



# SPOKES

**Rotary**  
Club of Pennant Hills



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**Rotary**  
District 9685



## THIS WEEK

**Xiandi Shi (Journey of a Chinese student in Sydney)**

## President's Corner

Dick Geeves was the Charter President of our club having been involved in its establishment during 1959 and early 1960 when a member of Hornsby Club, our mother club. Dick and his wife Barbara lived at 28 Fisher Avenue, Pennant Hills and had 5 sons.

He was a member for 28 years except for a period of about 9 months in 1961-2. He resigned in December 1988 when he retired and went to live in Geeveston, Tasmania with a professed desire to learn to build wooden boats.

While a member of our club, Dick took in most of its activities, particularly Youth and Health programs both local and overseas. He also served on several district committees. We were honoured to have him return for our 50th club anniversary function at which he gave the keynote address full of all his humour and history.

He was a great mover and shaker on geriatric care in the district and the local area health district. Indeed, at Turramurra is the Richard Geeves Centre providing day care for dementia sufferers. Hammond Care took over the running of the centre in 2015 and Dick came up for that occasion. His son Malcolm works for Hammond Care as an educator in their Dementia Centre.

Dick was a larger than life character; a great Rotarian; and a champion of the aged community.

I shall have more to say at our meeting on Wednesday.



Dick Scout Leader  
Scout World  
Jambo-ree Sydney  
in 1986.



**President David Firth**

## Meeting Report



President David Firth opened the meeting with a warm welcome to all and in particular David welcomed Ted Henebery, a member of Hornsby Lions' Club. David then went through the sick list.

Terry Pankhurst is convalescing at home and considered attending last week. Chief Nurse Maureen advised otherwise. Pam Hudson is preparing for further treatment.

Kaye Carter circulated a suitable card for our signatures and messages. David reported that Peter is doing well. Ian Huckel will remain in Hornsby for a further ten days, however when visited, David said Ian now walks without a stick.

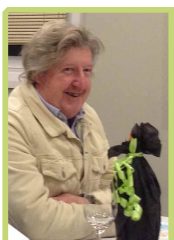
Theo Glockemnn spent a few minutes on recent news from East Timor. Discussions with Woodside regarding their continuing support of RYLA and RYPEN indicate Woodside's pleasure in seeing half of the RYLA and RYPEN alumni have now made their way into permanent employment. Woodside has been donating about \$US50,000 pa since 2013. This will allow local staff to conduct programs in October even though it is likely that Theo might not be able to travel to Dili this year. With the prompt closure of the border with Indonesia they have been successful in keeping the lid on COVID-19

Adrian Bell gave us few minutes explaining proper mask drill then gave us five minutes on his favourite guitar – describing, not playing,. His Heath guitar, F design has a plastic insert. Part of his story related his father, a guitarist, when travelling by train to London in 1963 and met the Beatles. He complained of a runny nose so Ringo gave him a hanky that would now fetch £1000. Adrian's Gibson 1999 guitar, one of five Bell guitars, would now fetch \$25,000.



Sergeant Theo attacked members with perceived sins, then Kaye outlined her Remembrance Day poppy plan – to be distributed to businesses in Pennant Hills.

Kaye introduced Ken Henebery a stamp chap. They met via Bush Telegraph and share a common interest in stamps. Kaye's childhood collection went to her brother's girlfriend. Ken explained that philately was once popular and that his Club now chases all those old collections for auction, the proceeds going to their charities. He circulated examples of stamps promoting Lions and Rotary. Last year his Club donated \$20,000 to Cerebral Palsy and they used a photo of a boy taking his brother afflicted with cerebral palsy on his first walk. Kaye presented a gift to Ken and thanked him for addressing us.



There was great excitement as the draw for Kaye's lucky door prize approached. Theo G tried to exchange tickets with John Ellis believing he should have a chance. Miserable Ellis refused, then picked up Theo's ticket when Theo went home early. All to no avail as Adrian Bell took away the bottle. President David closed the meeting with the National Anthem.

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## Remembrance Day Project

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### *From the Chair of Admin (Kaye)*

Hi everyone. Below is a sample of the card that we intend to distribute to reach out and engage the local community on Remembrance Day. David Firth has created a really lovely image and 'compliments' statement and we will attach the hand-made poppies to the top of the card to accompany it. On the rear of the card will be our contact details for comments about our gift and/or enquiries from potential new members. (These will be mainly delivered to the local businesses etc in the Pennant Hills area.) Apart from the knitted and crocheted poppies, we will also attach some lovely paper-made poppies on cards for distribution at the railway station and for commuters at the shopping centre.

My friend in Melbourne who knitted the first 10 samples has provided some simple patterns for anyone who is interested in making some poppies for this 'reach out to the community activity'.

### Easy Ribbed Poppy Knit Pattern

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Red 8 ply wool and a set of 4 No4 needles.

Cast on 44 stitches (16 on first needle, 16 on second needle, and 12 on third needle.)

1<sup>st</sup> row: Knit 2, purl 2, to end.

Rows 2 – 8: K2, P2.

9<sup>th</sup> row: Knit 2 together all way round. (22 sts)

10<sup>th</sup> row: K2 tog all way round (11 sts)

Cut wool, leaving a tail, thread tail through needle and pass needle through each stitch. Gather and cast off.

Centre, with black wool. Crochet three chain, join with a slip stitch. Three chain, then 9 treble into ring. Join with a slip stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail. Use tail to sew centre inside red poppy.



### Crochet Poppy Pattern

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Red 8 ply wool and 4mm crochet hook.

Make a slip ring with 3 or 4 chain.

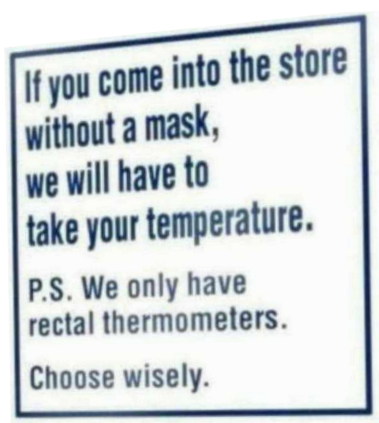
1<sup>st</sup> row: 3 chain, 9 treble into ring. Slip stitch to top chain to join.

2<sup>nd</sup> row: 3 chain, 1 treble into first treble, 2 treble into each following treble. Slip st to top chain to join.

3<sup>rd</sup> row: 3 chain, 2 treble into first treble, 3 treble into each following treble. Slip st to top chain to join.

Fasten off.

Centre, with black wool. Crochet three chain, join with a slip stitch. Three chain, then 9 treble into ring. Join with a slip stitch. Fasten off, leaving a tail. Use tail to sew centre inside red poppy.



Date	Program	Speaker	Chairman	Reporter	Member 5 min talk
Aug 5	Dementia	Wendy Bell	Adrian Bell	Phil Stanton	Pat Parker
Aug 12	Running a Beauty Business	Daisy Hyung	Kaye Carter	Theo Glockemann	Ian Huckel
Aug 19	My Bizarre Life	Theo Glockemann	Jack Reid	Pat Parker	Phil Stanton
Aug 26	Social Night at Pennant Hills Bowling Club	Fundraising for Cancer Council	David Firth	Kaye Carter	
Aug 31 Monday	DG Official Visit Golf Club Joint Meeting	DG David Clark		Jim Fraser	
Sep 2	No Meeting				

### GUESTS

Ted Henebery Lions Club Hornsby

### BIRTHDAYS

23 July Esther Fraser

### ANNIVERSARIES

6 July Phil & Lyn Stanton

### INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

1 July Ahmadul Ameen

1 July Theo Glockemann

### ATTENDANCE

74%

### APOLOGIES

Ian Chappel

Ian Huckel

Pam Hudson

Terry Pankhurst