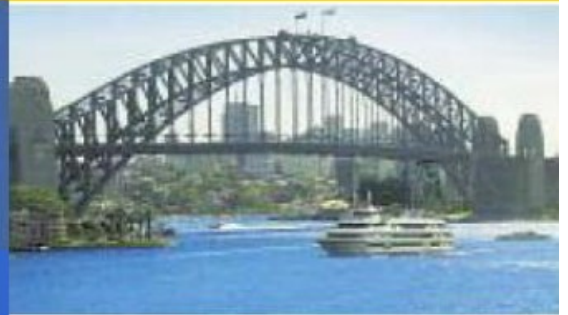


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From our President....Jeremy Brennan



Current Affairs

This week we are very lucky to see an exceptional woman become the Premier of NSW. While we narrowly missed out on seeing the first female President of the USA earlier this year, it is clear that talented women continue to reach high office.

This Thursday at our Rotary Lunch we will have the great honour to hear from Otto Patterson at a time when his story has great significance. Mr Patterson escaped the Nazi's during WW2 on 3 occasions and this week we will hear him speak on his "Fourth Life". The plight of refugees has reached the headlines again due to one of the first acts of the new President of the USA.

Please join us this week to hear the story of Otto Patterson.

.....President Jeremy



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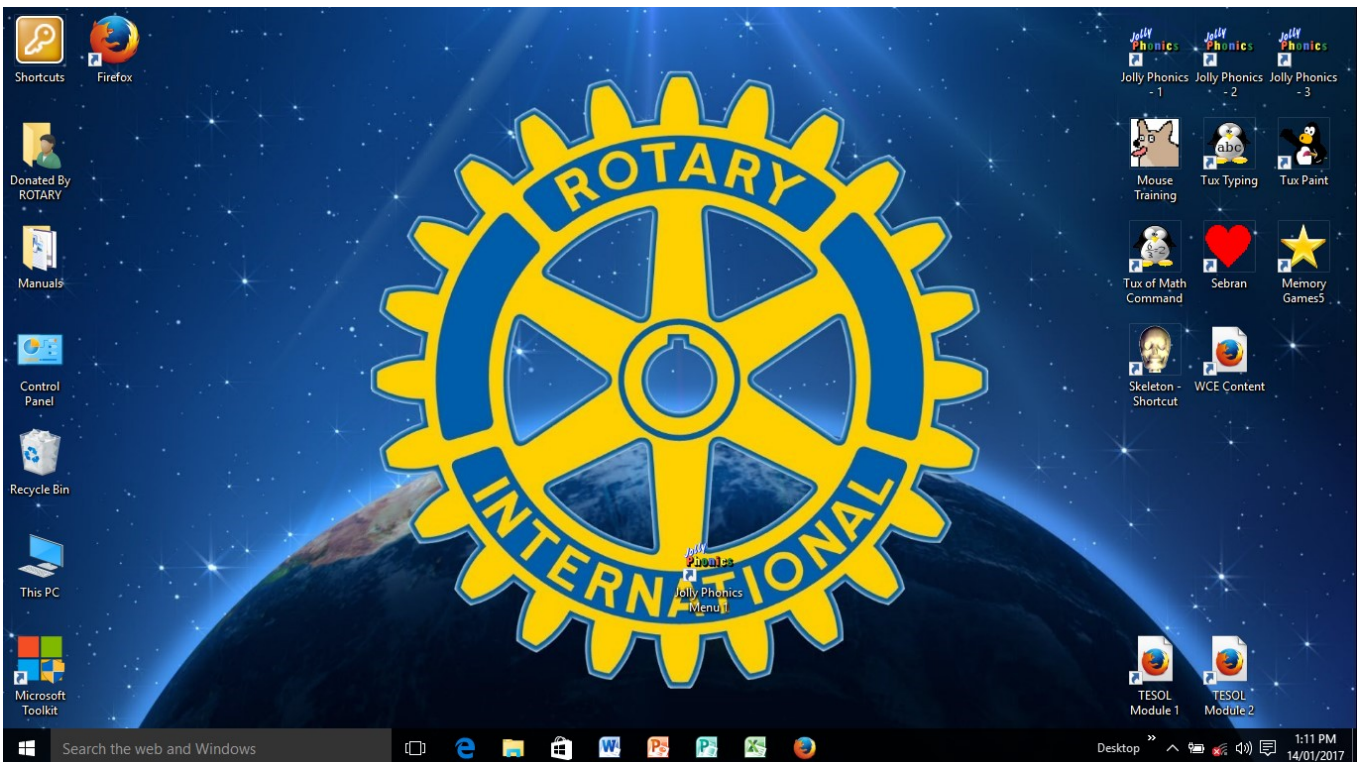
Last Meetings Guest Speaker

Our Club Secretary Tammy Chu gave a brief update on Computer Education for a youth centre in Dili, Timor-Leste which is this year's selected International project. It officially kicked-off July 1, 2016 and is nearing the final implementation phase. The project is on track with scope, schedule, and budget.

Most of the time was spent on a hand-on demo of one of the laptops that will be provided. Each laptop package consists of a HP ProBook 4320s, power cord, mouse, mousepad, USB storage drives, and a Rotary branded laptop bag. A total of 12 units have been refurbished with Windows 10, Office 2010, and a wide range of educational software. The software ranges from learning to operate the mouse and keyboard, developing English and math skills, and having an accredited TESOL program for the local teachers.



During the demo our Club member JT volunteered as a “student” user and sportingly played some of the educational games. The Dili youth centre will use these laptops to support their primary educational focus of learning English and basic math. The project is expected to be completed by March 2017. While future implementations are to be determined, the template used for this project can be replicated and is considered scalable.



Sample screenshot of a laptop desktop image

Last Meetings Guest Speaker



Tammy updates us on the Computer Education project for Timor Leste



Last Meetings Guest Speaker



Pi Lee Shares her experience
At RYLA with us.



Banner Swap
visiting Rotarian is Neils Frank
from Copenhagen.



Calendar

2nd February Otto Patterson My Fourth Life. Escaped the Nazi's 3 times
During WW11

16th February Belinda West TBC Presentation of modified car

2nd March Carolyn Lee Yhe latest in Solar Power & Battery Storage

16th March Gemma Sisia "The School of Jude"

For Past Events Click <http://www.northsydneyrotary.org>

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Front Desk & Room Set Up Attendance Required from 12:00pm

2 nd February	Philip Brook & John Taylor
9 th February	Silvio Gmur & Jeff McDougall
16 th February	Tony d'Arbon & Peter Lulic
23 rd February	Ken Pratt & Wilfred Chee

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> Event Details

Rotary Club of North Sydney
Thursday 16th March
12:00 noon for 12:20 pm start

The North Sydney Leagues Club
12 Abbott Street, Cammeray

Lunch
\$35 pp visitors \$30 for Rotarians

RSVP 12th March

> Book

Jenny Thomas OAM
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Former Aussie teacher Gemma Sisia opened the gates to The School of St Jude in Tanzania 15 years ago and now, thanks to the support of thousands of Australians, it provides a free, high-quality education to 1,800 promising yet impoverished students. Gemma and St Jude's graduate Winrose will share their inspirational story.

Being happy doesn't mean that
everything is perfect
it means that you've decided
to look beyond the imperfections.



Humour by Geoff Prichard

They weren't in my pockets. Suddenly I realized I must have left them in the car. Frantically, I headed for the car park. My wife has scolded me many times for leaving my keys in the car's ignition. She was afraid that the car could be stolen.

As I looked around the car park, I realized she was right. The car park was empty. I immediately called the police. I gave them my location, confessed that I had left my keys in the car, and that it had been stolen.

Then I made the most difficult call of all to my wife:....."I left my keys in the car and it's been stolen."

There was a moment of silence. I thought the call had been disconnected, but then I heard her voice.

"Are you kidding me?" she screamed, "I dropped you off!"

Now it was my turn to be silent..... Embarrassed, I said, "Well, come and get me."

She retorted, "I will, as soon as I convince this police officer that I didn't steal your damn car!"

Welcome to the silver years...



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Feb 1 David Field

Feb 22 Michael Antarakis

Rotary Attendance 19th January 2017

Guests & Visitors:

Pi Lee (RYLA)

Niels Frank - Visiting Rotarian Copenhagen

Bonna Knavovicka

Apologies:

Phillip Brook

Tony d'Arbon

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