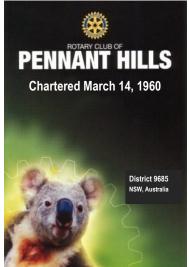


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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

CLUB PLANNING & REVIEW OF CLUB CONSTITUTION & BY-LAWS

Chairman: President Jim Fraser Reporter: David Firth

This week we have the opportunity to discuss and vote on the proposed changes to the club constitution and by-laws. The changes are necessary due to changes made at the Rotary Council on Legislation in recent times, and following our club's change of venue and day of meeting. The current and proposed new constitution and by-laws were emailed to all members by President Jim on Monday 2nd December. (Jack Reid has received hard copies.)

We can also discuss our future planning to the end of the Rotary year, with the second half of the year usually quite busy with major events coming up.

As we come to the end of the calendar year and Christmas and New Year celebrations, just a reminder that we will not be meeting after December 18th until January 8th.

NEXT WEEK - WEDNESDAY, 18th DECEMBER, 2019

CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY & BAREFOOT BOWLS
AT LUTANDA MANOR, 14 VICTORIA ROAD,
PENNANT HILLS FROM 5.00 PM

This is a Partner's Night - make sure you have booked in with President Jim and Esther

Don't forget it is BYO drinks

Chairman: Theo Glockemann Reporter: Pam Hudson



Meeting Report - Wednesday 4th December, 2019

President Jim opened the regular meeting which proceeded in the usual way with announcements about the trailer raffle progress; the Tree of Joy response from the community; our ongoing Youth programs; and in particular the arrangements for our Christmas Social on December 18th at Lutanda Manor, courtesy of Theo and Georgia Glockemann. The president and his wife are organising the catering; Theo is organising the Barefoot Bowls from 5pm; and all are reminded that it's BYO drinks!

AGM Meeting Notes:

The meeting was called to order by President J. Fraser following the regular weekly meeting. Despite low numbers, a quorum was present.

There was discussion on the requirement to report this AGM to the Department of Fair Trading. This is via Form A12 – T2, annual summary of financial affairs and Form A9, notice of appointment of public officer, both to be forwarded within a month of this meeting.

The minutes from the previous AGM were circulated and discussed. The President advised that he has circulated the revised constitution and by-laws for update and ratification at the next weekly meeting. The minutes of meeting of the last AGM were verified as read.

The President advised of contact from a resident of West Pennant Hills who is seeking to establish a Rotaract Club. This will require sponsorship of this Club and one other. He also outlined some of our programs scheduled for the near future, Australia Day, Pride of Workmanship evening and our youth programs. T. Glockemann gave a brief overview of RYLA and RYPEN programs in East Timor that attracted a matching grant of \$6,000 from District. The tenth anniversary of RYLA in East Timor was recognised with a donation from the Government of East Timor. The Government in Dili has developed a recycling plant for plastic waste and Rylarians have become an important aspect of material collection. Local support for RYPEN has resulted in operating costs being reduced.

This year's financial report was circulated to members and thanks were given to D. Firth for the work done during the year. D. Firth went through the components of the report outlining the financial position of the club. This year's Project Account included receipt of support from Woodside Petroleum for RLYA and RYPEN in East Timor - \$60,000. Previously their contribution had been paid into a bank in Dili. D. Firth went through all accounts to explain the variations between this year and previous years. Payment of royalties to RI attracted some discussion. Members considered these fees should be challenged as we are doing nothing more than using the Rotary emblem for PoW trophies for use within other Rotary Clubs. The President advised this matter had been taken up with the DG, however without resolution. He will continue to discuss the matter with resolution the goal. Members were advised that three cheques prepared as a donation and prizes were not presented and now, in view of elapsed time, could not now be presented. D. Firth advised that the accounts had not been audited and members approved expenditure for an audit soon. The accounts were accepted.

The Secretary is to prepare and forward the above mentioned forms to the Department of Fair Trading and report on completion.

Nominations were called for office bearers for the year 2020-21. Those elected follow:

President - D.J. Firth

Vice President – J. Fraser

President Elect – No nominations were received.

Secretary – J.W. Ellis

Treasurer -T.G. Pankhurst.

Directors elected are I. Chappel, P. Hudson, K. Carter, W.P. Parker, P. Stanton and D.J. Firth. The portfolios of each member will be confirmed by D. Firth as president elect in the New Year.

General Business

The President stressed the importance of members advising of planned absence for a weekly meeting because of the agreed arrangements with Golf Club catering staff. Those not attending a meeting must advise J.I. Reid by noon on the Monday preceding the Wednesday meeting to allow him to advise caterers of our numbers. Those failing to advise of their intended absence will be charge \$30. There was no general business and the meeting closed at 2030.

Reporter: Secretary John Ellis



About

Neighbours in Need is a registered tax-deductible project run by the Rotary Club of Narrabri in partnership with the Rotary Club of Wee Waa and the Rotary Club of Boggabri under the umbrella of the Rotary Australia Benevolent Society.

Our Objectives

- 1. Identify and assist people struggling with social isolation and general mental health due to the drought.
- 2. Utilise Rotarians and friends to reach out to those affected.
- 3. Demonstrate support for those in need whether it be social, emotional or material support.
- 4. Identify needs and provide referrals to key support providers.

Refer a Neighbour

Refer a drought affected neighbour in town / farm for us to visit with grocery / fuel cards and support.

Volunteer to Help

Helpers needed to visit properties, offer support or run a BBQ.

Have a chat

Visit a drought-affected neighbour (in town or out of town) with a fresh cake for afternoon tea.

BBQ

Gather 5 drought affected families together and we'll supply the meat.

Get 10 families together and we'll come out and run the BBQ.

Please note that we are currently only servicing the Narrabri Shire area including Wee Waa and Boggabri.

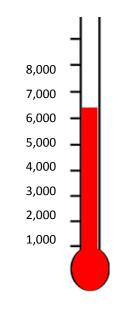
Fellows, I thought you might be interested in what Rotary Clubs in drought affected areas are doing in their communities to help the farmers. Perhaps we could assist them too?

OUR FORWARD PROGRAM

Date	Program	Speaker	Chairman	Reporter
Saturday 14th December	TRAILER RAFFLE	At Pennant Hills Marketplace	Morning Shift 8.30 to 11.30am A Bell, Ian Chappel, Jim Fraser	Second Shift 11.30am to 2.30pm Terry Pankhurst, Pat Parker, David Firth,
DECEMBER 15th	DRAWING OF THE TRAILER RAFFLE	AT PENNANT HILLS GOLF CLUB	AT 1.00pm	Phil Stanton
DECEMBER 18th	Christmas Party Partners Night Book with Jim Fraser	Social Night at Lutanda Manor 5.00pm for Bowls	Theo Glockemann	Pam Hudson
JANUARY 29th	CLUB AUSTRALIA DAY MEETING with Partners	Jan-Maree Ball	ТВА	ТВА

TRAILER RAFFLE

For our second last selling day, we were back at Thornleigh Market-place last Saturday. Despite the efforts of both our sales teams, we sold 476 tickets and took \$808 - down 13% on last year. However we continue to be \$300 ahead of last year. Fellows, don't forget to bring your ticket books, sold or not, to the meeting this week or to David Firth by next Saturday December 14th.



Management is doing things right; leadership is doing the right things. Peter Drucker

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES BIRTHDAYS

George Green - December 17
David Firth - December 19
Adrian Bell - December 25
Bill Woodman - December 25
Jim Fraser - December 30
Theo Glockemann - December 30

ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

David Firth - December 16, 1982

ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

Member Attendance: 62.5%

Apologies: I Chappel, I Huckel, P Hudson, J Reid,

P Stanton, D Walsh

Guest Speaker: Nil

Guests: Nil

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'Life is full of challenges and surprises.'

Jil Sander, German Designer