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OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK

"SO THEY CAN"

*Empowering communities through
education*

Guest Speaker: Keri Chittenden

Chairman: Phil Stanton

Reporter: John Ellis

CHRISTMAS TRAILER RAFFLE PROGRESS

The new Beecroft Shopping Centre was the scene for our fifth day of selling with the trailer at the entrance from the carpark. Most of the selling was done there at the trailer. The morning crew, Phil Stanton, John Ellis and Claude Rigney were followed by Ian Huckel, Jim Fraser with Phil Stanton assisting for a while followed by David Firth also for an hour or so. Overall they sold 282 tickets and took \$453.60, well short of the takings at Hornsby Mall last year.

*Next Saturday, the trailer will be at West Pymble shops, one of our favourite village selling spots. **Currently we are short staffed on both shifts. 1st shift is Terry Pank-***

hurst and Ian Chappel; 2nd shift is Phil Stanton and Pat Parker. Any volunteers for either shift?



NEXT WEEK - November 19th

'To Be Advised'

Chairman: President Adrian Reporter: Ian Chappel

NOTE: Back at the Hotel Pennant Hills at 6.30 for 7.00pm start

MEETING REPORT - 5th November

On an evening where there was a little moisture about, a reasonable sized group headed for Lilyfield to view the Current Bell project.

A little mid 1800's house in O'Neill Street was being transformed by the delicate touch of those who had played this game before, and was at the stage of getting close to the finishing line. Two new bedrooms and a bathroom had been added as a top floor, and a new kitchen/family area, and a new living space had been added to the ground floor. In addition, there was also a new bedroom and bathroom on this level along with a sitting room.



While the site itself was small. It did have the advantage of a rear lane and so the home will have an off-street parking space. This space will be integrated into the landscaped area in the rear yard.

Adrian did note that navigating the project through Council had had its share of difficulties, but the home should prove to be of interest in the market given the obvious advantages of close to the city, the new light rail, an interesting accommodation mix, etc.

And as the light faded, we adjourned to what had been up till this point in time, a coffee shop with a great reputation. As it turned out, the coffee shop had just received its liquor licence and so our group was the first set of patrons to be welcomed for an evening meal. It was a set menu, but was delicious, and the coffee at the end of the evening certainly lived up to its reputation.

A great night was had by all, so thanks to the Bell's for the organisation and their willingness to afford us the 'pre view'



Reporter: Phil Stanton



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INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Rotary Club of Dili Lafaek, Timor Leste. District 9550 (Chartered 19th April, 2016), President Betty and their 31 members. (The club meets at 5.00pm on Sundays at Ahisaun Foundation, Fatuhada, Dili (Opposite the ETDA Building))

This is the second Rotary club in Timor Leste and its membership is almost exclusively made up of graduates of the RYLA programs run each year there. Consequently they are very young rotarians. During the recent visit to Timor Leste we visited one of the club's meetings. President Betty presented a snapshot of the activities the club is involved in. They are obviously involved in the planning and running of the RYLA program each year; they play a role in the RYPEN programs held in mainly regional areas of the country; and they are involved in the training of school students and the distribution of 'Days For Girls' materials in high schools around Dili and surrounding areas.



President Betty being inducted

Dili, also known as "City of Peace", is the capital, largest city, chief port, and commercial centre of Timor-Leste.

The Portuguese began to trade with the island of Timor in the early 16th century and colonized it in mid-century. Skirmishing with the Dutch in the region eventually resulted in an 1859 treaty in which Portugal ceded the western portion of the island. Imperial Japan occupied Portuguese Timor from 1942 to 1945, but Portugal resumed colonial authority after the Japanese defeat in World War II. East Timor declared itself independent from Portugal on 28 November 1975 and was invaded and occupied by Indonesian forces nine days later. It was incorporated into Indonesia in July 1976 as the province of Timor Timur (East Timor). An unsuccessful campaign of pacification followed over the next two decades, during which an estimated 100,000 to 250,000 people died. In an August 1999 UN-supervised popular referendum, an overwhelming majority of the people of Timor-Leste voted for independence from Indonesia. However, in the next three weeks, anti-independence Timorese militias - organized and supported by the Indonesian military - commenced a large-scale, scorched-earth campaign of retribution. The militias killed approximately 1,400 Timorese and forced 300,000 people into western Timor as refugees. Most of the country's infrastructure, including homes, irrigation systems, water supply systems, and schools, and nearly all of the country's electrical grid were destroyed. On 20 September 1999, Australian-led peacekeeping troops deployed to the country and brought the violence to an end. On 20 May 2002, Timor-Leste was internationally recognized as an independent state.



The Board of the Dili Lafaek Club



RONALD McDONALD HOUSE 'MEALS FROM THE HEART'

We are providing the evening meal again at the new Ronald McDonald House on Wednesday this week, November 14th. We are to meet there at 4.00pm for the induction and to then prepare the meal. The menu we are cooking is a barbecue. We need about 20 people if possible. **Everyone needs to remember to join the resident families over the meal.** This is always a special time of sharing and fellowship which these families really appreciate, as you will too!

THE FORWARD PROGRAM

DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	CHAIRMAN	REPORTER
Wed Nov 14th	Ronald McDonald House	"Meals from the Heart"	Pat Parker	Phil Stanton
Nov 17th	TRAILER RAFFLE AT WEST PYMBLE SHOPPING CENTRE @ 8.00am			
Nov 19th	TBA	TBA	President Adrian	Ian Chappel
Dec 3rd	AGM & Elections	Pres Adrian	Pres Adrian	Pat Parker

Rotary Foundation receives highest rating from 'Charity Navigator' for 11th year

For the 11th consecutive year, The Rotary Foundation has received the highest rating — four stars — from [Charity Navigator](#), an independent evaluator of charities in the U.S.

The [Foundation](#) earned the recognition for demonstrating both strong financial health and commitment to accountability and transparency.

"We are extremely honored to be recognized," says Foundation Trustee Chair Ron Burton. "It represents the hard work and dedication of countless Rotarians throughout the world. They know their gifts will be used for the purpose for which they were given and that they will, indeed, make a real difference."

The rating reflects Charity Navigator's assessment of how the Foundation uses donations, sustains its programs and services, and practices good governance and openness.



ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

Member Attendance: 68.75%

Apologies: Ahmadul Ameen, Ian Chappel, Pam Hudson, Claude Rigney

Rotarian Guest: Nil

Guests: Wendy Bell, Heather Firth, Esther Fraser, Georgia Glockemann, Maureen Pankhurst, Sandra Parker, Ruth Reid, Lyn Stanton

Leave of Absence: Nil

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BIRTHDAYS

Lyn Stanton - Nov 4th

Sandra Parker - Nov 7th

Claude Rigney - Nov 22nd

ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

John Ellis - Nov 1st (28 years)

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

Beware of little expenses. A small leak will sink a great ship.

- Benjamin Franklin