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## Pennant Hills Rotary Club

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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 **CLUB FORUM & BOARD MEETING Chairman: Pres Phil Stanton**

**Reporter: John Ellis** 

6.30 for 7.00pm at the Community Health Centre

#### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Tonight we are having a Board Meeting to which everyone is invited so that, in part, it will be a Club Forum with everyone invited to express their opinion.



But also on the agenda will be the induction of

Robyn Huh following her inability to join us at our last meeting due to an injury. It may be a good idea to get there early as their might be something nice to have with a coffee or tea.

As we discussed at the last meeting, I have registered our club for the Clean Up Australia Day on March 5th. There is a full report about this later in this issue, but just save the date as we need as many as possible to help.

I have followed up the suggestion from the Banna Group that we utilise the vacant shop in the Market Place. I've had a look at it and again, there is a separate report elsewhere in this issue. However, I see this as a great opportunity to engage with the community and show them what Rotary and our club is all about.

A few days ago I received the sad news that Miriam Jacka, widow of PDG Larry Jacka, has passed away after battling cancer for the past year. Newer members will not have known Miriam, but she was a Rotarian who put her heart and soul into several projects and clubs and was probably best known in this District for her work as manager of



the Donations in Kind warehouse here in Sydney. A memorial service will be held on Monday next at 1.30pm at Rookwood Memorial Park South Chapel. David Firth

#### Minutes of the meeting – Wednesday February 01, 2023

This night was at our regular meeting night. The highlight of the day was to be the induction of the new member Robyn Huh, Proprietor of Penno Oio Café, Hillcrest Road and the reporting from our club sponsored nominee to RYLA for this year, Aaron Muston.

Phil Stanton Chaired the meeting.

- 1. Robyn Huh could not make it to the meeting and sent her apologies. She would be inducted in one of the next meetings.
- 2. Pam mentioned about "Goods360" and their donation of \$2,200 towards Eugowra relief with the stipulation that the desired material shall be purchased online from their website. They shall then deliver the ordered relief material charging 2.5% handling charges that we shall have to bear. It was agreed that Pam shall manage these issues with Robert Shore of Parkes Rotary. The relief material shall be delivered directly to the end-user.
- It was agreed that instead of our clubs regular meeting we shall accept the invitation to join West Pennant Hills & Cherrybrook Rotary Club for their meeting on Monday February 20, 2023as they have a very special guest speaker in Greg Page – the Yellow Wiggle (who had a heart attack).
- 4. Pennant Hills Shopping Centre has a shop vacant currently. Till the said shop is leased in future, it is available to our Rotary Club to showcase and display our projects. This shall provide us the opportunity to make us visible to the general public visiting the Pennant Hills Shopping Centre.
- 5. Clean-Up Australia happening on Sunday March 05, 2023. Pam to visit and coordinate our participation. David to register our club for this activity.
- 6. Monthly Board Meeting. Phil & David to decide the modalities off-line and then advise the other Board Members.
- Theo proposed a project that he has agreed to coordinate further that is regarding teenagers who are facing trauma due to parents suicide, divorces, broken families etc.
- 8. Pam Hudson, John Ellis and David Firth participated and offered Lamingtons to the participants at Cherrybrook Christian Care Centre, Kitchener Road, Cherrybrook. Next day David took the remaining Lamingtons to the Stroke Recovery Group who were meeting at the Community Health Centre.
- Aaron Muston spoke of his experience of participating in the RYLA and his learnings therefrom. Members present had their queries responded in an exemplary manner by Aaron.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

#### **Reporter: Anoop Sud**

#### **CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY**

We are registered for this activity to be held on Sunday March 5th. The meeting place is outside the Australia Post shop in the Pennant Hills Market Place carpark. We have indicated in our registration that we will cover the carpark and Wollundry Park and around the Community Centre and Library. I have asked the Banna Group to provide advertising of our involvement and that we are looking for community volunteers to help. The following is the graphic which is now on the video screens in the Market Place and will also be on their Facebook page.



Join Pennant Hills Rotary Club this Clean Up Australia Day

# MAKE A DIFFERENCE! SUNDAY 5TH MARCH

Time: 9 am all are welcome! Meeting point: outside Australia Post Pennant Hills

ENQUIRES: 0407 805 487



#### DISPLAY IN THE PENNANT HILLS MARKET PLACE

With the support of the Banna Group, we have an opportunity to utilise the vacant shop at Pennant Hills Market Place - the shop previously rented by Black Pepper. We can use it until it is re-leased. Kelly Tam from Banna, gave me a look at the inside of the shop. It is very large for our purposes so we would only utilise the front part of it. We will need to spend some money on providing more display materials; Theo has obtained some display material for the RET project in East Timor; I have asked District if they have any materials we could borrow for this purpose; perhaps RI South West Pacific Office have something we could borrow.

However, we need to develop a plan as to how we utilise this to generate interest and support, and, hopefully, some new members. Please give this some thought and come to the meeting this week with some ideas.



#### WHAT'S ON

Date	Program	Speaker	Chair	Reporter	
Feb 15	Board Meeting/Club Forum	Everyone	Phil Stanton	John Ellis	
Monday Feb 20	Visit to West Pennant Hills/Cherrybrook Club	Greg Page	6.30 for 7.00pm start at Springfield Function Centre, 245 New Line Road, Dural Cost \$40 each. Payment by Direct Debit		
Feb 22	To Be Advised				
March 1	Eugowra Project Video	Pam Hudson	David Firth	Jim Fraser	
Last Meeting - 1.2.2023 Attendance: 61.5% Apologies: J Ellis, T Pankhurst, I Shi Guest Speaker: Rotaractor Aaron Muston Guests: Nil Leave of Absence: A Ameen, A Bell			February Birthdays: Raymond Chan - February 11 Anniversaries: David & Heather Firth - February 5 Club Induction Anniversary: Jim Fraser - February 1 Herbert Chan - February 24		

Fellows, the board decided to respond to the incredible crisis occurring in Turkey and Syria as a result of the massive earthquakes. We went ahead and donated \$1,000 to ShelterBox Australia for their appeal. We have received the following message from Mike Greenslade their CEO.

Hi David,

Thanks for your swift action and generous support. I can see the donation in or bank account and Virginia will issue a receipt in due course.

Please pass on my thanks to your members.

All the best

Mike

Mike Greenslade

CEO ShelterBox Australia

**Disaster Relief** 

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TOGETHER WE SEE A WORLD WHERE PEOPLE UNITE AND TAKE ACTION TO CREATE LASTING CHANGE ACROSS THE GLOBE IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND IN OURSELVES Management is doing things right; leadership is doing the right things. Peter Drucker