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Rotary
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District 9685



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District 3011

THE PROGRAM THIS WEEK SPECIAL CLUB MEETING DISCUSSING THE CLUB'S FUTURE

Speakers: All members
Chairman: David Firth
Reporter: David Firth

With this week's special meeting to discuss the club's future, I thought this image from our incoming RI President most appropriate. *Editor*



The week's meeting will be on Zoom - the link is

<https://macquarie.zoom.us/j/85412181631?pwd=ekxpaElWYkpTL1FCV2ZCZUFqeFJlUT09>

President's Corner

Hi everyone

How was your Easter break? Hopefully, you had some down time to recuperate for the coming weeks ahead.

It was a late night at Mecca Infusion, but a good one. Paige Newton (supported by her parents Karleen and Elliot) gave an inspirational presentation on her experience at the National Youth Science Forum. What an amazing speaker this young lady was. We wish her all the best in her science future and her goals for living overseas to live out her science dreams.

This Wednesday 20th April, we will meet at the Hotel Pennant Hills and hold a Special General Meeting. We need a quorum to vote on the proposals for the future of our club which is why a zoom link will be available. We will canvas members' thoughts on meeting every second Wednesday, without a meal from 7.00pm to 8.00pm. It would be beneficial to our club for a member to put up their hand for the presidency from July this year.

It's also poppy selling time again - for Anzac Day, and we have a few members willing to sell poppies at the local shopping centres. Daisy is doing an amazing job of selling poppies in her beauty salon. A bag of 50 poppies was given to Dulcie Zellor (Treasurer of Hornsby RSL Sub Branch) to sell on the weekend at Westleigh Shops.

Diary date: Pride of Workmanship awards Wednesday, 18th May at the Pennant Hills Golf Club.

Diary date: District changeover 2nd July, 2022 at the Hornsby RSL, 6pm for 7pm.

President Kaye



Continuing the findings of a recent survey conducted in Australia.

What different age groups think about climate change

Differing views are apparent between age groups. People aged 65 and over are the largest cohort that believe climate change is happening (83%). This compares with only 72% of young people aged 18-34 years that believe climate change is real.

The younger age group of 18 to 34 year-olds were most likely to think climate change is either not happening (15%) or to be unsure (14%).

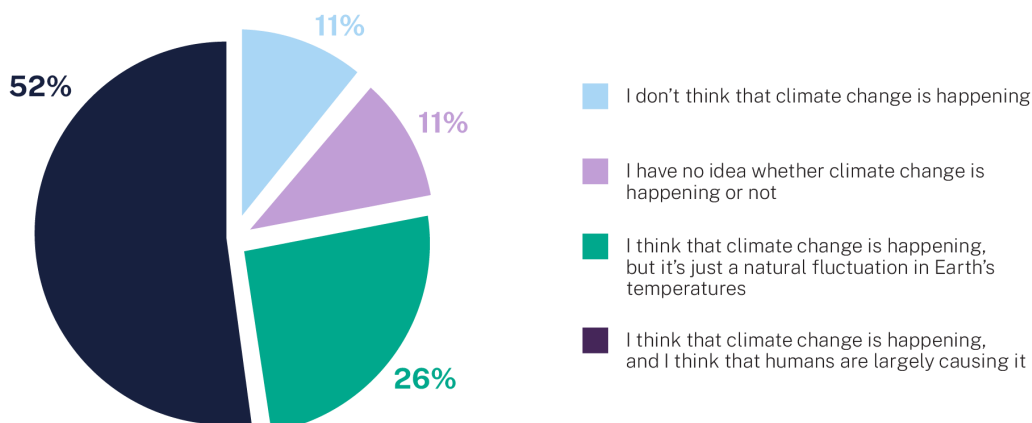
Around half of Australians aged 50 and over attribute climate change to humans (49 to 50%). However, those aged 35 to 49 years old hold the opinion that humans are causing climate change, the strongest of all age groups, at 56%.

Those aged 65 and over were most likely to think that climate change is just a natural fluctuation in Earth's temperatures. In fact, some 35% of those aged 65 and over view it as a natural fluctuation, compared with only 18% of young people aged 18 to 34 who hold that view.



Australians' thoughts about climate change

Q. Which of the following statements best describes your thoughts about climate change?



Source: 2021 Australian Community Survey by NCLS Research (n=1,286)

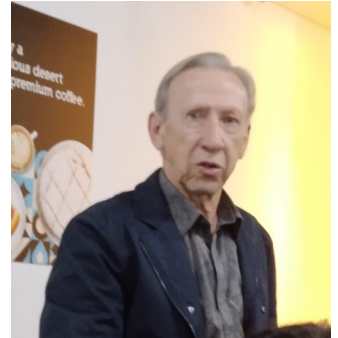
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MEETING REPORT - 13th April

President Kaye opened the meeting at Mecca Infusion West Pennant Hills. Sargent Ida not being well was replaced at the last minute by President Kaye who welcoming visitors Elliott and Karleen Newton parents of our guest speaker Paige. Paige recently completed National Youth Science Forum in January. Welfare report followed with Jack not well requiring an X-ray the following day. Jason still not well and is also busy with his studies. Herbert has a visitor from Hong Kong.

Phil Stanton was a fill in for Ida's 5 minute talk with the new theme colour. Black and Green were his colours. Phil travelled to a work project in Dubbo which was under construction. He noted the black of the recent bushfires on the landscape. Returning two months later the contrast in nature of the bright green shoots and trees on the highway showed nature at its best.



President Kaye thank David for the latest edition of Spokes. The upcoming Special General Meeting - next Wednesday at Hotel Pennant Hills - requires as many members as possible. This meeting will discuss the future of the club including meeting venue and times. A president for the upcoming year is also required still. Please give it some thought. Daisy will be giving next week's 5 minute talk.

Easter eggs have been distributed to the 4 local residential care homes. Easter posters are up at Westleigh, Thornleigh, Pennant Hills and at the library. An Easter poster in Mandarin, translation thanks to Ida, was sent to the Chinese Residential Care home.

The roster for selling Anzac Day poppies over the next weeks is as follows:

Saturday Jim at Pennant Hills Market Place. 10am-1pm

Saturday Theo and David at Thornleigh 10am-1pm.

Sunday Kaye at Thornleigh Shopping Centre 10am-1pm

Poppies will be available next week for members to sell (\$5).

Theo reported on being a member of the selecting committee of the incoming district governor for 2024-25. After an intensive interview by the selecting committee, Past President Niranjn Deodhar, from the Beecroft club, was selected.

Theo suggested that we consider a meeting at the Rotary Office at Norwest in the future.

Theo will leave for Timor on 2nd May for four days. He will oversee the RYLA and RYEN project planning. The office which has been set up will require training for staff. He will seek sponsors for RYPEN in local Timor telecom companies. RYPEN is for younger students who will not be attending university. Theo will return to Timor in October for RYLA and is grateful for sponsorship through Woodside.

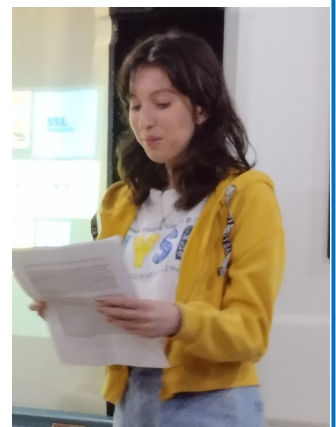
John Ellis introduced the guest speaker, Paige Newton, who attended National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) this year. Paige's NYSF experience was on-line this year due to COVID. An excellent presentation followed covering her experience. She was introduced to this opportunity by her mother, a science teacher. She was quite hesitant at first. Research into the program found that it covered engineering which she wanted to pursue. She was not sure what to choose - Robotics, mechatronics or mechanics, and information from Wikipedia was limited.

In the lead up to NYSF she received a NYSF student shirt. Paige was also sent prerequisites for upcoming science experiments. Joining Discord-social media network to learn more about the organisation and fellow participants. The in person events - ANSTO discovery centre, UNSW Science Day, UTS meet the researchers, and a Speed Meet have been postponed to a later date.

Paige downloaded the Whova app for the first event. First a welcome to country by Wally Bell, an elder of the Ngunwal people involving clapsticks and the following quote: "Respect the honourable country which we are in; look after it and care for it". Thereafter an amazing panel of professionals who discussed their STEM journey. A lecture by Professor Jon Whittle on the role digital technologies will play in society. Lectures on sustainable agriculture, science and the environment. Other subjects covered were Critical Thinking, Science at home, Biochemistry and DNA or the wonders of Pykrete.

Paige participated in career sessions with Lockheed Martin Aust, Quantum Brilliance, Australian Space Agency and UNSW. These were at the top of future university and career prospects.

The most inspirational session was the privilege to experience the Nobel Laureate session called CERN Live Cross. This was like a physics Disneyland. She is considering learning a few languages and to move to Switzerland.



Continued over

A session called "Dr Karl's House Party" featured recommendations of his books, podcast and newsletters to sign up to. Students were encouraged to sign up to MIT's Technology Review for updates on new scientific discoveries, research and opportunities worldwide.

The next week included a live cross Antarctic to meet a medical practitioner, environmental assessment officer and a remediation team. Satellite tracking allowed a view of penguins and how they monitored marine life.

Paige thanked the club for the support that she was given. She enjoyed the Speaking Rotary session and plans to expand her knowledge of Rotary.

John Ellis thanked Paige for an excellent presentation.

President Kaye closed the meeting.

Reporter: Pam Hudson

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Monday 9th May 2022.

6:30 pm

Lane Cove Golf Club

180 River Road, Northwood NSW 2066

Dinner Ticket Price \$50

Silent Auction and Lots of Raffle prizes

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Poppies for ANZAC Day



Dulcie Zeller – Treasurer Hornsby RSL Sub Branch - with the poppies given to her by President Kaye.

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WHAT'S ON

Date	Program	Speaker	Chair	Reporter	5 - minute talk	Extra info
April 20	Special Club Meeting at Hotel Pennant Hills 6 for 6.30pm Zoom available	Everyone	David Firth	David Firth	Daisy Huang	
April 27	Members' Night Venue Mecca Infusion 6.30pm			Phil Stanton	David Firth	ANZAC Day April 25
May 2	Board Meeting Zoom					
May 4	Zoom Meeting using Jim Fraser's Account					
May 11	Members' Night					
May 18	POW Awards Night Pennant Hills Golf Club	Richard Adams		Jim Fraser	NA	2 course meal \$50/head
May 25	We visit other clubs -	no meeting of our	club			
June 1	Meeting on Zoom					

Last Week's Meeting - 13.04. 2022

Attendance - 62.5%

Apologies: A Ameen, H Chan, J Reid, I Shi, J Terry

Guest Speaker: Paige Newton

Guests: Karleen & Elliott Newton

LOA: T Pankhurst

Anniversaries & Birthdays

Birthdays:

Pam Hudson - April 21

Peter Hudson - April 8

Dorothy Green - April 19

Leon Edema - April 24

Anniversaries:

Terry & Maureen Pankhurst - April 9

Pat & Sandra Parker - April 9

Inductions:

George Green - April 3

PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARDS



Our awards night is set for May 18th. We are looking for nominations for awards. Please suggest either organisations we can invite to nominate, or people you think are worthy of an award that you would like to nominate. Let David Firth know in the first instance so we can get an invitation sent out.

Our Keynote Speaker will be Richard Adams, Managing Director of ByDezign Pty Ltd, one of our long term supporters of Pride of Workmanship Awards at Pennant Hills.