

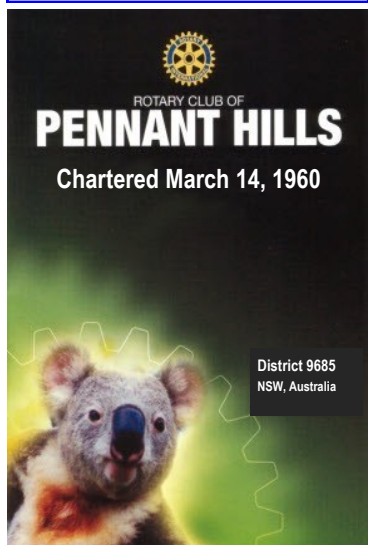


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**Saturday**



## OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK

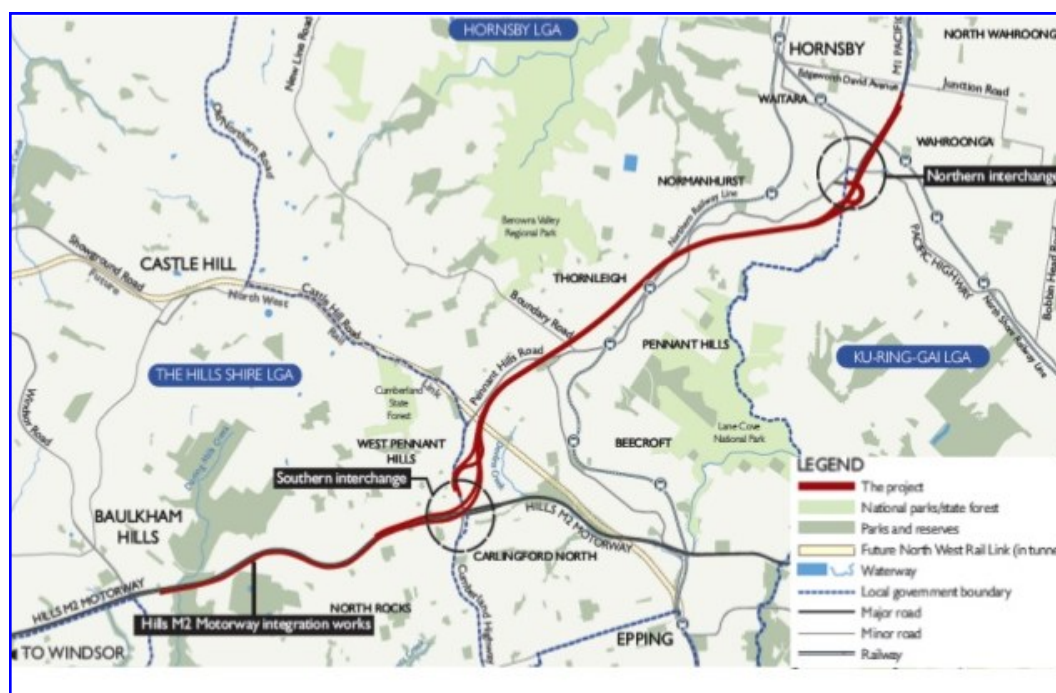
# NorthConnex

## NORTHCONNEX PROJECT UPDATE

**BY PHIL STANTON**

**Chairman: Adrian Bell**

**Reporter: Theo Glockemann**



## THINGS I HAVE LEARNED .....

- I've learned that it takes years to build up trust, and only seconds to destroy it;
- I've learned that it's not *what* you have in your life but *who* you have in your life that counts;
- I've learned that you can get by on charm for about fifteen minutes. After that, you'd better know something;
- I've learned that you can keep going long after you can't;
- I've learned that we are responsible for what we do, no matter how we feel;

## NEXT WEEK'S MEETING

**T B A**

**CHAIRMAN: President Alex REPORTER: David Firth**

## Rotary Meeting – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July, 2017

The Terrific Ten strode into town. Nobody there dared stare them down.

The Padre's the boss. He hopped off his hoss. Had a letter from the Wilson gang on the reception last week – said it was awesome, but we ain't comin back.

Pistol Packin' Pat had a crack on RYDA. Gonna get those dudes from Bennies in line – tried 4 times today, but ain't got no luck. Gonna hit them tomorrow and see how we go. We need to have 6 or it ain't gonna work, but, oh, by the way, I'm outta town.

The Day of the Daffy been organised for weeks. You've all been volunteered and, oh, by the way, I'm outta town. Again.

Dangerous Dave threw down his hat. I can beat that. POW is right where it's at. Got a letter from Rhode Island. They wanna know – just how does that POW from Down Under go? We're gonna fix 'em and tell 'em just how. We'll sell 'em some trophies and bugger RI.

Sweet Phil Stanton, too busy to show. Sent a message with Dangerous, for all us to know. Gonna need some assistance with resplendent pressos for us all to enjoy.

Six Gun Theo had his turn to chat. Gonna hit up that RAWCS and help us selves to some of that Dick Smith dough – they've got a million or so. Get some for St. Lucys and more for Maccas House.

Pistol Packin Pat came back for a chat. Whats doin with that Trailer Raffle gig? Time to start hittin up the locals if we want a good show.

Speedy Chapelli the Mexican took a turn on the floor. He's reckonin he's gonna be runnin the hill – Heartbreak Hill that is, City to Surf. Cagey Claude put himself in for \$50 to sponsor the dude.

Six Gun came back and flogged off the cash. Ain't no-one was spared from his evil lash.

The Padre said Whoa, it's time to go (home). So he made us all sing.

Then the Ten rode out, ne'er to return.

Reporter: Guess who!

### INTERNATIONAL TOAST

**Rotary Club of East Greenwich Rhode Island** - Chartered in 1963. They meet on Wednesdays at 12.15pm at the New England Institute of Technology.

Tonight we toast President Paul Muffoletto and their 49 members.



**East Greenwich** is an affluent town and the county seat of Kent County, Rhode Island, United States. The population was 13,146 at the 2010 census. East Greenwich is the wealthiest municipality within the state of Rhode Island.

Formed as Greenwich in 1677, it was named for Greenwich, England. It was renamed Dedford in 1686 but reverted to its original name in 1689. In 1741 the more rural western three-quarters of the town was set off as West Greenwich, the remaining quarter of it thenceforth being called East Greenwich. Until 1854, it was one of the five state capitals for Rhode Island. The General Assembly, when meeting in East Greenwich, used the local courthouse, which is today the town hall. East Greenwich Village is located in the northeastern part of the town and extends north about 1.5 km into the town of Warwick, Rhode Island. The town is now known for its waterfront and downtown business district. 20 percent of the land in East Greenwich consists of undeveloped woods and farmland, although development continues to bring this proportion down.

The Rotary Club of East Greenwich has many projects but one they have conducted for 24 years is their **Annual East Greenwich Rotary Club Citrus Drive**, where they sell 'cases of just-picked-from-the-tree Florida oranges and grapefruit, and delicious D'Anjou pears.' They also make up gift baskets. They take orders in advance so that they only obtain enough produce to meet orders.

*Fellows, President Alex has suggested that the club make a contribution to the Endowed Fund. What do you think?*



Join us in honoring 2017-18 Rotary International President Ian Riseley and Past District Governor Juliet Riseley for their many years of Rotary service and leadership by contributing to a special endowed fund.

All contributions are welcome. Your gift to the **Ian and Juliet Riseley Endowed Fund** will support grants in the Foundation's peace and conflict resolution and prevention area of focus, now and into the future.

For a gift of \$1,000 or more, you will be recognized as a Benefactor of The Rotary Foundation and will receive a distinctive certificate and an insignia to wear with a Paul Harris Fellow or other appropriate pin.



Ian and Juliet Riseley

**Show your appreciation to 2017-18 RI President Ian Riseley and Juliet Riseley by making a contribution today.**

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**The Rotary Foundation — Ian and Juliet Riseley Endowed Fund**

Donor's name: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_

Rotary ID number: \_\_\_\_\_ Rotary Club of: \_\_\_\_\_

Donor's address: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed:    ☐ \$5,000    ☐ \$1,000    ☐ \$500    ☐ Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Daffodil  
Day**

**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**

**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.**

## THE FORWARD PROGRAM

DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	CHAIRMAN	REPORTER
July 31st	T B A	T B A	President Alex	David Firth
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
Oct 17th	CLUB CHARITY GOLF	DAY at PENNANT HILLS	GOLF CLUB	Details to be advised

### ATTENDANCE AT LAST WEEKS MEETING

**Member Attendance:** 62.5%

**Apologies:** Michael Bradley, John Ellis, Jim Fraser, Phil Stanton,

**Visitors:** Nil

**Visiting Rotarians:** Nil

**Leave of Absence:** Pam Hudson,

### **World's Greatest Meal generates \$7 million to fight polio**

When Susanne Rea became polio chair of Rotary District 9550 in Queensland, Australia, she was living a quiet retirement of reading books and gardening. But as she brainstormed ways to engage her fellow Rotarians in the campaign to end polio, she had an idea, and her life changed completely.

In 2014, Rea founded **World's Greatest Meal**, a program in which Rotarians host meals, anything from two people having lunch to elaborate gourmet dinners, and ask for donations. WGM started small but has grown enormously, and, with matching funds from the **Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation**, WGM has raised over \$7 million to date. To keep the momentum alive, Rea reverse-mortgaged her house and embarked on a world tour, speaking, vaccinating, and motivating across 32 countries.

She pays her own way, and local Rotary members host her whenever possible. "We raise awareness as well as funds," she says. "I spend a lot of time explaining what goes on in Pakistan with the training of the polio workers."

Rea is a childhood polio survivor herself, but she doesn't focus on that. Instead, her motivation is to make an impact during her retirement.

Some meals bring in a lot of money, but Rea says the number of participants is more important.

"A big donation is wonderful," she says. "But my idea is that it's giving back polio eradication to the ordinary Rotarian, or grassroots Rotarian as I like to call them, because no Rotarian is ordinary."

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### MEMBER NEWS & WELFARE

#### BIRTHDAYS

Nil

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

#### INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"I believe that imagination is stronger than knowledge. That myth is more potent than history. That dreams are more powerful than facts. That hope always triumphs over experience. That laughter is the only cure for grief. And I believe that love is stronger than death."

- Robert Fulghum