

Rotary

Club of Epping



**19 June
2023**

Quote "Teamwork makes Dreams Work."

Bruce's Banter

Last Monday. PE Ian.

Ian outlined some of his plans for the coming year plus his experiences with indigenous communities both from a family perspective and living in remote communities. See Ian's report below.

Bob Nash's Wife, Wilma.

Wilma is struggling both physically and mentally and it's tough times for Bob and Wilma. Our thoughts, love and best wishes go to you Bob and Wilma.

Monica - Cancer

Monica stunned us last Monday by announcing she's been recently diagnosed with cancer. Monica has had previous medical setbacks such as polio and bowel cancer and in typical Monica fashion was able to make total recoveries.

We expect the same here Monica and our Club sends its thoughts, love and best wishes to you. You are an amazing and inspirational lady.

Taj Mawass - Car Accident.

Taj was a member of our Club for several years about a decade ago. A week ago he was involved in a car accident while driving. Very sadly, his father, died in the accident. While Taj wasn't at fault, he is understandably devastated.

Community Director, Peter, has taken some flowers to Taj and his family. Again, our condolences and best wishes to Taj and his family.

Girl Guide Hall Update.

The Rotary Club of Epping submitted its Certificate of Currency and supporting evidence to Parramatta Council last Wednesday for the obtaining of the lease to the Guide Hall.

This is similar to an Expression of Interest, except more complex. It does not commit our Club to the lease; it's a type of application for the lease. If our application is successful, then it's decision time.

John Fenessy has done an amazing job in coordinating this submission. He has spent dozens of hours on the project and has led a very capable team of John Corney and Toulia with some advice from Alan Cunningham.

Thanks team. We'll keep you posted with the outcome.

Next Monday- Changeover.

Over 50 have committed to this very special night in the Rotary calendar.

PE Ian has done a wonderful job in preparation for the evening and it's great that our Club is getting a President who is such a committed Rotarian.

Thanks also to Geoff and Monica who have coordinated our program for next Monday and to Di for the decorations.

Thanks

This will be the last Bruce's Banter. I'll say thanks to all concerned next Monday, but thanks to everyone for your support and friendship.

Bruce

Last Monday – Ian Bittner - PE

With just one week to go before Changeover night, President Elect Ian Bittner some of the opportunities and challenges that he sees for the year ahead. We are applying to the Parramatta Council for the lease to the Girl Guide Hall on Blaxland Road. In the new year the Regionalisation Project

should be an interesting activity to watch and/or participate in.

Ian also gave a brief history of the early years of the state of South Australia and shared some personal family history as well.

More reading here : [Yalata Aboriginal Community – South Australia](#)

And here : [Number of Indigenous children being removed from homes increasing at 'staggering rate', new report says - ABC News](#)

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Ian Bittner



Club Calendar

Date	Speaker/Topic Mondays	Venue
26 June	Changeover	Epping Club
3 July	BYE – No meeting	Epping Club

10 July	Speaker to be confirmed	Epping Club
17 July	Clinical Trials	Epping Club
24 July	PYPEN – Bruce	Epping Club
7 August	TBA	Epping Club
14 August	District Governor visits Epping Rotary Club 6pm	Epping Club
Date	Other Events	Venue
24 June	Visit to Chinese Gardens	
1 July (Sat)	District Changeover Lunch	
15 March 24	District Conference	Terrigal

Epping Rotary Changeover – 26 June

Pay for attending ...

Please consider a direct payment to the Members Account before the night – to speed things along.

Members Account details are:

BSB: 633000
Acct: 153118740

If you drop me an email I will mark you as paid beforehand – otherwise just tell us on the night.

ian.bittner@iinet.net.au

Cheers

Ian B



WELCOME
EVERYONE

EPPING
ROTARY CLUB

Change Over
Dinner 2023-24

► Mon June 26

King's Birthday Australian Awards – Congratulations to the following Rotarians:

AM Professor Iona Novak For significant service to medical research, particularly the treatment of cerebral palsy. Iona is a member of the Rotary Club of Eastwood-Gladesville

OAM Past District Governor John Dodd For service to the community, particularly through Rotary.

OAM Janelle Dodd For service to the community, particularly through a range of organisations. John and Janelle are members of the Rotary Club of Ryde.

Past District Governor Bob Burnett from Turramurra Rotary Club passed away last weekend.

He was Governor in 1978-79. He was 93. The funeral is on 27 June at 2:15pm at the Northern Suburbs Crematorium, North Chapel.

Regionalisation Pilot

Sharing our Pilot with the world

Dear Club President or Secretary,

At the recent 2023 Rotary International Convention in Melbourne, members of the Zone 8 Regionalisation Pilot Steering Group presented a breakout session to attendees interested in finding out more about the pilot.

The session started with a presentation by Steering Group Chair Ingrid Waugh, followed by District Governor Neville Parsons, Rotaract Australia Chair Laura Telford and Steering Group member Peter Frueh answering questions from attendees.

This breakout session was an opportunity for people to get a greater understanding of the pilot and further understand what the next steps will be since the Rotary International Board agreed to provide financial support for the pilot in April 2023.

You can read the presentation from the breakout session [here](#).

Ingrid and Laura recorded a video about the breakout session which you can view [here](#).

As part of the Convention, the Regionalisation Pilot also had a booth in the House of Friendship staffed by people working on the pilot. This was a fantastic opportunity for Rotarians and Rotaractors to ask questions about and share their thoughts on regionalisation.

What's Next?

In next month's communication you will learn more about the Community Leader and Specialist Network roles, which will provide crucial support to clubs in the new regionalisation model. As these roles will directly impact clubs, it is important to keep informed so you can plan to arrange a future club meeting to discuss how your club wants to access these new support roles.

In the coming months you will receive information about the Regional Council, including its functions, how it will work and what role you can play.

We have also updated our website to include a list of [all the teams](#) working on the pilot.

For more regular updates or to have your say visit creatingtomorrowrotary.org, which we are updating regularly. You can email us directly at rotaryregionalpilot@gmail.com.

Sincerely,
Ingrid Waugh
Chair, Zone 8 Regionalisation Pilot Steering Group

Sunday 25 June

A Visit To the Chinese Gardens

As a follow-up to the International Night that we celebrated earlier this year, we are organising a group visit to the Chinese Gardens Darling Harbour.

Nestled between the high-rises in the middle of the city, you will be visiting a serene oasis with lakes, waterfalls, pagodas and beautiful flora.



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Join us on a tour of the gardens followed by lunch at the Lotus Restaurant for *Mixed Dumpling Basket* lunch which includes 8 scrumptious dumplings.

Date	Sunday 25 June 2023
Time	10:15am for a 10:30am start

Place	Chinese Gardens Darling Harbour, a short walk from Town Hall Station
Lunch	Mixed Dumpling Basket with 8 dumplings Details (scroll down)
Cost	\$30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The cost includes entry fee and lunch. ○ The cost is generously subsidised by the Rotary Club of Epping ○ Drinks are not included. ○ A Guided Discovery Tour is available at 10:30am for a maximum of 15 people.
Interested	Email Toula Serna toulaserna@outlook.com

City2Surf Promo/ ShelterBox Fundraiser

Please check the Facebook link below to see how you can support ShelterBox

We are looking for more keen and fit women of all ages to join us in the City2Surf this August! If its not your thing please support us via a donation via this link so our effort will be rewarded by supporting our favourite charity ShelterBox Australia. Thank you in advance !

[The ShelterBox Girls in 2023 City2Surf](#)

District 9685 Changeover 2023

Saturday 1st July from 12.00 pm to 4.00 pm at Rydges Norwest, 1 Columbia Court, Baulkham Hills.

Please join PE Ian, JF and myself at the District Changeover on July 1 at midday. The District helps us so please help them

You register by following the link below

[MyEventRunner - Event Registration Summary \(crsadmin.com\)](#)



DISTRICT 9685 CHANGEOVER

SATURDAY, 1ST JULY 2023, 12.00 pm to 4.00 pm



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\$60 per head

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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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