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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

FROM PRESIDENT NEV

The meeting on June 11 had good attendance. Following Rotary Grace, the International Toast was to The Rotary Club of Barcelona, Spain. This was due to the inauguration of Antoni Gaudi's most beautiful & honoured work, The Sagrada Familia Basilica in Barcelona. Pope Leo was present to bless the inauguration, to the sound of tens of thousands of singing voices & over 5 tonnes of fireworks! Construction commenced on 19 March 1882 & the final touches are expected to be completed by 2034.

FUN TIMES

Heads & Tails was won by Anna Henwood. The Card Draw was won by Peter Moore who drew the Queen of Spades. The Jackpot stands at \$165.

SERGEANTS SESSION

Lester Marquet gave another fantastic Session featuring the "on this day" theme. From 738 AD Warrior Leader, Smoke Monkey ascends to the throne of the Mayan city of Copán, after the capture and killing of his predecessor 18 Rabbit by rival city Quirigua, 1144 when the Basilica of St Denis (near Paris) is dedicated as the first fully Gothic Church, 1644 when Florentine scientist Evangelista Torricelli describes his invention of the Mercury

Barometer, 1742 when Benjamin Franklin invents the "Franklin Stove", a metal lined fireplace insert which improves the heating capacity of wood fired stoves/fireplaces & reduces the usage of wood by over 50%, 1935 when Edwin Armstrong gives the first public demonstration of FM Broadcasting, & finally to 1953, when Gosford local, Alan Davidson, made his Test Cricket debut at Trent Bridge in Nottingham, England.

GUEST SPEAKER

Our guest this week was local Wheelchair Tennis Olympian, David Hall. He was an attendee of Budgewoi Primary & Northlakes High. David has won every Wheelchair World Tennis Title. He has won Gold, Silver & Bronze Olympic Medals &, was the World Number One Wheelchair Tennis Player for over 6 years. David caught the hearts of everyone present with his humility, openness & positive stance on life. David lost both his legs in a tragic accident at 16 years of age. He could have done anything but achieve in the manner in which he has done. But he chose the most bitter & hard roads back, & discovered the sweetest & most gratifying outcomes. This was without doubt the most inspirational presentation that I've heard & I can't wait to read the book. It was a privilege to hear David's story! Vote of thanks was given by PP Lester Marquet.

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	MEMBERS BIRTHDAYS 1 JUNE Russell Stuart	PARTNERS BIRTHDAYS	WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES 3 JUNE David & Lorraine Boardman	ROTARY INDUCTIONS 1 JUNE LESTER MARQUET 45 years
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PRESIDENT NEV, DAVID HALL & PP LESTER

OUR RYPEN STUDENTS

We were also visited by this year's sponsored RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) Students. Each student gave a brief summary of what they hope to achieve & look forward to presenting to us again following their completion of the Program.



PP Bob, Jessica Middleton, Erin Kearns & Coco Sheridan

UPCOMING EVENTS

18 JUNE 2026

Club Assembly

25 JUNE 2026

Changeover Dinner (Ladies Night)

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The Four-Way Test

(Of the things we think, say or do)

1. Is it the **TRUTH**?
2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
3. Will it build **GOODWILL** and **BETTER FRIENDSHIPS**?
4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?"



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ROTARY GRACE

Oh, Lord and Giver of all good,
 We thank thee for our daily food.
 May Rotary friends and Rotary ways,
 Help us to serve thee all our days.