

Rotary

Club of Epping



**10 May
2021**

Toula's Corner

Our thoughts and prayers went out this week our friend and fellow Rotarian Heather Pinto, who lost her brother to COVID-19 in Mumbai, India. This brought home the tragedy in India and around the world where this pandemic is still on the rise. The loss of a sibling is tough, our hearts go out to you, Heather.

A community transmission in Sydney saw a new set of restrictions, which have thwarted our plans for a fundraising **Cocktail Party** kindly hosted by Craig Gallagher on Saturday 15 May. Craig had organised an army of family members to help host the event, so it will require some planning to reschedule. We will advise you on the alternate date as soon as we can.

The **3 on me** on Monday were changed because Heather understandably could not attend, and Alex also had to pull out due to a back problem. Thanks to Deretta and Bruce to stepped in at the last minute.

The life stories narrated by Deretta, Bruce and Betty were awe-inspiring.

Deretta's strength, independence and self-reliance came through so clearly as she charted her life choices and career.

Energy, hard work and positivity has defined Bruce's life from the very beginning and continues to make him who he is.

Betty's remarkable story of resilience in adversity and overcoming the odds is the stuff of legends. I found myself moved to tears. There must be a book in her story.

Last Chance to have your voice heard

Club Membership Survey

Thank you to everyone who has completed the club Membership Survey. This is a FINAL reminder to those who have not had a chance to complete it to do so soon.

You can access the form by following this link [Survey](#)

Next Meeting Ikebukuro – 17 May

Next Monday we will be celebrating the 50th Anniversary of our club's relationship with the Rotary Club of **Ikibukero** in Tokyo, Japan.

Join us on a journey of reminiscence and nostalgia to watch videos and recount the stories of the visits to Sydney and Tokyo by the respective club members.

The Consul General of Japan, Mr. Kiya Makahiko will be joining us for the celebrations as so will our District Governor, David Clarke and our Federal MP John Alexander.

It promises to be a great evening at the Epping Club. If you have not RSVP'd to Deretta, now's the time!! Partners are welcome.

What's coming up



Rotary Club of Epping		
Monday Night Program 2020-2021		
Date	Venue	Speaker
To be rescheduled, due to Covid restrictions	Craig Gallagher' Home at Meadowbank	Cocktail Party to raise funds for San Isidro
Monday, 17 May 2021	Club, Epping	Ikibukero - A relationship of 50 Years Speaker: Consul General of Japan in Sydney, Mr Kiya Masahiko
Monday, 24 May 2021	Hotel, Epping	North Epping Primary School Kerry Goldhagen, Relieving Principal Glenn Gallagher, School Groundsman
Monday, 31 May 2021	Hotel, Epping	Club Forum Discuss outcomes of Survey
Monday, 7 June 2021	Hotel, Epping	Stephanie Ho Polar Adventurer and Mountaineer
Monday, 14 June 2021	NO MEETING	QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
Monday, 21 June 2021	Hotel, Epping	Rob Philips, Chairman, Bendigo Bank
Monday, 28 June 2021	Club, Epping	Changeover with District Governor Elect Lindsay May

Community Raffle – Call for Action

The Raffle books have been printed and we need the support of ALL members to help sell the 100 books of 20 tickets each. If all tickets are sold we stand to raise over \$4500 for our effort.

How can I help I hear you ask??

Simple, you can help by three ways

1. Take one of more books to sell to your family and friends.
 - a. You can sell face to face.
 - b. You can use your email of Facebook page to spread the word.
Your friends can purchase raffle tickets and transfer the money directly into your bank account and you can reserve the tickets for them.
2. Another way to help is to volunteer on a Saturday for a two-hour session to sell the tickets at either North Epping Shopping Plaza or in Carlingford, Corner North Rocks Road and Plympton Road.



To book your spot, or for more information, please contact Deretta at secretary@eppingrotary.org.au

Toula

Along with the wine sales, this will be our biggest fund raiser for the year. We hope to make a net profit of \$4,500.

It was encouraging that every member who attended last Monday took at least 1 raffle book. Each book has 20 tickets. Members are encouraged to sell the tickets rather than buy the book themselves but obviously member choice.

Deretta and I will have raffle books and the member spreadsheet next Monday night for those who were absent last Monday.

We still have gaps for Saturday morning ticket sales at North Epping and North Carlingford where we'll be setting up to sell tickets over the next 6 Saturdays.

Please contact me if you can do a 8-10 am shift or a 10- midday shift at one of the above locations in coming weeks.

Below are details of methods of selling tickets, prizes, ticket cost and where the money will go.

1. We are hoping each member takes 1 or 2 booklets (more available if you feel comfortable) to sell privately as per normal with raffles.

2. Email details to friends with a photo of the raffle tickets with prizes and prices. Provide your bank details to your friends to transfer money to your account. Reference their name, mobile number and Rotary. When you have finished selling, transfer the funds to the Epping Rotary account.

Epping Rotary.
BSB 633000
Account 135781490 Reference Your name + Raffle.

3. We'll be setting up tables at North Epping and Carlingford North to sell tickets as a Club to the public. Details next Rim.

Bruce



Community

Raffle

The Rotary Club of Epping is running a Community Raffle to raise funds for its community project.

Cost of Tickets

- 1 for \$5
- 3 for \$10
- 8 for \$20

Prizes

1. 2 nights at Warri beach, Gerringong at a house by the ocean, which sleeps 6
2. Rawson's Restaurant \$200 voucher; donated by The Epping Club.
3. One mixed dozen Epping Rotary wine bottles; worth \$160 donated by the Rotary Club of Epping
4. \$100 Macquarie Shopping Centre Gift Card; donated by Macquarie Shopping Centre
5. \$100 voucher from Epping Hotel

6. One bottle of Veuve Cliquot champagne; donated by Betty Ockerlander

Draw

The Raffle will be drawn on June 28, 2021 at 8:30pm. Winners will be informed by phone.

Money raised will go towards

The Community Garden. In partnership with the North Epping Primary local school, this project is well underway. It will involve the whole school community and will provide students with a real-time experience on how to grow, harvest, and use vegetables, fruits and herbs.

Local Youth Projects. Working with local schools, the club has a number of ongoing projects that require funding. Examples are the sponsoring of teams for a MUNA conference, Seniors Debates and Leadership programs (RYLA)

Minimbah Disability Service. The Club supports this Marsfield organisation, which cares for people with complex intellectual disabilities. Members of the club volunteer their services and gardening skills.

Wine Sales.

Stock rapidly running out. Only 2 dozen Shiraz, 3 1/2 dozen Semillon and 4 bottles of Rose remain. Contact me ASAP if wanting any of these much sought-after gems.

Bruce

Invitation to hear the NSW Director of Public Prosecutions

"I'd like to invite you and your club members and partners to our meeting on June 2nd when our Keynote Speaker will be the NSW Director of Public Prosecutions, Lloyd Babb SC. He has held this position for 10 years. I'm sure we can expect a very interesting talk.

Could you let me know if you and/or your members are interested in joining us. We meet at Pennant Hills Golf Club, corner Copeland & Burns Roads, Beecroft at 6 for 6.30pm start and there will be a 2-course meal at a cost of \$40 each. We will need confirmed numbers by noon on Monday 31st May. Please call me if you need more information."

Yours in Rotary,
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RIM ARTICLES

Please send RIM articles to Alan at alan.baker.om@gmail.com or secretary@eppingrotary.org.au