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Rotary Opens Opportunities

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Toula's Corner

Well, our first speaker was certainly well received, based on the feedback I received. I do feel proud of Lily, she is a great kid! Many thanks to Justin for doing a lot of research and making the session informative, entertaining, and fun. You did an amazing job!



The wheels of planning have started moving again and we look forward to an exciting program this year. We have lined up a number of interesting speakers covering a wide range of topics. We also have several bigger events that we look forward to, including the Pride of Workmanship in March and the joint meeting with the Ikebukuro club in Japan to celebrate 50 years of partnership in May

What's coming up



Rotary Club of Epping		
Monday Night Program 2020-2021		
Date	Venue	Speaker
Monday, 8 February 2021	Hotel, Epping	John Alexander, OAM, MP Federal Member for Bennelong
Monday, 22 February 2021	Hotel, Epping	Trevor Fulton, Streetwork
Monday, 15 February 2021	Hotel, Epping	Rosen Kiat, Cardiologist

Next Monday

John Alexander, OAM, MP



Our local federal member for Bennelong is our exclusive guest for Monday February 8, at the Epping Hotel. The indefatigable Bruce Jacob will be our moderator for the evening.

John Gilbert Alexander OAM is an Australian politician and former professional tennis player.

John Alexander, known as "JA" across the nation, was elected to Parliament in 2010 as a firm believer in opportunity and individual endeavour. He is the Chair of Standing Committee on Infrastructure, Transport and Cities.

We will be opening the forum up to questions from members. Please have your questions ready!

Join us at the pub 6:00 for 6:30 start

Wine Sales.

Our Club still has around 20 dozen wine in stock. The 4 varieties of Shiraz, Rose, Semillon and Semillon Sauvignon Blanc are all available although some varieties are getting low

Feel free to come to my place at 60 Dryden Avenue, Carlingford to collect or contact me and I can arrange delivery on a Thursday walk, Monday meeting, driving near your place etc.

\$140 per dozen, \$75 for 6 bottles and \$40 for 3 bottles.

Cheers
Bruce

News of Jessica Keast and Julie Jones

Former Epping Rotary member, **Jessica Keast**, who moved to Kingscliff in northern NSW in early 2020 has continued her Rotary membership there and has been appointed to the District 9640 Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) committee.

Jessica was a valued member of Epping for approximately 8 years and served on the Board as Vocational Service Director in 2017-18.

Congratulations Julie Jones!

Former Epping Rotary member, Julie Jones, has been elected as President Elect of the Rotary Club of Woy Woy. Julie was a valued member of our club from 2014 - 2017 and was our Welfare Officer in 2016-17.

Woy Woy is a very active club with many ambitious programs and projects. Among these is the annual Opera in the Arboretum at Pearl Beach.

We wish Julie every success in her Presidential year.

Monica Saville

Clean-Up Australia Day



Epping Rotary is back in business for Clean-Up Australia Day on Sunday March 7th.

We have registered our usual site on Terrys Creek and nominated a fairly relaxed two hours of Clean-Up from 9.30 am until 11.30 when we will stop for refreshments and storytelling.

Ian Bittner and Robert Tosswill will be the organisers this year. Please put this activity on your

Calendars. Further information will be provided at our Monday night meetings.



Epping Rotary Club Walkers

Our usual walk to keep fit and to enjoy the company of others is on as usual this Thursday 4th February. We are meeting at the Epping North Bowling Club at 8.00am and will finish at the Epping North Shopping Village between 9.30 and 9.45am for coffee and cold drinks. Everyone is welcome. Even friends and non Rotarians. Despite the drizzle last week, eight of us had a marvellous time and it is a reminder that the walks go ahead irrespective of the weather.

Thursday WEEK, 11th February, we are offering an easier walk in the hope those who enjoy the outdoors and the company, will feel less intimidated by the program and more empowered by the chance to be part of this great opportunity for fellowship.

Bruce is leading us.

Usual 8.00 am start.

Cumberland State Forest.

95 Castle Hill Road, West Pennant Hills.

As you go north, Koala Park is on your right, proceed towards Castle Hill for about 3 minutes' drive.

Entrance on left about 75 metres before lights for Coonara Avenue.

There are 5 walking tracks of varying difficulty but none hugely difficult. Two very easy but short.

Highlights in the Forest include:

- * Tree Tops Adventure Park.
- * Walks.
- * High class nursery.
- * Lovely Forest.
- * Cafe Saligna where we'll have coffee.
- * There is a room full of historic features and information about this State Forest and forestry in general.

There is ample parking near the cafe and we'll meet at the front cafe entrance.

Non walkers can meet us there around 9.30 am for a coffee and chat.

Trevor McAlister (Co-ordinator)

New Rotary theme

“Serve to Change Lives” - the Rotary International theme for 2021-22



The Rotary International President for 2021-22, Shekar Mehta, from India, has announced his theme for that year, “Serve to Change Lives”, in an inspirational speech. He is encouraging us all to give prominence to the Empowerment of Girls and to focus on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.

See his inspirational presentation on

<https://www.rotary.org/en/shekhar-mehta-says-serving-others-changes-lives-including-our-own>

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