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President's Message:

Dear Rotarians,

Welcome to **Spring** and let's hope the following weeks bring a better solution to Covid-19. It is with much pleasure that I inform you that Mal Sharpe's partner May has received her Australian Citizenship which she has been waiting for, for such a long time. So **congratulations May!**

During last week's sitting of Federal Parliament Trent Zimmerman made a special speech about Rotary and congratulated RI and all Rotary Clubs for their support in helping to eradicate polio. He especially mentioned the Clubs in his electorate.

During the week I had a meeting with Mayor Jilly Gibson and discussed the celebration of Rotary's 100 years in Australia and how could North Sydney Council celebrate with us. Jilly had no idea that Paul Harris planted a tree in St Leonard's park in 1935 some 85 years ago and that Clem Renouf also planted a tree close to the Paul Harris tree in 1978, just before he departed Australia to become the first Australian Rotary world president. I will endeavour to make sure these details are with the North Sydney Library archivist! I also discussed how we could archive some of the Club's memorabilia and the future of the Crows Nest markets.

Board Members for Rotary year 2020-2021

President: Toni Field OAM **Secretary:** Tony d'Arbon **Treasurer:** Doug Garner
Administration: Ross Waugh **Youth Counsellor:** David Field
Community Service, Membership: Jenny Thomas OAM **Public Relations:** Lily Clarke
International Service: Samantha Lee & Jiji Lee, **Youth Service:** Peter Lulic
Vocational Service: Geoff Pritchard OAM **Speaker Program:** David Field
District Conference/Verification Officer: Denis Booth **Bulletin Editor:** Mal Sharpe

Acknowledgement of Country.

The Rotary Club of North Sydney acknowledges the Cammeraygal people on whose land we meet each week and continues to foster friendship and service to the community. We pay our respect to past and present elders.



May receives Citizen Certificate from Lane Cove

Mayor Pam Palmer and Trent Zimmerman MP.

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



Presidents Message cont...



Photo of the Queensland fire-wheel tree that Paul Harris planted in St. Leonard's Park on the 14th of March 1935 when he visited our club. The tree is now 85 years old and there is a plaque at the front of the tree.

Clem Renouf also planted a tree in St. Leonard's Park just near the Paul Harris tree, in the photo of the Paul Harris tree you can see the Clem Renouf tree just behind.

Both the trees are near the corner of Falcon Street and Mille Street about 50 metres from the bus shelter on that corner.



In regard to the local schools and my offer of Citizen Certificates it seems they are very happy to support the initiative.

I am looking forward to our visit to Lily's farm and I hope you will all come along.

October is Rotary Polio month and an initiative has been suggested that we organise and join with other clubs to visit a cinema to watch the movie I AM WOMAN, Helen Reddy's life story. Rotary have organised the exclusive viewing for October and November for clubs to join in. Would you be interested? I will contact Mosman and Sunrise clubs to see if there is any interest.

Thank you to the Club Directors who gave a report on their roles. There is much to do but planning is so difficult with this pandemic But as Ken Pratt said friendship is the best planner and we need not stress if plans go astray!

I look forward to this weeks meeting at Xenos. I will be bringing 2 friends who are interested in joining. Please welcome them for a 12.45pm start and then a very passionate stock broker will chat with us.

Take care

Toni Field OAM

Doug's World ?

My early childhood was anything but normal. I was born in Charters Towers a gold town in North Queensland. I lived there for my first year and then moved to Townsville with my mother to live with my grandparents. My father joined the army and was in New Guinea. Dad was discharged as medically unfit late in 1944. He was offered a position in Chinchilla as Secretary/Manager of the Chinchilla Dairy Association which he accepted. He had to make many trips to Greenslopes Repatriation Hospital for the next couple of years. I lived with good family friends on these occasions and am still best of friends with their children.

In spite of this I enjoyed an interesting boyhood. I always mention I would have been more familiar with the life of Tom Sawyer than that of boys of today. I was educated at Chinchilla State School and then boarded at Toowoomba Grammar School.

I wanted to do engineering but my father accepted an offer from the local pharmacist to become his apprentice pharmacist. I was not happy but agreed. The last year was spent in Brisbane at the pharmacy college after working 2 years in the pharmacy. I completed my final examinations and worked in Brisbane for a time. I was offered a partnership in Chinchilla and returned to take up this offer. Later I took over a pharmacy in Theodore (near Rockhampton). I also opened a commercial laundry in Chinchilla. I did this to help educate my 4 children. I am pleased to say they have all been very successful in their fields. In 1986 I sold off my business enterprises. I stayed on in Chinchilla for a time before taking a short term position in Kakadu. This was a very interesting time but too far from my family. I returned to Dalby and took over the Friendly Societies dispensary and retirement village for 12 years. In the meantime I reunited with Anne at a conference managed by Geoff Pritchard. The rest you know.

I have enjoyed 3 different memberships in Rotary. I was a member of Chinchilla Rotary from 1983 until 1987. I then joined Dalby Rotary Club from 1990 until 2001. On coming to Sydney Anne urged me to join North Sydney in 2002.

In my younger days I played golf and squash. However as I matured I spent a week fishing on the barrier reef over a number of years. I also joined friends on inland fishing trips eg a trip down the Diamantina River. My other interest was flying. I flew mainly Cessna and Piper aircraft. I feel the Piper is much easier to fly than a Cessna.

Rotary has changed over the years. We are all ageing and need to introduce more younger members. Outer suburban and country areas seem to be in a better position to do this. Changing demographics affect our abilities to encourage members in these areas to join. A major change occurred while I was in Dalby. Women were inducted into Rotary and this was a saviour. We had many more social interactions in the country but this was far easier to do. It may be worth investigating however after COVID. We also had an occasional dinner where we would invite selected possible members. I can see Toni has some positive thoughts.

Doug

UPDATE OF OUR OUTWARD BOUND EXCHANGE STUDENT HENRY MORGAN

COVID in Germany has meant that our outward bound exchange student - Henry Morgan will be returning to Sydney at the end of September.

The Rotary Club of Lundinghausen is unable to find additional host families to look after Henry between now and the end of the year so Henry has concluded his Rotary Exchange duties at the end of August.

During September Henry will be attending as an independent student at the Humboldt Institute doing a 3 week intensive German speaking course. The Institute is located in the town of Lindberg which is close to the borders of Austria and Switzerland on the shores of Lake Constance. He will be doing this as a private student and not as a Rotary Exchange Student.

This year 2020 has been a very difficult year for all year 12 HSC students in Australia and for our Rotary Exchange Students both inbound and outbound. We look forward to learning of Henry's safe return to his Lane Cove home and his appearance at our Club meeting.

David Field - Youth Exchange Councillor

Upcoming Events for your diary

Date	Speaker	Subject
3rd September	Anthony Aboud	Australian Stock Market
10th September	DG David Clark	Visits our Club
17th September	Social Meeting after Board Meeting	
24th September	No Meeting	



Date	Birthdays	Date	Anniversaries
13th September	Ross Waugh		
21st September	Jenny Thomas	10th September	Peter & Millie Lulic
29th September	John Taylor		

Date	Front Desk & Room Set Up Attendance Required from 12:00pm
	Lily will do all other dates and will ask a member if she is going to be absent.



75 Years On

The cover of “The Sun” on that day in 1945.

The 2nd of September is the day that the surrender was signed to end the war with Japan.

Total COVID-19 cases and deaths by states and territories

This table shows the total number of confirmed COVID-19 cases and deaths reported in each state and territory since 22 January 2020. State and territory totals reflect where a person has been tested and public health management occurred, this may differ from their normal place of residence.

Source: Department of Health, States & Territories Report 30/8/2020

Jurisdiction	Total confirmed cases	New cases in last 24 hours	Deaths
Australia	25,670	125	611
ACT	113	0	3
NSW	4,040	7	52
NT	33	0	0
QLD	1,121	4	6
SA	463	0	4
TAS	230	0	13
VIC	19,015	114	524
WA	655	0	9

On 03 July, 189 historic cases reported in crew members on board a ship were classified as Australian cases and included in NSW totals.

Upcoming Events for your diary

Next Board Meeting ... 17th September



You can now download the COVIDSafe App which has been designed to quickly trace outbreaks of the virus.

Downloading the App is completely voluntary. Check the website for full details



Visitors & Apologies for 20th August 2020

Visitors:

Zoom:

Honorary Members:

Brendan Walsh

Leave of Absence:

Apologies:

Philip Brook

Lily Clarke

Tony d'Arbon

Jiji Lee

Peter Lulic

Elaine Newman

Geoff Pritchard

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