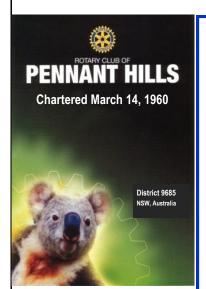
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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

# 'Fellowship with the Tresident'

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Welcome to the 114th year of Rotary!

2019-2020

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NEXT WEEK - JULY 8th

Changeover 2019

Tresident Adrian Bell to Tresident Jim Fraser

**Chairman: Terry Pankhurst** 

Reporter: David Firth

The meeting is at Beecroft Bowling Club commencing at 6.30 for 7.00pm start. The cost is \$40.00 each. This is a highlight meeting in the year for both the outgoing president as well as the incoming president. If you haven't responded to David Firth yet, please do so by Thursday, July 4th - everyone is welcome.

### Meeting Report - Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2019

There was quite a relaxed start to the meeting but things did start to warm up when it was realised that the topic to be covered by our guest speaker was the residential market. And David had come pre-

pared. But more on that later.

The speaker for the evening was David Walsh. He and his wife Priscilla run a real estate business in Pennant Hills and have done so for some time. But David's interest in the industry is a long one, he has worked in it for 50 years.

David started his talk by distributing handouts that covered changes in a number of real estate industry benchmarks from mid 2014 to mid 2019. Categories covered were: value; number of sales; days on the market; total value of sales; etc. Changes in values were presented graphically indicating that the rise and fall of values over the period noted had been substantial.



David Walsh, our speaker

In David's view the current position was regarded as patchy. Some parts of the metropolitan Sydney market were holding up but in general terms things were flat. There had been some slight upward movement in land sales in western Sydney and it was speculated that this could be the start of some movement but the evidence was still not conclusive. It was however David's view that with interest rates down (and brokers quoting interest rates of between 3.2% & 3.3%) and values relatively low, now would be a good time to buy. He also noted that buying and selling in the same market is relatively risk free.

David is firmly of the view that in time the market will recover.

The conversation then turned to the apartment market and in particular the effect that current structural problems in some of Sydney's apartment buildings is likely to have. In this context the apartment market is very flat with lots of stock available. Much of the past sales have been driven by Asian buyers who in a number of cases are only interested in holding the asset (not interested in rental income, etc). It is therefore felt by the industry that this is a situation that is not going to turn around for some time.

David's talk was informative, up to date, and much appreciated in improving the level of knowledge of those of us present.



Matthew Walsh

Priscilla Walsh

**Reporter: Phil Stanton** 

## Tax Deductible Receipt

Fellows, this is the receipt for the donation that members contributed for 'So They Can', providing desks for a school in Kenya which has very little in the way of facilities. This is a project championed by Kaye Carter.

Monday, 7 January 2019

Kaye Carter Rotary Club of Pennant Hills

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Kind regards

Cassandra Treadwell

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#### THE FORWARD PROGRAM DATE **PROGRAM SPEAKER CHAIRMAN** REPORTER At Hornsby RSL Club - \$55 each **DG Susan & District Changeover** July 6th **DGE Kalma RSVP by 28th June** At Beecroft **Club Changeover** July 8th **Bowling Club at Terry Pankhurst David Firth Partners Night** 6.30 for 7.00pm **ADVANCE NOTICE October Players & Sponsors** Contact **Annual Charity Golf** At Pennant Hills 29th **Golf Club Phil Stanton** wanted Day



#### ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

Member Attendance: 56.25%

**Apologies:** Kaye Carter, Ian Chappel, Jim Fraser, Theo Glockemann, Pam Hudson, Pat Parker, Claude

Rigney

Guest Speaker: David Walsh

Visitors: Nil

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES BIRTHDAYS

Margaret Ashdown - July 4th

Esther Fraser - July 23rd

#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

Pam & Peter Hudson - July 3rd Phil & Lyn Stanton - July 6th

#### **INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES**

Theo Glockemann - July 10th

A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way.

John C. Maxwell