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# **SPOKES**

**OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK - October 31st** 

# A BARBECUE AT PRESIDENT PAM'S HOME



PLEASE NOTE, IT'S BYO DRINKS - FOOD IS PROVIDED

SPECIAL GUESTS: IAN & KATE ANDREWS

Kate is an International Judge of Koi fish!

The evening will include a short walking excursion

OUR HOSTS: President Pam Hudson & Peter

**CHAIRMAN: President Pam** 

**REPORTER: Peter Wilson** 

FOR THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE NOT DONE SO YET, PLEASE BRING YOUR MONEY AND ANY UNSOLD MELBOURNE CUP TRIFECTA TICKETS TO THE BARBECUE AT PAM'S HOME.

**NEXT WEEK - November 7th** 

**Joint Meeting with Beecroft Club** 

"THE TIMOR REPORT 2016" with Theo Glockemann & Barker College students

CHAIRMAN: President Pam REPORTER: Adrian Bell



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### REPORT OF OUR VOCATIONAL VISIT ON OCTOBER 24th

This was our first Vocational Visit for this Rotary Year and unfortunately, we had a very small number in attendance. However, it proved to be an excellent evening due in no small way to the efforts of our host, Adrian Bell. The location, as advertised, was his current renovation project at 35 Elswick Street, Leichhardt, a narrow terrace style property which he had purchased at auction. It was a deceased estate and had not been officially occupied for 7 years. However there had been squatters living there at some stage and, from the slide program Adrian showed of the property at the time of purchase, it was certainly lacking in any sort of TLC!



Adrian walked us through the processes he had to go through to get approval for the renovations. This included his decision to retain the historic nature of the structure, even though the council would have allowed its demolition and a new structure to replace it. The plans he submitted included a second storey towards the rear which had to be modified to prevent shadow on the adjoining property's light well.

This second storey houses the master bedroom complete with ensuite bathroom, and also access to extensive storage space in the roof cavity over the front of the house. The floor has been replaced throughout with a concrete slab but the hallway has timber planks recycled from the original floor laid to make it as it was when built. A new main bathroom has been installed between the 2 bedrooms, and an enlarged open area at the end of the hall provides space for a modern kitchen, family room/lounge and laundry. Full width sliding doors open out onto a large rear deck and small garden area.



A view of the large open area with stairs leading to the 2nd floor extension and the hallway to the front door.

Of interest was that, on the northern side, the house has a free standing wall - it's not attached to the next house. On the southern side, the house is joined to the next house at the street front with an archway and passage which essentially carries through to the rear boundary. This was ofcourse, the access for the 'night cart' operators prior to sewerage being available.

All in all, I'm sure we were all most impressed with the work that has been done - Adrian says that he hopes to have it on the market (through the W Group I understand) within the next 2 or 3 weeks. For myself, I was particularly taken with Adrian and his family's vision of what could be done with what looked to me to be a wreck when he purchased it! For those of you who, for various reasons, were unable to join us, I'm sure you will be most welcome to attend the open house sessions when they are held.

The evening continued at a close by pizza parlour in Norton Street where 'the hungry nine' enjoyed several local specials and a little of the 'juice of the grape' - well your scribe refrained from the latter, sticking to Coke Zero.

Reporter: David Firth





MELBOURNE CUP

BOXED TRIFECTA

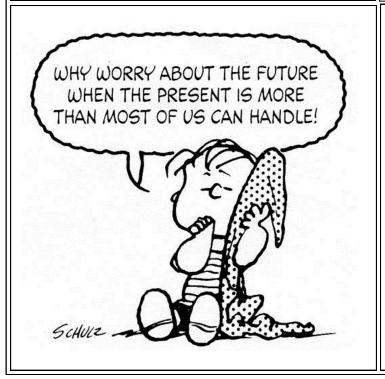
SWEEPSTAKES

ALL FUNDS
FOR LOCAL
YOUTH
PROJECTS



## **TICKET DONATION \$2**

Above is the artwork President Pam has produced for signs to be displayed on Monday and Tuesday mornings at Pennant Hills and Thornleigh Train Stations respectively when a number of members have volunteered to sell trifecta tickets to the public. If all the tickets are sold, the club stands to make over \$3000.



# AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH GOLF for RESEARCH

Camden Lakeside

Golf Club

50 Raby Road
Catherine Field

Wednesday
16th November,
2016

Rotary
Districts of Australia

Sponsorship Proposal

Australian Rotary Health are calling for volunteers to assist with the 'GOLF FOR RESEARCH' Day as per the flyer above.

Volunteers will receive -

'drinks, hat, sun screen and buffet lunch provided for your service above self between the hours of 7am and 3pm on Wednesday 16 November at Camden Lakeside at Catherine Fields, 50 Raby Road, Catherine Field, as well as breakfast on arrival at 7am.'

If you can help, telephone **Terry Davies** on 0412 229 994 or reply by email to Terry@arh.org.au.

THE FORWARD PROGRAM				
DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	CHAIRMAN	REPORTER
OCT 15 To DEC 17	OUR CHRISTMAS TRAILER RAFFLE TICKET SELLING COMMENCING AT	PENNANT HILLS MARKETPLACE	WE WILL BE CIRCULATING A ROSTER SOON	THERE ARE 10 SELLING DAYS - ALL SATURDAYS
NOV 7	'THE TIMOR REPORT' JOINT MEETING WITH BEECROFT	THEO GLOCKEMANN & Barker Students	PRESIDENT PAM	ADRIAN BELL
NOV 14	DEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR THE GOLF CLUB	PHIL STANTON	CLAUDE RIGNEY	PAT PARKER
NOV 21	OPERATION FOUNDATION PARTNERS NIGHT	PETER SCHULTZ	DAVID FIRTH	ALEX THOMAS
DEC 5	ANNUAL GENERAL	MEETING & ELECTIONS	PRESIDENT PAM	JOHN ELLIS

### **TRAILER RAFFLE UPDATE**

As we did so successfully last year, we are asking all members to take a raffle book or two to sell privately to friends, family, work colleagues, etc. Books will be available at this week's meeting. We will need them returned, sold or otherwise with the money by December 17th, ready for the draw on December 18th.

This weekend we were at Cherrybrook Shopping Centre. Unfortunately it was not very successful - we managed to sell just 323 tickets and takings of \$570. This was well short of what we sold there last year, although it was about 4 weeks later last year. Our teams this week were Jim Fraser, Jack Reid & Alex Thomas to begin, and Pat Parker, Phil Stanton and David Firth to finish.

Next week we are selling at West Pymble shops. The teams are: AM - John Ellis, Theo Glockemann, Peter & Susan Wilson; & PM - Ian Chappel, Ian Huckel, and Pat Parker.

### **CLUB AGM & ELECTIONS**

NOTE THAT THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND ELECTIONS ARE COMING UP ON MONDAY, 5TH DECEMBER. WE'LL BE LOOKING TO ELECT A PRESIDENT-ELECT, SECRETARY, TREASURER & 6 DIRECTORS. TALK TO PRESIDENT-ELECT ALEX.

### **LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE**

Member attendance 38.9%

**Apologies:** David Walsh, Michael Bradley, Terry Pankhurst, Pat Parker, Ian Chappel, Theo Glockemann, Ian Huckel, Jack Reid, Claude Rigney, Alex Thomas

Host & Speaker: Adrian Bell

Guests: Heather Firth, Susan Wilson

Leave of Absence: Graeme Ashdown

### **MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTHDAYS**

### **BIRTHDAYS**

Lyn Stanton - Nov 4th

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

### **INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES**

John Ellis - Nov 1st (26 years)

### THE QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

When angry, count to ten before you speak. If very angry, count to one hundred.

Thomas Jefferson