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**OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK - February 20th**

## ‘Fitted For Work’

**GUEST SPEAKER: ELIZABETH TREWHELLA**

*Manager, Sydney Programs*

We help women experiencing adversity break through barriers to get and keep work. Disadvantage can happen to a woman at any time in her life.

At Fitted for Work, we believe women are a catalyst for creating a more socially cohesive and prosperous society, which is why our work is so important. We help women to develop their confidence and achieve economic security.

Our programs and services stem from a belief that when women are fitted for work they are fitted for life. We know that when women have hope, confidence and economic security through work, the flow on effect is transformational, both to their families but also to society as a whole.

We welcome our Rotaryannes to the meeting this week. The proceeds of their high tea last year supported ‘Fitted for Work’.

**Chairman: PRESIDENT PAM**

**Reporter: Theo Glockemann**

**NEXT WEEK - February 27th**

**CLUB GOLF DAY DISCUSSION**

**Led by Phil Stanton**

**Chairman: President Pam**

**Reporter: David Firth**

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## Meeting Report - 13 February, 2017

President Pam opened the meeting and welcomed our Guest Speaker Michael Blair, who was the Club's nomination from Pennant hills High School at the recent Young Endeavour sailing programme.

Michael was accompanied by his parents , Colin and Kim Blair, as well as his Grand Parents- Joe and Vivian Blair who are both members of the Rotary Club of Kurrajong/North Richmond and Vivian is the President Elect.

The Projects Director reported that he had delivered a letter to the Westpac Bank at Pennant Hills from Parramatta Mission, thanking the bank for their tremendous support for the Tree of Joy program.

PP Adrian Bell reminded us of the forthcoming car adventure , over the Wisemans Ferry to visit wineries, cemeteries, and churches followed by cheese and wine tasting , plus Devonshire teas on Sunday 21st May at a very reasonable cost of \$20.

Jim Fraser advised that the Bowel Care program would be commencing on 1st April through to the 31st May, the cost of the kits is \$15 and there are 4 chemists participating , one at Beecroft, two at Pennant Hills and one at West Pennant Hills.

David Firth reminded us of the upcoming District Conference at Penrith Panthers at a cost of \$100 and one of the stars performing would be Normie Rowe. David also advised that he would be arranging a Pride of Workmanship display at the Conference.

Sergeant Terry was then let loose on the unsuspecting crowd and despite the fact that it was Valentine's Day on Tuesday , there was no sign of "love or compassion " in any of his fines.

After desserts , Chairman John Ellis gave an introductory address on the history of the Young Endeavour and the Rotary Clubs' involvement with the program when it commenced in 2002. He then asked Michael to deliver his report on his experience. Michael gave a full and detailed account of the people and crew as well as information of the size and sail capacity of the ship and supported his presentation with very good photos, especially the photos from high up on the rigging.

Michael's sailing course was very different from previous Young Endeavour participants in that he sailed from Adelaide in South Australia, out to King Island and then on to Stanley on the North West Coast of Tasmania. He appeared to enjoy the experience of being part of the various watch and crew allocations and seemed extremely pleased that he avoided being sea sick on most occasions. Michael was certainly one of the most "laid back" nominees for the program and this trait will certainly help him overcome many difficult situations in his future life.

**Reporter: PP Pat Parker**

### Some additional information about the ship.

**STS Young Endeavour** is an Australian tall ship. Built by Brooke Marine (which became Brooke Yachts during the vessel's construction), **Young Endeavour** was 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, **Young Endeavour** is primarily used to provide sail training to Australian youth through the **Young Endeavour Youth Scheme**, with up to 30 youth supplementing the small naval complement on a voyage.

**Young Endeavour** has a displacement of 239 tonnes. The ship is 44 metres (144 ft) in length overall and 28.3 metres (93 ft) in waterline length, has a beam of 7.8 metres (26 ft), and a draught of 4 metres (13 ft). The vessel is brigantine rigged, with a 32-metre (105 ft) tall mainmast, and ten sails with a total area of 511 square metres (5,500 sq ft). Auxiliary propulsion is provided by two Perkins V8 M200 TI diesel engines, providing 165 horsepower (123 kW) each. **Young Endeavour** can achieve speeds of 14 knots (26 km/h; 16 mph) under sail, or 10 knots (19 km/h; 12 mph) running on the diesels. The vessel is a sister ship to **Tunas Samudera**, a Malaysian Navy sail training ship.

On 3 August, 1987 **Young Endeavour** sailed from Lowestoft in England to Australia, via Rio de Janeiro, Tristan da Cunha, and the waters of Antarctica. On 25 January 1988, **Young Endeavour** was handed over to the Australian Government. The ship's motto is *carpe diem*, Latin for "**Seize the day**".



**Pennant Hills Rotary president Pam Hudson, Mrs Anne Rands, club past president Theo Glockemann, David Rands and Rotary district governor Bruce Lakin.**

Mr Rands has been involved in Rotary for more than 40 years.

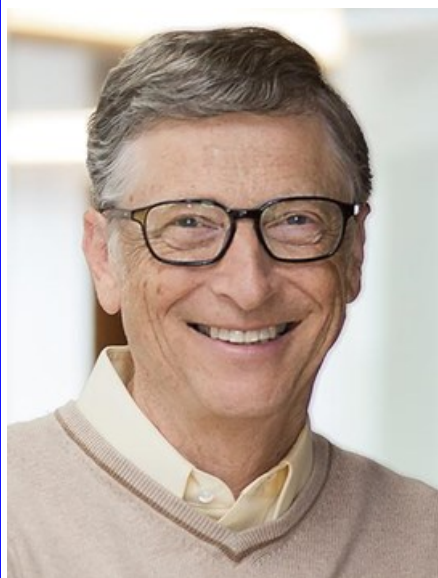
The award presentation at Pennant Hills Golf Club included members of both the Pennant Hills and Beecroft Rotary clubs as well as Mr Rands' family and friends. Dignitaries included the current Rotary district governor Bruce Lakin, Berowra federal Liberal MP Julian Leeser, Epping state Liberal MP Damien Tudehope and his wife Di, and Hornsby Shire Council deputy mayor Michael Hutchence.

Mr Rand was taken totally by surprise by the award and said he was humbled by it.

A plaque, noting Mr Rands as the 32nd recipient of the merit award, will be mounted on a wall of the Pennant Hills Library with the others.

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## **Rotary president invites members to Atlanta**



I am thrilled to announce that Bill Gates will be speaking this June at the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta. Rotary and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation have been working together on polio eradication for a long time, and our strong partnership will continue through the final years of the effort.

Bill and his wife, Melinda, in their much-anticipated Annual Letter, released today, offer a glimpse of their appreciation for Rotary and the incredible progress we've made toward polio eradication through our joint effort with national governments, UNICEF, the World Health Organization, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

With the most effective resources in place, it's possible that we have seen, or soon will see, the last case of polio in history. At the convention, Bill will say more about how we can — and will — end polio together.

I hope you will join me and Bill at the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, USA, 10-14 June. This is one speaker you're not going to want to miss.

*John F. Germ 2016-17 RI President*



# THE FORWARD PROGRAM

DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	CHAIRMAN	REPORTER
Feb 27	Golf Day Discussion	Phil Stanton & others	President Pam	David Firth
March 6	National Youth Science Forum 2017	Luke Harris Aryan Panchasara	John Ellis	Alex Thomas
Saturday March 11	<b>DISTRICT 9685 ANNUAL CONFERENCE - at PENRITH PANTHERS CONVENTION CENTRE</b> Register now at <a href="http://www.conference2017.rotarydistrict9685.org.au">www.conference2017.rotarydistrict9685.org.au</a>			
March 13	Presentation of Christmas Trailer Raffle proceeds	TBA	Pat Parker	Phil Stanton
March 20	'Cops Are Tops' (rescheduled)	Shane Carne	Phillip Stanton	Michael Bradley

## 2017 DISTRICT TRAINING DATES

2017-18 Board Members, please be aware of the following 2017-18 District training dates:

### President Elects Training (PETS)

Saturday 1 April 2017

Macquarie Graduate School of Management, Talavera Road, North Ryde

### District Assembly

Sunday 23 April 2017

The Kings School, Pennant Hills Road, Parramatta

These events will begin with registrations at 8.30am and formal start at 9.00am, finishing at 4.30pm. The training content will be informative and entertaining. *It is a Rotary International requirement that each club is represented at PETS and District Assembly. If your club's President Elect cannot attend it is important that a representative from the club take their*



### ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

**Member attendance 72.2%**

**Apologies:** David Walsh, Alex Thomas, Theo Glockemann, Ian Chappel

**Guest Speaker:** Michael Blair

**Guests:** Colin & Kim Blair, Patrick Bradley

**Visiting Rotarians:** Joe & Vivian Blair - Rotary Club of Kurrajong North Richmond

**Leave of Absence:** Graeme Ashdown

### MEMBER NEWS

#### BIRTHDAYS

Nil

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Michael & Julia Bradley - February 25th

#### INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

## Thought for the Week

**'There are two great days in a person's life - the day we are born and the day we discover why.'**

William Barclay