

Rotary

Club of Epping



**15 August
2022**

Quote

. "You are a reflection of your Friends."

Bruce's Banter

A wonderful night last Monday at Springfield House with WPH / Cherrybrook Rotary Club. They reciprocated the hosting we provided for them in March and they planned and conducted the meeting very well.

Their President, Janelle Craig, was an excellent hostess and the whole Club were very friendly and accommodating. They have identical numbers as our Club, 38, and like us have some strong possibilities for new members in coming weeks.

A highlight was the Antique Road Show conducted by Ken Buxton, Antique Dealer, who valued items brought by our 12 members who attended. No huge wealth created! Ken's mobile is 0412199332 if wanting to make contact

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I'd like to thank our intrepid bus driver, Trevor, Heather and CCA for driving and providing the bus. Trevor's eyes were opened to some of the antics!?

As a thank you, I gave their Club a copy of our 60th Anniversary booklet.

Thanks Janelle and your Club for a lovely night with a great vibe.





This weekend, 16 of us are going to Wisemans Ferry for the weekend. Not too late to join us, even if you go just for a day. Contact me if you are considering staying overnight or just for a day.

Monday 29 August is shaping as a big night with Parramatta Mayor, Donna Doyle, our special guest. Please ask any family or friends but let me know of any extras.

Congratulations Bob on recently turning 86, great achievement and your contributions for over 55 years have been enormous.

Bob recently returned home after a brief stint in hospital and hopes to attend our meeting next Monday

Wal is having a hernia operation next Monday and we wish Wal a very successful operation and recovery

Thanks Trevor for your huge contributions to our wellbeing via your walks and history talks. See report on Trevor below.

Bruce

Last Monday - A perspective from Trevor

A Most Surprising Exposé

'Now where was that handbrake and who has changed the position of the automatic door release since I was last driving one of these things?' I muttered silently to myself very much aware that Heather was sitting beside me. 'Was this a driving test?' Not at that moment. This would come later in the evening when eight fellow Rotarians clambered aboard. Then there would be eight driving examiners. This was after the event. Then there would be plenty to discuss including the ability of the driver deliver everyone to the Epping Club and not the nearest Casualty.

Before I go any further, I should say that the evening was a very pleasant affair. The hospitality was second to none. The speaker was interesting, competent and well rehearsed. An Antiques Dealer from way back, he knew his stuff. I looked around and was disappointed that his assistant was not going to be a Fiona Bruce look alike. But this would not have been a reasonable expectation given the average age attending and the substitute did do his best. All the ingredients of a first class Rotary gathering were there. Acknowledgement of Country. A loyal toast. A fifty part rendition of the National Anthem. (There were 50 people) A Sergeant at Arms. Food delivered with military precision. Small in size but guaranteed not to infect anyone with salmonella poisoning. Little pieces of this and that artistically arranged. Who could object to that! A series of Directors' Reports. Everyone had the opportunity say something. Publicly as well as privately.

The bus ride home was a bumpy affair. Undoubtedly fuelled by more than good food. At least the driver was sober. I knew this.

Do we need to be regionalised? Was it going to cost? Would Regionalisation mean the cost of the evening meal would go up? Perhaps meetings would become longer with less opportunity for Peter, Paul and Mary to have their say. And would regionalisation attract people like Fiona Bruce into our Clubs? It seemed on this issue there could be no guarantees.

This was powerful stuff. A fuse had been lit and it hissed and spurted all the way down Beecroft Road. Did anyone think a Sergeant's report was a good idea? Apparently not. Did anyone want an acknowledgement to country? It seemed no. Did anyone want a meeting that extended past eight-thirty? Again, no. Someone had memorised the manual about How to Run a Rotary Club and it was examined chapter by chapter, paragraph by paragraph. Not in depth I should add. There wasn't time even with my driving.

'Now why was that motorist flashing his lights at me?' Opps, I flicked the lights to low beam. Heather didn't notice. Nobody noticed except the queue of long-suffering motorists coming towards me. I checked the rear vision mirror. It occurred to me I was leading a procession. Heather didn't notice this either.

Finally let me assure the reader that the ride home was not all negative. In fact it was hilarious. It kept the driver awake.

Signing off for now. I need to go and renew my bus drivers' licence.

Trevor

Next Monday

Next Monday is "Then and Now" night with compere John Fenessy. It should be a fun night and I ask you to support John in this creative venture. John has a report on this later in Rim.

Club Calendar

Date	Speaker/Topic Mondays	Venue
22 August	Now & Then - John Fenessy	Epping Club
29 August	Donna Davis – Mayor of Paramatta	Epping Club
5 September	Club Forum – Decision on Regionalisation	Epping Club
12 September	D.G .visit	Epping Club
19 September	Theresa Collignon. CEO Macquarie College and Chair Gateway Community College. PG	Epping Club
26 September	Justin Kang	Epping Club
3 October	Holiday	
10 October	John Booth - TWT	
17 October	International Night	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
Date	Other events	Venue
24 October	Polio train ride in Sydney	Epping Station
12 November	Golden Oldies Ferry Cruise ???	Meadowbank
13 November	Mito Walk	
17 March	District Conference	Cowra
27 May	Rotary International Conference	Melbourne

Director of Walks and History - Trevor

Trevor does a wonderful job coordinating our walks interspersed with the history of the area walked. Trevor started these walks several years ago but during Covid made Thursday walks an almost mandatory weekly event. It was a big factor in keeping our Club cohesive and socially connected. These walks have continued every fortnight and this week 14 of us went to Cockatoo Island where Trevor provided the commentary and a written summary.

The 17 going to Wisemans Ferry this weekend will also be the beneficiary of such expertise. In coming weeks Trevor will have a book published on Sydney's hidden treasures and all proceeds will go to the Rotary Foundation.

Thanks Trevor

COCKATOO ISLAND WALK

Thursday 18th August

Meet at 8.30am at Meadowbank Wharf to catch the 8.42am ferry to Cockatoo Island
Arrive 9.13am

Return ferries to Meadowbank are at
10.28am (arr. 10.59am), 10.58am (arr. 11.29am) and 11.28am (arr. 11.59am)



Membership Minute

Next Monday 22 /08 is shaping up to be an interesting and fun night. We have about 20 entrants and three scrutineers. I have added another dimension, i.e. the best looking / cutest child who will also be eligible for prize.

Even if you are unable to attend send now & then photo.

We will have three visitors / potential members:

We welcome back Ravi who has visited a few times and Nervin Kaur who is considering membership.

“Over the last 3 decades with the hustle and bustle of work and family commitments, community services had not received the attention that it should have been given. As I move into the second stage of my life, giving back to community is something that becomes important. Getting involved with volunteering rather than just donating funds is my main drive for reaching out to Rotary.”

Nervin grew up in Malaysia, she comes from a Rotary background, has a 20 year old son and a 13 year old daughter.

John Fenessy

Epping Boy's High – Musical

Epping Boys High School presents.....

An Evening of Music

This concert is our school's annual showcase of music talent. It will exhibit outstanding music from our student community and include Ensembles, Soloists, Instrumental and Vocal Works

Tuesday 23 August 2022

School Hall

Concert begins at 7.00pm

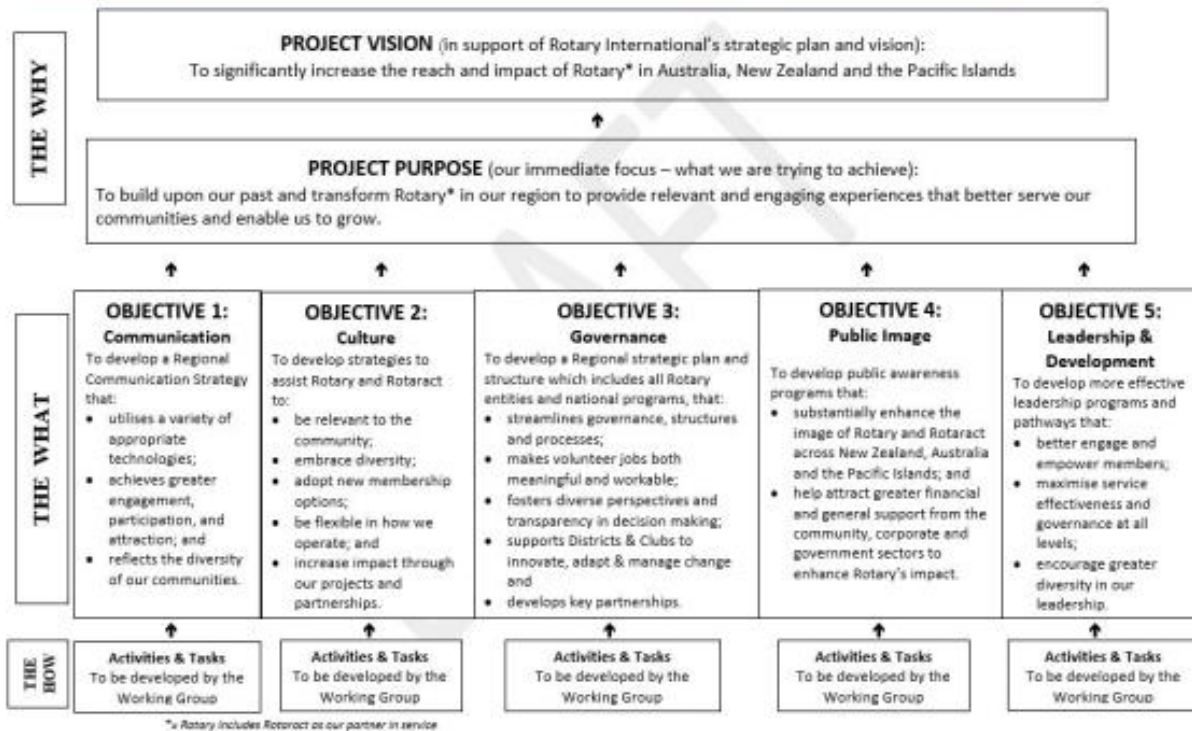
Tickets are to be purchased online using QR code or
<https://www.trybooking.com/CBLKW>

Adults \$20 / Concession \$10 / Family \$50



More information of Regionalisation

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL ZONE 8 REGIONALISATION PILOT 2019 – VISION AND PURPOSE



ROTARY INTERNATIONAL ZONE 8 REGIONALISATION PILOT 2019 - PROPOSED WORKING STRUCTURE

<p>Regionalisation Pilot Core Team</p> <p>Purpose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide overall direction for the Regionalisation Pilot Project • Report to RI, Region, Districts, Clubs <p>Key Responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Develop the Draft vision, mission and objectives that will guide the Oceania Regionalisation Pilot Project • Lead the consultation for input and agreement at all stages • Develop and guide the implementation plan • Review progress and approve changes • Provide regular reports to stakeholders <p>Composition: <i>(will be regularly reviewed for relevance)</i></p> <p>Sponsor: PRIO Noel Treviski</p> <p>Co-Chairs: PDG Peter Frueh (AU - D9800 2017-18) PDG Ingrid Waugh (NZ - D9920 2018-19)</p> <p>Governor Train Representatives: PDG David Egan (D9500 2018-19) PDG Russell Gurney (D9810 2018-19) DGE Mark Yaxley (D9970 2020-21) PP D'Arcy Walsh (D9500)</p>	<p>Regionalisation Pilot Planning Group - RPG</p> <p>Purpose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide input on all aspects of the implementation plan – is the conduit between Districts, clubs and the projects • Oversee Regionalisation Working Groups • Provide representation of and a link with Rotary Districts, Rotary and Rotaract Clubs <p>Key Responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide key input into goals & implementation plan • Guide Working Groups • Consult with Reference Groups, gather feedback <p>Composition (regularly reviewed for relevance): Representatives of countries (Australia, NZ, Pacific Islands), levels of Governor Trains (PDG, DG, DGE, DGN), age, gender, Rotary experience, and relevant vocational skills (e.g. project management, organisational change)</p> <p>Core Team plus...</p> <p>Governor Train Representatives: DG Phil Haley (D9650) DG John McKenzie (D9700) DGE Andy Rajapakse (D9640 2020-21)</p> <p>Other Representatives: PDG Martin Garcia (D9940 2016-17) PDG Steve Hill (D9710 2016-17, 2017-18) PDG Ian Scott (D9685 2014-15) PP Amanda Wendt (D9800) PP Kaye Tamarsh (D9640, Past Chair Rotaract Australia) Rebecca Fry (Rotaract) Representatives from RI Evanston and Parramatta will provide strategic support.</p>	<p>Regionalisation Working Groups (5)</p> <p>Purpose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consult, investigate, plan and propose possible structures and strategies for regionalisation in their respective area of focus • Report to the RPG <p>Areas of Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communication • Culture • Governance • Public Image • Leadership & Development <p>Key Responsibilities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Examine current situation across the region in their field of focus • Determine differences, problems and benefits of the current situation • Be bold and uninhibited by current practice to develop recommendations for improved strategy, structure, practices and processes, to help meet overall Vision and Purpose • Develop proposed implementation plan • Keep RPG informed of progress and all recommendations • Ensure all recommendations comply with RI & TRF Code of Policies, Constitution and By-Laws <p>Composition: Selected for Rotary/Rotaract experience and relevant vocational skills, regional representation</p>	<p>Reference Groups</p> <p>Purpose:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enable wide range of stakeholders to be involved in the planning process • Develop wider commitment and ownership; • Provide a validation of what is being proposed • Help to uncover many more ideas for consideration <p>Composition: To be determined but geographically and culturally relevant</p>
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Take your Rotary leadership skills to the next level with RLI

I can highly recommend your participation in RLI. If you would like details, please send me an email.

For those who have attended RLI, please send me your name so that Club Central can be updated.

Kind regards,
Deretta

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a multi-district, grassroots leadership development program of member districts organized into regional divisions in various parts of the world. RLI is a recommended program of Rotary International.

RLI seeks to provide quality education in Rotary knowledge and leadership skills to Rotarians interested in developing their Rotary participation and to those identified by Rotary Clubs as having a potential in club leadership. These educational opportunities will teach skills that will benefit the members in their lives and in their volunteer service.

Riding for the Disabled

Hi to all our Semester 2 sponsors.

Just to let you know that we have had all the new school students on horseback from day one!!!! We are thrilled with how our horses weave their magic even for those who might usually be shy. The teachers have said that the kids talk about the horses, their names, and their experiences for days after the classes.

Attached is a somewhat funny photo ... I have chosen the back of the riders because not all riders want their photos shared publicly. Can I ask that you don't forward this photo on due to privacy requirements. Please just enjoy it as a reminder of our gratitude and that of the riders and their school for your generosity in making riding classes affordable. The children and their families have so many challenges in their lives and together with your support we can give them something special they will remember forever.

Tina Clifton

Honorary Secretary
The Ryde Centre
Riding for the Disabled Association (NSW)



CCA Needs Help – Bus Driver

We are in need of a bus driver volunteer on Mondays and Fridays (times are flexible).

One of the buses only requires a class C (normal) license. The other requires an LR license. If prepared to volunteer we would cover any costs associated with obtaining the LR license. Both buses are automatic.

I have sent this information with a general call out to recruit more volunteers to John Fenessy at Epping Rotary. (I have also sent the general callout to all other church groups and service clubs that support us).

Heather asked me to contact you directly as the bus driver role is very urgent. If you can assist please let me know. Happy to call you at a suitable time or have the co-ordinator of this service call you to explain the details.

Kind regards,

Kerrie Baguley

As well as bus driving, CCA need help in other areas

- MOW – roster currently full – only backups needed at this stage – permanent volunteer required 1st Saturday of the month from October (Nathalie)
- Medical transport – ad hoc basis and urgently required (Denise)
- Front Office helper – Monday 9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. in September and October
- Community Store – one needed Friday 9.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m (Chloe)
- Eastwood Kiosk – one needed Thursday 10.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. (Chinese speaking preferred) (Denise)
- Linen Service – one needed Thursday fortnightly 9.00 to 11.00 a.m. from 18 August (Maggie)
- Bus driver - Mondays and Fridays – flexible time (Nathalie)
- Bus shopping – Fridays 9.00 a.m. to 1.30 p.m. (Maggie)
- Bus outing – Fridays 9.00 a.m. to 3.00 p.m. (Maggie)
- Chinese Calligraphy tutor - Tuesdays 11 a.m. to 12.15 pm. (Ying)

RIM ARTICLES

Please send RIM articles to Alan at alan.baker.om@gmail.com _or rob@tosswill.com

Articles should be submitted by Thursday afternoon

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