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The Program This Week 'Insights on the Japanese Invasion of Australia' Guest Speaker: Ray Rees Sydney Heritage Fleet

Welcome to ADG Stuart Armstrong, Rotary Club of Wahroonga



President's Corner

One of the positive repercussions of the Covid lockdown restrictions is the opportunity to visit other clubs on zoom in the comfort of a warm house (often in trackies and slippers!). I recommend this to all members as there is much to be learnt from observing the way other clubs run their meetings and experiencing the knowledge and expertise of their guest speakers.

From one of these morning zoom visits, heralds our guest speaker for this Wednesday night, Ray Rees, who is the Speakers Bureau Coordinator of the Sydney Heritage Fleet. Last Wednesday, our PP David Firth gave a super presentation on 'The Year That Was' and I must say, we accomplished so many successful projects that connected us to the local community.

And speaking of zoom, the Hornsby Library has some fabulous zoom events that are free for the housebound public. If you are interested in Mental Health, Kyle Perry presents *The Deep* with Catherine du Peloux Menage on Thursday 5 August at 6.30pm.

You may have noticed I'm wearing a Rotary face mask. In my goal this year to be more prominent in the local community, this mask has the potential to provide us with an unexpected element of publicity and awareness. I'm currently negotiating the supply of face masks to our district with the DG's concurrence. Watch this space!

On Saturday morning, about 71 Presidents and Office Bearers and I attended the District 9685 President's Zoom Meeting. Many topics were covered that need our attention including finances, risk management, Foundation, insurance, Avenues of Service Reports etc. I'll discuss some of these at our next meeting.

Kaye

'Feeling gratitude and not expressing it is like wrapping a present and not giving it.'

William Arthur Ward

Meeting Report - 21 July 2021 by Ida Shi

Around 7:05 pm, President Kaye opened the meeting by welcoming everyone to attend the zoom session. After that, Kaye lead our club members acknowledging the country, paying respect to the traditional owners of the lands of Hornsby Shire - the people of Darug and Guringai language groups.

Kaye advised everyone that the assistant district governor Steward Armstrong would be expected to zoom in our next meeting at some stage on 28th of July. After briefing the agenda and checking in that everyone was prepared for their roles of the night, Kaye handed over to our club members to report on the status of ongoing activities.

Ida delivered messages from our welfare officer Jack Reid on how our members were. Jack Reid misses everyone and he is hoping to see everyone as early as possible. Ian Huckel was still sick in the hospital waiting for examination results.

Claude was unwell. He couldn't make to the zoom meetings but he told Jack he would attend the first meeting when we could go back and meet at the Golf Club.

Kaye reminded everyone to let Jack know if anyone is sick so that we could arrange some flowers and other stuff for our members. For example, Kaye sent Ian Huckel in hospital some flowers, chocolate biscuits, magazine and mindfulness stuff.

Secretary John reported on our club bank statement. Treasurer Terry reported on the membership dues. Kaye reminded everyone that the membership fee is used for different events and expenses including to Rotary International.

Our new member Daisy Huang gave a very interesting introduction of herself and her life in Australia since Christmas Day back in 1990. She and her husband started from scratch and now they have their own business and a happy family. Daisy also talked about her hobbies such as dancing and yoga. Daisy is very keen in selfdevelopment. So she is also a lifeline technique practitioner and a licensed hypnotherapist to help people around her if they need. 'Never look back, look forward', 'don't label yourself, don't put limitations to yourself' best described Daisy's adventure and spirit.

Followed by that, our new member Jason Terry gave a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation about himself. Jason talked about his family, schoolings, a variety of courses he took after school, his achievements and hobbies. Currently, Jason is in his role as the District Rotaract Representative (DRR) to assist Rotaract clubs in the district on membership, projects, social media, etc. So very well prepared and presented with the trending GIFs.

Phil then reported on starting to put together a committee for the Golf Day and preparing for things to happen if we're still locked out of the golf club.

Pat gave an update on Trees of Joy and Trailer Raffle Project. Email exchanges have been ongoing with sponsors and supporters on detailed planning.

Ida gave an update on the Lantern project – Pam has designed and printed out 150 stickers inside the paper lanterns. 90 lanterns have been made for the Mid-Autumn Festival in September. Ida will make 60 lanterns more to reach the 150 targets in the following two months.

Theo has been busy with organizing a zoom meeting on Tuesday 27th July (10:00 am) to share stories/ achievements in Timor and maintain the enthusiasm in Timor projects. He invited members to join the zoom meeting if available.

David gave an update on Pride of Workmanship and Kaye updated on the Remembrance Day poppy project. Our sergeant for the night Theo asked some very easy questions in relation to the Tokyo Olympics 2021 and made us complain about that. However, we've also learnt new things.

In the five-minute interview session, Pat showed us "something old" - a book he got 66 years ago about the Tasmania Bushranger Martin Cash; "Something new" – his new pajamas recently bought from David Jones; "Something borrowed"- a Shakespeare's book he borrowed from his neighbour; "something blue" – a faded blue cap he got in his last overseas trip to Hubbard Glacier in Alaska.

Due to lockdown, we can't have a face-to-face changeover meeting. So, President David Firth gave a presentation on the activities and achievements of our club in his past year. David made three awards in appreciation of three members' efforts in the last year. The 2021 ZOOM ZOOM Award was presented to Past President Jim Fraser in recognition of his dedication to Zooming our meetings each week. The Love your Enthusiasm Award was presented to Ida Shi in recognition of her engagements in our club events. The Meritorious Service Award was presented to Past President Ian Chappel PHF for his service as President and as Treasurer in our club during Ian's membership. David thanked all the Board of Directors for their contributions in 2021.

Kaye reminded everyone of the upcoming meetings and closed the meeting with a youtube of the national anthem.

As I reported last week, one of the many Rotary Youth Exchange students our club hosted some years ago, was an English girl from Bideford, Devon, UK. She was with us from July 1992 to July 1993. The Youth Director that year, Terry Pankhurst wrote of her in the annual report "Katie has proved a most successful exchange student, popular with her host parents and club members, gaining valuable experience during her stay with us." And yes, this is the same Katie Hopkins deported for breaching COVID isolation rules last week!

Welfare Report

It was with great sadness that we learned this week of the passing of Pam Hudson's mother. She has been a resident of Cherrybrook Christian Care Centre for the past couple of years, which has allowed Pam to spend a lot of time caring for her. President Kaye sent flowers and a message of condolence from the club to Pam and Peter.

As advised by President Kaye last week, Ian Huckel has had some time in hospital. Welfare chairman Jack has been in touch with him and is able to report that Ian was scheduled to come home from hospital today (Monday). We wish him a speedy return to full fitness.

Part of the presentation by our newest member Jason Terry last week. He didn't reveal whether that is his Superman look alike image on the left!

Volunteering & Rotaract - Rotary

- Joined the Hills Rotaract Club in 2018
- Became Treasurer of the Hills In 2019 -2020
- Started and Charted Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Rotaract Club in 2020
- Became Chartering President in 2020
- Became a Rotarian in 2020
- Spoke at the Online District Conference
 Was chosen to be a part of the District team as the DRR in 2021





Remember this?

The Opening Ceremony of the 2014 Rotary International Convention at Homebush, Sydney, Australia



WHAT'S ON

2021	Program	Speaker	Chair	Reporter	5 - minute interview	Meal Status
July 28	Insights on the Japanese invasion of Australia By Zoom	Ray Rees Sydney Heritage Fleet	Adrian Bell	John Ellis	Terry Pankhurst	
Aug 2	Board Meeting By Zoom					
Aug 4	Update on the Rotary Foundation By Zoom	Mark Anderson	Phil Stanton	Pat Parker	Daisy Huang	
Aug 11	Training our Aged-Care Workforce <mark>By Zoom</mark>	Wendy Bell	Ida Shi	Terry Pankhurst	David Firth	
Aug 18	Club Assembly & Planning for Charity Golf Day	Nil	Pat Parker	Phil Stanton	Jack Reid	
Aug 25	What are they doing now?	Past youth reps	John Ellis	Adrian Bell	Jason Terry	
Sept 1	District Governor's Official Visit Social Night	District Governor Lindsay May OAM	ТВА	ТВА		

Last Week's Meeting

Attendance - 77.8%

Apologies:

I Huckel, P Hudson, J Reid, C Rigney

Guests:

PP Ian Chappel

July Anniversaries & Birthdays

Birthdays: Esther Fraser - July 23rd

Anniversaries: Lyn & Phil Stanton - July 6th

Induction Anniversaries: Theo Glockemann - July 10th

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.



Our two newest members receive their 'Welcome to Rotary' packs from President Kaye this past week.

