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OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK

'The Mystery of Solar Panels Revealed'

Guest Speaker: President Adrian

Chairman: Phil Stanton

Reporter: Theo Glockemann




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OUR NEXT MEETING

MONDAY 14th JANUARY at PENNANT HILLS HOTEL

THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S OFFICIAL VISIT

SPEAKER: DG SUSAN WAKEFIELD OAM

CHAIRMAN: PRESIDENT ADRIAN

REPORTER: PHIL STANTON

OUR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION MEETING REPORT

Our final meeting for 2018 was our Club Christmas Celebration, this year held at the home of President Adrian and his better half, Wendy. The meeting followed the horrendous storm on the preceding Saturday afternoon which resulted in extensive damage throughout the area from Westleigh through Pennant Hills and out through Cherrybrook and West Pennant Hills. The Bell residence had been without power from Saturday and through Sunday. However, fortunately they had not received any major damage.

So we had a smaller group than usual with 17 members and partners attending. Wendy and Adrian had done most of the catering and a great dinner was provided, the weather allowing us to enjoy the meal on their rear deck. It was a great time of relaxed fellowship, with many able to recount experiences from the weekend's events.



During the evening there was time to report on the finalisation of the Christmas Trailer Raffle, including the drawing of the winning ticket done in the carpark of the golf club amongst the carnage created by the Saturday storm. Phil Stanton, who sold the winning ticket and also presented the prize to the winner was able to give some more details about the winner and hopes he will be able to join us as a guest speaker during this year.

After a very pleasant and relaxed evening, Wendy and Adrian were thanked for their hospitality, the assistant treasurer managing to relieve all those in attendance of some cash to reimburse the Bells for the delightful food they had provided. Reporter: The Editor



Report by John Ellis

Presentation Evening at Pennant Hills High School was held on 11 December. Visiting dignitaries included Mr Ruddock, Mayor of Hornsby; Matt Kean, Member for Hornsby; the Principals of Thornleigh West and Pennant Hills Public Schools; and representatives of West Pennant Hills Lions Club, the School P & C, the Baha'I Community, the Australian Defence Force and Macquarie University. The School invited a former student as guest speaker and Amanda Ortlepp, who graduated in 1999, spoke on her journey from school to fiction writer. There were 216 awards for academic achievement, eight sporting awards and 32 special awards. The dux of each year was a girl, except for Year 10.



WRAP UP OF THE 2018 'TREE OF JOY'

As Pat Parker reported at our last meeting, he delivered some 60 gifts to STEWART HOUSE at Curl Curl on Monday 17th December (*see letter below*), and the following day, he and I delivered around 160 gifts to Parramatta Mission. This was followed up with a further delivery of 20 or so gifts on Friday 21st December. These gifts were very gratefully received as they would be distributed with Christmas hampers being assembled during that week. Below are photos taken during the delivery of the gifts.



**Gifts that were stored at Westpac Pennant Hills
with manager Sharon Bubb**



Pat Parker handing over some of the gifts to Bianca Ferrari, Volunteer Coordinator at Parramatta Mission

As noted previously, the number of gifts received this year was well down on last year no doubt due to the late arrival of the Christmas Tree and decorations at Pennant Hills Market Place leaving less than 4 weeks to provide cards and receive gifts. The Centre Management have assured us that this will be corrected next Christmas. **DLF**



17th December 2018

Rotary Club of Pennant Hills
c/o: Pat Parker
Po Box 238
PENNANT HILLS NSW 1715

Dear Pat,

On behalf of all Stewart House staff and most importantly the children who come into our care, I would like to thank the Rotary Club of Pennant Hills for their ongoing support and kind donation of children's presents.

With your donation we will be able to make the festive season an extra special time for the children who stay with us, as for some this will be their only opportunity to receive a gift.

Since 1931 and only through the generosity of organisations such as yourself has Stewart House been able to change the lives of over 150,000 children in difficult circumstances and to give them hope and aspirations for the future.

Once again, please accept my sincere thanks for providing gifts for our children and helping put a smile on their faces.

Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and kind regards,

**Graeme Philpotts
Chief Executive Officer**

THE FORWARD PROGRAM

DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	CHAIRMAN	REPORTER
Jan 14th	District Governor's Official Visit	DG Susan Wakefield OAM	President Adrian	Phil Stanton
Jan 21st	Final Planning of Australia Day meeting	Phil Stanton	President Adrian	Pam Hudson
Jan 28th	Australia Day Meeting at Beecroft Bowling Club	Dr Anthony Rigney	Phil Stanton	John Ellis
Feb 4th	TBA	TBA	President Adrian	Jim Fraser

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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John Ellis - January 30th

Jack Reid - January 30th

ANNIVERSARIES

Graeme & Margaret Ashdown - January 4th

Theo & Georgia Glockemann - January 4th

George & Dorothy Green - January 17th

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Pam Hudson - January 20th

ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

Member Attendance

56.25%

Apologies

Kaye Carter, Ian Chappel, Ian Huckel,

Pam Hudson, Terry Pankhurst, Jack Reid

Guests

Mamooda Ameen, Wendy Bell, Heather Firth,

Esther Fraser, Georgia Glockemann, Sandra Parker,

Jeanette Rigney, Lyn Stanton

