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Quote

"I know of no single formula for success, but over the years I have observed that some attributes of leadership are universal and are often about finding ways of encouraging people to combine their efforts, their talents, their insights, their enthusiasm and their inspiration to work together."

Queen Elizabeth 11.

Bruce's Banter

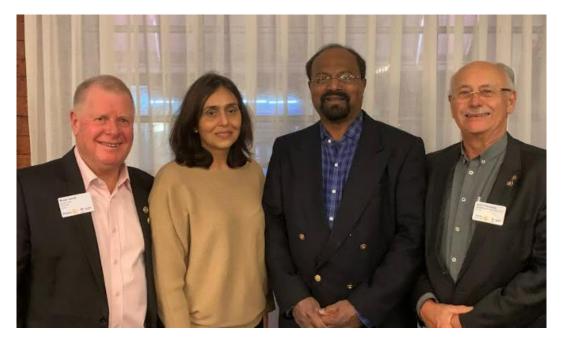
There will be no meeting next Monday as it clashes with the Queen's funeral. However obviously feel free to arrange a meal at the Brassiere with others.

Last Monday was a very special night.

John and I inducted Ravi Veerakathy and Nervin Kaur. This is one one of my favourite parts of being a President and more so when you know they are such good people.

Welcome to our Club. John will mentor Ravi, Monica Nervin and myself Alister.

We thank Alister for spending time with Vinisha and taking her on a bush walk.



Last Monday was the official visit by our DG, Mina Howard. After being glowingly introduced by Monica, Mina gave a very comprehensive review of many Rotary matters. One that stood out was the need to get member feedback and members will get this opportunity on October 17 with our Club Forum.



Thanks, Mina, for your visit; you are doing a wonderful job and we appreciate your visit, especially as you came from Blackheath and then returned. Thanks Toula for a lovely vote of thanks. I was also lucky to be presented with my 4 th Sapphire by Mina and Monica.



We also had a visit from a Rotarian from Iceland, Hjortur Gretarsson, who is staying in Epping for a few weeks with his cousin Smari Fridriksson.

It was great to have them both here and we'll see them again in November. I'll be away for 3 weeks but will only miss one meeting due to the Queen's funeral next Monday and a long weekend on October 3.

Please support Justin who has the floor Monday week, September 26. After our Board meeting on Tuesday this week, now that Covid is hopefully less of a problem, we are embarking on 5-6 community projects. Details will be given shortly and I know you will support these projects as we are a service organisation.

Bruce

Rotary Remembers Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II



Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland is deeply saddened to learn of the death of HM Queen Elizabeth II.

Our thoughts are with the Royal Family as they grieve for their Mother, Grandmother and Great-Grandmother.

The Queen demonstrated extraordinary dedication and commitment to duty throughout her Reign and did so with a graceful strength and admirable determination.

She ruled throughout decades of change, from the dark post-war years, through to the new horizons of the 21st century, providing essential continuity for the nation.

This is a period of public grief when people who do not know each other come together to mourn a national figure who has been consistent throughout our lives, and for whom we have collective affection, despite not knowing her personally.

We share our condolences to the Royal Family and His Majesty King Charles III at this sad time.

Garth Arnold, Chair of the Board for Rotary GB&I, Nicki Scott, Rotary International Vice President, Amanda Watkin, General Secretary of Rotary GB&I

A copy of this statement has also been published on the Rotary GB&I website.

Information and guidance for clubs and districts

Events during the period of mourning

It will be necessary for districts and clubs to adhere to the protocols around the national period of mourning, and consider how their planned events or activities fit with the feelings of the community, general population and their members.

If events do continue, they may begin with a period of silence.

Events planned on the day of the funeral will need to be reassessed and where practicably possible, should be postponed.

Dress code

When conducting Rotary business, members may wish to consider wearing black ties/dark clothing on the day of the funeral and during the period of national mourning. On the death of the Sovereign, the chains of office should not be worn during the period of mourning.

Observation of silence

The death of a senior member of the Royal Family is marked by a two-minute silence.

We have created a 2 minute silence video for clubs and districts to use as appropriate.

Letters of condolence

Rotary in Great Britain and Ireland has sent a letter of condolence to Buckingham Palace. The Royal Family website also has a page to <u>submit online messages of condolence</u>, should clubs or individuals wish to do so.

Copyrighted images

At this time, it is understandable for clubs and districts to post tributes on their websites, social media and communications channels. Please be mindful of not using copyrighted images (for example lifted directly from Google or news websites), as this can come with significant financial penalties if a copyright breach has been committed.

We have therefore identified <u>a copyright-free image from the website Pixabay</u> which can be downloaded and used for free.

Bruce on Holiday

I'll be away from September 15 until October 4. Lou and I are going with another couple to Darwin, an APT trip to the Kimberley region and Broome.

We are lucky.

Peter will be the President on September 12 and Justin September 19. Narelle will be the President as the point of contact for District and our members on other occasions, although unlikely she'll be needed

Thanks Peter, Justin, and Narelle.

Bruce

Club Calendar			
Date	Speaker/Topic Mondays	Venue	
19 September	No Meeting		

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26 September	Penny Wilkinson who is the CEO/founder of The Overcomers Place Ltd a charity which runs programs for people struggling with addition (e.g. alcohol, drugs, gambling)	Justin Kang Epping Club
3 October	Holiday	
10 October	Anthony Stavrinos, Journalist from TWT.	Epping Club
17 October	Club Forum / 3 on me	Epping Club
24 October	Primary Schools Debate	Epping Club
31 October	Epping Community Bank (BB) Community Awards	Epping Club
7 November	Langston Awards	Epping Club
14 November	Pride of Workmanship	Epping Club
21 November	International Night	Epping Club
28 November	Trevor – Book Launch Monica – Foundation	Epping Club
5 December	AGM	Epping Club
12 December	Xmas Party	
Date	Other Events	Venue
24 October	Polio train ride in Sydney	Epping Station
4 November	Carlingford 50 th Anniversary	
12 November	Golden Oldies Ferry Cruise ???	Meadowbank
13 November	Mito Walk	
17 March	District Conference	Cowra
27 May	Rotary International Conference	Melbourne

Train Ride to End Polio - Monday 24 October

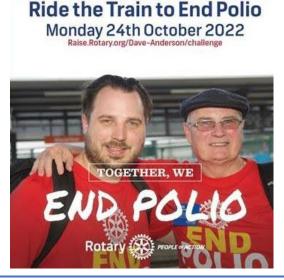
Monday 24 October is WORLD POLIO DAY. Ending Polio is the number one priority of both Rotary International and The Rotary Foundation. Each Club is asked to make a commitment to contribute US\$1,500 (\$2,175). Over the past four years we have conducted the All Stations challenge train ride to End Polio. Over those four years we have raised in Greater Sydney over \$450,000 to ending Polio before the Gates Match. This year more than ever we need yoru commitment and support.

Attached is the train timetable at lets you know when we will be stopping at a station near you. Even if you Club is not on a trainline, PLEASE do you bit by joining us and riding with us for a station or two. It is a great Fellowship day, a great PUBLIC IMAGE Day and it puts the Rotary Brand out there in front of the public.

Start planning you fundraising for this event. Go to <u>https://raise.rotary.org/</u> and start you online fundraiser. Or, go to <u>https://raise.rotary.org/dave-anderson/challenge</u> and support the page that is already on the site.

If a Rotarian contributes via this site, the members Club gets the credit. If a non-Rotarian contributes, than the District gets the credit. The donor email address is the identifying link to your Club or District.

The plan this year is to raise \$200,000. Please do your bit to ensure that your Club meets its commitment to ENDING POLIO. Please look to sponsorship of Dave and myself. **\$1 per station** from an individual or even **\$10 per station** from Clubs together with your individual member sponsorship can help you achieve



you Club commitment. Also if you have not already done so, Please go to <u>www.rotary.org</u> and go to Rotary Club Central and put your goal in place for Ending Polio. 100% of Clubs that did not put a Goal in place last Rotary year, did not give to ending polio.

Dave and I look forward to meeting all of you on the train on MONDAY 24 October. It is a big day if you want to ride the full 181 stations with us, starting at Cronulla ay 4:30AM. PLEASE COME and join us. And as a famous Rotarian from the 1960's (Joe the gadget man) used to say "Don't forget to bring you money with you?" Cheque or proof of bank transfer would also be good.

Yours in Rotary service

Mark

National Centre for Childhood Grief

Last week, we received information regarding the National Centre for Childhood Grief (NCCG). The NCCG is moving from their Denistone East house to Hornsby, due to the sale of 14 Hollis Ave, by the current owners. We have supported this wonderful organisation for past 2 or 3 years in our 'end of year giving'.

To thank its supporters, there will be an Open Day on 17 September at 14 Hollis Ave. Denistone East from 10am to 5pm. From midday to 3pm, there will be a barbecue which is being run by Eastwood-Gladesville Rotary Club. They would appreciate some help from Epping Rotary. Gail and I will be helping but we need more assistance. If you are able to help for an hour or so between 12noon and 3pm, it would be great. Please let me know if you can help on 0412341231.

Even if you are unable to help, please pop into 14 Hollis Ave at some time during the day on 17th September, to enjoy refreshments.

Narelle

Epping Boys support East Timor

Article from Rotary Down-under

Epping students support East Timorese youth

IN 2017, the Rotary Club of Epping and the Year 7 cohort from Epping Boys High School (EBHS) partnered in a project to help the Province of Oecusse in Timor Leste.

While the pandemic prevented the group achieving some goals, like interschool hosting, the project has been an outstanding success. Many old EBHS computers, rugby, soccer and tennis balls, countless clothes, hats, stationery, and thousands of dollars have been raised by fundraising projects and donations, and sent to the young people of Oecusse.

Judy Charnaud has been the inspiration for the project, and pre-COVID lived around six months of the year in Oecusse.

Judy recently returned, taking 50 boxes of stationery and sporting equipment donated and packed by the students of EBHS, who are now in Year 12.

The school is in the process of organising another fundraising activity to support Oecusse youth.



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