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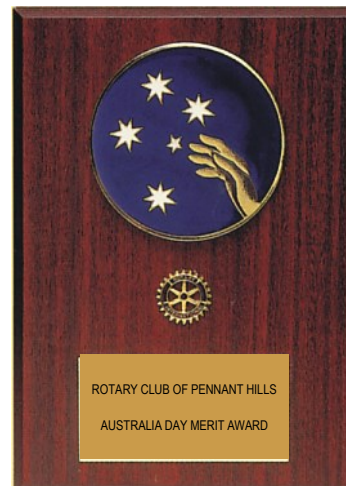
OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK



Australia Day Meeting

Chairman: PP Phillip Stanton

Reporter: David Firth

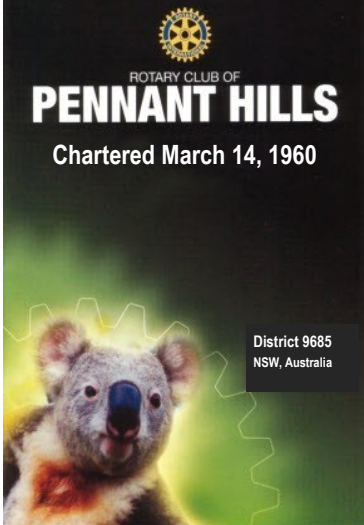


OUR NEXT MEETING - January 29th

The 2018 District 9685 RYLA Experience

Speaker: Jade Upton our RYLA awardee

Chairman: John Ellis Reporter: Pat Parker



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Saturday



2018/19 RI PRESIDENT BARRY RASSIN WANTS ROTARIANS TO BE THE INSPIRATION



THE 2018/19 THEME LOGO

Rotary International President-elect Barry Rassin laid out his vision for the future of the organization on Sunday, calling on leaders to work for a sustainable future and to inspire Rotarians and the community at large.

Rassin, a member of the Rotary Club of East Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas, unveiled the 2018-19 presidential theme, *Be the Inspiration*, to incoming district governors at Rotary's International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA. "I want you to inspire in your clubs, your Rotarians, that desire for something greater. The drive to do more, to be more, to create something that will live beyond each of us."

Rassin stressed the power of Rotary's new vision statement, "Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves." This describes the Rotary that leaders must help build, he said.

To achieve this vision, the president-elect said, Rotarians must take care of the organization: "We are a membership organization first. And if we want to be able to serve, if we want to succeed in our goals — we have to take care of our members first."

Rassin asked the incoming district governors to "inspire the club presidents, and the Rotarians in your districts, to want to change. To want to do more. To want to reach their own potential. It's your job to motivate them — and help them find their own way forward."

POLIOPLUS - ROTARY'S PROGRAM TO ERADICATE POLIO WORLDWIDE

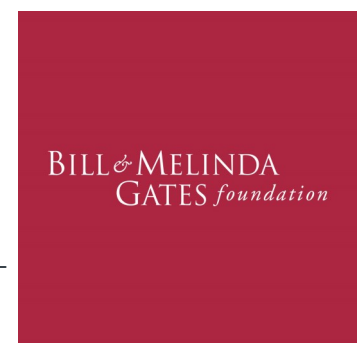


Rotary, the World Health Organization, UNICEF and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention launched the Global Polio Eradication Initiative in 1988. In 2007, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation joined Rotary in its commitment to ending polio.

Since 2013, the Gates Foundation has matched every \$1 Rotary commits to polio eradication 2-to-1, up to \$35 million per year. Rotary, with matching funds from the Gates Foundation, has contributed more than \$1.6 billion to end polio.

Since we started the fight against polio, we've reduced the number of polio cases by 99.9 percent and reached more than 2.5 billion children with the vaccine. There are fewer polio cases today than ever before, but we will not stop until we reach zero. If polio is not eradicated, hundreds of thousands of children could be paralyzed. Global health care costs would rise dramatically, and many children's quality of life would be drastically diminished.

2018 could see polio cases reduced to zero after just 16 cases in 2017. The eradication of polio will mean that it is the second human disease, after smallpox, to have been driven to extinction.



SOME OF OUR PAST AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDEES



KAY COTTEE AO



NANCY BIRD WALTON OBE



IAN KEIRNAN OAM



PETER WAITE OAM



DR CHARLES SHARPE OAM and
MARGARET SHARPE OAM



PROF DR HARRY EDWARDS AM



PROF CRESWELL EASTMAN AM



ANDREW TINK AM



MARELLE THORNTON AM

These awardees are just some of the people our club has honoured over the past 31 years. The citations for each can be seen on the brass plaques which are on public display beside the entrance to the Pennant Hills Library on the corner of Yarrara and Ramsay Roads, Pennant Hills opposite the railway station.

DISTRICT 9685 RYLA

RYLA 2018 was held from Sunday 7th to Saturday 13th January at the Uniting Conference Centre Elanora Heights. This week-long RYLA experience is an intensive time of nonstop activity and interaction.

Our awardee, Jade Upton, is our guest speaker next week. We will have the opportunity to hear about her experience at this major youth program run by our district.



THE FORWARD PROGRAM

DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	CHAIRMAN	REPORTER
Jan 29th	The 2018 District 9685 RYLA Experience	Jade Upton	John Ellis	Pat Parker
March 10&11	District 9685 Conference	at Fairmont Resort, Leura	Come for a day,	or for the weekend

A REMINDER FROM THE TREASURER

Fellows, this is just a reminder that those of you who are paying your membership fees on a six monthly basis are due for your second instalment of \$200 now. If you could pay this before the end of January, that will allow us to maintain our Club Account with an appropriate balance to meet the costs of running the club.



Economic and Community Development, and Peace
17 March 2018 — Sydney, Australia

The [Rotary International Presidential Peacebuilding Conference 2018 \(RIPPC 2018\)](#), will be taking place on the 17 March 2018 at Sydney Town Hall. This is a Conference you do not want to miss with this being one of the six Rotary Peace Conferences to be held across the globe.

The Conference Program includes keynote lecturers and presentations from international and national leaders in the industries of 'Economic and Community Development and Peace'. Delegates will hear about the underlying causes of conflict including poverty, disease, lack of water and food security and the lack of education from our inspirational and stimulating speakers.

ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

Member Attendance: 73.3%
Apologies: Pam Hudson, Pat Parker, David Firth
Guests: Nil
Visiting Rotarians: Nil
Leave of Absence: Nil

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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Nil

ANNIVERSARIES

George & Dorothy Green - January 17th

INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Pam Hudson - January 20th

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'Ordinary people need to lead and not sit there and think that governments are going to spoon feed them'.

Ian Kiernan – organiser of Clean up Australia Day