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We have the following sister clubs:

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

This week

Our First Partner's Social Night

at the Tung Tong Thai Restaurant
1a Hillcrest Road, Pennant Hills
Assemble by 6.30pm for a fun time
organised by Daisy Huang.
Looking forward to seeing you there.

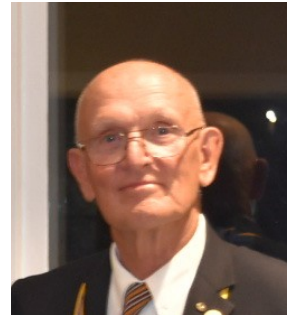


NEXT WEEK

OUR GUEST SPEAKER IS ROTARIAN GEOFF BRENNAN WHO IS GOING TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON THE AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH PROGRAM AND ITS FOCUS ON CURRENT RESEARCH PROJECTS. COME AND HEAR ABOUT THIS GREAT ROTARY PROGRAM.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER & MEETING REPORT

Last Wednesday's meeting was a relaxed Fellowship Night with President Phil in the chair. I had spoken to Theo earlier and had asked him to come along with a few Trivia questions to pose as something different.



President Phil started off with a discussion about our meeting times and frequency. As we are in transition mode, it is important to ensure we are all in agreement with some of these basic arrangements.

It was agreed that we continue with 2 business meetings a month, on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays; on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays we will assemble at the Community Health Centre and then proceed to a local restaurant for a meal. On each occasion the start time will be 7.00pm.

The discussion then centred on partnerships. The first ones we should pursue are the schools - Pennant Hills High and Pennant Hills Public and the respective P & C Associations. We already have approval to have an insert in the high school newsletter 'Jumbunna' which goes out regularly to staff, parents and students. Other possible partnerships are the local community organisations - perhaps the Pennant Hills Civic Trust - and also Hornsby Shire Council and their listing of community groups.

We then moved to projects and fundraising ideas which included both our established ones - the Christmas Trailer Raffle; the Trees of Joy; and Phil undertook to contact David Raphael at St Lucy's School to see if we can work together on the trailer raffle; - and new ideas like the Hole in One competition proposed by Terry; also a restructured Golf Day with Phil and I following up a possible partnership. Adrian also offered to get a creative writer to prepare a suitable item for the school newsletter mentioned before.

We then had a short trivia burst from Theo which included some fairly obscure questions and some equally obscure answers with Theo claiming to be the final arbiter of the accuracy. Despite this, we had a good time with plenty of goodnatured banter.

David Firth



Fellows, if you are thinking of going to the international convention next May, we should be looking at making accommodation bookings

The following is a post on Facebook by Rotary International General Secretary and CEO John Hewko on August 25th. The previous day was the National Day of the Ukraine.

The 1990's feel like a lifetime ago. Recently, Marga and I were going through photos of our time living in Ukraine. From moments of joy and experiencing history to moments of connection, we wouldn't trade this period of our lives for anything.

Today, and all days, I am proud of my ties to Ukraine, my Ukrainian heritage, and my parents who were forced to flee Ukraine from communist oppression. On this day 31 years ago, 24 August 1991, I had the good fortune of being in the Ukrainian Parliament building to witness Ukraine declare its independence. I remember being in the backroom discussions of the contending parliamentary factions, the raucous debates, the massive crowd outside the Parliament building with its sea of yellow and blue flags; and then the euphoria that filled all of us present when the final vote for independence was taken. One of the iconic moments of the day was the bringing of an enormous Ukrainian flag into the Parliament hall after the vote, draping the flag on the dias in front of a huge statue of Lenin, followed by a full throated rendition by the MPs of the song Chervona Kalyna (Red Viburnum) which has now become the rallying song for Ukrainians in their current struggle against Russian aggression and atrocities (with countless renditions being played around the world in support of Ukraine).

It was the dream of my parents, my grandparents, my great-grandparents, and their respective generations to see an independent Ukraine. But that dream is now under mortal threat. Ukraine's Independence Day is typically celebrated with fanfare, but the rallies are banned this year for fear of Russian rocket strikes on civilian and other non-military targets.

Today also marks six months since Russia invaded Ukraine -- six months of unceasing death, mass destruction, and war crimes. But these months are a testament to the bravery, resilience, and love of country exhibited by the Ukrainian people and to the generosity of those outside Ukraine who have come to the country's aid at this extraordinary time of need.

Slava Ukrajini!



WHAT'S ON

Date	Program	Speaker	Chair	Reporter	5 - minute talk	
PLEASE NOTE: ALL CLUB MEETINGS NOW AT 5 FISHER AVE, PENNANT HILLS						
Aug 31	Partners' Social Night	Dinner at Tung Tong Thai Restaurant at 6.30pm - \$25 each Set Menu.				
Sept 7	Australasian Rotary Health	Geoff Brennan	Pam Hudson	Adrian Bell		
Sept 14	Fellowship Night	Everyone	Phil Stanton	Pam Hudson		
Sept 21	Literacy talk	TBC	Ida Shi	John Ellis		
Sept 28	Fellowship Night	Everyone	Phil Stanton	Theo Glockemann		

Last Week's Meeting - 24.08.2022

Attendance: 61.5%

Apologies: J Fraser, T Pankhurst, I Shi

Guest Speaker: Nil

Guests: Nil

Leave of Absence: A Ameen, A Sud



You may have seen the latest news from Pakistan, where flash floods have affected more than 30 million people, killing at least 1,000.

The sheer scale of the flooding is devastating. Tens of thousands of people have had to flee their homes, with this number expected to rise as the true scale of the destruction becomes clear.

Kitty Sadler, ShelterBox Emergency Co-ordinator, said:

"After weeks of flooding, the heavy rains are not letting up – homes are being washed away, people are losing their livelihoods, and in too many cases their lives.

"With our experience supporting flood-affected communities in Pakistan in 2010, and flood-hit areas across the world, we're looking to get an assessment team out there as soon as we can to see what we can do to help."

Please donate today to help ShelterBox provide lifesaving aid for families affected by disaster around the world.

August Anniversaries & Birthdays

Birthdays:

Nil

Anniversaries:

Nil

Club Induction Anniversary:

Ida Shi - August 31

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. Brunnier 1952-53

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