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CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

AT

TERRY & MAUREEN'S HOME

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you all

President's Corner

This Wednesday, we will be celebrating our Christmas party at the home of Terry and Maureen Pankhurst. The food will be provided, and you need to BYO drinks. A big thank you to Pam and Maureen for organising this. Our last meeting at the Pennant Hills Golf Club was cancelled due to a Covid scare, so life can be very unpredictable. We just hope that our Australia Day Dinner on 19th January will go ahead.



We have some exciting news - Tania Mace has received approval from the Australia Day Council for funding 6 clubs in our cluster for Australia Day activities. Even though our dinner is a week before Australia Day, we are still entitled to some Australia Day items and funding to use at our dinner. Pam Hudson and Jim Fraser are organising this function, so I will leave it up to them to provide more details in the future.

I bet David and Pat are happy that the trailer raffle is over and all the gifts from the two Trees of Joy have been distributed. What a very busy couple of months it has been. A big thank you to David and Pat and everyone who bore the shocking weather to sell raffle tickets over the past few months. Of course, congratulations to the winner.

I wish all members and their families a very happy and restful festive season. Stay safe for those of you who will be traveling over the break, and we will be back at the Golf Club for our January meeting on Wednesday 12th.

President Kaye

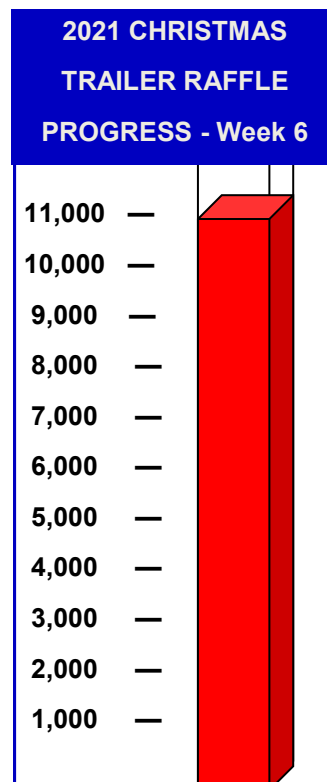
The zoom link each week is <https://macquarie.zoom.us/j/88970434188>

CHRISTMAS TRAILER RAFFLE 2021

Well the trailer raffle is 'done and dusted' as they say for this year. We had our last selling day on Saturday at Pennant Hills Marketplace, the third time we had been there this year. Our morning crew was John Ellis, Ida Shi and Adrian Bell. At 11.30 they were replaced by Ahmadul Ameen, Anoop Sud, Phil Stanton and David Firth. Again the response was fairly quiet with just 106 tickets sold and takings of \$366.70.

So, with all ticket books returned and accounted for, we have sold 3,145 tickets with total takings of \$10,856.15. This is very similar to last year when we raised \$11,216.00. But by far the highlight of this years effort was that of Daisy Huang who, single handedly sold 600 tickets - yes, that's 12 books - and raised \$2,052.00! Great work Daisy! And thanks to all who came along and sold tickets on the Saturdays, rain, hail or shine, and to Pat Parker who set up the authority to sell at each of the shopping centres. Finally, a big thank you to our 2 major sponsors, Bunnings Dural who provided several hundred dollars worth of items for the trailer, and Terry Pankhurst who once again supplied the trailer all fitted out and registered.

Sunday saw us at the Golf Club at 1.00pm for the draw - John Ellis and his son, Pat Parker and David Firth. The barrel was filled with the tickets and Nicole Tanner drew the winning ticket No.1880 sold by Theo Glockemann at Thornleigh Marketplace on December 11th. The winner was Dellena Corkery from Turrumurra. It was not possible to deliver it on Sunday, so John Ellis did so on Tuesday (see photo below).



Nicole Tanner



John delivering the prize

Herbert in his new shirt and mask.



Pictured at right is our
Guest Speaker for our
Australia Day celebration
meeting on Wednesday,
19th January, 2022.
Her name is Janelle Dodd and
she has a great story to tell.



The Tree of Joy Project 2021

This year we had the 2 sites – Pennant Hills and Thornleigh Marketplaces. We placed just on 500 cards on the 2 trees and the gifts have been flooding in. Pat Parker collected them from Pennant Hills and David Firth from Thornleigh. We are thankful for the Banna Group Security people for collecting & storing at Pennant Hills. At Thornleigh, AWS Hair Salon collected and stored the gifts.

Monday Pat and Jason delivered about 60 gifts to Stewart House. On Thursday morning David and Jason delivered a trailer load of gifts to Parramatta Mission. This proved to be a very complex task as anyone who has driven around Parramatta CBD recently will recognize. The mission is in Macquarie Street which has the Light Rail under construction its full length. We finally found our way into the mission carpark where a great band of volunteers and staff were delighted to help unload and carry all the gifts up to their gift area set up in readiness for next week. The photos give some idea of the amount of gifts received through the generosity of people at both Pennant Hills and Thornleigh. Another traditional project which Pat Parker again organized so well!



ShelterBox

We have a saying at

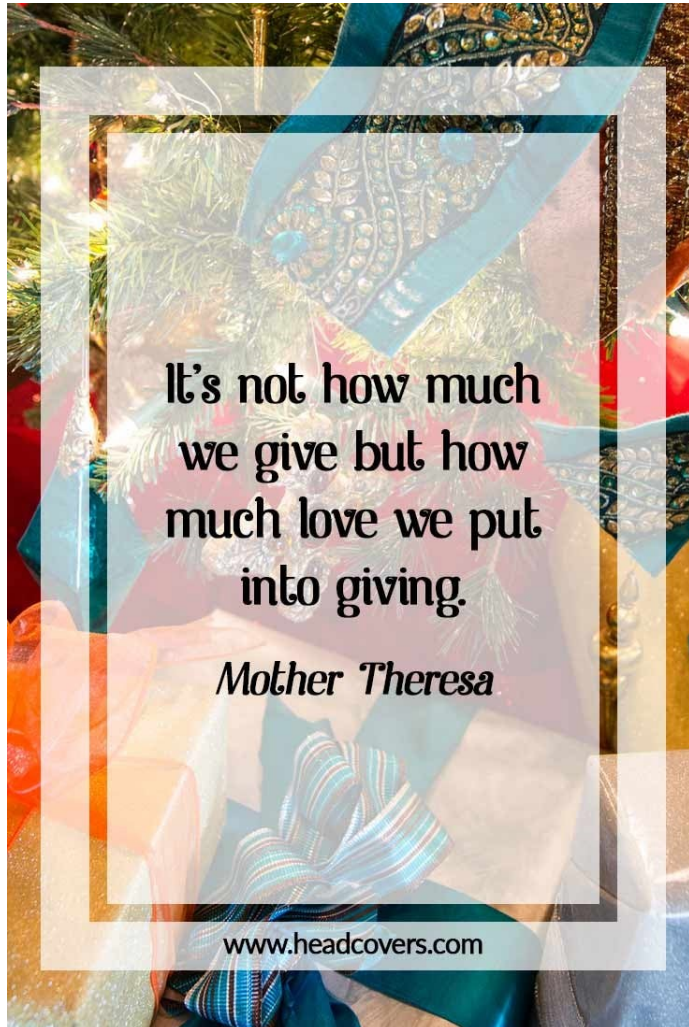
ShelterBox, that disasters don't stop, and neither do we. As if to illustrate this, Super Typhoon Rai made landfall in the Philippines yesterday (17th December). With winds of up to 150mph, it's one of the most severe storms to hit anywhere in the world this year.

Communications are down and the full extent of the damage is still unknown. The storm has displaced at least 13,000 families, moving over areas where thousands live in poverty. The numbers are expected to rise. We're working with our team in the Philippines and preparing to respond. We have some shelter aid in the Philippines so we can move quickly while supplies last. But we need your help to reach thousands more families.



WHAT'S ON

	Program	Speaker	Chair	Reporter	5 - minute talk	Meal status + extra info
Dec 22	Club Christmas Party at Terry Pankhurst's Home with partners	Commencing at	6.30pm	The cost is	\$20 per head	BYO Drinks
	NO MEETINGS UNTIL	JANUARY 12th				
Jan 12	Members' Night					Pizza night
Jan 19	Australia Day Celebration and Club Merit Award Social Night	Janelle Dodd	Jim Fraser	TBA	N/A	Plated 2 course meal \$40 each
Jan 26	Australia Day Public Holiday	NO MEETING				



Last Week's Meeting
 Due to the Covid closure of the Golf Club, our meeting last week was cancelled.

Anniversaries & Birthdays
Birthdays:
 Neeru Sud - December 1
 Ida Shi - December 5
 George Green - December 17
 David Firth - December 19
 Adrian Bell - December 25
 Jim Fraser - December 30
 Theo Glockemann - December 30
Anniversaries:
 Nil
Inductions:
 David Firth - December 16, 1982

I will honour Christmas in my heart, and try to keep it all the year.

by Charles Dickens