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NEXT MEETING MAY 16th

PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARDS

> Speaker: Bill Aitken

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TONIGHT'S PROGRAM

CLUB BOARD MEETING

Speakers: Board Members & Club Members

Agenda

- ◆Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting
- Business arising from the minutes
- Correspondence
- Reports:

President

Financial

Committees

Specific Business:

Membership Events-past & future

Child Protection Policy & Procedure

PKU History & Future Plans

Pride of Workmanship

Red Shield Appeal

Change-over Dinner

◆General Business

SPECIAL NOTE:

THE DATE OF THE ASSEMBLY OF RED SHIELD APPEAL KITS HAS CHANGED TO THIS WEDNESDAY AT PAM HUDSON'S.

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MEETING REPORT - 2nd May, 2016

President Ian asked the Commander to open the meeting with Rotary Grace and this was most appropriate as the Guest Speaker, Noah Binet, was to speak on his experience on the 'Young Endeavour'. Noah was accompanied by his father Marcus.

David Firth reminded the Club on the upcoming Pride Of Workmanship Night on the 16th May and this meeting will be held in the Beecroft Room, which has a capacity of over 80 people. David also gave a brief report on the 7.00 am breakfast meeting at the golf club on Thursday 28th April, which was very successful and was hoped to attract new members to the Rotary Club of Pennant Hills.

Sergeant Adrian managed to extract a number of fines, including a high figure from Claude Rigney on being elevated to number 5 in his division at Pennant Hills Golf Club. It is not surprising that a number of club champions are shaking in their boots at the thought of having to play Claude.

Following the tea/coffee break, John Ellis introduced our Guest Speaker, Noah Binet. Noah was quick to thank the Rotary Club of Pennant Hills for giving him the opportunity to participate in such a wonderful program. Noah advised that the Young Endeavour is an Australian Tall Ship, built by Brooke Marine and given to Australia by the British Government in 1988 as a gift to celebrate Australia's bicentenary of colonisation. Although operated by the Royal Australian Navy, the Young Endeavour is primarily used to provide Tall Ship Training to Australian Youth. The ship usually has 30 youth supplementing the small naval compliment on board on a voyage. Pennant Hills High School has been involved with the Young Endeavour Project since 2001.

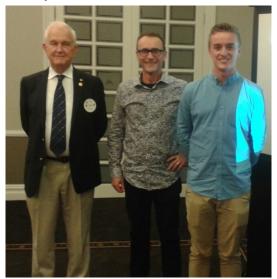
Noah's trip involved sailing from Sydney Harbour and heading North towards Nelson Bay and Broken Bay and then back to Sydney Harbour. Unfortunately for Noah and other members of the crew, the weather produced lots of rain and according to some sources, some of the roughest seas ever recorded on a 'Young Endeavour' trip. Fortunately they had good supply of sea sickness food of Saos and bananas. Despite his battles with sea sickness, Noah managed to acquire a sound knowledge of the ship's rigging and fully understood the positioning of the 10 sails and their purpose, and, like all good sailors, had his fair share of being up on the rigging during extremely windy and wet conditions.

It was also apparent that Noah and the other members of the crew enjoyed their trip and managed to participate in other activities, including going on shore with a raiding party to "capture" 60 people to sing the National Anthem and to be part of the themed dinner party, in their case, the Italian Mafia. Noah certainly had a "mixed" crew including some from Tasmania, Queensland, Victoria and Scone. There were 12 girls and 15 boys.

Whatever field that Noah chooses after he finishes his HSC, I am certain that his experience on the 'Young Endeavour' will assist him in making the right decision.

Reporter: PP Pat Parker

John Ellis with Noah Binet at right, and his father, Marcus





PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARDS NIGHT

MONDAY, 16th MAY, 6.30 for 7.00pm

Guest Speaker: Bill Aitken

This is one of the highlight events for our club which will showcase the project for which we are known around Australian Rotary Clubs.

Could club members please arrive by 6.30 to ensure that our guests are welcomed and hosted for the evening.

RED SHIELD APPEAL 2016



The annual Red Shield Appeal is gearing up in our area with Chairman Theo, ably assisted by PE Pam, already involved in planning and recruiting collectors and drivers. Our concerns about lack of support from the Salvation Army in past years have been aired.

We need to show our support by volunteering to assist on the day and to seek others who might help as drivers or collectors, remembering that there will be static collections on the previous weekend.

The doorknock is on Sunday May 29th.

The Pope welcomes Rotary to the Jubilee Audience



Pope Francis greets Rotary International President K.R. Ravindran at a Jubilee audience at the Vatican on 30 April, where 9,000 Rotary members were special guests of the pontiff.

Photo Credit: Courtesy of the Vatican

Thousands of Rotary members, motivated by a special invitation from Pope Francis, gathered at the Vatican in Rome on Saturday to celebrate a message of compassion, inclusiveness, and service to humanity.

OUR FUTURE PROGRAM **PROGRAM SPEAKER CHAIRMAN** REPORTER **DATE** Wednesday AT PAM HUDSON'S ASSEMBLY OF RED SHIELD APPEAL KITS 7.30PM **HOME** May 11th PRIDE OF **WORKMANSHIP** May 16th Bill Aitken **TBA Alex Thomas AWARDS PARTNERS NIGHT** 4 Pennant Hills High **Peter Wilson** May 23rd The James Craig Sailors John Ellis **Students** SHIELD APPEAL May 28/29 SALVO'S RED **POLIO** May 30th Wendy Bell President lan John Ellis The second time **MEALS FROM THE Friday June** at Ronald McDonald Commencing **HEART WESTMEAD** 3rd House @ 5.30pm with our Partners June 6th The Program of NBN Co. **David Firth Adrian Bell** Michael Tyler **DUE TO QUEEN'S** June 13th **NO MEETING BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY** June 27th AT THE GOLF CLUB **CLUB CHANGEOVER** 6.30 FOR 7.00pm

MEMBER NEWS FOR THE WEEK BIRTHDAYS

Nil

ANNIVERSARIES

Alex and Elizabeth Thomas - May 9th INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Our special congratulations to all the mothers associated with our club! We trust that you all had a very happy time yesterday on Mother's Day with your families wherever you were able to get together.

LAST WEEK'S MEETING

ATTENDANCE:

61.1%

APOLOGIES:

Jim Fraser, Pam Hudson, Alex Thomas,

GUEST SPEAKER:

Noah Binet

VISITOR:

Marcus Binet

LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Graeme Ashdown

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

"People may forget what you said; People may forget what you did; But people will never forget how you made them feel!"

- Maya Angelou, American poet and civil rights activist