

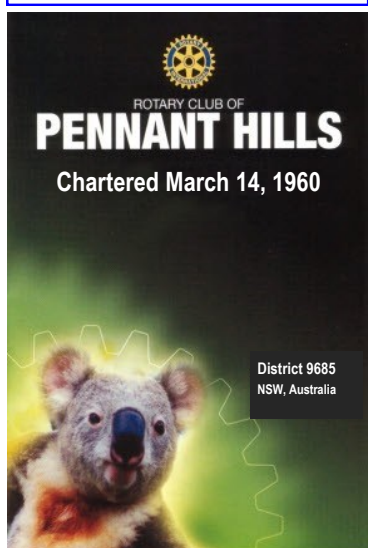


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**Saturday**



## OUR PROGRAM THIS WEEK

# ‘USING SOCIAL MEDIA FOR OUR ROTARY CLUB’

Guest Speaker: Anne Wright,  
PR Director for Beecroft Rotary Club

Chairman: Pam Hudson

Reporter: Ian Chappel

Social networking is one form of social media. Examples are -

[Facebook](#), [Google+](#), and [LinkedIn](#)



Photo Sharing is another form of social media. Examples are -

[Instagram](#), [Flickr](#), [Snapchat](#) and [Pinterest](#)



Then there is posting very short entries or updates on social networks  
such as [Twitter](#) and [Tumblr](#)



## OUR NEXT MEETING - February 19th

TBA

Speaker: TBA

Chairman: President Alex Reporter: John Ellis

## Rotary Meeting – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February, 2018

In order to whip up some enthusiastic and interesting reporting skills, I've just wasted 40 minutes reading and re-reading some of the old meeting reports..... made-up songs, spacemen, old cowboys, undercover secret agents, policemen..... what a lot of old rubbish. Henceforth, I promise to more factual in the future – maybe even this time.

Probably not.

President Alex, having run out of holidays, seminars, conferences & frequent flyer points as excuses to have a wag, was on hand to open the meeting promptly @ 7. He introduced our guests for the evening, being the Family Button – young chap Sam and M&D Anna & John.

You remember John Button – he's the Labor party chappie that architected the downfall of the Australian motor manufacturing industry.

What? Who? I heard Minister and John Button and put 2 & 2 together.

Oh, that sort of minister – like Alex? What are they, frenemies? Engage in coopertition? You know – make like they are friends, but secretly stab each other in the back? How did he even let them in the building? Oh, Son Sam - who voyaged heartily on the Young Endeavour just recently. Got it.

Sorry about that.

Even before we overcame that confusion, Theo slunk (?) out to investigate an apparent disturbance in the car-park. He came back a few minutes later, announcing that it's all OK out there. False alarm.

Captain Chappelli had a yack about a letter from the Rotary Foundation. Naming & congratulating all the toadies that filled up and returned their Centurion money boxes. You all know who you are. I was much smarter – I've saved mine up, still in its original wrapping. One day it will be worth a fortune.

John Ellis, the Sonorous History Man, held forth a report on the recent RYPEN.

Adrian chatted about the forthcoming 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of The Big Day Out. The advert for which is somewhere hereabouts in Spokies. This year, like last, there will be a quiz and bonus points for clever answers, but I think we'll also add in the opportunity for a little bribery and corruption.

Theo had a rant on the Red Shield Appeal, which is already getting ramped up for this year's effort.

Then Theo – I reckon he thinks he's the star of this gig..... always up chatting, investigating and now stealing money – did his Sergeantly rounds of the wallets. Scurrilous.

Sonorous History Man introduced Sam Button. Out Venturous Voyager on what turns out to be the 15<sup>th</sup> outing (16 years, but we skipped one for the Gallipoli Centenary) of this award from PHRC (or is that RCoPH?).

Sam, evidently, had a great time. He openly admitted he learned a great deal – what is it with modern teenagers doing all this learning stuff? Not like in my day.

He learned how to deal with people & situations, all the while having to allow for a pitching and rolling ship. He learned to back himself in situations and that it was OK for him to lead.

Just like the inaugural Endeavour Venturer, he was the Nav and on the winning watch. History repeats.

President Alex brought it all to a conclusion at 8:50. A good job, that you all, night night.

How was that? Factual? Tick. Truthful? Tick. Cheeky? Tick. Sarcastic? Tick. Bugger. Almost like old times, not the way I'd planned it at all. I'll have to try harder next time.

**Reporter: Adrian Dingaling Bell**



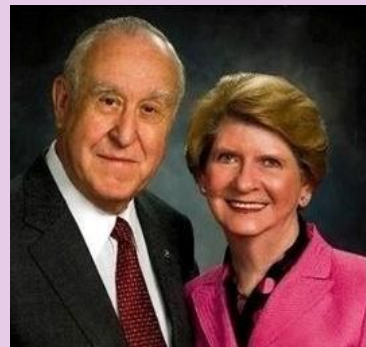
Sam Button (centre) flanked by his parents, Anna & John (left) and John Ellis (right)

## D9685 Rotary Foundation - Paul Harris Society Dinner, 5th March 2018

We are joining with Beecroft Club for this special dinner on Monday, 5th March. The keynote speaker will be the Past Rotary International President, John Germ, who was president last Rotary year, pictured here with his wife.

PDG David Rands has issued the invitation with some of the generous personal donors to the Rotary Foundation to be acknowledged.

The **Paul Harris Society** recognizes Rotary members and friends of The Rotary Foundation who contribute \$1,000 or more each Rotary year to the Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, or approved Foundation grants.



The 2017 Big Day Out was an awesome event. Check out the photo below:



### **2018 promises to be bigger and betterer.**

All Fellows, guests and even other Rotary Club members welcome. The more the better.

Same sort of concept, but new route, new questions, new adventures at the other end, more food, new opportunities for bribery & corruption.

Drive will be about 1¼ hours to get there, 2 new and different adventures at the other end, then an organised luncheon included. Still peckish after that – there are a couple of decent places for a Devonshire Arvo Tea.

We need to decide a date – there are already some dates unavailable, due to the popularity of the destination. We need a vote on the following dates, then we can book the whole thing up –

**Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March      Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March      Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> April      Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April**

Let me know your choice by end of meeting, Monday 12 February.

Adrian



# THE FORWARD PROGRAM

DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER	CHAIRMAN	REPORTER
Feb 26th	National Youth Science Forum report	Tom Harris & Anish Malish	John Ellis	Jim Fraser
March 5th	The Rotary Foundation Combined meeting with Beecroft club	Past RI President John Germ	PDG David Rands	Theo Glockemann
March 10&11	District 9685 Conference	at Fairmont Resort, Leura	Come for a day,	or for the weekend
March 12th	RYPEN Camp in 2018	Danielle Teo James Alexander	John Ellis	Theo Glockemann



To each there comes in their lifetime a special moment when they are figuratively tapped on the shoulder and offered the chance to do a very special thing, unique to them and fitted to their talents. What a tragedy if that moment finds them unprepared or unqualified for that which could have been their finest hour.

— Winston Churchill —

AZ QUOTES

## ATTENDANCE AT OUR LAST MEETING

**Member Attendance:** 81.25%

**Apologies:** Terry Pankhurst, Pat Parker, David Walsh

**Guest Speaker:** Sam Button

**Visitors:** Anna & John Button

**Leave of Absence:** Nil

## BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

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Elizabeth Thomas - February 15th

### ANNIVERSARIES

Nil

### INDUCTION ANNIVERSARIES

Ian Huckel - February 10th

## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

'One of the best lessons you can learn in life is to master how to **remain calm.**'

- Catherine Pulsifer