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before Noon on

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THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

Social Night

Chairman: President Jim

Reporter: David Firth

**We are back at our usual meeting place at
Pennant Hills Golf Club at 6.00 for 6.30pm**

Rotary Australia District Governors have established a central fund into which all Australians can donate to support the victims of the devastating bush fires ravaging our country. Please spread this message widely.

A link to the fund can be found on the main page of the RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) website: <https://rawcs.org.au>



**Fellows, it is time for your semi-annual membership payments.
Please come to the meeting ready to make your payment please.**

NEXT MEETING—JANUARY 15th

TBA

Chairman: President Jim Fraser Reporter: John Ellis

Report of our Christmas Party on 18th December 2019

We had a good roll up – no pun intended – for our final meeting of 2019, with 13 members and 13 guests in attendance. President Jim and his wife Esther took care of the catering – Theo and Georgia Glockemann had arranged for us to use the Lutanda Manor community facilities which included the clubhouse and kitchen, the BBQ facilities, and the bowling green. What a great place for our Christmas Party!

The evening started with bowls on the 2 rinks provided. Theo, despite his claimed champion abilities at this challenging game, had invited along an expert bowls coach, Stan Goodacre, to provide advice and tips for those of us who had not bowled before. There was quite an array of 'would be' bowlers, all anxious to display their hidden talent.. It was around about this time that we were able to identify those who could follow simple instructions (from Stan the bowls coach), and those who couldn't.

Without wishing to embarrass anyone, the following are the ratings of our bowlers by your reporter:

The best first time bowlers were: Lyn Stanton and Sandra Parker

Those who showed promise were: Ian Huckel, Ian Chappel and Jack Reid

Those who showed an inability to master the basic techniques of bowls were: Claude Rigney, Phil Stanton and Pat Parker

We then retired to the club house for dinner. The BBQ had been cooked by President Jim and Adrian Bell, while Esther, with help from several ladies, had prepared the salads, etc. It was a great spread and it allowed for a period of fellowship over dinner.

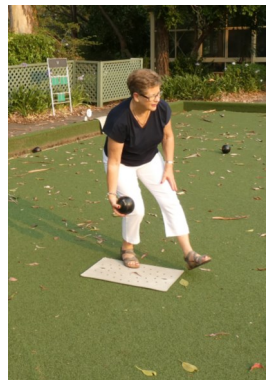
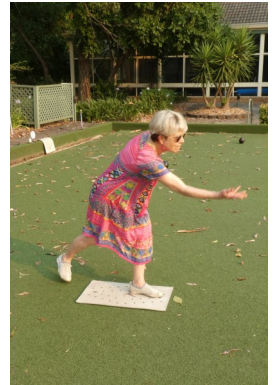
Following dinner, Theo and the president had organised a double 'dose' of 'Would I Tell a Lie?' which had proved popular a week or two earlier. The first 'dose' involved Georgia G, Wendy B, and Esther F, who each came up with pretty doubtful sounding stories. And the fibber wasGeorgia Glockemann. It was then the turn of the men for the second 'dose'. Those providing unlikely stories were Jason Terry, Phil Stanton, Adrian Bell, and yours truly. And this time the fibber wasAdrian Bell.

Jason Terry, a guest for the evening, is a member of the Hills Rotaract Club and the District Representative. He is looking at starting a new Rotaract Club in the area with West Pennant Hills/ Cherrybrook Rotary and ourselves as the sponsoring clubs which we have basically agreed to.

Theo rounded out the evening with a presentation to Sandra Parker as best bowler on the night, and to President Jim for his excellence in organising the evening including the catering.

The party concluded with an exchange of Christmas wishes and a reminder that the next meeting would be on January 8th back at the golf club.

Reporter: David Firth



These photos show some of our bowls champs in action; the gallery watching; the BBQ under way

IT'S AMAZING WHAT YOU CAN FIND ON THE INTERNET

I LOVE A SUNBURNT COUNTRY – with apologies to Dorothea Mackellar

I love a Sunburnt country, a land of sweeping plains.
But I've gotta tell ya mate, I like it better when it rains.
The countryside is dying and there's just no end in sight,
And just to rub salt in the wounds, the bush has caught alight.

The landscape is on fire from Brisbane to the Gong
And everybody's asking "where the hell did we go wrong?"
But we can get through this one if we help each other out,
Take care of your neighbour, that's what Aussies are about.

The rain is going to fall again, the good times will return,
But living in Australia means at times it's going to burn.
So if you need a helping hand, just give a mate a call.
We're all here to help you out and catch you when you fall.

The RFS, the SES, the firey's, and police,
All put their lives upon the line to help to keep the peace.
So hats off to these hero's and thanks for all you do
And I hope when this is over we can make it up to you!"

- Troy Gerdes. #NSWBushFires

Can we all take a moment



And pray for Australia

The above items were separately posted on Facebook

AND JUST A LITTLE HUMOUR ALSO FOUND ON FACEBOOK

**I NEED TO RE-HOME A DOG.
IT'S A SMALL TERRIER, AND
TENDS TO BARK A LOT.
IF YOU'RE INTERESTED, LET
ME KNOW AND I'LL JUMP
OVER MY NEIGHBOR'S
FENCE AND GET IT FOR YOU.**



A woman shot her husband because he stepped on her freshly mopped floor



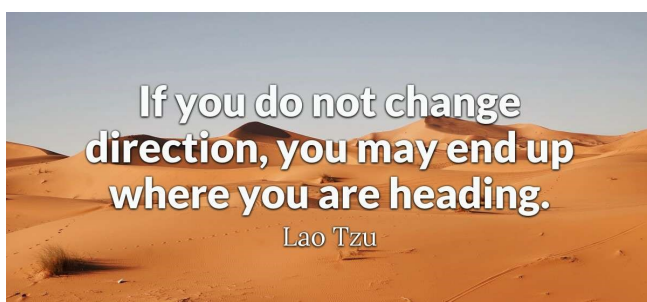
That is correct!



And it took you 20 minutes to arrest her. Why?



The floor was still wet



If you do not change direction, you may end up where you are heading.

Lao Tzu

OUR FORWARD PROGRAM

Date	Program	Speaker	Chairman	Reporter
JANUARY 15th	TBA	TBA	PRESIDENT JIM FRASER	JOHN ELLIS
JANUARY 22nd	TBA	TBA	PRESIDENT JIM FRASER	KAYE CARTER
JANUARY 29th	CLUB AUSTRALIA DAY MEETING with Partners	Jan-Maree Ball	DAVID FIRTH	PAT PARKER



We invite you to our
Celebration of Australia Day
 on Wednesday, 29th January, 2020
 at Pennant Hills Golf Club
 Cnr. Burns Road South and Copeland Road, Beecroft
 at 6.30 for 7.00pm

The Guest Speaker is
Mrs Jan-Maree Ball,
founder of Aussie Hero Quilts

During the evening we will present our
 Australia Day Merit Award

There will be a 2 course buffet dinner

The cost will be \$40 each

RSVP to David Firth by 24th January, 2020

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BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

John Ellis - January 30

Jack Reid - January 30

ANNIVERSARIES

Graeme & Margaret Ashdown - January 4

Theo & Georgia Glockemann - January 4

George & Dorothy Green - January 17

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Pam Hudson - January 20

Ahmadul Ameen - January 22

ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

Member Attendance : 81.25%

Apologies: K Carter, P Hudson, D Walsh

Guests: Mahmooda Ameen, Wendy Bell, Bev Chappel, Heather Firth, Esther Fraser, Georgia Glockemann, Stan Goodacre, Merrill Mathie, Maureen Pankhurst, Sandra Parker, Ruth Reid, Jeanette Rigney, Lyn Stanton, Jason Terry

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“May we think of freedom, not as the right to do as we please, but as the opportunity to do what is right.” - Peter Marshall