

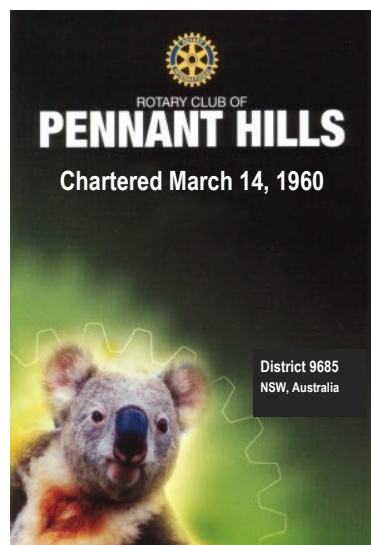


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THE PROGRAM THIS WEEK

THE YEAR IN REVIEW

CHAIRMAN: PRESIDENT JIM

REPORTER: Theo Glockemann

Tonight we get to reflect on the Rotary Year just coming to a close - a year which has included almost everything in the way of unexpected problems. Nevertheless, we have had a great year and achieved much.

It has also raised many issues which we, as a club, need to consider for our future. Please think about this and come to our meeting ready to raise any items you would like discussed.

“Time isn't the main thing. It's the only thing.”

– Miles Davis

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Monday



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NEXT WEEK

OUR CLUB CHANGEOVER

A PARTNERS' NIGHT

CHAIRMAN: PP PAT PARKER

REPORTER: ADRIAN BELL

Where: At the Golf Club

Time: 6.30 for 7.00pm

Charge: \$40.00 per head

2 course dinner plus tea and coffee

MEETING REPORT - 17th JUNE, 2020

President Jim Fraser opened the meeting with a warm welcome to all. We were just taking in the news that Terry Pankhurst was preparing to go into dockyard hands for major surgery and all wished him well. Before we settled down a few topics were discussed airing members' interests and concerns.

We opened with electric cars and Petrol head Bell was there to clear up all aspects of owning and operating vehicles that will be the norm in a few years. The turmoil within the ALP indicated that none of our members is involved in branch stacking. Concern with the rapid development of AI and facial recognition was expressed.

President Jim then directed our attention to matters Rotary advising that all the dignitaries invited to date to our forthcoming Changeover have responded in the affirmative. District have advised that the Conference next year could be on line and are seeking comments from Clubs. Theo Glockemann advised that some nearby Clubs would not continue after 30 June. One was Hornsby District, a Club that combined Hornsby and Waitara only in recent years. Thornleigh was the other. (Subsequently, Theo corrected this by advising that Hornsby District will be continuing!) Jim and Theo suggested we should contact some of the members of these Clubs and invite them to consider joining us. This was approved by all.

John Ellis advised members that we have had an application for sponsorship to NYSF 2021. In a "normal" year such an application needs to be with a prospective Club by 31 May. Theo Glockemann mentioned that, as a student at Hornsby Girls' High School, she might have approached Hornsby, only to learn that they plan to hand in their charter. Members approved that we should sponsor and agreed that our policy of sharing the cost of NYSF (\$3,250) 50:50 with the parents should apply this year. John's email to District to seek clarification on the viability of this late application had not yet been answered, however this matter will be pursued. John also mentioned that the *Young Endeavour* office has made contact with past youth crew members to assess the benefits of the YEYS program and seek feedback to assist with a review of plans for the future. Such "old salts" will receive a questionnaire to assist. The program has served the youth of Australia now for over thirty years with 13,800 Australians aged between 16 and 23, 24 at a time, having experienced the opportunity. The recent YEYS annual report outlines present planning for a replacement vessel to be built in Australia to replace the present brigantine.

David Firth covered Pride of Workmanship sales over the past six months; with COVID-19 restrictions, sales are far below a normal year and since 1 July 2019, receipts of \$13,500 are less than half a normal year. David also seeks a volunteer to take up Terry Pankhurst's role as Club Treasurer. He and Theo outlined recent problems with transferring funds to the bank in Dili for our RYLA and RYPEN programs in East Timor. David then sought volunteers for toasts at Changeover. Theo Glockemann will handle RI and Phillip Stanton will handle Rotarians' partners. President Jim then returned to District's proposals to plan for next year's District Assembly. Should we continue with the Zoom format of this recent April's Assembly or return to past arrangements. Broadly members agreed that the zoom format was convenient but lacked the opportunity for fellowship and the opportunity for easy discussion. Also via Zoom, presentations must be top rate to retain interest. David Firth then raised some ideas for projects for next year that differ from current projects. One he outlined would look to support local people suffering from dementia and their carers. He suggested we establish regular meetings with carers and their charges at a suitable coffee shop. Theo Glockemann suggested we look at some garden related projects.

President Jim then closed the meeting in the customary way.

Reporter: John Ellis

ARE YOU AN AVID READER AND LOOKING FOR A CHALLENGE?

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The ShelterBox Australia Book Club is a unique community membership designed for Australians who share the love of a quality read.

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"The Beekeeper of Aleppo", our first ShelterBox Book Club book, was a great choice. Yesterday, it was chosen as the winner of the 2020 Aspen Words Literary Prize'. Bronwyn Klar -Book Club member.

We're currently reading the multi-award-winning *"No Friend But The Mountains"* by Behrouz Boochani why not join the conversation?

The membership is a minimum of \$10 per month, however you can give more if you like.

Fellows, John Ellis has alerted us to this ABC TV program about the 'James Craig' which is one of his maritime passions. Unfortunately this program airs at the same time as our club meeting this week, however you can log in to ABC iview and watch it in your own time. This screen shot is from the trailer which looks interesting.

It's tough to sail a tall ship | Are You Tougher Than You...

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IT'S TOUGH TO SAIL A TALL SHIP



on Gadigal country in
the Eora nation.

OUR FORWARD PROGRAM

Date	Program	Speaker	Chairman	Reporter
July 1	Club Changeover Partners Night	Presidents Jim & David	Pat Parker	Adrian Bell
July 4	District Changeover	DG Kalma McLellan to DG David Clark	High Tea at Hornsby RSL To be confirmed	1.30pm
July 8	North Connex Community Event	Raj Barot	Phil Stanton	Kaye Carter
July 15	Club Forum	Directors & Members	President David	Pat Parker

**"WHATEVER
ROTARY MAY
MEAN TO US, TO
THE WORLD IT
WILL BE KNOWN
BY THE RESULTS
IT ACHIEVES."**

Paul Harris - Founder



...PROMOTE PEACE

FIGHT DISEASE

PROVIDE CLEAN WATER,
SANITATION, AND
HYGIENE

SAVE MOTHERS AND
CHILDREN

SUPPORT EDUCATION

GROW LOCAL ECONOMIES

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Nil

ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Phillip Stanton - June 14

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

62.5%

APOLOGIES

K Carter, I Chappel, P Hudson,

T Pankhurst, P Parker, D Walsh

VISITORS

Nil

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Without continual growth and progress, such words as improvement, achievement, and success have no meaning."
- Benjamin Franklin