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Rotary

Club of Pennant Hills



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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District 9685



THIS WEEK North Connex Community Event

President's Corner

Fellows, with our new Rotary year underway, this Sunday sees the formal changeover at District, with Kalma McLellan handing over to DG David Clark. I'm sure you join me in thanking Kalma for her year of service to our district. It was a tumultuous year – with so many disasters outside her control but which she always seemed to see as another opportunity for Rotary! PP Jim and I are attending this event at Castle Hill RSL, representing our club. I shall report next week.

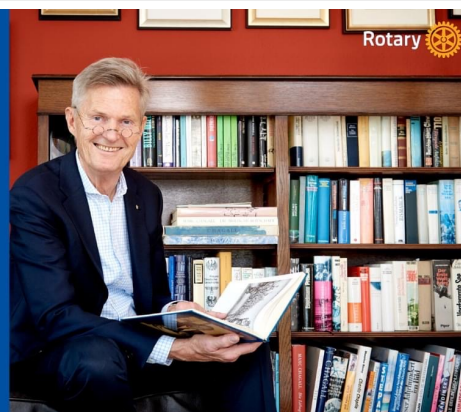
Can I draw your attention to the program ahead which Kaye has been working so hard on, incorporating some of the new ideas. The social nights which include our partners, are starting in 2 week's time, and keep your eye out for the 5 minute talk roster which I am commencing this week.

Don't forget to enjoy Rotary,

David Firth

"We believe that our acts of service, large and small, generate opportunities for people who need our help, and that Rotary opens opportunities for us to live a richer, more meaningful life."

Holger Knaack



Meeting Report

President David opened the meeting of the 10 "faithfuls" and promised to do a much better job this year as President (his third go at the top job).

He advised that Ian Huckel was still in Hornsby hospital and was due to go to rehab at either Mt Wilga or Lady Davidson next week.

He also reported that he had spoken to Pam Hudson and Peter was due to have more tests and a possible visit to a skin specialist for plastic surgery.

He had not heard anything more about the condition of Terry Pankhurst, but it had been reported that he was home from hospital.

David also reported that David Walsh had resigned from the club as he had moved from Pennant Hills to Annandale. He also tabled a copy of the Clubs Annual accounts for the past financial year.

John Ellis advised that he had spoken to Jason Terry about our club sponsoring a rotaractor to attend the Ryla conference. He also mentioned that he had a call from the East Gosford Rotary Club about the possibility of there not being a Ryla in 2021 due to a shortage of funds.

The new Sergeant-at -Arms. PP Jim Fraser took to the floor and managed to extract money from most of the unsuspecting members with questions about camellias, the usual Canada History, and other vital questions , that even John Ellis could not get right.

Following the serving of dinner, the President then focussed on the main subject of the evening, the plans for the forthcoming year. He advised that he wished to continue with the successful established projects such as the Trailer Raffle, Tree of Joy and the Golf Day. He also wished to continue with supporting projects to assist farmers receiving drought relief, and to try and obtain more community support for these types of projects and to obtain relevant speakers to assist in further promoting these issues. David also focussed on efforts by other rotary clubs to assist and promote Dementia Cafes to support sufferers and carers once a month with an afternoon tea or similar. The main purpose was to assist people to have the opportunity to socialise and interact with other people. David and Heather were also going to reintroduce their dinner parties at their home, on a Saturday night.

Administration Director, Kaye Carter advised that she wished to have a regular social night on the last Wednesday of the month and for this to be with partners at a local or near local restaurant. She would also like to have business night speakers from local businesses and also try to get local shop owners to attend the club and speak about their business. Kaye would also like to re-introduce 5 minute talks by club members on any subject which may be of interest or a highlight of a members career. She was also very keen to try making poppies for Remembrance Day in November and for these to be handed out free of charge.

Rotary Foundation assistant director Theo requested support for the cost of staging Rypen in East Timor. He advised if our Club could provide \$3,000, he could obtain a further \$3,00 from another club and a further matching \$6,000 from the District grant. It was resolved to support the project with the \$3,000 funding.

The Public Relations Director reported that at the recent changeover dinner, the outgoing District Governor Kalma was not impressed by the quality and the lack of members name badges . He contacted RDU supplies and tabled photo copies of the "newer" type badges as well as samples of similar badges used by other organisations. It was resolved to purchase new name badges for both members and their partners and to have the magnetic strip on both badges . It was noted that the cost was expected to be \$17.30 for each badge and the cost would be borne by the Club. He also reported that he had also checked out the Rotary shirts and T shirts and was not impressed with either garment. It was resolved that should any member desire a Rotary garment, the cost would be borne by the member of the club. The PR Director also suggested that he offer to assist Pam Hudson in setting up selling arrangements at the shopping centres for the Trailer Raffle and this was accepted.

Rotary News on Radio

Opportunity to hear what, where and how other clubs are doing projects in our district

Rotary Matters a weekly program on community radio station Triple H 100.1 FM profiles the causes, projects and people who make up Rotary. The idea is to arouse interest and engagement among the wider general public. Each week a different Rotary initiative is profiled with an in studio interview. This is followed by a What's On of activities in District 9685 which are accessible to the public.

Service above Self

The slouch hat worn by Australia's oldest living Victoria Cross recipient, Keith Payne, has gone on public display in Mackay thanks to anonymous benefactors.

Mr Payne, 86, auctioned the hat to raise money for the Rotary Club of Mackay North which was struggling with the coronavirus pandemic.

Vietnam veteran Keith Payne is the oldest surviving Victoria Cross recipient

He donated his slouch hat, worn while receiving his VC medal from Queen Elizabeth II.

Mr Payne said he got the idea when speaking with Rotary about the impact of the pandemic on their work helping people in need.



"I walked into my wardrobe, and there was my old slouch hat looking at me ,and I thought that might make a bob or two." he said.

"Well, it was a lot more than a bob or two. It's quite an expensive piece of material."

The hat sold for \$30,000 to anonymous buyers.

"I didn't know where it was to go, but I am pleased to say two kind businessmen in the Mackay region bought the hat."

Club Doings

Terry Pankhurst recovering well at home and will be starting Rehab this week. Terry hopes to be back soon.

Due Now

Semi annual dues are \$225.00.

Date	Program	Speaker	Chairman	Reporter	Member 5 min talk
July 15	North Connex Opening	Raj Barot	Phil Stanton	Kaye Carter	David Firth
July 19 12.30pm	District Changeover Lunch at Castle Hill RSL	DG Kalma McLennan to DG David Clark			
Jul 22	Lions Club of Hornsby projects	Ted Henebery	Kaye Carter	Jim Fraser	Adrian Bell
Jul 29	Social Night at the Golf Club		David Firth	Ahmadul Ameen	John Ellis
Aug 5	Dementia	Wendy Bell	Adrian Bell	Ian Chappel	Pat Parker
Aug 12	Running a Beauty Business	Daisy Hyung	Kaye Carter	Theo Glockemann	Ian Huckel

GUESTS

NIL

BIRTHDAYS

23 July Esther Fraser

ANNIVERSARIES

6 July Phil & Lyn Stanton

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

1 July Ahmadul Ameen

1 July Theo Glockemann

ATTENDANCE

67%

APOLOGIES

Ian Chappel

Ian Huckel

Pam Hudson

Terry Pankhurst

Phil Stanton