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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S KEYBOARD



FROM PRESIDENT DAVID'S KEYBOARD.....

Holidays are now over, and we head for a very busy 6 months – so be prepared.

Sunday 26th January

*Australia Day at PP PHF **Dennis and Jenny Allen's** home (1021 Wisemans Ferry Road, Somersby) and gardens. It is always a great day and Dennis and Jenny, with the CWA ladies, put on an enjoyable day. Dennis has invited all of us, so please let him know if you will be attending. Only \$20 for morning tea/brunch.*

Thursday 13th February

*Celebration of **Max Richardson's** 50 years membership of Rotary. Max and his family will be coming and the District Governor has been invited along with members of the Engadine Club (where Max joined on 8th February 1975). 50 years in Rotary is a rare event (only Jim Kirkness and Geoff Grenfell have achieved this milestone in our Club) and I am keen to make this a special night for*

Max and Lovise. It will be a Ladies night, and I ask that all members make a concerted effort to attend and also bring your wife/partner.

Saturday 22nd February

*Central Coast Rotary Dinner for Rotarians and partners, to be held on Saturday 22nd February at Breakers Country Club. **Mark Huddlestone** from the Rotary Club of Seaforth, South Australia, is the guest speaker. Mark is an author, blogger and presenter on Rotary membership development. He is a dynamic, 'in demand' speaker on matters relating to the way forward for membership of successful and surviving Rotary Clubs. Regarding event details ... the dinner will comprise 2 courses at \$56 per head. Start time will be 6.00pm for seating at 6.30pm. In due course a Try Booking site will be set up and a link provided for booking purposes.*

Thursday 27th February

*Movie Night, at Avoca Beach Theatre. The movie is White Bird starring **Helen Merrin** who never fails to give a great performance.*

We have agreed to cancel our meeting for that night. Members have supported these nights organised by Erina Rotary in the past and it looks like another great evening.

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Friday 21st & Saturday 22nd March

District Conference at Pullmans Penrith. I have registered for Saturday and encourage all members to do likewise. We had good representation at last year's Conference and I know it was a worthwhile experience. I would like to have some company, and you can register on the District 9685 website. Cost is \$160 for Saturday to hear from a group of interesting speakers and look around the Rotary showcase. Lunch is included.

Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th March

Sale of antiques and collectables from **Chris Foster** to be held at Point Clare Scout Hall (Fagans Park). There will be other items sold over the days and Community Services Director **Geoff Vincent** will be organising a BBQ for the days. Will be a good fund-raising opportunity and volunteers will be needed. Should the Federal Election be called for that weekend, the Hall will not be available and the sale will be rescheduled.

Pitch For Purpose

A District initiative where schools from the District will present their Pitch For Purpose which is an exciting opportunity for students to hone their skills in innovation and design thinking while solving real-world problems related to environmental protection—one of Rotary's core focus areas. All schools were invited to participate in this challenge to help their students become leaders in social impact and sustainability. St Edwards College; St

Joseph's College; Kincumber, Avoca Beach, and Lisarow Public Schools have entered from the Central Coast. A judging process to see which schools from the District will present at the District Conference is being held in February. We have been allocated St Edwards College which means that if they are successful our Club will contribute \$450 towards the costs for them to attend the District Conference for the Saturday.

Of course, after these we will have the 25th annual Razzamatazz on 15 April; Pride of Workmanship and Quiet Achievers Awards (date to be confirmed by IPP PHF **David Nichols**) and on 17th and 18 June is the 25th annual Science and Engineering Challenge. Closely followed by Club Changeover.

Tonight, we will hear from **Fran Baines**, a volunteer from We Care Connect, whom we supported over the last 2 years with donations.

Some topical humour: I am confused how a cemetery can raise its prices and blame it on the cost of living.

President: David Boardman

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THIS WEEK

Thursday 16th January 2025

Presenter: Fran Baines

WE CARE CONNECT

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 23rd January 2025

Presenter: John Kitchener

Teaching in the outback

(Teacher at Yuendumu - 300km NW of Alice Springs)

Sunday 26th January 2025

AUSTRALIA DAY 2025

At Dennis & Jenny Allen's

1021 Wiseman's Ferry Road, Somersby

Thursday 30th January 2025

Presenter: The Glen for Women

Rehabilitation and progress

Monday 3rd February 2025

Gosford Rotary Club Board Meeting

Thursday 6th February 2025

Presenter: Phil Elms

My years of service as a Fire Captain

Thursday 13th February 2025

Max Richardson's 50 years in Rotary

Max and Lovise are looking forward to attending and Lovise says he will make hell or high water to attend regardless of his health

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SOME PHOTOS FROM LAST YEARS CHRISTMAS PARTY 2024



MEDICAL WARNING

When you drink **Vodka** over ice, it can give you **kidney** failure!

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When you drink **Rum** over ice, it can give you **liver** failure!

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When you drink **Whiskey** over ice, it can give you **heart** problems!

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When you drink **Gin** over ice, it can give you **brain** problems!

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Apparently ICE is really bad for you!!!

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