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We have the following sister clubs: Rotary Club of Newcastle Enterprise District 9670 Rotary Club of Delhi Ridge District 3011 THE PROGRAM THIS WEEK SYDNEY'S HISTORY Guest Speaker: John Ellis Chairperson: David Firth Reporter: Adrian Bell

President's Corner

Hi everyone

This is a quiet time for us. The cold weather and the lure of post Covid holidays are keeping our members at home and away. Currently, we are meeting at a variety of venues until we establish the most convenient and cost-effective home for us. This week, the club is meeting at the Thornleigh Baptist Church Community Centre (picture of the building enclosed in



this newsletter) and John will be entertaining you, so please join the meeting to hear John's talk on his recent experience with Sydney's history.

I wish to thank members who are substituting for me at our June meetings while I attend my compulsory supervision training for my counselling course. Try this website for "Soapbox", a publication from Wellbe Counselling and Psychology where I am doing my placement. The owners are interested in visiting clubs to promote mental health and wellbeing. Something to consider for future meetings.

https://www.meetup.com/en-AU/soapbox/?_cookie-check=Z5ituxW_PN4OXd21

A combination of eight members/partners participated in our postponed Clean up Australia Day organised by Phil. Well done everyone. We are still following our mantle of 'service to the community' even with fewer member.

Our next activity is Sunday 12 June – our fundraising barbecue at Bunnings -please email Jim with your availability.

Our warm wishes go out to Jack, who is now in Lady Davidson Hospital, Turramurra (no doubt being spoilt by the medical staff). David visited Jack on Sunday and I had a nice long chat to Ruth. We are looking forward to seeing Jack again and let's not forget that Ruth needs our support as well.

Finally, it is with sadness that I will be saying so long to the club from 1 July this year. My compulsory placement supervision is every Wednesday night, and so I have decided to join a club that meets on another night and I have the option of attending zoom meetings. I am looking forward to my final role as President when I will see our members/friends of Rotary at our Changeover Dinner on 30 June.

Yours in Rotary President Kaye

The Zoom link tonight is:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88616863837?pwd=UGg3akNyVHpyUUxzSWYzV1BMcm0wQT09

MEETING REPORT - 1.06.2022

The meeting was opened by PP David Firth with a welcome to country. He also welcomed all in attendance and in particular our guest speaker, Jacqueline, but more about her later. He also mentioned a visitor, namely Robert Erskine and welcomed back Ida from her trip to Uluru.

On the welfare front, David noted that Jack was still receiving care, Pam is improving and Terry is likely up for another operation this month on his leg.

On a sad note David also advised that Chris Graham (son of Alan and Betty Graham) passed away last week. The funeral is at St Matthews Anglican Church, West Pennant Hills, on Tuesday 7th June at 1.30pm.

In the general info category it was noted that the 'Clean Up Australia' activities are scheduled for this coming Sunday 5th, with a meet onsite at the Pennant Hills car parking area at 8.15am (near the Post Office). Don't forget to wear your Rotary shirt.

An early warning, the Bunnings BBQ is scheduled for the 12th June at Thornleigh. Lots of hands to help will be required.

Finally, there will be a Zoom meeting on next Monday evening for both the outgoing and the incoming Boards. For info it was noted that the change over meeting itself has been moved to Thursday 30th June at the Golf Club.

With the general business dealt with, PP David then more formally introduced Jacqueline Lobo representing CAPAH, a multicultural aged care and disability services co-ordination

entity. This organisation seeks to assist people make applications for assistance such that they can remain in their own homes for a longer period than may otherwise have been possible.

Jacqueline's office seeks to particularly assist people who don't have English as a first language, and she recommends being prepared. For example, applications can be made by anyone who is over 65 and is an Australian permanent resident. The approval may take some time, but once approved does not need to be activated until required.





As noted earlier, the scope for assistance is broad and can be lodged for many things from assistance with garden maintenance, transport to appointments etc. Anything (seemingly) that enables people to stay out of higher care facilities for longer.

A very interesting talk.

And so the meeting came to an end, and there was no joint singing of the National Anthem, at all!

Reporter: Phil Stanton



Volunteers needed to help us raise funds! When: June 12, 2022 Where: Bunnings Thornleigh

When: 2 or 3 shifts split between 8am to 4pm

We need people to take money, prepare the snags and present to customers and someone to cook. Plenty of room to sit down. We also need esky's for the drinks so if people have a spare one please let Jim know. Please let Jim Fraser know your availability -Ph: 0412 679 710 MEMBERS! HAVE YOU VOLUNTEERED YET?

THE VENUE FOR OUR MEETING THIS WEEK



The entrance is from Duffy Avenue into the carpark for the Baptist Church. John Ellis has the key and will be there before 7pm to open up for our meeting.

I understand that we may also be able to have tea and coffee - there may even be biscuits, etc.!

Something to Ponder!

Odd that when a house burns down, the only things left standing are the chimney and the fireplace.

Yesterday is experience, tomorrow is hope, today is getting from one to the other.



Sunday 5th June was our delayed 'Clean Up Australia' Day. A group of six met at the Pennant Hills Marketplace carpark at 8.15am. Due to a request from the property managers that they would prefer us not to clean up their carpark due to insurance risk problems, we then split up into 2 teams of 3. One team moved over to the Pennant Hills Community Centre carpark and Wollundry Park and collected rubbish there. The other team went across to the carpark behind the shops on Hillcrest Road and collected rubbish there. Interestingly, the most 'popular' items collected seemed to be masks and coffee cups!



Our 6 intrepid collectors!



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Date	Program	Speaker	Chair	Reporter	5 - minute talk	Extra info
June 8	Sydney History at 7pm	at Thornleigh	Baptist Community	Centre		
June 12	Bunnings BBQ	at Thornleigh	From 8am	To 3.30pm		
June 15	Theo's East Timor Report at 7pm start	at the Baden Powell Scout Camp	Pomona St., Thornleigh			Social Night
June 22	Planning Night	at Thornleigh	Baptist Community	Centre		
Thurs. June 30	Club Changeover at Pennant Hills Golf Club - 6.30 for 7pm	President Kaye	Jim Fraser		NA	Buffet Dinner \$50/head
July 6	ТВА		David Firth			
July 13	ТВА		David Firth			

Last Week's Meeting - 1.06.2022 Attendance: 53.3% Apologies: A Ameen, K Carter, J Fraser, P Hudson, T Pankhurst, J Reid, J Terry Guest Speaker: Jacqueline Lobo Visiting Rotarian: Robert Erskine - RC of Eastwood Gladesville Anniversaries & Birthdays Birthdays: Nil Anniversaries: Nil Inductions: Nil



INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION 27-31 MAY 2023 MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA

Ensure you register for this once in a lifetime opportunity as the 114th Rotary International Convention is held in Melbourne 27-31 May 2023.

The best and cheapest registration fee of **US\$425** is available for 5 days only during the Houston Convention [4-8 June 2022, Houston time]. Fee increases to **US\$475** on 9th June. Register online at: https://convention.rotary.org/en/melbourne

Feel like volunteering for a role in support of and at the Convention? After 9 June, you can register as a volunteer on the HOC website.

To volunteer within the venues, you will also need to be registered for the Convention, but there are plenty of volunteering opportunities outside the venues for those not registered as delegates. Register on line from 9th June at: ::https://rotarymelbourne2023.org