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Rotary
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Rotary
District 9685



We have the following sister clubs:

Rotary Club of Newcastle
Enterprise District 9670
Rotary Club of Delhi Ridge
District 3011

The Program this week

Teachers on Wheels

“Preparing young people with the skills they need to thrive in the future of work”



Guest Speaker: Chris Anthony

Chairman: President Phil Stanton

Reporter: John Ellis

The following is a report on the past year with Interplast

Through the generosity of supporters across Australia and New Zealand, during the past 12 months Interplast was able to:

Provide virtual consultations and surgical services to 75 individuals who would otherwise not be able to access life-changing care

- Deliver hand therapy products and specialist cleft feeding bottles to children and adults in countries from Bhutan in Asia to Fiji in the Pacific
- Support over 300 clinicians to learn more about burns care and prevention
- Deliver exceptional clinical education to approximately 1,000 medical professionals via our 26 webinars, delivered to individuals in 35 countries across the globe
- Run regular group and individual mentoring sessions for surgeons, anaesthetists and nurses in developing communities throughout the region
- Support 10+ hospitals to implement improvement plans designed to enhance medical services offered to patients
- Undertake extensive research on the high rates of diabetic foot disease in Pacific Islands nations, together with a baseline research project examining the state of surgery in the region.

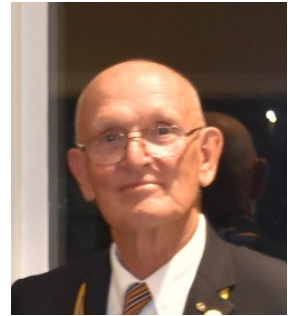
PRESIDENT'S CORNER

So we managed to christen our new meeting place last week, gaining access successfully and relishing the convenience of having our regalia, etc. on hand from the storage room nearby. We were able to enjoy a cup of tea or coffee provided by the centre and found the meeting room very acceptable.

Whilst checking out the room I came across this brass plaque on the wall - I have shared this photo with Past President Robert Rutishauser, now residing in Port Macquarie where he is a member of the Rotary Club there.

Robert is currently promoting the Pride of Workmanship Awards program with his club. They last ran the program in 2006 and Robert is working hard to have it recommence.

Phil and I will be attending a zoom meeting of presidents in the Hills region on Thursday afternoon late. The main item of business is the progress of the Regionalisation Project with the need for a vote approaching. It would be my feeling that our club is in favour of proceeding with the project following our meeting with DGN Niranjan Deodar a month ago. Please speak to Phil or me if you have a problem with that. President David Firth



BUNNINGS BBQ

Last Sunday saw a return to Bunnings Thornleigh for a second turn at running the sausage sizzle, this time at the new pricing of \$3.50 each.

We had a strong lineup of helpers following the leadup organizing again of Jim Fraser. On this occasion he was not able to be there on the day as he was winging his way to the UK for a month long holiday. Pam and Peter Hudson were our front people, getting there early to set up, and then the troops arrived - Daisy, Jason, Ida, Theo & Georgia. Later in the morning, John, Terry and Adrian arrived to help over the lunchtime period and allowing many of the early ones to depart. 12.30 saw the arrival of David & Heather; John, Terry and Adrian finished around 1.30, leaving Daisy, David and Heather who were shortly joined by Phil. This team took it through to the 4.00pm close by which time Peter Hudson was back to pick up the balance of stock, etc. Again, it seemed to be quite a successful day. Ida reports total takings of \$870, however we don't have a figure for our costs yet, but it would seem as though we made about \$500 for our Project Account. Another highlight was contact with a lady resident of Pennant Hills who is interested in joining our club. What a bonus that would be, and again shows the benefit of being out and about in our community! Our thanks to Lee Lowe who posted about our sausage sizzle on 2 community pages on Facebook prior to the weekend. Finally, our award for dedication to the job at hand goes to Daisy who was there from start to finish without a break! Great job Daisy.



MEETING REPORT - 10th August, 2022

President Phil Stanton opened this meeting, the first in our new venue, the Pennant Hills Community Health Centre at 5 Fisher Street, Pennant Hills. He opened with the reminder that we are now in an age quite different to 30 years ago and that we now need to consider our purpose and what is it that we want to do or be doing. Should it be more involvement in the community? By this he included the local schools, the local shopping centre and the Banna Group. Should it be about fellowship? Importantly we must also address membership. To develop local relationships we must promote what we do, who we are and what our purpose is all about. And with all this, point out that part of our theme is to have fun. Our support of youth programs is another aspect of our general purpose. From this opening Phil led onto proposing that we need to consider an information night. Such a gathering will need to give prospective members a good idea of what there is in Rotary for them as a new member. Theo Glockemann reminded us of the way that a small idea for youth leadership in East Timor has developed into an aspect of the community that has the attention and support of local government and business.

The forthcoming trailer raffle then came into discussion. We were reminded that each year our ticket teams meet and chat to hundreds of people with very few ever making any queries about Rotary. It was proposed that the trailer be accompanied with some form of banner giving a brief outline of Rotary, its aims and objectives. In addition our tickets should include contact details for the Club. Such detail should also be included with the cards for our Tree of Joy. Other forms of publicity were covered and John Ellis was requested to discuss with the Pennant Hills High School the possibility of a publicity paragraph in 'Jumbunna', the High School's monthly newsletter. The theme of similar publicity will be taken up with the Banna Group for inclusion in their TV screen display. Further discussion on the trailer raffle followed proposing a review on the venues – should we continue with the all the same venues as in recent years? David Firth was requested to review where our best sales results have been and propose any variations to our recent schedules. Another suggestion that was supported was to have an A frame at the front door of this Health Centre that would give the passing public brief information about our presence and purpose.

Members were reminded of Daisy's arrangements for our social night with partners at the Tung Tong Thai Restaurant on Wednesday 31 August. She needs to know who plans to attend – text her on 0413 719 596

With discussion then winding up, President Phil closed the meeting.

Reporter: John Ellis

OUR FIRST PARTNERS' SOCIAL NIGHT

WEDNESDAY, 31st AUGUST at

TUNG TONG THAI RESTAURANT

1A HILLCREST ROAD, PENNANT HILLS - 6.00 FOR 6.30PM

THE COST IS \$25 EACH - Entrée + 3 main courses (Please pay cash)



Let Daisy Huang know that you are coming by texting her on 0413 719 596

Also let her know if you have any special dietary requirements.

WHAT'S ON

Date	Program	Speaker	Chair	Reporter	5 - minute talk	
PLEASE NOTE: ALL CLUB MEETINGS NOW AT 5 FISHER AVE, PENNANT HILLS						
Aug 17	Teachers on Wheels	Chris Anthony	Theo Glockemann	Phil Stanton		
Sat. Aug 20	Trivia Night	West Pennant Hills/	Cherrybrook Club	At	Cherrybrook Community	Centre
Aug 24	Fellowship Night	Everyone	Phil Stanton	David Firth		
Aug 31	Partners' Social Night	Dinner at Tung Tong Thai Restaurant at 6.00 for 6.30pm - \$25 each Set Menu.				
Sept 7	Australian Rotary Health	Geoff Brennan	Pam Hudson	Adrian Bell		
Sept 14	Fellowship Night	Everyone	Phil Stanton	Pam Hudson		

Last Week's Meeting - 10.08.2022

Attendance: 69.2%

Apologies: P Hudson, J Terry

Guests: Nil

Leave of Absence: A Ameen, A Sud

August Anniversaries & Birthdays

Birthdays:

Nil

Anniversaries:

Nil

Club Induction Anniversary:

Ida Shi - August 31

Rotary responds: support for Ukraine

The Rotary Foundation and Rotary clubs around the world have hurried to provide funds, supplies, and services to Ukrainians displaced by the war.

The Rotary Foundation has raised more than \$15 million in contributions that are already helping provide people in Ukraine with essential items such as water, food, shelter, medicine, and clothing. Donations made to the Disaster Response Fund after 30 April will be available to all communities around the world that need assistance recovering from disasters.

Rotary members in North America, South America, and Europe have collaborated with a U.S.-based association of Ukrainian health care workers and used their connections to collect and ship more than 350 tons of critical medical supplies to Ukraine.

As of May, five cargo planes packed with medical supplies such as tourniquets, blood-clotting gauze, negative pressure wound therapy equipment, and medications have been flown from Chicago to Europe, where members have helped deliver them to Ukraine.

"It is Rotary doing what Rotary does best. It networks, pulls people together, and gets the job done," says RI Director Pat Merryweather-Arges, who has helped coordinate the shipments.

Observations of Steven Wright

(If you're not familiar with the work of Steven Wright, he's the famously erudite scientist and deadpan comic)

Here are some of his gems:

- 1 - I'd kill for a Nobel Peace Prize.
- 2 - Borrow money from pessimists-they don't expect it back.
- 3 - Half the people you know are below average.
- 4 - 82.7% of all statistics are made up on the spot.
- 6 - A conscience is what hurts when all your other parts feel so good.

AUGUST DESIGNATION IS



MEMBERSHIP AND NEW CLUB DEVELOPMENT MONTH

"The things that are worthwhile take time, and it is not the I's of the world but the We's who achieve them."
Past RI President H.J. Brunner 1952-53



TAKE ACTION: Join Rotary. Get Involved