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Rotary
Club of Pennant Hills



Rotary Opens Opportunities

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THIS WEEK

SOCIAL & THE BROOK

REPORTER

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

This has been another busy week for me, and I suspect for many of you particularly as we prepare for the Easter long weekend. Last Wednesday we had another instance of a new member, in this case Herbert Chan, giving us an insight into his life and background. I'm sure those who heard his talk got a new insight into the role actuaries play in our lives these days. The meeting report later in this issue expands on this.



On Saturday, as reported elsewhere in this issue, the Rotaract Club of Pennant Hills-Cherrybrook had its official charter function with the District Governor in attendance to do the formal presentation. We look forward to working with them both on their projects and on ours.

Our Easter Egg project with retirement villages in our area has now been prepared and 3 villages, Lutanda Manor, Mawarra Village, and Cherrybrook Christian Care Centre, have received their Easter Egg packs (see the photos) for distribution over the weekend. There is a 4th retirement home, Heritage Care, which we are hoping to include also. That leaves us the task of handing out Easter Egg packs to children at Pennant Hills Marketplace on Saturday. So I am looking for volunteers between the hours of 8.30am and 1.30pm or for as long as the 100 or so packs last. We'll also have club brochures to hand out to people who are interested in Rotary and our club. If you can help please call or email me.



Our board met on Zoom on Monday night and one of the main items dealt with was the distribution of funds from the Project Account. The decision agreed was as follows –

- PKU Association Research Project – the proceeds of our Golf Day
- 'Human & Hope' project in Cambodia - \$1,200 to support 10 orphans to learn English
- Rotary Foundation End Polio Now campaign - \$2,500
- Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter - \$1,000

Another task board members have taken on is to document the steps involved in running the various projects and programs we engage in each year. This will ensure that the projects/programs can be handed on to other people to run in future years. This may take some time and effort for those involved at present, but is an excellent initiative thanks to the suggestion by Pam Hudson who is preparing the document template. See you at The Brook on Wednesday evening.

Cheers

Pres. David Firth

Rotary
District 9685



The start of the proceedings was preceded by the arrival of dinner! This in turn encouraged Pres David to get on and open the meeting!

Post the pizza, there was a report of the Club's birthday celebrations at Lutanda the previous Sunday, which despite the weather, was an enjoyable afternoon. The Pres also announced that via Nicol (nee Bondoc) that the Bana Group, have agreed to allow the Rotary Club of PH to run an advert on their shopping centre screen at the Pennant Hills Marketplace shopping centre. They are also happy for us to run a Rotary 'info' stall in the shopping centre.



Adrian Bell reminded us that next week's meeting will be at the Brook Restaurant at Cherrybrook.

Jason (Rotaract leader) advised that their washed out inaugural celebrations have been re-cast and will be held at 76 Glenhaven Rd Glenhaven. He has a great list of people coming and is looking for a good turn out from our Club.

A few reminders:

- Our POW awards evening is scheduled for the 19th May, nominations required
- A zoom directors meeting is proposed for next Monday evening
- Kaye noted that poppies for Anzac Day are being made apace, but further assistance is requested.
- Ameen, our guest interviewer then conducted an in depth life and times Q and A session with our own Terry Pankhurst. Did you know that Terry was an underage sailor?

And so to our guest speaker, new member Herbert Chan.

Herbert was born in Hong Kong where some of his wives family still live. He helpfully also advised that his family comprise "one wife and one son".



Herbert is an actuary (not an accountant) and as such is one of only 4,000 actuaries in Australia. He was educated at Macquarie University and worked locally for a while before moving to the ACT in 1986. While there he continued his studies and worked in an area associated with the civil service. He then spent some time working for the Salvation Army before moving back to Sydney where he worked in general insurance before 12 month stint in Germany (Munich).

Following this sojourn he settled back into working in Sydney for a life insurance company where he stayed for some 35 years. He then took a pay-out and opened a one man consultancy shop in Chatswood. He retired in 2017.

From a professional point of view, Herbert noted that an actuary is not an accountant. An actuary looks at the bigger picture often in areas of insurance; re-insurance; superannuation etc. The sector also has people consulting in organisations providing services to large organisations and to governments. This sort of work is related to financial modelling for the long term.

Herbert's closing remark? Actuarial is "a work of art"!



ROTARACT CLUB CHARTER FUNCTION

About 30 Rotarians and Rotaractors assembled on Saturday at the Glenhaven Community Centre for this official recognition of the chartering of the new Rotaract Club of Pennant Hills-Cherrybrook. The Rotary District was represented by District Governor David Clark, District Governor Elect Lindsay May and his wife Tania, and Assistant Governor Robert Erskine. There were about 5 from sponsoring club West Pennant Hills/Cherrybrook including President Rosemary Clark and Youth Director Janelle Craig, and a similar number from our club – John Ellis, Theo Glockemann, Kaye Carter, Jim Fraser and myself. There were also a number of representatives from the Hills Rotaract Club.



President Jason Terry and his members had done an excellent job with the organizing of the venue and the catering so that we were invited to enjoy some food to begin and then the formalities followed. DG David made the formal presentation of the charter certificate, supported by AG Robert, and then the members of the club who were present were with their members pins and certificates. The formalities concluded with the cutting of the cake! All in all, an encouraging result to have a Rotaract Club operating locally again. We have invested in setting up the club jointly with West Pennant Hills/Cherrybrook Rotary so that they can have a good foundation from the beginning. We wish them well.

Pres. David Firth



THANK YOU FROM HORNSBY KU-RING-GAI HEALTH SERVICE

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Health
Northern Sydney
Local Health District

Dear Mr Firth

On behalf of the staff and management of Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Health Service, I would like to thank you for the generous donation of \$2,500 from the Pennant Hills branch of Rotary.

Your donation was posted to Mr Lee Gregory, General Manager who is currently on secondment at the Northern Sydney Local Health District for six months, however I take great pleasure on accepting this cheque on his behalf.

Your continued support is greatly appreciated and will make a tremendous difference in patient care and treatment.

If you require any additional information about our hospital please do not hesitate to contact me.

With sincere thanks

Simon Hill

Acting General Manager

Hornsby Ku'ring-gai Health Service

2021	Program	Speaker	Chairperson	Reporter	Member 5 - minute interview
Mar 31	Social Night The Brook Restaurant, Cherrybrook	Nil	Nil	David Firth	Easter Apr 2-5
Apr 7	Ramadan? TBC	Armadul Ameen?	Ian Huckle	Jim Fraser	Adrian Bell Ramadan Apr 13
Apr 14	'a one -off family history' Or a video from the Rotary District Conference	Theo Glockemann	Pat Parker	Herbert Chan	Ida Shi
Apr 21	TBA			Terry Pankhurst	Pam Hudson Anzac Day Apr 25
Apr 28	RSL Sub branch	TBA	Kaye Carter	Theo Glockemann	Herbert Chan
May 5	'Extraordinary Experiences'	John Ellis	Terry Pankhurst	Phil Stanton	Ian Chapell
May 12	St Marks Anglican Church Pennant Hills	Pastor Craig Schafer			
May 19	Pride of Workmanship Social Night				

GUESTS

AG Robert Erskine

RTN Jason Terry

BIRTHDAYS

5 April

Ian Huckel

8 April

Peter Hudson

21 April

Pamela Hudson

24 April

Leon Edema

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

ATTENDANCE

94%

APOLOGIES

Ian Chappel

