

# SPOKES



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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's Program



**GUEST SPEAKER: Hannah Marjoram** 

**CHAIRMAN: David Firth** 

**REPORTER: Pam Hudson** 

### The President's Comment

We have lots happening at present. I have invited the Stroke Foundation to come and speak to our meeting this week. This is a very important topic as it is not just restricted to older people - even children can be affected by stroke. So come to the meeting ready to learn and maybe be able to save someone struck down by a stroke.

Then, in two weeks, we are holding a very important Interest Meeting at which we want to get as many people to come for a fairly informal time of fellowship and information about Rotary and about our club - who we are; what we are doing; and what we can do in the future with the assistance of new members and volunteers. So it is important that each of our members decide who they can invite to come and join us on that evening - Wednesday 18th October at 7.30pm.

Next month, November, we are having the official visit of the District Governor, Christine Owen, on Wednesday 15th. We will be providing dinner on that occasion so we will need to organize that over the coming month or so, but please put that date in your diary.

### **David Firth**

PS: Please read the Board Meeting Report in this issue as it does contain important information for members.

### Rotary Meeting Report for 20th September, 2023

Jim opened the meeting by extending a warm welcome to everyone in attendance.

### Report by Pam on our club's annual trailer raffle activity as follows:

Adrian has generously committed to covering the \$1100.10 cost for a new trailer, with the club handling the \$180 registration fee.



Pam has already placed an order for the trailer, and Ida will transfer the money once the company notifies her.

We have received confirmation from the shopping centres that they are available for the trailer raffle.

All necessary approvals have been obtained for the Tree of Joy at Pennant Hills Market Place and Thornleigh.

Kelly Tam from Banna Group has confirmed a location for the trailer at Pennant Hills. It will be positioned at the end where IGA is situated. This is a matter of concern for accessibility, and we plan to discuss it with her, as we prefer near the other entrance.

### Report by John on the Science & Engineering Challenge Program:

John received an email from the University of Newcastle engineering group regarding their engineering problem-solving program for high school students. He has contacted Pennant Hills High School to gauge their interest in participating in this program, although there has been no response yet. John may also reach out to Normanhurst Boys High School. It's worth noting that the previous session was run at Macquarie University by the University of Newcastle over three days.

### **District Grant Approval for Community Centre TV:**

We are pleased to announce that our club's application for a District Grant to acquire a TV for the Community Centre has been approved.

### **Interest Night planning updates:**

The Interest Night is scheduled for 18th October at 7:30pm.

John will provide contact information from RYPEN and RYLA students and their parents to Pam and Jim. They will extend invitations to the students and their parents to join the Interest Night.

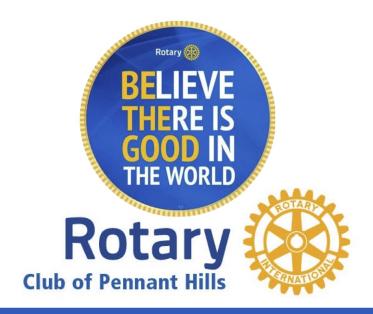
Daisy and Ida will speak at the Interest Night.

Jim will chair the Interest Night meeting and prepare a list of commonly asked questions about Rotary Club along with answers. Members are encouraged to send Jim any relevant questions for the Night.

Pam will create visual posters and other promotional materials for shopping centres, seeking possible volunteers and new members. Jim will ensure that essential information is distributed to the local community.

Reporter: Ida Shi

## This is the advertising for our Interest Meeting If you would like a personalized invitation for your guest(s), contact David Firth



### **COFFEE & CAKE INFORMATION EVENING**

Wednesday 18th Oct. 2023 at 7.30pm

Pennant Hills Community Health Centre 5 Fisher Ave, Pennant Hills

Register NOW PHONE: 0407 261 456

EMAIL: rotaryclubpennanthills@gmail.com

### **September Board Meeting Report**

The following items were discussed/determined at this meeting:

Our District Grant has been approved; the items have been ordered should be available to use on Oct. 18.

The trailer raffle is going ahead; the trailer has been ordered; obtaining items to go in the trailer is planned; all selling venues have been booked and confirmed; the proceeds will go to St Lucy's School and other Rotary projects; the roster will be ready to fill out shortly.

The Trees of Joy at Pennant Hills Market Place and Thornleigh Marketplace have been booked and Stewart House, Parramatta Mission and possibly Pennant Hills Community Health Centre will be the recipients of the gifts collected.

The International Project being promoted by the Rotary Club of Delhi Okhla City has been determined to be beyond our resources. As a result, we have written to the Rotary Club of Balwyn, Vic. recommending that they investigate it and hopefully provide the requested \$US12,000 to allow this very worthwhile project to proceed.

### WHAT'S ON

Date	Program	Speaker	Chair	Reporter	
4th Oct	The Stroke Foundation	Hannah Marjoram	David Firth	Pam Hudson	
18th Oct	Rotary Interest Meeting	Several Club Members	Jim Fraser	Jason Terry	
25th Oct	Board Meeting on Zoom	commencing	at 7.30pm		
1st Nov	Membership	Azita Abdollahian District Membership Chair	Jim Fraser	Phil Stanton	

**Last Meeting - 20.9.2023** 

Attendance: 58.3%

Apologies: D Firth; T Glockemann;

R Huh; J Terry

Guests: Nil

### **OCTOBER**

### Birthdays:

T. Pankhurst - Oct 3rd
P. Stanton - Oct 3rd
M. Pankhurst - Oct 25th

#### **Anniversaries:**

Nil

### **Club Induction Anniversary:**

A. Bell - Oct 9th A. Sud - Oct 13th

### A Thought for Today

"Friendship was the foundation rock on which Rotary was built, and tolerance is the element which holds it together."

Paul Harris -'My Road to Rotary'







You and your partner, along with special guests from our sister club Toyama Mirai, Japan are invited to celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations.

WHERE: Rydges Norwest, 1 Columbia Court, Baulkham Hills

WHEN: Saturday 28th October 2023

TIME: 6:00pm for 6:30pm start

COST: \$80 per person, which includes:

3-course plated menu

4-hour drinks package of red & white wines plus a selection of beers

Soft drinks and orange juice also included

Spirits and any special orders will be at your own expense

RSVP: And payment by Wednesday 4 October 2023

Bank Details below:

Account: Rotary Club of Kenthurst - Anniversary Account

BSB: 062-313 Account #: 10364852

Reference: Please use your name

Alternatively, cheque payments may be sent to PO Box 13, Kenthurst 2156. Please include your name and the name of any partner.

If you have any dietary requirements, please email me at <a href="mailto:ron@ihug.com.au">ron@ihug.com.au</a>

Rob O'Neill

Secretary

