



# SPOKES



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Pennant Hills  
**Rotary**  
Club



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District 9685



## *The Program This Week*

Update on Lion's Club Projects

Guest Speaker: Ted Henebery, Hornsby Lions Club

*Welcome to Stephen de Plater, President,  
Rotary Club of Newcastle Enterprise joining us on Zoom*

## President's Corner

Hi everyone

We, the Rotary Club of Pennant Hills, are 'People of Action'. We are on a roll to connect with other clubs, organisations and people. Our projects bring communities together especially in times of need. Our club works as a strong and supportive team, making the most of everyone's experiences, and don't we feel good when a project comes to fruition and we provide a service to the community? Our current Chinese lantern project to celebrate the mid-Autumn festival is a wonderful example of us reaching out in a positive way to our diverse and multicultural community in the trying times we are currently experiencing.

Well, so how do we focus on our year ahead when there is so much happening in our tiny world? We have the Rotary year of 'Serve to Change Lives', the 'Kind July' movement (which amazingly coincides with Hugh Mackay's latest book on The Kindness Revolution), The 'Dry July' campaign, NAIDOC Week, and even World Chocolate Day on 7 July (my favourite!). July is also Rotary Leadership Month.

Leadership through mentoring is just one way our club can stay focussed. This is why I have requested Directors to nominate an assistant to train our newer members and involve them as much as possible in club matters, and also to provide a backup in case of an emergency. Sharing knowledge and wisdom is one thing our club does amazingly well.

For our future meetings, it looks like we will be zooming in for quite a while longer. How to engage and include all our members in the zoom room, especially those who do not have the IT knowledge or equipment, is a challenge that we all need to find solutions for.

Okay, so I'll see you in the zoom room. Please stay safe and take care when moving around in our community. **Kaye**



## INTERNATIONAL TOAST



Fall River, Massachusetts, USA

The club was chartered on 13th December, 1920 so they have just celebrated 100 years of 'Service Above Self'. They meet on Thursdays at 12.15pm for lunch at White's of Westport. They have 84 members of which two thirds are women. The president is **Marty Montleon**, the ninth female president in a row. The club has a long history of supporting the local community and underprivileged children in particular. Their 'Happy Feet' project provides new sneakers and socks to children in need. They support 2 Interact Clubs in local schools and provide \$1,000 scholarships to students graduating from high school who have demonstrated a commitment to Service above Self in their school and community. Last year they presented 14 scholarships.

Like us, the club holds hybrid meetings allowing members who cannot attend in person to enjoy the program each week. Their centenary celebrations planned for last November were rescheduled to May 2021 and have now been rescheduled to April 2022 when they plan to "party like rockstars"!

The City of Fall River's population was 89,000 in 2018, making it the tenth-largest city in the state. Located along the eastern shore of Mount Hope Bay at the mouth of the Taunton River, the city became famous during the 19th century as the leading textile manufacturing center in the United States. While the textile industry has long since moved on, its impact on the city's culture and landscape remains to this day. Fall River's official motto is "We'll Try", dating back to the aftermath of the Great Fire of 1843. It is also nicknamed the "Scholarship City" because Irving Fradkin founded 'Dollars for Scholars' there in 1958. In 2017, mayor Jasiel Correia introduced the "Make It Here" slogan as part of a citywide rebranding effort.

One of the local points of interest is Battleship Cove, pictured at right, featuring the world's largest collection of World War II naval vessels, including the battleship USS Massachusetts. The city also has a number of parks and historic buildings.



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**Triple H 100.1 FM**

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## ZOOM MEETING REPORT - 7th JULY - David Firth

After the usual time of fellowship and banter as members assembled on screen, President Kaye opened the meeting by welcoming all, with special mention of Daisy Huang, our newest member, and Jason Terry, president of the Pennant Hills - Cherrybrook Rotaract Club. Kaye continued with an Acknowledgement of Country which she explained she wished to continue as a fixture in each meeting.

There followed a series of reports from directors about items that had been discussed in last Monday's Board Meeting (a summary of which is in this issue of Spokes). I gave a brief overview of the District Changeover held on zoom on last Sunday, with PDG David Clark giving his final report and making his various awards before virtually handing over the regalia of the District Governor to Lindsay May OAM. DG Lindsay then gave an outline of his plans for the new Rotary year including visiting each club throughout the district in person. (Our club's District Governor's Official Visit is scheduled for 1st September).

Corporal Theo then proceeded with a trivia questionnaire in lieu of a fine session. Despite the efforts of some to challenge the rules, Theo managed to prevail with a series of 10 questions based on Olympic record times for various track & field events and then swimming races. Under the 4 Way Test rules, the joint winners with 70% correct were John Ellis - surprise, surprise, Pat Parker, and yours truly!

Sergeant Ida gave her 5 minute talk on something old - a Chinese calligraphy by a friend of her parents, Uncle Joe; something new - a Chinese lantern prototype of the ones she is making for a new club project; something borrowed - reference to a boomerang from John Ellis with the story of its origin - she had borrowed the story from him; and something blue - a recyclable blue drink cup she had given husband Eddie, one of the few blue things in their house!

Various members then, in honour of NAIDOC Week, spoke about a number of First Nations people they had met or had acquired artefacts from. Items shown included boomerangs, a painting and a didgeridoo. John Ellis spoke of a past member of our club, Chris Morgan, who was of aboriginal descent. Jason Terry reminded us of the importance of Eddie Marbo and his landrights case which he won in the High Court. This led to the Australian Parliament passing the Native Title Act in 1993. Then Kaye told about Deborah Mailman, TV and movie actress and singer and her opposition to referring to aboriginals as half-caste, etc. Kaye showed a clip from one her films and then this picture now in the National Portrait Gallery in Canberra.



President Kaye, in closing the meeting, informed us that, in future, she would be sending the Zoom invitation and the meeting concluded with a video clip of the National Anthem.



Ida's 'borrowed' boomerang



The attendees at last week's Zoom meeting.

## WHAT'S ON

2021	Program	Speaker	Chair	Reporter	5 - minute interview	Meal Status
July 14	<b>Update on Lions Club Projects</b> <b>By Zoom</b>	Ted Henebery Hornsby Lions Club	Herbert Chan	Jim Fraser	Adrian Bell	
July 21	<b>The Year in Review</b> <b>By Zoom</b>	David Firth	Jim Fraser	John Ellis	Pat Parker	
July 28	<b>President's Message</b> <b>By Zoom?</b>	Kaye Carter	Kaye Carter	Pam Hudson	Terry Pankhurst	
Aug 2	<b>Board Meeting</b> <b>By Zoom</b>					
Aug 4	<b>Member's Night</b>			Pat Parker	Daisy Huang	
Aug 11	<b>First Aid Survival</b>	Wendy Bell		Terry Pankhurst	David Firth	
Aug 18	<b>Planning for Charity Golf Day</b>			Phil Stanton	Jack Reid	
Aug 25	<b>What are they doing now?</b>	Past youth reps	John Ellis	Adrian Bell	<b>David Firth</b>	

**Members are reminded that semi annual dues are now payable - \$225 each. If you prefer, you may direct debit this amount into the club account BSB 032-087 and Account No. 334578. Please put your name into the payment details.**

### Last Week's Meeting

Attendance - 83.33%

Apologies:

T Pankhurst, J Reid, C Rigney

Guests:

Jason Terry

### July Anniversaries & Birthdays

Birthdays:

Esther Fraser - July 23rd

Anniversaries:

Lyn & Phil Stanton - July 6th

Induction Anniversaries:

Theo Glockemann - July 10th

### REPORT FROM THE JULY BOARD MEETING

The new Board met via Zoom on 5 July. Key matters covered were:

1. Treasurer's annual report was still being prepared
2. President Kaye plans greater involvement in our community, including schools and other Clubs. Promotional screens in local shopping centres will carry Club information. The shade house we built at Pennant Hills Public School will be checked and overhauled with the concurrence of the Principal.
3. Membership – suggestions to attract new members were covered and included possible sponsorship of some of our projects by local businesses.
4. Planning for the Tree of Joy, Trailer Raffle and Golf Day is in hand. We shall also make small Chinese lanterns for our Chinese neighbours and Chinese residents of nursing homes.
5. President Kaye has identified a Club in Newcastle as a potential sister club.
6. Theo Glockemann will initiate another District Grant to support RYPEN in Timor.
7. Planning for RYLA, RYPEN and *Young Endeavour* Youth Scheme is in hand.
8. A new Club shirt is being investigated.

**John Ellis, Secretary**