellence.

The Rotary Club's 'Pride of Workmanship' Awards recognises the achievements of personnel attached to Kuring Gai Local Area Command. We are proud to be associated with Kuring Gai Rotary who are sponsoring and hosting these Awards tonight.

The award seeks to acknowledge an individual who has put service above self in their duties and who may not be recognised through other internal awards/ accolades. Police in their deliberations considered criteria for the Awards may include matters such as:

- \* Demonstrated courage and devotion to duty
- \* Role Model for other officers demonstrating leadership in the context of the Command
- \* Makes a significant contribution to policing
- \* Demonstrates a strong commitment to role
- \* Recognises diversity and displays concern for welfare of others
- \* Consistent high performance

All three officers are highly deserving award winners and I congratulate each one of you. My thoughts extend to the families of the recipients today. For Rotary Members, you may not be aware that police officer are often very humble and keep to themselves what they do in their workplace. This is often motivated by protecting their family and love ones from the challenging environment in which they work. To be present and share in these Awards is special and it is to be acknowledged that police officers performing their duties are able to do so because of the support they receive from their families. I thank you for that support of my officers.

Policing is a commitment to service to the community. The recipients this evening reflect the passion, pride and professionalism that represent the culture of police today which is work ethic, commitment and excellence.

Finally, I again extend my congratulations on your achievements to date and wish you well in the future. As you go about your roles, irrespective whether it is in Kuring Gai LAC or other Commands you will be setting the standard for policing.

#### Malcolm Braid

The Pride of Workmanship Awards are an annual event in the calendar of many Rotary Clubs. The awards are a public acknowledgement of employees in the community who have displayed excellence in their chosen vocation. Many staff turn up for work and do what is expected from them. However there are those who go beyond the norm and provide a great example to their peers of going beyond what is expected.

Tonight we have chosen to present 3 awards to members of the Ku Ring Gai Local Area Command of the New South Wales Police Force.

Whilst our Club is presenting the awards, the nominations have come from the peers and fellow officers of the individuals which adds to the significance of the Awards.

Now for most of us, the police have always been a part of our lives, to the point where by and large they are almost taken for granted. No doubt some of you have had a road side chat with a police officer for an infringement or some other misdemeanour. Whilst this meeting may take the form of a minor disgruntlement we often overlook the fact that causing us to reduce our speed, or the way we drive, may in the long run same our lives.

Being a police officer is not a usual job. Come the holiday season when many are on the beach and enjoying the holiday season, often the police are at their busiest with long shifts, and often cancelled leave. For most police, there is no such thing as a normal working day, with rotating shifts and disruption to family time with emergencies and roster changes. The response time is expected to be the same whether an incident happens at four in the afternoon or four in the morning.

From forensic examinations, to meticulous record keeping, to negotiating disputes, attending accidents and emergencies, controlling traffic and crowds, and explaining what is happening to the media, the modern police officer's duties entail more

than knowing and enforcing the law. And we can add to this list includes potential terrorist attacks and protecting our safety and livelihood.

We congratulate the officers receiving our awards tonight. We express our appreciation and gratitude to the New South Wales Police Force, and in particular the Ku Ring Gai Local Area Command who provide a great service with the BHCC in March each year.

I now invite Commander Jennifer Scholz to read the citations.

# Sgt DAY

Sgt Day has been a member of the NSW Police Force since 1997, having performed duties at a number of Local Area Commands in both the Sydney and



Regional NSW locations. She presently performs as a General Duties Team Leader within the Kuring-Gai Local Area Command, leading and managing the duties of a number of junior ranking uniformed officers.

Sgt Day is a role model to these officers in terms of her knowledge and experience as an operational Police Officer and leader, providing timely

and valuable advice to officers in the field in response to the challenges they face in performing their duties. At present Cheryl is undergoing the requisite training which shall see her in the near future promoted to Commissioned Officer rank as an Inspector within the New South Wales Police Force.

Sgt Day always demonstrates an exceptionally high standard of professionalism, diligence and integrity which she not only demands of herself, but obtains from her subordinates, thereby ensuring the provision of the utmost diligence in the protection of the community. This was no clearer demonstrated than when she took Command of Police responding to a stabbing incident at Westfield's Hornsby which resulted in the successful disarming and arrest of the offender responsible.

# Senior Constable BAKER

Senior Constable BAKER, has been a member of the NSW Police Force since



2006. He is a pivotal and highly valued member of the Command's Crime Management Unit. After a number of years performing General Duties at the Command, Malcolm has become the Domestic Violence Liaison Officer at the Kuring-Gai Local Area Command. This position brings with it the

significant and onerous responsibility of reviewing every Domestic Violence incident reported to the Command, ensuring the short and longer term needs of its victims are met. This includes effectively liaising with other agencies to ensure appropriate support as well as protection is afforded those individuals and very often their children as well. With the excellence Malcolm brings to the role he is an invaluable source of information and assistance for the other Police Officers at the Command in their dealing with Domestic Violence incidents.

Additionally, Senior Constable BAKER attends Court with every victim in relation to every Domestic Violence related matter before the Court assisting, supporting and advising these victims throughout that process. The importance of this role within the Command cannot be understated and it is of course common knowledge the effective intervention of Police into Domestic Violence incidents reduces the commission of such offences. The excellent level of protection and assistance provided by this Command to such vulnerable members of the community is the result of Malcolm's professionalism and diligence. Such effective intervention is the result of the performance of Malcolm in his role and is a tangible facet in the minimisation of domestic violence and the protection of its victims.

It is through the exceptional motivation and quality Malcolm brings to this role which has made it a success in this Command and another way in which the community is kept safe from harm and crime.

# **Guest speaker continued**

# **Constable HANSON**

Constable Hanson has been a member of the NSW Police Force since 2012. He is a highly valued, experienced and motivated member of our proactive policing



team at the Kuring-Gai Local Area Command, actively targeting and arresting a variety of career criminals for matters ranging from Drug Supply and Manufacture, and multiple Breaking and Entering Offences to name just a few.

Constable Hanson was approved to undertake such duties after demonstrating his high work ethic, professionalism and diligence to his duties in General Duties at the Command over the last few

years. This quality of performance has continued and is evident within his new and specialised unit of officers at the Command. Since undertaking the role he has been active in the investigation and targeting of a number of high value criminal targets within the Command, effectively and successfully with his team detecting and arresting such offenders for multiple counts of serious crimes.

The high quality and significant professionalism Lars demonstrates towards his duties makes him a valued member in his team, a team in which membership is highly sought after, difficult to achieve and maintain. The significant results achieved and the professional manner in which those duties are performed make Lars a significant asset to the Command in the prevention of crime and the protection of our community.

# **Update from Bob and Gwen Ivey**

Hi Y'all. We were very lucky with our trip to Vermont, USA to the best region to view the fall seasonal change of foliage colours. We saw it at it's peak. As it lasts only a week or two and is subject to weather, (and availability of accommodation during this high season and it being a holiday weekend), many tell us of arriving at wrong time and missing out. We drove about 2,000 km through Vermont and New Hampshire, much of it in remote areas.

So, being out in the forests with little Internet access apologies for our Koongga tardiness.

We had six days in NY, saw 2 Broadway shows (I have the secret to obtaining discount tickets if interested!), 8-day cruise from Boston to Quebec then Montreal, then hire car for a week. Now at the home of our wonderful rotary hosts in Houston. Space Centre yesterday, to their son's ranch for bbq today, tomorrow a road trip thru Texas for few days. And of course every day is an excuse for our hosts to have us experience yet another culinary delight - putting on weight - GT would be proud of me! Home in time for golf Wed 26th. Bob and Gwen



### **Gordon Markets**

We need members to visit markets in our area to invite stall holders to come to Gordon Markets— Anil is first volunteer

#### **Bobbo**

Peter Kipps advised Bobbo has opened and we already have 80 registrations

The photo Gallery on our WEB needs enhancement and we need volunteers

# **Eagles RAPS**

Greg Newling advised EaglesRAPS AGM is held tomorrow Wednesday evening at Doonside at 6pm

If you are able to attend please contact Greg Newling

# Sydney and Dubbo Zoo present and future

On 31 Oct Cameron Kerr is speaker at a joint meeting with Lindfield to present the past and future 100 years

# **Bobbo leaflet distribution at Spring Ride**

#### From Ross Warden

Reported from Olympic Park 1,600 flyers distributed, (last year 1,300) Thanks Bob, Rob & Geoff

Halliday Park 1000 (last year 1,300) Thanks Suzanne & daughters and Michael

Parrama Park 400 flyers, first time at this site. First time at this site, thanks Stuart

First riders arrived at Halliday park at 0722, bulk stopping at Halliday park commencing about 0745. Next year second shift to commence earlier, say 0800.

Parrama park is the finish for the short ride. Most riders were unaware of the BHCC. Next year need more people to issue flyers.

#### From Bob Elsworth

Thanks for the report Ross. Attached some happy snaps from the Homebush Team. Rob Byrne proved to be a terrier in the flyer distribution stakes yesterday. Thanks again Rob. The technique he used was to greet each rider entering the finish site with 'congratulations' while handing them a flyer. Think most thought it a certificate of completion or something but....nonetheless, managed to get the maximum number of flyers distributed with minimal chat. I reckon that line is up there with Tony McClelland's famous 'it's all downhill' line used in previous years.

Again trend this year was a general lack of interest in taking a flyer by the tail -enders. These guys I reckon were just happy to get the ride over with.

Thanks Ross for doctoring one of last year's banners and delivering it to me along with a tear drop banner and the flyers. Think it definitely worth while to decorate the tent Bike NSW provides with them, even though the tent wasn't manned generally.

Roads and Maritime, a sponsor of the Spring Ride, had some good marketing strategies incl walking around with a fruit platter that was definitely a hit with cyclists.

Thanks Doug for a great flyer design and congrats all on a good BHCC17 marketing kick off.

#### This week

Belinda Howell will talk about "What you should know about the International Education Sector". Her details are as follows:

Belinda Howell is responsible for recruiting international students into undergraduate programs at the University of Technology Sydney. Her frequent travel to countries in Asia, the Middle East and Latin America see her working with Australian government representatives to promote Australian education, and bring her into contact with parents and students as they make the life-changing choice to study outside their home country.

Belinda's career has been largely in the corporate world where she has worked for major companies in travel, financial services, professional services and now higher education. She indas also on the Board of Dunmore Lang College at Macquarie University.

### **Door Team**

October	Nov	Dec	Jan
Don Riddell	Dawson	Aitken	
17 Lam Rolfs	Mahjoub	Kipps	
24 Keating			
31 Coenen			

### **Calendar of events**

24-Oct	Belinda Howell	Education as an export
31-Oct	Cameron Kerr	100 years of Taronga
07-Nov		What the doctor prescribed or thought they did.
21-Nov	International evening	

President	Michael Midlam	
Vice President	John Aitken	
Immediate Past President	Graham Timms	
President Elect	Malcolm Braid	
Secretary	Lindsay Forrest	
Treasurer	Chris Lewis	
Director	Greg Newling	
Director	Linda Lam Rolfs	
Service committee chairpersons and committees		
Administration (Club Service)	Gary Keating	
Vocational Service	Lou Coenen	
Community Service	Roger Desmarchelier	
International Service	Georgina Manning	
Youth Service	Linda Lam-Rohlfs	
Social events	Joy Newling	
Bobbin Head Cycle Classic	Tony McClelland	
Sergeant-at-Arms	Graham Timms	

#### **Club committees**

Administration: Gary Keating, Geoff Hungerford, Rob Hall (Program), Bob Ivey (Web and social media), Graham Maslen, Tony McClelland (Koongga)

Bobbin Head Cycle Classic: Tony McClelland, John Aitken, Ross Egan, Bob

Elsworth, Peter Kipps, Michael Midlam, Gary Keating

Club History: Malcolm Braid, Tom Jackson

**Community: 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

International: Georgina Manning, Rob Hall, Graham Timms, Graham Maslen,

Greg Newling, Anil Fulwaria, Emyr Evans

Membership: Tony McClelland,

Public Relations: Emyr Evans, Georgina Manning,

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

Social Events: Joy Newling, Ross Egan, Georgina Manning, Vocational: LOU Coenen, David Forsythe, Peter Kipps, M Tyler

Youth: Linda Lam-Rohlfs, , Cathy Jackson, Gary Keating, Chris Lewis, Matt Mah-

joub, Andrew Marselos, Joy Newling, Don Riddell