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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

LOOKING AHEAD AND BEYOND OUR CLUB'S 90th ANNIVERSARY

On 16th August, 2018 we will be celebrating our clubs 90th birthday which is a remarkable milestone of which we should all be proud.

Our club has a history of outstanding achievement in just about all avenues of Rotary Service.

We are looking forward to making the anniversary a very special occasion and will start planning it in detail in the New Year.

Beyond our upcoming anniversary, there are challenges ahead which are similar to many Rotary Clubs Australia wide; - membership status.

At last week's Club Forum we discussed various ways and means by which to find potential Rotarians in our community:

- Using social media, especially Facebook to promote membership
- Advertise in local newspapers and magazines
- Promote our COGS bulletin more widely to attract members
- Drive traffic to our club website and ensure it pitches to prospects
- Letter and leaflet drops in North Sydney and Cammeray areas
- Establish partnerships with corporate and not-for-profit organizations

The objective is to establish in the New Year a task force of club members to design and implement action plans from the above list as well as from other ideas put forward at the forum.

For this initiative to be successful all members of the club will need to be involved on an ongoing basis.



We need to find ways to INSPIRE our local Community



.... and find ways to CONNECT with Prospective Rotarians

REFLECTIONS ON ROTARY

A MEMBERSHIP SNAPSHOT



WHO:

Rotary brings together the kind of people who step forward to take on important issues for local communities worldwide. Rotary members hail from a range of professional backgrounds; doctors, artists, small business owners, young entrepreneurs and executives all call themselves Rotarians. Rotary connects these unique perspectives, and helps leverage its members expertise to improve lives everywhere.

Where: Active in most countries the world over, Rotary unites a truly diverse set of leaders from across the world. Currently, the largest number of clubs comes from the United States, India, Japan and Brazil.

The fastest growing Rotary regions include Southeast Asia and Africa.

What: Rotarians contribute their time, energy and passion to sustainable long-term projects in local communities and communities across the globe. Projects focus on important issues like peace and conflict resolution, disease prevention and treatment, water and sanitation, maternal and child health, basic education, literacy and economic and community development.

This Week's Guest Speaker

Noel Phelan from The Sydney Maritime Museum

'THE STORY OF MV KRAIT AND OPERATION JAYWICK'

This is the story of a Japanese fishing boat that transported a group of commandos from Bemouth in WA to island 50 miles from Singapore and back. The commandos then paddled their foldboats at night from island to island to attach limpet mines to Japanese ships in Singapore harbour. 7 Japanese ships were sunk - 37,000 tons. This raid was kept secret for many years and had terrible consequences for innocent people. KRAIT is now being restored and brought back to the configuration used during the raid on Singapore.

Come along and learn about the training required, the equipment used, the challenges they had to overcome and how they managed to get over 1,000 miles behind enemy territory and back undetected



MV KRAIT
Image titled:
'Rendezvous on 2 October, 1943'

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"For Good Food, Good Fellowship and the Opportunity to serve through Rotary, we give thanks".





Invitation



Members, Partners & Friends

Please join us for a festive meeting with a Delicious Christmas Luncheon at NORTHS, Cammeray

Thursday, 21st December, 2017, 12.30pm – 2.30 pm

Menu

Entrée

Tasting Plate of: Turducken Terrine, Ocean Prawns, Smoked Salmon and Fresh Brie

Main Course

Turkey Roulade with stuffing of Sundried Cherries and Roasted Chestnuts, Roast Potatoes, Pumpkin and Broccolini, Garden Salads

Dessert

Traditional Plum Pudding with Brandy Custard & Ice Cream **Beverages:**

Sparkling Wine, White Wine, Red Wine, Beer and Soft Drinks.

Cost per person all-inclusive of Food & Beverages: \$50

Please confirm your attendance with pre-payment by 18 December 2017 to Jenny Thomas on 0417 694 450 e: jenny@jmexec.com.au



Club Meetings & Events

Date	Speaker	Subject
14-Dec-17	Noel Phelan Sydney Maritime Museum	The Story of MV KRAIT
16-Dec-17	Crows Nest Markets	Come along an check out our Club's fund raiser activity.
21-Dec-17	Last Meeting of Year	Christmas Dinner at Norths
11-Jan-18	Speaker TBA	
18-Jan-18	Speaker TBA	
25-Jan-18	No Meeting	(Last Thurs of Month)
1-Feb-18	Speaker TBA	
8-Feb-18	Speaker TBA	
15-Feb-18	Speaker TBA	
21-Feb-18	Speaker TBA	
28-Feb-18	No Meeting	(Last Thurs of Month)

Date	Birthdays	Date	Anniversaries
15-Dec-17	Doug Garner	29-Dec-17	Lilly and Chung-Hou Lee
		2-Jan-18	John and Jackie Taylor

Date	Front Desk & Room Set Up Attendance Required from 12:00pm
14th December	Philip Brook and John Taylor
21st December	Jeff McDougall and Tony d'Arbon
28th December	No Meeting
4th January	No Meeting
11th January	Peter Lulic and Geoff Pritchard

Visitors & Apologies for 7th December 2017

Visitors

Nil

Leave of Absence:

Robert Lau

Kevin Thomas

Apologies

Philip Brook

Jiji Lee

Geoff Pritchard

Brendan Walsh

Humour by Geoff Prichard

A nice, calm, and respectable lady went into the pharmacy, walked up to the pharmacist, looked straight into his eyes, and said,

"I would like to buy some cyanide."

The pharmacist asked, "Why in the world do you need cyanide?"

The lady replied, "I need it to poison my husband."

The pharmacist's eyes got big and he exclaimed,

"For goodness sake! I can't give you cyanide to kill your husband

Absolutely not! You CANNOT have any cyanide!"

The lady reached into her purse and pulled out a photo of her husband in bed with the pharmacist's wife.

The pharmacist looked at the picture and said, "Oh! That's different. You didn't say you had a prescription."

