

  
ROTARY CLUB OF  
**PENNANT HILLS**

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Saturday



## OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK

# *Fellowship Meeting*

**Chairman: President Adrian**

**Reporter: Jim Fraser**

Come along and enjoy some relaxed fellowship at the Hotel Pennant Hills commencing at 6.30 for 7.00pm.

**ANYONE  
INTERESTED  
IN  
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INVOLVED  
AS  
A  
VOLUNTEER  
LOCALLY  
AROUND  
PENNANT  
HILLS  
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**NEXT WEEK - September 10th**

**Program: Watch This Space!**

**Chairman: President Adrian**

**Reporter: Pam Hudson**

**NOTE: This meeting is at Hotel Pennant Hills at the usual time**

## MEETING REPORT - 27th August - Reporter: John Ellis

Members drifted in to the Pennant Hills Hotel to find one room reserved for Adrian and next to it was the room reserved for Wendy!

President Adrian Bell opened the meeting after members had ordered their meals and he welcomed **Kaye Carter**, a prospective new member and a resident of Pennant Hills who has come along previously at the golf club. President Adrian gave us an update on our Rotaryannes' drought relief program. A car load of foodstuffs was delivered to Wisemans Ferry from Chez Bell and from there it will be delivered to Gunnedah. Secretary Jim Fraser, who is now holidaying, has campaigned amongst friends and colleagues and has accumulated a station wagon load of foodstuffs, pet foods, toiletries and first aid gear for drought relief and this will be despatched soon. President Adrian went on to cover our temporary venues for our meetings. The initial arrangement with the hotel was for four weeks. This has become five. He proposed we should give the West Pennant Hills Sports Club a try, particularly as they have given significant support to our golf days in recent years. This was supported by all present. Our President also proposed our customary formalities of Rotary Grace and National Anthem be placed in abeyance whilst in our temporary digs. He was also able to report of the safe arrival of daughter Caitlin in Beirut in recent days where she has taken up the position of Assistant Ambassador in our Embassy. He related a story of his now distant youth in London where Uncle Dave was a bishop. This connection led to a visit to St George's Cathedral in Jerusalem with Adrian's grandmother. They bunked down in the bishop's residence near the cathedral where Adrian needed a zizz after his travels. He awoke, pottered about and then encountered a sheila of unusual beauty – in Adrian's words, "a good looker." Well, by coincidence, within a day or so of landing in Beirut, Caitlin met a Jordanian whose grandfather was the Bishop of St George's Cathedral when Adrian encountered the beaut sheila, a colloquialism he learnt later when taking elocution lessons in Sydney. Caitlin's new best friend was unable to relate the subsequent career of the beaut sheila. It is probable, Adrian confessed, that she is less beaut these days.

John Ellis reported on his meeting with Pennant Hills High School to discuss selection of nominations for RYPEN and confirmed we have had one of our NYSF candidates confirmed, the other has yet to be confirmed.

David Firth reported on our recent support of Daffodil Day highlighting the poor selection of merchandise supplied by the Cancer Council. This matter was conveyed to two representatives of the Cancer Council who called in to see how our team was faring. We raised \$511, significantly less than in past years. Our involvement in Daffodil Day next year was discussed.

David went on to discuss licensing arrangements required by RI for the production and sales of our Pride of Workmanship trophies. The license is up for renewal. RI's desire is that not only this Club should be licensed but also the manufacturer of the badges that make up our trophies. In RI's interpretation, a license fee should apply. David's review of RI's licensing terms indicates that a license fee should not apply when a Club is using the Rotary mark for the promotion of Rotary activities and projects. He will take the matter up with John Fenessy, our relevant Assistant Governor.

The Sergeant took the opportunity during his fine session, to point out to the President that Wendy's reservation attracted double the number attending Adrian's reservation. President Adrian then closed the meeting.

(Please note that the reservation by Wendy was not by his wife, but rather was for a meeting of the local football club.)

***Fellows, we recently received a letter from the OTIS Foundation asking for us to consider making a one off donation, or a 3 year commitment to donate \$5,000 a year to support this foundation's work in our area. The following is some information about the foundation and what it does.***

## **The OTIS Foundation provides retreat accommodation at no cost for those dealing with breast cancer.**

The charity is the legacy of Judy Burley, a young woman who lived with breast cancer for seven years until her passing at 36 years of age. Proudly established in the Central Victorian township of Bendigo, The OTIS Foundation has expanded significantly since our first guest stayed in 2002.

The Foundation has properties in Victoria, New South Wales, South Australia, Northern Territory, Western Australia and Queensland and makes close to 4,000 nights accommodation available to OTIS guests accompanied by family and friends each year.

The OTIS Foundation's properties offer time out to relax, reconnect and regroup for those dealing with the challenges of breast cancer.

## **Foundation Timeline**

Judy Burley (1963 – 2000) was diagnosed with cancer at the age of 29. She passed away seven years later.

The OTIS Foundation was conceived and the Board established in 2000 by Judy's husband, Andrew Barling, and a group of dedicated supporters.

In 2001, The OTIS Foundation established its first "office" – which operated from a kitchen table.

Two purpose-built retreats began construction in 2002 on a site close to the home Andrew and Judy had shared in Mandurang (VIC). The retreats were named St Jude's and St Hannah's (Hannah was one of Judy's favourite aunts).

These retreats welcomed their first guests in late 2002 and Foundation was fully operational by March 2003.

A chance meeting years later set the scene for expansion, when the Humphries family offered time at their holiday home in Thredbo (NSW) to Andrew to offer to OTIS guests.

The property model (of owners donating time at their holiday homes) continued to increase the offering to 17 retreats by 2014, with retreats located in Victoria, NSW and SA.

In 2011, Paul Gray approached The OTIS Foundation with the offer to build a property in memory of his wife, Kerri Gray. In 2016, Kez's Hideaway opened to its first guests in Redesdale (Victoria).

In 2017, The OTIS Foundation has 36 retreats in Victoria, NSW, QLD, SA, WA and NT and will make close to 4,000 nights accommodation available for OTIS guests, their families and friends.

Currently, the foundation offers a retreat at Pearl Beach in your region.

**Re our Pride of Workmanship Awards Project.** *At times one can feel that our project of almost 50 years is, perhaps, past its 'use by date'. Then you receive an enquiry, as I did this week, from the Auburn Rotary Club - that's the Auburn Club in New York State, USA, requesting information about running the program as they had done some years ago. Perhaps they heard about it from the Moravia Rotary Club near them which we connected with through hosting Jennifer Branton for Youth Exchange back in 1989.*



**We are assisting at the RYDA program for  
Mount St Benedict High School on September 4th at  
Quaycentre at Sydney Olympic Park - 8.30am**

**We need 6 volunteers to supervise each group - can you  
help? David Firth only has two names so far!**



# THE FORWARD PROGRAM

DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	CHAIRMAN	REPORTER
Sept 4th	RYDA Program with	Mt. St. Benedict High School	Quaycentre, Sydney Olympic Park	8.30am start
Sept 10th	WATCH	THIS	SPACE	!
Saturday Oct 13th	CHRISTMAS TRAILER RAFFLE	OPENING DAY AT PENNANT HILLS MARKET PLACE	8AM to 2PM	ARE YOU AVAILABLE?

## Sunday 9 September



## St Ives Rotary Food and Wine Festival 10am - 4pm St Ives Village Green

**Food - Wine - Lifestyle**  
30 Delicious Food Stalls  
20 Quality Wine Stalls  
25 Creative Craft Stalls



**Food - Wine - Lifestyle**  
Kids activities - Music  
Pony rides - Farm animals  
Face painting - Climbing wall

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### ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

**Member Attendance:** 62.5%

**Apologies:** Alex Thomas, Pat Parker, David Walsh,  
Phil Stanton, Jim Fraser, Ian Chappel,

**Guest Speaker:** Nil

**Visitors:** Kaye Carter

**Leave of Absence:** Nil

### BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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Nil

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Adrian & Wendy Bell - September 5th

#### INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

David Hopping - September 7th, 1072

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

**"If you have a garden and a library, you have everything you need."**

*- Marcus Tullius Cicero*