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THE PROGRAM THIS WEEK

RET TIMOR LESTE UPDATE

Speaker: Theo Glockemann

Chairperson: John Ellis

Reporter: David Firth

Meeting to commence at 7.00pm

President's Corner

Hi everyone

Last week, a small group of members enjoyed John's historical talk on Japanese submarines in Sydney Harbour. Thank you, John for running the meeting. As it was rather cold in the new meeting room, our meeting on 22

June will be held in the Hotel Pennant Hills where members and their guests can enjoy a pub meal before the meeting.

Next week, David will host the meeting at the Baden Powell Scout Camp. Theo will present a talk on his visit to East Timor, and it will be a social night for guests to join members.

A big thank you to Jim and Pam (the organisers) and members who braved the cold weather and helped cook sausages and sell drinks at the recent Thornleigh Bunnings barbecue. It was rather cold, and we would have appreciated more customers, but it was a great opportunity for fellowship.

It's not long to go before our changeover dinner, so please invite your guests and let me know if you are attending and how many guests you are bringing.

Yours in Rotary

President Kaye



There is no Zoom link for this week

Rotary Meeting Minutes

8th June, 2022

Is it me, getting older, or was it damn cold on Wednesday night? Not helped by the community hall not having any heating on. I think, on balance, the vote would go to waaay cold.

Whinge over. At least we had somewhere to meet face to face and Daisy thought that reason enough to celebrate – all for one, and cake for all. Thanks Daisy – yummy.



19:06. Ida started off the proceedings with Acknowledgement of Country. Then we all partook (?) in the Rotary Cake Thanks.

President Pro Tem David Firth passed on the apologies from Theo, Jack, Pam, Anoop, Kaye & Ameen. Honestly, would've been quicker to mention who turned up! He reported that Jack is now in Lady Davidson for some Rehab and is accepting visitors (la de dah) from 1 to 5pm. Pres Dave also passed along that Chris Graham, son of Betty & Alan Graham, who passed away aged 64, from complications of his long term diabetes, had a Thanksgiving Service @ St. Matthews Anglican Church on 7th June.

Ex-Pres Jimi Fraser & ex-Pres Pam Hudson are coordinating the sausage sizzle event @ Bunnings Thornleigh on Sunday, June 12 – yes, on the long weekend. Members will be “volunteered” onto the shifts required to keep the thing hot all day.

Next week (June 15) is a Social Night. Please note that it is at the spiritual home of our Club – the Baden Powell Scout Camp at the end of Pomona St in Thornleigh. Adrian will be the stand-in Pres for the night, Theo the guest speaker. Bring your partners and make Theo proud.

Our Changeover dinner will be back at the Penno Golf Club on Thursday 30th June. Yes, a Thursday. 6:30 for 7:00, with a 2 course dinner.

David, exhausted from all the updates on team members, events and plans, introduced John Ellis as our speaker for the evening. The topic was a vague sounding “Sydney History”.

As we had just passed the 80th anniversary of the Japanese Mini-Sub invasion of Sydney Harbour, John spoke of that particular night's event. Most impressive was that John, although he had pages and pages of notes, spoke completely ad-lib. As I am a keen listener but a lousy note taker, I stole his notes to allow me to provide the following highlights:

- Sydney, Australia showed its usual calmness when a Japanese war plane flew over Sydney, in the daylight hours of 30/May/1942, doing some reconnoitering of what was where in the Harbour. Not even challenged at any point of its flight.
- The 3 mini-sub's were launched from mother-sub's just off the coast on the 31st.
- Sub 1, after becoming entangled in the underwater defences of the Harbour, blew itself up.
- Sub 2 was discovered, and ran back out to sea. Later it returned, and was successfully depth charged in Taylors Bay.

Sub 3 got into the Harbour quite late in the evening. It fired a torpedo at the USS Chicago, but missed and blew up the ferry Kuttabal, killing 21 and injuring 10 more. It fired its second and last torpedo which slid up onto Garden Island without exploding. It then left the Harbour, and has somewhat recently been discovered on the sea floor off the Northern beaches.

Many thanks to John for the knowledgeable talk.

A quick reminder about the Social Night @ the Scout Camp in Pomona St on the 12th.

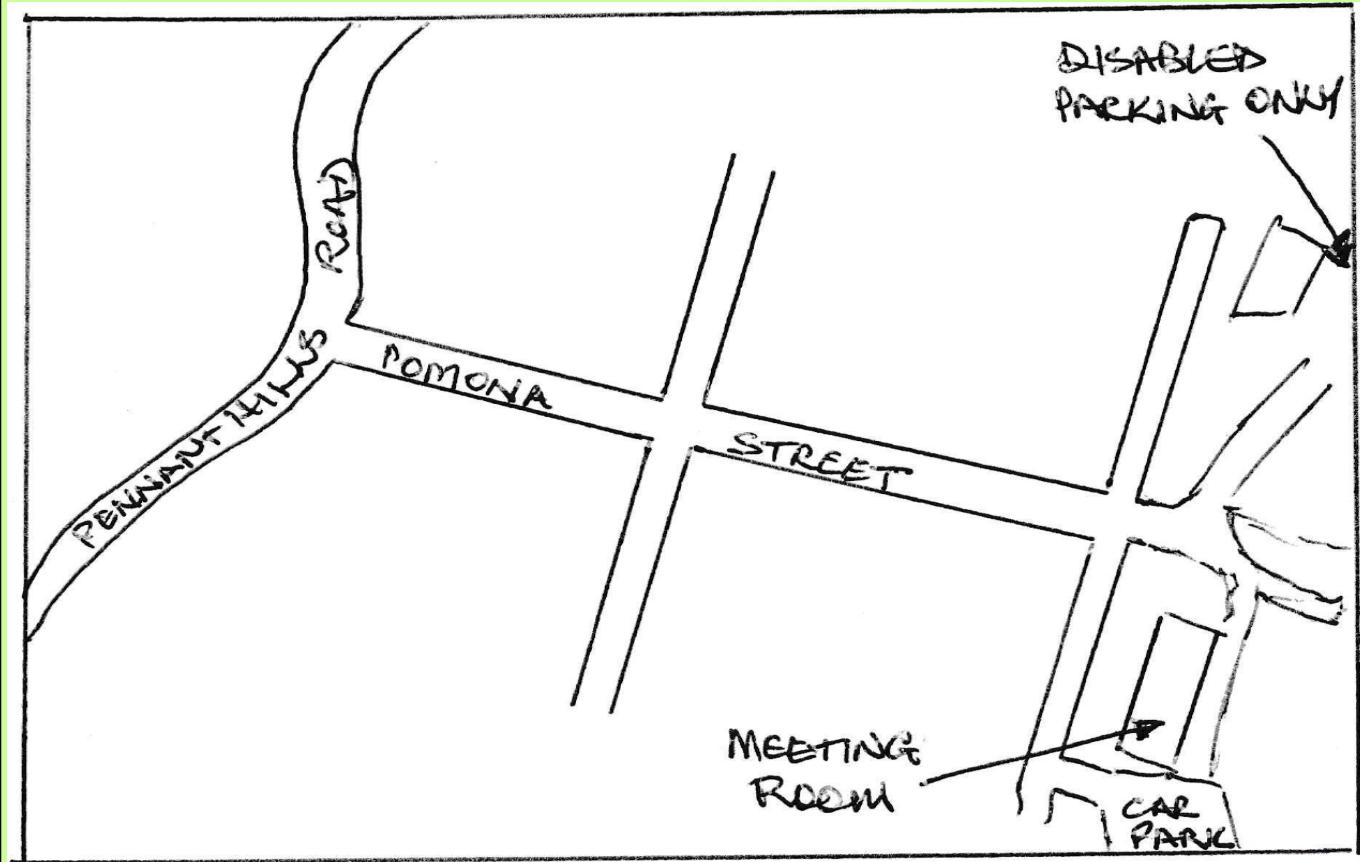
Goodnight to all. Into the car, seat heater turned up to full.

Reporter: Adrian Bell



John's souvenir of the raid

Apologies for the hand sketched map below attempting to show our meeting place this week. At the bottom of Pomona Street, turn right to the carpark, the entrance is on the left. There is limited disabled parking in through the front gateway and to the left. Our meeting room is adjacent to the main carpark. The meeting will commence at 7.00pm and the room will be open from 6.30pm



BUNNINGS BBQ ON SUNDAY 12th JUNE

Pam and Jim had done a great job in organizing for this fundraising project. All the requirements had been purchased and at 8.00am led by Jim, the first shift assembled and got things going. As previously noted, the location of the BBQ at Bunnings Thornleigh is not as accessible now being in the underground carpark. However, with Peter Hudson and Adrian B doing the barbecuing and Jim, John E, Ida S and Daisy handling the preparation and selling, they began to acquire customers - slowly at first, but getting busier as the morning progressed. Georgia Glockemann arrived at 11.30 as did Elliott Newton and his son. Jim and Elliott did some spruiking upstairs, encouraging customers to try our food and drinks. Midday saw Alan and Lee Lowe commence the second shift with David and Heather Firth. Georgia Glockemann continued through to 3.00pm as did Elliott Newton and son. Alan took over the cooking. A problem had arisen with the EFTPOS machine - the battery not holding a charge. We finally found a powerpoint not too far from our BBQ area so Lee lowe operated there and also encouraged those passing to try our offerings. We finished up just after 3.30 and cleaned up to the complete satisfaction of the Bunnings folk. All in all, a good day - plenty of laughs - some good exposure for Rotary and our club—and a handy \$350 profit on the day. To my way of thinking, it was worth the effort that the organizing duo had put into it. And we are better prepared now if we want to do it again. See photos elsewhere in this issue.

The editor

WHAT'S ON

Date	Program	Speaker	Chair	Reporter	5 - minute talk	Extra info
June 15	Theo's East Timor Report at 7pm start	at the Baden Powell Scout Camp	Adrian Bell	David Firth		Social Night
June 22	Planning Night at Hotel Pennant Hills		David Firth	Jim Fraser		
Thurs. June 30	Club Changeover at Pennant Hills Golf Club - 6.30 for 7pm	President Kaye	Jim Fraser	John Ellis	NA	2 course Dinner \$50/head
July 2	District Changeover	at Hornsby RSL	6.30 for 7.00pm	\$55 per head		
July 6	Aims & Objectives 2022-23	Directors	David Firth			
July 13	Social Night		David Firth			
July 20	Regionalisation of Rotary	TBC	David Firth			

Last Week's Meeting - 8.06.2022

Attendance: 46.7%

Apologies: A Ameen, K Carter, T Glockemann, P Hudson, T Pankhurst, J Reid, A Sud, J Terry

Speaker: J Ellis

Visitors : Nil

Anniversaries & Birthdays

Birthdays:

Nil

Anniversaries:

Nil

Inductions:

Nil



Pictures of the morning and afternoon shifts at the Bunnings BBQ. Note the surprise customer, DG Lindsay May, who came across to Thornleigh to see us at work. Photo taken by his wife Tania.