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THIS WEEK

'ROTARY ONLINE: HOW THE CHANGE IS NOW UPON US'

Article by Evan Burrell, assistant Rotary Public Image Coordinator, Zone 8 from evanburrell.com/blog

The ongoing issues around the COVID-19 Coronavirus have many Rotary Clubs trying to sort out ways for their members to engage with the club remotely, aka "Doing Rotary from home". For many, a stay at home, social distancing regime will be an entirely new experience. Thankfully technology has improved massively, so it's possible to stay engaged and do Rotary from the comfort of your own home. Here's some tips to help you with a new online way forward.

1. Have a dedicated space at home: It is possible to have a video meeting from your lounge with your feet up, but that's generally a bad idea. If you can, set yourself up with an actual "home office" space to work from, because that way you can block yourself off when you're in that space to do work and Rotaryrelated tasks. Even a little corner of the kitchen table can make a huge difference in letting you get your head into that "Rotary" space.
2. Hardware needs: You can already use your own a laptop or desktop computer or even a smart phone. Upgrade these items if you think it is overdue and also you may need to buy a web camera if using a desktop computer.
3. Your meeting needs: Sorting out how your Rotary meetings are meant to work when you're not face to face can be a bit of a headache. Make sure there is an agenda for the meeting and think about utilising other forms of club communication like a private club Facebook group or club Whatsapp group chat.
4. Software: There are many online meeting products like skype, google hangouts or the popular Zoom video meeting software. Work out which low cost product best suits your clubs needs and encourage your members to sign up and download the software. In many cases it is free to use and as a side note Rotary International has a 20% discount on Zoom through the global rewards program.
5. Data Usage: Be sure to check your current home internet connection and mobile phone data plans. Consider price and data speed of your current plan as you may find you will be using a bit more of your internet data than what you're previously used to. But if you binge watch Netflix all night and use your phone for Facebook all day then you are probably on the right data plan.
6. Engagement: This is the most important tip. The world is changing so rapidly and we don't know when this crisis will pass, so as far as your club is concerned stay engaged with it. This may be all new to you meeting online, but we need to embrace this change, stay engaged and keep the wheels of Rotary turning.

As Paul Harris said "This is a changing world; we must be prepared to change with it. The story of Rotary will have to be written again and again."

The President's Invitation for Wednesday 27th May, 2020

**You are invited to the Rotary Weekly Meeting tomorrow night
(Wednesday 27th May) at 7.00 pm.**

The link details are <https://zoom.us/j/9886604775>

The meeting ID: 988 660 4775

Regards

Jim Fraser Ph: 0412 679 710



General Session 1: Together, We Connect — Saturday, 20 June — 11.00pm (AEST)

General Session 2: Together, We Learn — Sunday, 21 June — 11.00pm (AEST)

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Featured Breakout Schedule*

(all sessions presented in English unless otherwise noted).

Simultaneous interpretation will be available in English, French, Spanish, Portuguese, Korean, Japanese, and Chinese.

Monday, 22 June

23:00 - Using Virtual Tools to Engage Members

Tuesday, 23 June

03:00 - Engaging Rotary Alumni

09:00 - Greening Rotary Events: Be Plastic-free, Offset Carbon, and More!

23:00 - Grow Rotary Through New Club Types

Wednesday, 24 June

03:00 - President-Nominee Session

09:00 - How to Start and Manage RAGM Microfinance Projects/ Cómo iniciar y administrar proyectos de micro finanzas RAGM **(presented in Spanish)**

23:00 - Adopt-a-River Initiative: A Rotary & UNEP Partnership Model

Thursday, 25 June

03:00 - Rotaract Elevated, Now What?

09:00 - Disruptive Innovation in Rotary Clubs/La innovación disruptiva en los clubes rotaries **(presented in Spanish)**

23:00 - How to Submit a Great Global Grant Application

Friday, 26 June

03:00 - President-Elect Session

09:00 - Digital Trends of 2021: Using Tech to Engage Millennials

23:00 - Engage Young Families with Service and Alternative Meetings

Saturday, 27 June

03:00 - The Rotary Brand

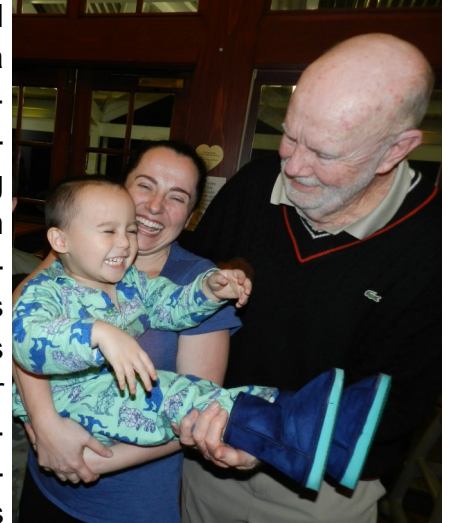
09:00 - Personal Growth Opportunities: Rotary's Alliance with Toastmasters

PLEASE NOTE:

These Live Sessions will be recorded and made available for On Demand viewing

Claude grew up in Coogee and attended the local parish school then Marcellan College in Randwick before completing his qualifications in pharmacy at the University of Sydney. Now retired, Claude is a member of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society and a life member of the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia. Although he worked with the Red Cross early on he spent most of his working career in community pharmacy and sold his last business, a Balmain Pharmacy, 12 years ago. Balmain, Claude assured us, is where one learns about life.

Whilst in Balmain, he began his involvement in providing medical assistance abroad. An early project was the support of nuns who ran a girls' school in the Nilgiri Hills in the south of India. The nuns found significant numbers of children with cleft palate and Claude provided financial assistance for some of the corrective surgery. He is now supporting a group of Australian and Bangladeshi surgeons and theatre sisters from a Sydney hospital to spend time in Dhaka to undertake corrective surgery on children with cleft palate. They complete about 200 procedures each year and the finished job is known as a Bangla smile. Claude has provided some of the surgical dressings, equipment and medicines for this work. These days, when medicines nearing the end of shelf life cannot be offered to third world countries, Claude and others depend on donations from drug companies. He has been supporting Doctor Dan's clinic in Dili and the Philippine Medical Association where he has personal contacts. Claude told us of Aspen Australia's donation of 56,000 bottles of antibiotics this month that will be used in common childhood infections. He explained how the costs of research necessary to develop a new medicine make new medicines very expensive and how and when generic medicines can be made available at more reasonable costs. Some of his work in delivering medicines has required his involvement with coordinators well-known in Rotary circles.



Claude in his element at a previous Ronald McDonald House visit.

Reporter: John Ellis

CareFlight

MAYDAY! WHERE ARE YOU? SHARE YOUR PHOTO HAVING A CUPPA FOR CAREFLIGHT!

We are excited to launch our inaugural national campaign MAYDAY and are delighted you'll be joining us celebrate by having a cuppa for CareFlight!

Taking part is easy. Simply donate \$5 to raise vital funds for CareFlight, have a cuppa and share it with us to show you care.

Through your support, your donation means our medical teams can continue their life-saving work for Australian communities.

How does it work?

- Have a cuppa on one day in May: \$5
- Have a cuppa one day each week: \$25
- Have a cuppa for one entire week: \$35

It is that simple! Go to their website - <https://careflight.org/mayday/> to donate.



OUR FORWARD PROGRAM

Date	Program	Speaker	Chairman	Reporter
June 27th	<u>DISTRICT 9685</u> <u>CHANGEOVER</u>	TBA	TBA	TBA
July 1st	CLUB CHANGEOVER	TBA	TBA	TBA

OUR LATEST COMMUNITY SUPPORT INITIATIVE

After the success of the Easter egg program at Lutanda, it was decided to expand our program to reach out to Pennant Hills residents. An initial contact with Mawarra Village was made by Kaye Carter to get an idea of what the residents might need. The request was for books to read and puzzle books to keep their minds active as their normal library service had been put on hold due to the Covid 19 shut downs. A plan was put in place to distribute books and puzzles to the 45 residents at the village so we needed to get hold of these items. Kaye stepped up to the mark and purchased various sudoku, crosswords and word match books for the residents to enjoy. There was a number of generous donations of books of various topics and authors from Pennant Hills Rotary members and a phone call to Dog Eared books in Pennant Hills yielded a couple of boxes of books that added significant weight to the overall package. I walked into Harris Farm and after a quick intro by Tony of the old Belmonte Pizza to the store manager walked away with 50 paper bags to keep with our environment conscious programs. David Firth provided a lovely card that outlined who we were and the intent of the program and to let them know we were thinking of the residents. With the kind help of my wife we loaded up the dining room table with books in piles and filled the 45 bags with approximately 4 books each of various sizes and types and stapled the note to the bag. I met Lisa Ciantar from Mawarra Village on Monday who enlisted the help of Les, one of the residents, to pack the bags into their community area. There was a shelf of books in there but it was like comparing a canoe to the Bismark as the sheer size of our donation overshadowed it. Les was creating and distributing a Village Newsletter on Tuesday to tell the residents where they could pick up their bag of books and who had provided the treasure. There will surely be people sneaking down early to pick through and get the best ones but there is good variety which is good. I received a big thank you from Les on behalf of the residents and Lisa seemed very pleased we had taken the time to think of the residents and provide them some entertainment during this difficult time. Well done to Pennant Hills Rotary. President Jim Fraser



ATTENDANCE

Last week's Zoom meeting attendance was
68.75%

Present were Jim Fraser, John Ellis, Pat Parker,
Theo Glockemann, Adrian Bell, Phil Stanton,
Jack Reid, Pam Hudson, Ahmadul Ameen,
Ian Huckel, David Firth

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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Pat Parker - May 5th

ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Terry Pankhurst - May 29th

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

‘The measure of a country's greatness is its ability to retain compassion in times of crisis.’

Thurgood Marshall