

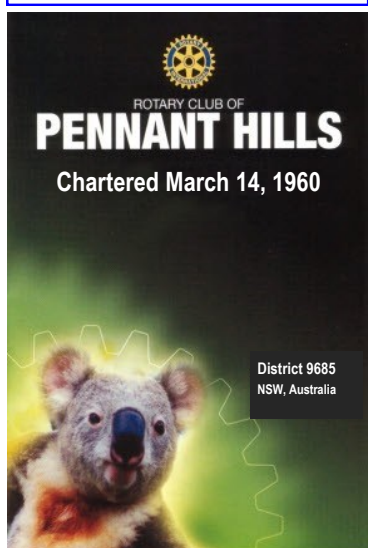


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OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK

SOCIAL NIGHT IN THE MEMBERS BAR AREA AT THE GOLF CLUB

Chairman: President Alex

Reporter: Adrian Bell

HOW TO MAXIMISE RETURNS REGARDLESS OF DIFFICULTIES

Dad & Dave saw an ad in the daily newspaper and bought a mule for \$100. The farmer agreed to deliver the mule the next day. The next morning the farmer drove up and said, "Sorry, fellows, I have some bad news, the mule died last night." Dad & Dave replied, "Well, then just give us our money back." The farmer said, "Can't do that. I went and spent it already." They said, "OK then just bring us the dead mule." The farmer asked, "What in the world are ya gonna do with a dead mule?" Dad said, "We're gonna raffle him off." The farmer said, "You can't raffle off a dead mule!" Dad said, "We shore can! Heck, we don't hafta tell nobody he's dead!" A couple of weeks later, the farmer ran into Dad & Dave at the local grocery store and asked, "What'd you fellers ever do with that dead mule?" They said, "We raffled him off like we said we wuz gonna do." Dad said, "Hell, we sold 500 tickets fer two dollars apiece and made a profit of \$898." The farmer said, "My Lord, didn't anyone complain?" Dave said, "Well, the feller who won got upset. So we gave him his two dollars back." Dad & Dave now work for the government. They're financial advisers to Treasury.

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APOLOGIES &

GUESTS:

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before Noon on

Saturday



NEXT WEEK'S MEETING

PHIL STANTON'S UPDATE ON THE NORTH CONNEX PROJECT

CHAIRMAN: ADRIAN BELL REPORTER: THEO GLOCKEMANN

REPORT FROM LAST WEEK'S MEETING

President Alex opened the meeting and welcomed the two special guests Andrew and Julie McDonald from the PKU organisation. The “acting honorary treasurer”, David Firth, reminded the members that the semi-annual dues were due and it would be very helpful to have them paid.

The President handed out a copy of his proposed Plans and Projects for 2017-18 and requested all members to check the list and advise him of any suggestions or comments on the proposed list. David Firth advised on details of approximate costs regarding the proposal to change the club T shirt and other club material which he expected to have more accurate costs on soon. Sergeant Theo was then unleashed on all the unsuspecting members, with special fines directed at the members of the golf club. Claude Rigney appeared to be in the firing line, but no member was safe from fines during Theo's “Blitzkrieg”.

Following dinner, the chairman, Phil Stanton, gave a update on the proposed Charity Golf Day, which is scheduled for Tuesday 17th October and NOT the 24th, which appeared on the program sheet. Phil advised that the change in month from February to October was designed to avoid the clashing with a number of golf days in that month, which he believed made it difficult for our Rotary Club to attract golfers and sponsors. He stressed the importance for all members to try and encourage golfers and sponsors to be a part of our golf day.

Andrew McDonald then gave an excellent presentation of the association of the PKU organisation and the Rotary Club of Pennant Hills over the past 12 years and highlighted the great progress that has been made, especially with the involvement of Professor John Christodoulou. He also advised that even though John is now based in Melbourne, work is still continuing with research on pro biotics at the Westmead Children's Hospital. Andrew advised that work was also continuing at the Murdoch Institute and that an English company, Cycle Pharmaceuticals, had also shown an interest in research into pro biotics and the development of a program of clinical trials.

In response to a question on what was PKU, both Andrew and Julie were able to give a parents first hand knowledge on how it affects young people. The devastating impact of PKU if not treated properly, includes brain damage, seizures and irreversible damage to the body. It was explained that the number of cases of PKU varied in different countries. For example, in UK and Ireland it was 1 in 4000, in Turkey 1 in 6000 and Australia 1 in 10,000. In Polynesia it was Zero.

Julie was also able to give a mothers knowledge on what her son James was able to eat and in what quantities, and it would make any young boy struggle to eat the very restricted and limited meals, especially compared to his friends who had the “luxury” of McDonalds and KFC! All members were very impressed with the progress that the PKU foundation had made and all were very pleased that the Rotary Club of Pennant Hills had been a major partner in the journey and will continue into the future.

Ian Chappel advised the members of his proposed participation in the City to Surf race and encouraged them to assist the Australian Rotary Health Fund by sponsoring him as the money goes to the A R H Fund.

President Alex reminded us of the need for at least 6 new members and the distinct possibility of having a roster for the nightly Treasurer's job, just like the weekly job of Reporter. A lot of discussion was then centred around the setting up of the room with Rotary Regalia. The reporter was of the view that this “chore” was always the responsibility of the Sergeant!

Reporter: Pat Parker

Two photos from the history of our club's involvement with the PKU Research project



**Terry P with his 2 daughters
receive ARH recognition**



**Terry with Naz Al Hafid and Prof
John and cheque for \$17,000 in 2011**

Rotary President-elect Sam F. Owori dies

Rotary International President-elect Sam F. Owori died unexpectedly on 13 July due to complications from surgery. Sam was a member of the Rotary Club Kampala, Uganda, for 38 years.

Rotary President-elect Sam F. Owori died Thursday.

"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," Sam said when he was nominated last year. "I feel immense satisfaction knowing that through Rotary, I've helped someone live better."

Sam's term as Rotary's 108th president would have begun on 1 July 2018.

"Please remember Sam as the outstanding, hard-working Rotarian he was," said Rotary International President Ian Riseley. "In this difficult time, I ask you to keep his wife, Norah, the Owori family and Sam's millions of friends around the world in your thoughts."



Under Sam's leadership, the number of clubs in Uganda swelled from nine to 89 over the course of 29 years.

Sam saw in Rotary members "an incredible passion to make a difference," and wanted to "harness that enthusiasm and pride so that every project becomes the engine of peace and prosperity."

Sam was the chief executive officer of the Institute of Corporate Governance of Uganda, whose mission is to promote excellence in corporate governance principles and practice in the region by 2020. Previously, he was executive director of the African Development Bank and managing director of Uganda Commercial Bank Ltd., and director of Uganda Development Bank. He has also served as corporation secretary of the Central Bank of Uganda.

He served as member and chair of several boards including FAULU (U) Ltd., (now Opportunity Bank), the Uganda Heart Institute, the Centre for African Family Studies, Mulago Hospital Complex, Mukono Theological College, and the Kampala City Council.

Sam also was the currently vice-chair of the Hospice Africa Uganda, and member of the board and chair of the Audit Committee of PACE (Programme for Accessible Health, Communication and Education) in Uganda.

"Sam was a special person in so many ways, and his unexpected death is a huge loss to Rotary, his community and the world," Riseley said. "In addition, we are establishing details on plans to celebrate his life as they become available."

Rotary is establishing a memorial fund in Sam's honor and will provide further details soon.



Daffodil
Day

Join us on Friday, 25th August for Daffodil Day.

It's a 6.30am start at Pennant Hills Railway Station.

We'll have a range of items to sell to the commuters and the school children passing through the station. This is a fun way to spend a morning and give help to those in need. Selling one daffodil pin for \$5 can help give support and information resources to 5 people affected by cancer. Talk to Pat Parker if you can help.

SPECIAL NOTICE

Fellows, just to confirm that membership fees are due. As you know, you can pay either the annual amount now or a half year amount now and the balance in December/January.

We do need to receive fees this month as we have to pay membership dues to Rotary International, Rotary District 9685 and Rotary Down Under.

Thanks, Acting Treasurer

THE FORWARD PROGRAM

DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	CHAIRMAN	REPORTER
July 24th	Phil Stanton's Update on the North Connex Project	Phil Stanton	Adrian Bell	Theo Glockemann
Aug 25th	DAFFODIL DAY	AT PENNANT HILLS	STATION	6.00 to 9.00am
Sept 15th	Volunteer at RYDA at	Sydney Olympic Park	Mount St Benedict High School	6 volunteers Required 8.30am to 2pm

ATTENDANCE AT LAST WEEKS MEETING

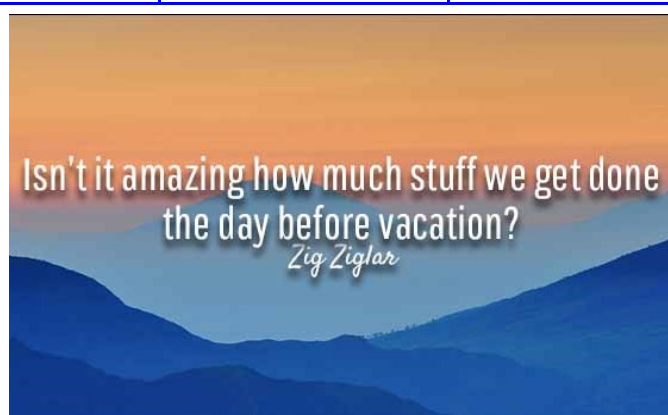
Member Attendance: 75.0%

Apologies: John Ellis, Ian Huckel, Pam Hudson,
David Walsh

Visitors: Julie and Andrew McDonald

Visiting Rotarians: Nil

Leave of Absence: Nil



APOLOGIES & VISITORS

Fellows, just a reminder that you need to advise if you are not going to attend the weekly meeting. Jack Reid assembles the numbers to advise the Golf Club on Saturdays at noon. Leave a message on the club answering service - 9294 2107. Similarly, if you are bringing a visitor to a meeting, leave a message on that line.

If you are going to be absent for more than 3 weeks in a row, you need to ask for 'Leave of Absence' by notifying Secretary Jim Fraser in writing or by email.

MEMBER NEWS & WELFARE

BIRTHDAYS

Esther Fraser on July 23rd

ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

BREAKING NEWS!

Honorary member, PP David Hopping is preparing for a major event in his illustrious life. He is about to become an OBE! That's right, he will be Over Bloody Eighty on 23rd August. David was a very active member of this club and still retains his direct interest in the club and its projects. He receives 'Spokes' by email every week.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"A business absolutely devoted to service will have only one worry about profits. They will be embarrassingly large."

- Henry Ford