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SPOKES

OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK - December 12th

THE GOLF CLUB CLUBHOUSE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Speaker: Phil Stanton

Chairman: President Pam

Reporter: Ian Chappel



NEXT WEEK - December 19th

THE CLUB CHRISTMAS BARBECUE WITH OUR PARTNERS

**at President Pam Hudson's home
commencing at 6.30pm**

BYO drinks, salads & desserts - Meat will be provided



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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
Dec 19	CHRISTMAS BBQ	NOTE: VENUE TBA	PRESIDENT PAM	DAVID FIRTH
NOTE THAT WE WILL NOT MEET ON DECEMBER 26th OR JANUARY 2nd				
Jan 23	AUSTRALIA DAY MEETING PARTNERS NIGHT JOINT MEETING WITH	PP JOHN ELLIS BEECROFT CLUB	PHIL STANTON	ADRIAN BELL

REPORT of THE CLUB AGM & ELECTIONS - 5th December 2016

The meeting was opened by President Pam Hudson and with the Sergeant missing in action, she gave a temporary promotion to Michael Bradley, then called for reports. Pat Parker advised that, despite having booked some months ago to operate our Christmas trailer raffle sales at Hornsby Mall on Saturday 10th December, we have been advised at short notice of a conflicting situation at the Mall. We have been offered the option of accepting the venue the following day. This has been accepted as we need to be seen around the community. Pat reported favourably on progress with the Tree of Joy in the Pennant Hills centre and also good support from Westpac assisting with safe storage of gifts. Gifts have already been delivered to Parramatta Mission. President Pam then advised that the Club's Christmas gathering will be at Chez Hudson on 19 December. John Ellis covered the contribution of Club members, Glockemann, Ellis and potential member, Jahn Geldenhuys, in the RAWCS warehouse at Castle Hill on Saturday 3 December. Several hundred electrically operated hospital beds were to be prepared for shipping to Sri Lanka. These beds, costing about \$6,000 each to manufacture, had become unacceptable for use in Australian hospitals with a revision of the standard that calls for the rapid release of the lifting mechanism for the head and shoulders panel. Even so, the beds will be a great asset in Sri Lanka where authorities aren't quite so fussy. Theo Glockemann told us that 12 shipping containers of equipment were despatched abroad last year; much of it comprising school furniture and hospital equipment. Adrian Bell then alerted the Sergeant to the agenda for the annual general meeting which called for nominations for board positions for the year 2013-14. The Sergeant rewarded this observation with a fine, then concentrated on members who seemed to be attracted to motor vehicles of superior quality and unrelated to everyday demands. After tea and coffee the President called the meeting to attend to the Annual General Meeting. Following acceptance of the minutes of the AGM held on 14 December 2015, our treasurer tabled the financial statements. He drew attention to the continuing problem of members failing to report their absence from a meeting leading to a major shortfall in revenue to cover costs for meals prepared in anticipation that a member would be in attendance. After an allowance for meals for visitors, the Club paid \$2500 for these meals prepared but not consumed. Peter Wilson reported that the Club was able to make \$45,000 available for our projects and charities over the past 12 months. President Pam then called for nominations for board positions. All positions were filled with the exception of treasurer. The details of the AGM will be covered in the minutes of that meeting. President Pam closed the meeting with the rendition of the National Anthem. **Reporter JWE**

Those elected to serve under President Alex Thomas next year were -

President Elect: Michael Bradley Vice President: Pam Hudson Secretary: Jim Fraser Treasurer: TBA

Six directors: Phil Stanton, Pat Parker, John Ellis, Ian Chappel, Theo Glockemann, David Firth

TRAILER RAFFLE UPDATE

Sunday's sales at Hornsby Mall were very disappointing - just 208 tickets sold, \$417.00 takings & YTD total \$5892.00 Next Saturday at Pennant Hills the teams are AM: Bell, Fraser, Hudson, Thomas & PM: Pankhurst, Chappel, Parker, Wilson.

NOTE: Please return raffle books and money to David Firth by next Saturday afternoon whether sold or not, as the draw is on Sunday at 1pm at the Golf Club.

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Member attendance 77.8%

Apologies: David Walsh, Terry Pankhurst, Jim Fraser

Guest Speaker: nil

Guests: nil

Leave of Absence: Graeme Ashdown

EDITOR'S NOTE

My apologies for the brevity of this week's Spokes. Unfortunately, a combination of family commitments and other events at this busy time of the year conspired to make it difficult to keep to our usual format & timing.