

14th April, 2021

SYDNEY ROTARY NEWS



It is indeed a major honour for me to be the President of our beloved club during its Centennial year and first year of our new century. Like all my predecessors I am looking forward to serving my fellow members first and foremost. Given the achievements of our club during the first century I am extremely excited about the contributions our club will make to the future generations in the next century and beyond. I therefore believe it is our responsibility to take all the necessary actions in order to provide a platform upon which the foundations of our new century can be built. Together with my fellow members I aim to:

- 1. Double our membership
- Do all that is necessary to engage with organisations in, and attract members from, our Sydney CBD base
- Re-establish our links and regain the membership from the organisations that have been lost throughout the years
- 4. Attract members from the younger generations and provide opportunities for them to engage in our club's activities and leadership
- 5. Further develop our strategic plan on a responsive and ongoing basis
- Look for and invite speakers from a wide variety of subjects including music, art, education, humanity, peace and climate action
- Increase our partnership, fellowship and activities with other Rotary clubs in Sydney, NSW, Australia and International sister clubs
- 8. An exhilarating fellowship program

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Sydney Rotary Club's luncheon on Tuesday 20th April will celebrate Youth Week with the Founders of <u>Stand</u> <u>Tall</u>, Jeanine Treharne and Angela Farr-Jones.

This hybrid luncheon will start at 12 noon with an **ANZAC Day Tribute** featuring Uncle Harry Allie who enlisted in the Royal Australian Air Force in 1966 at Townsville and served for 23 years at a number of units throughout Australia, the US and Malaysia.

Stand Tall was founded in 2012 in response to the tragic level of drug use, depression, bullying, hopelessness and self-harm among high school students.

Rotary/PCYC Youth Encouragement Scholarship award winners will be announced during the luncheon.

Please **BOOK ONLINE** for this hybrid event.





ANZAC Day Weekend - Helpers Needed

The Service and Awards Committee has organised two Barbecues over the ANZAC Day Weekend:

Saturday, 24th April at Bunnings
Eastgardens (run in conjunction with
Maroubra Rotary Club from 7am to 5pm.
Sunday, 25th April at Bunnings
Alexandria from 12pm to 6pm
Volunteers are needed for shifts at both
venues for a variety of activities including
food preparation, cooking, cashier,
delivery and more.

For further information, please contact **Christopher Paris** (0412 994 024) or if you would like to volunteer for one of the BBQs please contact **Tom Anderson**.





Can you help Timor-Leste?

Honorary member and Consul General for Timor Leste, Luciano Conceicao, reports that exceptional flash floods have hit Timor-Leste's capital city, Dili, along with other major population centres. The floods have already claimed over 27 lives, with many areas remaining under water. Around1,500 families in Dili alone have had to evacuate from their homes to emergency accommodation centres.



Lunch with Sydney's Consular Corps



Members of the Sydney Consular Corps will be special guests at Sydney Rotary Club's Luncheon at the Castlereagh Hotel on Tuesday 11th May at 12:30pm. The guest speaker will be **Sharon Hudson-Dean**, the US Consul General in Sydney who will discuss "American Policy Priorities 2021: Leadership and Cooperation to address Global Challenges." Sharon Hudson-Dean who is a career American diplomat was the Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Diplomacy and Nordic/Baltic Affairs in the European and Eurasian Affairs Bureau at the Department of State from 2017-

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Humanity in Action

The book celebrating the centenary of Rotary in Australia – Humanity in Action - has been launched by the Governor General in Canberra.

Order your copy of 'Humanity in Action' (\$25 plus postage) from PDG Harry Durey. Phone: 0407 005 910 or email: hdurey@bigpond.com

R100 Rotary Peace Symposium

Get in fast to secure your tickets for the R100 Rotary Peace Symposium

Please **REGISTER ONLINE**.



Sydney Rotary Club's Centenary Events

Rotarians and friends are invited to be part of Sydney Celebrates 100 years of Rotary in Australia. Tickets may be purchased for individual events or as The Centenary Package comprising:

- 100 years of Rotary in Australia, Cocktails and canapés at the Sydney Royal Mint on 1 May 2021
- Centenary Rotary Luncheon on 17 May 2021
- Opening of revitalised Guriwal Trail in Centennial Park (late May 2021)
- A mint condition \$1 coin to commemorate the Centenary retailing from the Royal Australian Mint at \$15

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