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OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK - March 13th

PRESENTATION OF CHRISTMAS TRAILER RAFFLE PROCEEDS

GUEST SPEAKERS:

DAVID RAPHAEL, Principal of St Lucy's School, and
Liesl McGrath, Manager, Fundraising at Hornsby Hospital
Chairman: Pat Parker **Reporter: Phil Stanton**

Our connection with St Lucy's School started in July 2013 when Kirsty Smith spoke to our club about the school. We were so impressed with her presentation that it led to us supporting the school with our Trailer Raffle that year.

Our association with Hornsby Hospital started in 1963, some 54 years ago. We have continued to support the hospital since although not every year.

Again tonight, we welcome our partners who have joined us for this special meeting.

NEXT WEEK - March 20th

'COPS ARE TOPS'

Guest Speaker: Shane Carne

Chairman: Phil Stanton **Reporter: Michael Bradley**

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Meeting Report - 6th March

President Pam welcomed everyone and Ian Chappell led us in Grace.

This was followed by Introductions – we had our National Youth Science Forum participants, Aryan Panchasara and Luke Harris as our guests today. Also present were Luke's parents. Visiting us today was Captain Steven Smith of the Salvos.

Captain Steven Smith gave us a short insight into his work with the Salvos. Coming from a dysfunctional family he found a safe place with the Salvos. Been a Salvos Officer for ten years and has a wife and 3 Kids. Steven spoke to us about the Red Shield Appeal. He emphasised that every dollar raised is for the Community. The Appeal has been about inspiring the best out of humanity and looks forward to working with us.



President Pam and Captain Steven Smith

Announcements:

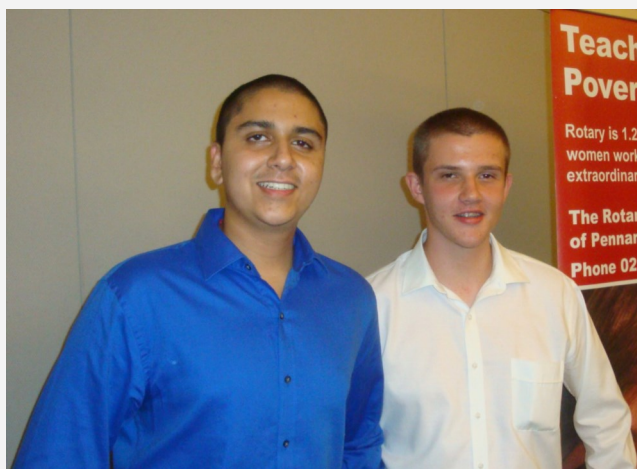
- Bunnings BBQ on 18th March
- Big Day Out is on June 4th and expecting about twenty people
- Pride of Workmanship sales as about the same. Stall on at District Conference on March 11th

Pat reminded all that the speaker next week is David Raphael, Principal of St Lucy's School and Liesel McGrath, Manager, Fundraising at Hornsby Hospital.

Fines Session was conducted by Acting Sergeant-At-Arms Jim. Well, Yes, he did extract it alright from us all. But some felt the pain more than others

John Ellis introduced our two NYS Participants.

Each spoke in turn and they did exceedingly well in narrating their experiences and learning. Aryan of Year 12 from Normanhurst chose Chemistry interest group and related areas. Luke Harris chose Biology interest group. The whole experience was one of a broad variety in each of the chosen groups and it was two weeks Science immersion programme. They gained insight into job availabilities and networked with future employers. They discovered that their respective areas had an ever shifting landscape. Visits were made in Canberra to various Institutes, Training & Research facilities pertaining to the interest groups. These visits enabled them to see first-hand and gain experience from these on-site facilities.



Aryan Panchasara and Luke Harris

Overall the NYSF has been an enriching and affirming experience for both our Participants.

They both thanked the Club for the opportunity to participate in the NYSF and making it possible for them to be enriched by this experience.

For the members of our club it gave much satisfaction to hear from these young participants and feel the challenge and change they have experienced. This was reflected in Q&A that followed.

The meeting concluded with the National Anthem.

Reminder that the Meeting next week is a Partners Night.

Reporter this time was Alex Thomas

NEXT SATURDAY, 18th MARCH IS OUR BBQ AT BUNNINGS, THORNLEIGH IN AID OF THE LEUKEMIA FOUNDATION



We are cooking and selling sausage sandwiches and
selling soft drinks
from 9am until 4pm.

At present we have just 5 members who have
volunteered to serve on the day.

We need at least 10 people to cover the day.
If you have not offered to help yet, please consider
coming along for as long as you can.

DISTRICT 9685 CONFERENCE REPORT

Our club had 4 registrants at the District Conference which was a one day only event held at Penrith Panthers Club last Saturday. Those who attended were President Pam, Jack & Ruth Reid, and David Firth. The theme of the conference was "Shine a Light on Rotary" and the venue included a Showcase area where clubs could show their projects. We took the opportunity to have a Pride of Workmanship Awards display that attracted quite a lot of attention.

The conference program included several excellent presentations. DG Bruce Lakin was obviously disappointed that the Premier was a late withdrawal, replaced by Hon. Stuart Ayres, Member for Penrith and Minister for Western Sydney. PP Evan Burrell gave an excellent presentation in which he highlighted the role of modern communications in connecting with the younger generations. The Vocational Excellence Awards were another highlight and were followed by a great talk by David Ireland, the Wildlife Man.

There were break out sessions after lunch focussed on the avenues of service. These were followed by the final plenary session with an entertaining talk by Peter Switzer, financial journalist, a look at Rotary's Future by Past Rotary International Director Stuart Heal. The conference concluded with a preview of next year's district conference to be held over 2 days on 10th & 11th March 2018 at the Fairmont Resort, Leura in the Blue Mountains.

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THE FORWARD PROGRAM

| DATE | PROGRAM | SPEAKER | CHAIRMAN | REPORTER |
|------------|--|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| March 18 | BARBECUE AT BUNNINGS, | THORNLEIGH | From 9am to 4pm | President Pam organising |
| March 20 | 'Cops Are Tops' (rescheduled) | Shane Carne | Phillip Stanton | Michael Bradley |
| April 3 | Cerebral Palsy Alliance Fundraisers | Glen Deutscher | David Firth | John Ellis |
| April 24th | Australia's contribution to the Great War on the Western Front in 1917 | Brig. David Leece (Ret.) | Combined meeting | hosted by Beecroft Club |
| May 1st | My Visit to Israel & Palestine | Jim Mein | David Firth | Alex Thomas |

RI President Nominee

EVANSTON, Ill., USA — Samuel "Sam" Owori of Kampala, Uganda was today confirmed president-nominee of Rotary International.

As a member of the Rotary Club Kampala, Uganda for 38 years, Owori says, "Rotary has become a way of life for me – with the intrinsic value and core belief in mutual responsibility and concern for one another as a cornerstone. I feel immense satisfaction knowing that through Rotary, I've helped someone live better."



Samuel "Sam" Owori

During his one-year term as Rotary's 108th president beginning on 1 July 2018, Owori will focus on building membership worldwide and increasing visibility and understanding of Rotary. He's played an instrumental role in growing the number of clubs in Uganda from nine to 89 over the course of 29 years. "Today more than ever, the world needs to know and understand Rotary's impact and values of advancing international understanding, goodwill and peace," says Owori. "We are all too busy and we've lost our patience. Through friendship and service, membership in Rotary offers countless ways to connect and create meaningful change in your community, as well as opportunities to see the world through a more global lens."

ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

Member attendance 72.2%

Apologies: David Walsh, Terry Pankhurst, Claude Rigney, Michael Bradley

Guest Speakers: Aryan Panchasara & Luke Harris

Guests: Salvation Army Captain Steven Smith, Catherine and Peter Harris

Leave of Absence: Nil

MEMBER NEWS

BIRTHDAYS

Jeanette Rigney - March 14th

ANNIVERSARIES

Jim & Esther Fraser - March 11th

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Ian Chappel - March 10th

Thought for the Week

Those that know, do. Those that understand, teach.

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