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**Pennant Hills  
Rotary  
Club**



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**Rotary**  
District 9685



The Program This Week

## What are they doing now?

Our speakers are all past youth program awardees -

Luke Chapman - RYPEN

Sam Button - Young Endeavour

Jessica Hook - RYPEN

Geraldine Blake - RYLA

**By Zoom**



**President's Corner**

Hi everyone

I have to say that these past few weeks have just seemed to roll into each other without me even noticing what's been happening. Apart from zooming my students every day, zooming into other rotary club meetings is a highlight of my weekly social calendar. How about you? Do you zoom into any other club's meetings?

This Wednesday, we have invited back four young people who the club has sponsored in the past at RYLA, RYPEN and on the Young Endeavour. We are interested in what kind of difference our sponsorship has made in their lives. It should be a most entertaining evening.

It's interesting to see in club newsletters that some clubs are having a zoom social gathering, sometimes weekly and sometimes monthly. This sounds like a really good idea for our club. All ideas are very welcome. I was wondering if we could do something along the lines of a degustation night like President Stephen from our sister club (Newcastle Enterprise) mentioned the other evening. We would provide the food rather than the restaurant.

Sales of Rotary face masks are progressing well. It's a great way for us to be seen out there in the community when we tentatively set the proverbial foot outside the front door, especially at Pennant Hills Marketplace which is packed on a weekend!

Anyway, take care one and all. **President Kaye**

## Meeting Report – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Watcher!<sup>1</sup>

Bit of an introspective tonight – no guests to come along and have a chat, no additional Rotarians coming to have a stickybeak. Just us.

Now, I've got to be honest just here. President Kaye, in her intro for the evening, spoke about a whole lot of stuff, which didn't make it into my notes. You see, we had a scheduling issue on the night, so I had a choice – scoff down dinner, or write lots of notes. Dinner won.

Back on track at about the time she called out Jimbo as our Gold Medallist. I think that's going a bit far. Silver Fox? Yes. A Golden Boy? Probably just a tad too much.

Jason gave us a Brain Wakeup – 10 really hard questions. And I mean, Really Hard. Didn't make any difference, John Ellis still cleaned up.

Herbert brought out the On This Day – Obviously 18 August was a big day in Hollywood history ... so many actors and directors ... probably something to do with big Thanksgiving Days in the previous November.

Kay fessed up to eavesdropping on a Wahroonga club Zoom meeting this morning and talked about their Presidential Awards process. She also expressed her thanks to Heather Firth for her industrial scale Poppy making exercise ... 300 in all. What an effort.

Patrick advised that the Trailer Raffle is in a holding pattern just now – pending release from Covid Jail. All the centres are good to go, just people are still under a Covidian Lockdown that really prevents us from being a presence at the shops.

Theo, as part of his International report, told us a story about some Afghan refugees from a while back, and the success that they have engendered here in Australia. Unfortunately, the brother of those girls is in hiding right now with the current events in Afghanistan.

Theo also let us know that the CEO of RAWCS will be our guest speaker on October 13.

As part of her PR work, Pam told us that 2 local papers will publish articles on our projects. Bush Telegraph morning Tea after we get out of Covid Lockup to discuss articles.

Dirty Dave Firth had a quick chat about Pride of Workmanship and commented that business seems to have ticked up in WA ... seems odd, what with them trying at every opportunity to keep anything from NSW out of their precious state.

Phil questioned the need to refocus our Golf Day project. This, in light of the increasing difficulty in getting supporters to engage in the event and with PKU Australia having a declining interest as well. Items discussed included – what should be our new 'hook' to get players involved, cooperative engagement with sponsors to widen the basis and to plunder their contact lists for potential players to attend. These ideas raised a significant amount of discussion – and to be continued in the near future.

Theo (can't we keep him quiet?) had his turn at the Old, New, Borrowed, Blue game tonight. Old was a book from 1873, The Works of John Bunyon. New, was his electronic Crossword Solving cheating device. Borrowed, was the Chief Stirrers Paddle. Snigger. Snigger. And he was wearing a Blue jumper.

In a break with tradition, Jason won the Lucky Door Prize! (see the photo at right)

08:25 - All over and done. Not even time for an Advance Australia. See ya.

**Adrian Bell - Reporter and student of the English language!**

<sup>1</sup> Really, this should be written "Watcher?", but it looks silly starting the minutes with a rhetorical question. Often thought to be Cockney Rhyming Slang from the 1890s, it is in fact part of a much older language structure from as far back as the 13<sup>th</sup> Century – it is a declension of What cheer with you? Meaning – What is your Cheer or What is your disposition which becomes How are you? in the modern parlance. **The reporter**



### Our Welfare Report

As reported last week, treasurer Terry is home now and taking things quietly after having his other leg operated on. We wish him a speedy recovery.

I have had a conversation with past member, Ian Chappel, who is back working from home. He is well and has now completed the club financial accounts for 2020-2021. I shall distribute them shortly.



Ian Huckel and his flower garden

## An Invitation to an on-line Trivia Night .

Sick of no fun lockdown? Well you can join this fun event from anywhere and feel good about making a difference!

My Rotary E-Club of Greater Sydney is hosting a Family fun online trivia fundraiser.

It is a great cause to help raise funds for classroom and playground equipment for the KINI school in Kenya.

It is on Sunday August 29<sup>th</sup>

7pm - 8:30pm

\$20 per adult, Under 18's free

There are prizes to be won!

Would love you to come along

Buy your ticket here -

<https://www.trybooking.com/BTKFG>



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## Kick-off Webinar

# Solar Safe Water, Environmental Health, and Our Collective Responsibility

You are invited to a **FREE** webinar,  
Wednesday August 25th at 11 am CDT  
and Friday August 27th at 6 am CDT!

**PLEASE NOTE!**  
**THE TIMES FOR THESE WEBINARS ARE CENTRAL DISTRICT TIMES IN USA - ADD 15 HOURS TO GET OUR LOCAL TIME FOR EACH**

ESRAG and WASH-RAG are launching a joint initiative with substantial environmental impact - to reduce deforestation and air pollution, increase uptake of solar energy, increase health through clean air and increase wealth for families

You are invited to join!

Wednesday webinar link: [esrag.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_y7Y5fE2qQEuiE5hSgSfegw](https://esrag.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_y7Y5fE2qQEuiE5hSgSfegw)

Friday webinar link: [esrag.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_YGbUxUQhT26F1vfipUzAYw](https://esrag.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_YGbUxUQhT26F1vfipUzAYw)



## WHAT'S ON

2021	Program	Speaker	Chair	Reporter	5 - minute interview	
Aug 25	<b>What are they doing now?</b> <b>By Zoom</b>	Past youth reps	John Ellis	Pat Parker	Jason Terry	
Sept 1	<b>District Governor's Official Visit</b> <b>Social Night</b>	District Governor Lindsay May OAM	President Kaye	Jim Fraser		Father's Day 5th Sept
Sept 6	<b>Board Meeting</b> <b>By Zoom</b>	President Kaye to send the invitation				
Sept 8	<b>Pollination Week</b> <b>Visit other clubs</b> <b>By Zoom</b> <b>No meeting for our club</b>	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	
Sept 15	<b>Members' Night</b> <b>Recap on last week's Zoom visits</b> <b>By Zoom</b>	Everyone	President Kaye	TBA	TBA	Chinese Mooncake Festival 21 Sep
Sept 22	<b>Indian Culture and Family Life</b> <b>By Zoom</b>	Anoop Sud	Theo Glockemann	TBA	TBA	
Sept 29	<b>The Australian Rhino Project</b> <b>By Zoom</b>	Ray Dearlove	TBA	TBA	TBA	

### Last Week's Meeting

Attendance - 77.8%

Apologies:

T Pankhurst, J Reid, C Rigney, I Shi

Guest Speaker: nil

Guests: nil

We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future.

Franklin D. Roosevelt

### August Anniversaries & Birthdays

**Birthdays:**

PP David Hopping - August 23rd

**Anniversaries:**

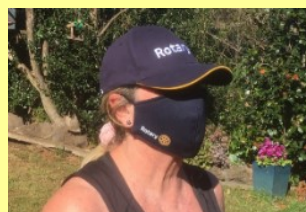
Nil

**Induction Anniversaries:**

PP Jack Reid - August 8th, 1963 - 58 years

Ida Shi - August 31st, 2020 - 1 year

### OUR FACE MASK PROMOTION



Face masks with the Rotary logo as shown are available from President Kaye at a cost of \$20 each. As we

look like being in lockdown for an extended period, you might like to purchase one or more now. Just give her a call.