

# Rotary

## Club of Epping



**5 June  
2023**

### **Quote**

"A great POW night." "A triumphant night." "Great vibe." "Terrific POW."

### **Bruce's Banter**

**Last Monday. POW. Deretta Presentation. Sean Gordon.**

The above quotes are a sample of the great feedback from our POW night. 59 attended this wonderful night.

Our Club should be proud of the respect and relevance it is held by within the local community. It have the Principal of EBHS and the 3 Deputies attend, is testimony to this. Also to have the quality of our guest speaker, Sean Gordon , further emphasises this point.



Thanks to John , Monica and Deretta on the door, John for promoting Trevor's book sales, Toula for her photos and Deretta's gift, Sharyn for reading the citations, Narelle for getting Sean and many others ,and especially to Alex who provided dignity and polish plus a wonderful job in coordinating an outstanding POW. Congratulations Alex.

It was with mixed feelings that we made a presentation to Deretta. She has been the "glue" that's maintained the high standards and success of our Club.

We presented Deretta with a lovely engraved Rotary clock, petrol money and probably most importantly Honorary membership of our Club.



I think we'll be seeing more of Deretta. Thanks and best wishes Deretta, you have been a super star.

Sean Gordon was an outstanding guest speaker. He maintained the POW theme of Education and outlined the relationships between Technical Knowledge, Invisible Me and Visible Action.

In a night of many highlights, the presentation by Narelle and Monica of a PHF to Sean was one of the best.

A great night.

To quote PE Ian from 12 months ago, "it made me proud to be an Epping Rotarian."



*I really enjoyed the night and received some beautiful feedback about my keynote (a bonus) but most of all I felt so honoured to receive the Paul Harris Fellowship from an organisation that I hold in such high regard. With a nomination by Narelle, one of the finest women I've been lucky enough to journey with, and having my wife Jo-Anne present my "gratitude" bucket was overflowing! I will treasure this evening forever and your kind words from the front were cream on that whole scene. I wish you well with heartfelt thanks again to the members of this branch,*

*Sean Sean Gordon OAM [www.seangordon.com.au](http://www.seangordon.com.au) 0439 700 489*

#### **Chinese Garden Visit. June 25**

This should be great morning and early afternoon. Caroline, Peter and Toula have planned a wonderful schedule; see below.

Please contact Toula asap if going. Partners and friends are very welcome.

**July 12. No meeting.**

**July 19. P E Ian outlined his plans for the new Rotary year.**

**Bruce**

## Last Monday – Pride of Workmanship Awards

The Pride of Workmanship (PoW) awards was the focus of our Meeting last Monday, June 05<sup>th</sup>. We had a gathering of 59 people and six organisations that participated this Year and nominated their workers. Friends and Families of the Awardees were also present.

The Pride of Workmanship is designed to acknowledge an employee, irrespective of age or vocation, who in the eyes of their employer, displays outstanding qualities in terms of approach, attitude, dedication and commitment to their job. The award is intended to cover all aspects of work performance and ethics, inclusive of quality and quantity of output, safety, initiative, sense of responsibility, etc.

Our focus this year was on the Education sector and particularly on specialist Teachers. Seven awards were given to some extraordinary Teachers.

- Nasise Yonas, a Family Day Care Educator from CCA NSW Ltd.
- Megan Quintiliani, Day Manager & Facilitator from Road Safety Education Ltd.
- Dr Peta McVey, Palliative Care Services Guide from Palliative Care NSW.
- Elaine Witton, Calligraphy Teacher from Macquarie Community College.
- David Vasey, Trainer-Tech Savvy Seniors from Macquarie Community College.
- Alison Laird, Head Teacher from Epping Boys High School.
- Mariane Hickey, Classroom Teacher from Epping Boys High School.

One Awardee from Epping Public School was not able to be present and will be presented the award at a later date.



Alex Thomas

## Club Calendar

Date	Speaker/Topic Mondays	Venue
19 June	A preview of 2023/4 – PE Ian Bittner	Epping Club
26 June	Changeover	Epping Club

3 July	BYE – No meeting	
14 August	District Governor visits Epping Rotary Club 6pm	Epping Club
<b>Date</b>	<b>Other Events</b>	<b>Venue</b>
16-18 June	RYPEN	
24 June	Visit to Chinese Gardens	
1 July (Sat)	District Changeover Lunch	
15 March 24	District Conference	Terrigal

#### **Trevor Update**

John and I visited Trevor on Wednesday and his progress is upward trending. He has started 2 weeks of rehab and welcomes calls and visits. Ring him on 0449126896.(Remember to ring first)

Ellen has been a marvellous support and is coping well; the "carer" often experiences similar problems.  
Best wishes Trevor and Ellen.  
Bruce



#### **A message from Trevor**

*Hello all Rotarians. If you are able to read this, you may be reassured that you are not dead. And neither am I. I have been overwhelmed by the number of kind messages which I have received during this difficult journey. It started at 2.30am Sunday morning nearly two weeks ago when my arms and legs refused to follow instructions. Ellen was on to it and phoned the ambulance. The Royal North Shore became my home for a week and now Graythwaite. I am surrounded by people who care. They enquire earnestly about my well being, seek information about my blood pressure and my bowel movements. Since coming to Graythwaite my body has undergone a workout I never thought possible with lengthy gym sessions and games of challenge that leave me exhausted. I am anticipating emerging from all this with a finely tuned and very efficient body. But it is to my friends at Rotary that I write. I have been deeply moved by your expressions of love and support*

## 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 in 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.



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	<b>Sunday 25 June 2023</b>
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 <a href="#">Details</a> (scroll down)
Cost	\$30 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ The cost includes entry fee and lunch.</li><li>○ The cost is generously subsidised by the Rotary Club of Epping</li><li>○ Drinks are not included.</li><li>○ A Guided Discovery Tour is available at 10:30am for a maximum of 15 people.</li></ul>
Interested	Email Toulaserna <a href="mailto:toulaserna@outlook.com">toulaserna@outlook.com</a>

### Thinking of Others at the End of the Financial Year

On Monday night at our excellent Pride of Workmanship evening it was wonderful to hear that a member of our club wishes to make a donation to The Rotary Foundation. As you are aware, the humanitarian and educational programs of The Rotary Foundation benefit so many people in our world. Such generosity is very much appreciated.

If you plan to make a donation before the end of the financial year, you need to decide if you would like your donation to go to Polio Plus (the Foundation's major world program) or to the Annual Fund which supports all the other programs and district and global grants of the Foundation. Any donation to The Rotary Foundation over \$2 will give you a tax deduction. All donations will earn points towards PHF recognition.

Before or on the day you make your donation you are advised to send an email to [risppo.finance@rotary.org](mailto:risppo.finance@rotary.org) so they will know to expect your donation. They will want to know your address to send the tax deduction form to.

You can deposit your donation directly to:

Name of Account: The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust  
BSB: 342011  
Account: 66349001

You will need to give your name your and Rotary ID (which is in the Epping Club Directory) and include Epping NSW and our club's ID which is 18017.

Contact me if you want any further assistance with this.

Monica Saville  
The Rotary Foundation Director



### **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 \(crsadmin.com\)](https://www.crsadmin.com/MyEventRunner)



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**1 COLUMBIA COURT, BAULKHAM HILLS**  
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Articles should be submitted by Thursday afternoon

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