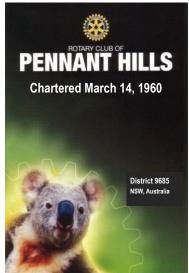


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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

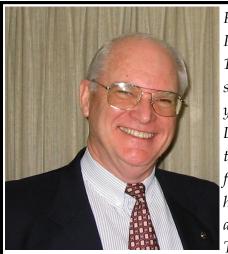


CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY & BAREFOOT BOWLS AT LUTANDA MANOR, 14 VICTORIA ROAD, PENNANT HILLS FROM 5.00 PM

Chairman: Theo Glockemann

Reporter: David Firth

Don't forget that it is BYO drinks.



Fellows, I received some sad news this week - PDG Doug Pascoe, President of our club back in 1986/87, passed away earlier this year. We correspond with Doug and Wendy at Christmas each year, so it was a shock to learn of his passing. Doug was a very active member and involved in the District. Indeed, we expected he would be the first District Governor from our club. Following his move back to Perth, he joined the Perth club and, in 2003-4 he was Governor of District 9450. Those who were in the club between 1984 & 1997.

will remember Doug fondly. He was a fine Rotarian and friend to all. <u>David Firth</u>

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 MEETING—JANUARY 8th

Social Night

Chairman: President Jim Fraser Reporter: David Firth

Meeting Notes from 11 December 2019

Attendance: The dining room was overflowing, with only one apology – Pat Parker, who was in the next room at a golf function and dropped in to say hello at 8.10pm.

The meeting opened at 6.35pm. 'Chaplain' John said the Rotary grace.

The President advised that he went to the District Presidents' meeting on Friday that only lasted 30 minutes. There is now a change in the way membership is reported for financial purposes. The President then opened the forum for an "entertainment factor" and elicited suggestions how to encourage people to buy raffle tickets as it was the last weekend to sell them.

The President also went for a visit to Walcha and spoke about "adopt a town" and suggested for us to go and spend some money in one of the towns affected by the drought. If visiting one of these towns, he recommended to contact the local Rotary club and let them know we are staying in one of their hotels and spending some money going out to dinner.

The President advised that our club By-laws and Constitution had been finalised. He proposed that members adopt the updated Constitution and By-laws. Theo Glockemann moved the proposal; Ian Huckel seconded it. Members agreed unanimously. The secretary now has to have them registered with the NSW Department of Fair Trading.

Jack spoke about the issue of members not advising their apology by Monday lunch time on the club phone number. The treasurer mentioned that it had cost the club almost \$400.00 for meals. From now on, members who do not advise their apology on time will be issued with an invoice to pay the \$30.00 for their meal. Any late apology after the Monday deadline should be phoned through to Nicole at the golf club on 8860 5800.

Theo gave an update on the Christmas function at Lutanda Manor on Wednesday 18th December. Names of those attending were taken. Members were advised to BYO drinks – all the food was being taken care of by the President and the cost will be divided between members. Theo has organised a bowls tournament from 5pm. There are 8 sets of bowls available. Dinner will start around 6.30pm.

Our next meeting will be a Social night on 8th January at the Pennant Hills Golf Club.

We then played a game of the President's trivial pursuit which Adrian won. Adrian also cleaned up the Lucky Door prize.

Finally, we were challenged to guess which member was telling the truth in a "Will I lie to You" game. John Ellis told us he found a nugget of gold when he was young. Theo told us he won a high jump competition when he was young, and Terry told us he went scuba diving when he was in the navy and dropped all his scavenged items. Seven members thought that Theo was telling the truth, but were VERY wrong. Terry was telling the truth – only 3 members guessed this. Two members thought that John was telling the truth.

John Ellis mentioned that he went to the Pennant Hills High School speech night where students were presented with awards. John added that the second choice for the Young Endeavour (Jessica Dargan) has been contacted and the parents have agreed to pay 50/50. (Jessica is going as the first choice young man was still recovering from a leg fracture and was ruled unfit.)

The Treasurer advised that \$2,000 has been added to the Fundraising Golf day takings due to problems with the credit card and uncashed credit, etc!! The current takings are around \$12,000. Yay!! Well done everyone.

Pam Hudson announced that she is waiting to hear from the District about the nomination of Dr Minal Menezes for a District Vocational Excellence Award. Ian Chappel said he would make some enquiries re the correct way to follow up on this. The award will be presented at the District conference in March 2020.

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Continued from Page 2 Terry Pankhurst reminded members of the notice in Spokes on 'Neighbours in Need' servicing the Narrabri district.

David Firth advised that the 'Tree of Joy' was going well in the Pennant Hills Shopping Centre. David also mentioned that Robert Rutishauser, past member of our club and now a member of the Port Macquarie Rotary Club, was interested in the Pride of Workmanship awards and was sent a new plaque and a booklet for promotional purposes.

The meeting closed around 8.30pm in the usual way.

Reporter: Kaye Carter

Christmas Trailer Raffle Result

So the Christmas Trailer Raffle has been run and won once again. We started at Pennant Hills Market Place on 12th October and 10 weeks later we concluded our sales effort at Pennant Hills Market Place last Saturday. We had a reasonably successful day selling 426 tickets and taking \$729. Our total sales on Saturdays were thus \$6,956 - about \$200 better than last year. Our final total sales figure was \$8,030 after the sales by members privately, making this the best year since 2015!

On to the drawing of the raffle on Sunday 15th December at the golf club at 1.00pm. Terry had taken the trailer on Saturday afternoon so that he could remove

the cage and signs, etc., so he was there with the prize. Pat Parker had organised the barrel at the golf club and one of the staff to draw the winning ticket. David and Heather Firth arrived with all the tickets separated and ready for loading into the barrel. With everything ready, we waited for President Jim Fraser to arrive, at which point the draw was made by Amy Hollis from the golf club. The winner was Natalie Fuller from Hornsby. President Jim phoned her and arranged for Terry, Pat and himself to delivery it to her straight away. On arrival, she was delighted



with her winnings! The ticket was purchased at Westleigh from the one and only Theo

Glockemann! It was the 2nd of her 3 tickets.





Further to the Trailer Raffle, our thanks go to the following, who, through their generosity and efforts, ensured we had such an excellent result.

Terry & Maureen Pankhurst who, once again, donated the trailer and registration. Terry also provided towing on several occasions.

John Ellis who provided garaging for the trailer for the past 10 weeks, as he has done for more years than have been recorded.

Bunnings Dural who donated over \$200 worth of items for the trailer.

Pat Parker who began months ago to arrange the selling locations at the 8 shopping centres around the district.

Phil Stanton and David Firth who also towed the trailer on various occasions.

And lastly the members who came to the shopping centres and sold tickets, and particularly excelled themselves in selling to friends and family privately.

Email received from our Youth Chairman following the Pennant Hills High School Speech Day

Our members might be interested in the recognition achieved by students at PHHS who have been or become associated with our Club through our awards and other sponsorships. It will please Pam and Kaye that the dux of each year was a girl! Regards, John Ellis

Matthew Pines (Young Endeavour 2019)

Class of '66 award for contribution to performing arts Geoff Wing award for student leadership Caltex best all rounder award 1st in geography year 12 ADF Long Tan leadership award

Australian Olympic change maker award

Young Endeavour award

David Brown

Baha'i Community Environment Award RC of Pennant Hills leadership award

Elinya Chenery

RC of Pennant Hills leadership award

Emily Sykes (NYSF)

Western Sydney University most outstanding student year 11 Dux of Year 11 (1st in English extension, Maths, Maths extension, physics)

James Alexander (NYSF)

1ST English standard

Jessica Dargan (Young Endeavour 2020)

Duke of Edinburgh silver

Ashlin Upton (RYPEN 2020)

Dux of Year 9 (1st in agriculture, physical activity and sports studies, school blue – cross country)

Zachary Dunlop (RYPEN 2020)

1st industrial technology (wood), Ku-Ring-Gai zone blue award - swimming

Note - the dux of years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 were all girls



Rotary



Philpotts with 2 of his staff.

the gifts for the children in

house about to return home.

They were so pleased to receive

PENNANT HILLS

The Tree of Joy 2019

Fellows, the Tree of Joy at Pennant Hills Marketplace is coming to a very successful conclusion this week. We have hung well over 300 cards on the tree and we believe we will have received approximately 350 gifts by weeks end. The response by the Pennant Hills community has been phenomenal with cards being taken at the rate of 15 per day for the last 2 weeks.

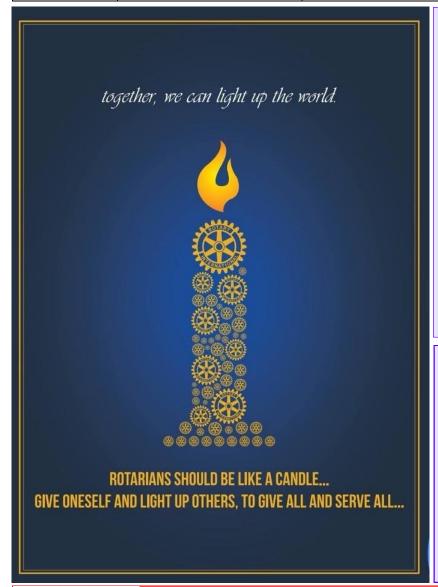
Tuesday this week, Pat Parker and David Firth, with the assistance of Samantha Strahan and the security man, packed up just over 60 gifts for Stewart House at Curl Curl. The delivery went well although the traffic was a bit chaotic. See the photos below. On Friday the delivery will take place to Parramatta Mission. If you can help, meet Pat at Pennant Hills Marketplace at 9.30am. There are plenty of gifts to deliver.



Picture above of the mass of gifts stored by Banna Group. At right is Pat Parker handing the gifts to Graeme Philpotts who is CEO of Stewart House.

OUR FORWARD PROGRAM

Date	Program	Speaker	Chairman	Reporter
JANUARY 8th	SOCIAL NIGHT	EVERYONE	PRESIDENT JIM FRASER	DAVID FIRTH
JANUARY 15th	ТВА	ТВА	PRESIDENT JIM FRASER	JOHN ELLIS
JANUARY 29th	CLUB AUSTRALIA DAY MEETING with Partners	Jan-Maree Ball	DAVID FIRTH	PAT PARKER



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: 93.75%

Apologies: P Parker

Guest Speaker: Nil

Guests: Nil



Faith makes all things possible

Hope makes all things work

Love makes all things beautiful

May you have all three for this Christmas

