



President Elect's Message



FEBRUARY IS ROTARY PEACE, CONFLICT PREVENTION/AND RESOLUTION MONTH.

Another week has passed us by and I hope it has been kind to you all. Again we had the pleasure of our Honorary Member Jenny Brock and I'm sure she enjoyed listening to our guest speaker as much as we all did.

Marie introduced Ken Tough who entertained us with his wonderful poetry skills. His interest in poetry started

in Primary School although it lay dormant until his retirement to the coast about ten years ago. Somebody introduced him to the Gosford Poet's Society and he never looked back. He skilfully recited three very long poems commencing with an all-time favourite by Henry Lawson. This was followed by poems by Banjo Patterson, Murray Hart, Jim Brown and lastly his own work entitled "It was back in '48"



I'm sure we all wish we had such a wonderful memory as Ken. It was a wonderful evening of entertainment and I'm sure Ken would be happy to return at a later date.

Annette, as Youth Director reminded us of several Rotary Youth Programs that are about to happen during the next few weeks. For these programs to run efficiently volunteers from all our Central Coast Clubs are needed, so

please start thinking about which of the programs you would prefer. (NOTHING TO STOP YOU FROM VOLUNTEERING FOR A COUPLE HOURS FOR EACH PROGRAM). It's a great opportunity to meet Rotarians from other Clubs but more importantly to experience first hand how much time, energy and enthusiasm our students put into the tasks they are given.

The first of these events is our ROTARY YOUTH DRIVER AWARENESS WORKSHOP (RYDA) which is held at Wyong Race Course over several days in March. This year's dates are between 5th & 18th March.

Next up is the SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING CHALLENGE, held at St. Edwards College, East Gosford over two days 10th & 11th May.

Also in May but dates yet to be announced is the MODEL UNITED NATIONS ASSEMBLY (MUNA). This is usually held in the Erina Centre next to the Library. I have experienced them all and can thoroughly recommend them.

I'm a bower bird for reading all sorts of community information and so I will share with you an article which appeared in the Seniors Central Coast paper recently. This report was headed "A TREE-MENDOUS FUNDRAISER TO HELP OUR GRANDPARENTS". Our Club got a mention for our involvement. Although only a brief mention any publicity for our Club is beneficial.

As I mentioned last night, Wednesday 14th is of course Valentine's Day. Therefore if any of you would like to invite your partner/family or friend along for the evening please do so. Our guest speaker is Professor Charles Mackay – a Researcher into Immunology so another interesting evening.

However, please remember to book in any guests with Sue Tee no later than noon on Monday.

If you would prefer Marie to include you in a group club booking for the John Germ Dinner, please remember to bring your money - \$35pp. Marie needs your payment up-front.

Thank you and have a good week.

Regards, Jayne.

Jayne Mote | President Elect
2017-18

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO COUNTRY

We acknowledge the Darkinjung and Guringai people who are the traditional custodians of this land and pay our respects to Elders both past and present.

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

Of the things we think, say or do ...
Is it the TRUTH?
Is it FAIR to all concerned?
Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

MISSION

The mission of Rotary International is to provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through its fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

UGANDA - Divine Mercy School opening day

On Monday the 5th of February, on a hilltop overlooking Lake Victoria in the poor rural area of Buwampa, over 2,000 people - students, teachers, parents and special guests, including the Mayor and the local member, gathered to celebrate the opening of the new Divine Mercy School for 300 students for Nursery and Primary 1-3.



The local ladies aided in the preparation of uniforms for the students and formed a group they call Pure Joy. They wore their special matching shirts, provided dance routines and the catering. They performed a small play on how empowering it is to belong to Pure Joy. The catering team learnt how to maintain their aprons and hair covers and looked splendid in them. A bull was slaughtered the day before – and the Pure Joy ladies cooked meals for over 2,000 people. They made matoke (a dish made from cooked bananas), rice, greens, beef, beans, gravy - everyone was fed.

Each family contributed to the school. Students had to bring 12 rolls of toilet paper, 1 bundle of firework, 5kg of maize for porridge in the morning and a straw broom. This was before the uniforms were issued to them on the day before school opened. The parents have paid a small school fee of 20,000 Ugandan Shillings (about \$7) towards the teacher's salary. Having a new building has attracted a very professional group of teachers, all an absolute delight."

Our RYPEN team

Sue O'Neill our Project Director was there to witness the celebrations and send us this report.

"Today was the most amazing day! The opening of the school began with a youth marching band from the local church. They led the students and their parents from the school to the town market centre, maybe 2km and then 2km back, in the sun and 30-degree heat. Special guests included the Mayor, the local member and community leaders, who delivered very inspiring speeches on the importance of education.



Pictured here are our team with Annette before they attended RYPEN (Rotary Youth Programme of Enrichment). They made a short presentation about what they expected to achieve over the course of the weekend.

We look forward to hearing of their experiences when they report back to the club on the 20th of this month.

John Perks – Honorary Member



Peter Mote congratulates John – our latest honorary member.

'Australia Day' Pre-Event Pictures



The happy winner of our Raffle - Faye Cardwell of the Empire Bay Probuss Club



Enjoying the pre-show activities



The Mote kitchen



A serious discussion



Enjoying the view



Friends assembled

CALENDAR

Today – Professor Charles Mackay Research in Immunology

FEBRUARY 2018

- Sun 18 Sanitarium Kids TRYathlon (Bobby Redman)
- Tue 20 RYPEN participants
- Mon 26 Board Meeting
- Tue 27 Jackie Pearson - Journalist

MARCH 2018

- Tue 6 NO MEETING
- Wed 7 CC Rotary Dinner-Breakers - PRI Pres John Germ
- Tue 13 Joan Patrick - Local Historian
- Mon 19 Board Meeting
- Tue 20 Dinner Girl Guides Hall – DGE Susan Wakefield
- Sat 24 Opera in the Arboretum
- Tue 27 Vocational Service and Pride of Workmanship Awards evening

APRIL 2018

- Tue 3 Jenny Wilder – GUST – Grow Urban Shade Trees
- Sat 7 PETS (President Elect Training Session)
- Tue 10 Jill Colwell – Western Access Program – Delivering Distant Education
- Mon 16 Board Meeting
- Tue 17 NO MEETING
- Wed 18 Soup Night - Pearl Beach - Paul Harris Birthday
- Tue 24 Legacy Representative (TBC)
- Wed 25 ANZAC DAY
- Sun 29 District Assembly



SERGEANTS

February 13th Ted Crawley

JOIN US

We meet on Tuesday 6.00 for 6.30pm at Everglades Country Club, Dunban Road, Woy Woy.

MEMBERSHIP

Enquiries to Peter Mote | M: 0400 001 205

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS - Advise Sue Tee of non-attendance
VISITORS - If you would like to attend a meeting, please contact Sue Tee by 10am Monday

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THIS 'N' THAT NEWS

The Rotary Club of East Gosford is celebrating 50 years of service.

Dinner—Dance—Party

Friday 16 February 2018 7:00pm till late

Dancing to a live band

Parkview Room—Central Coast Leagues Club

Dane Drive, Gosford

Tables of 8 or 10

Tickets: \$45 per person— BOOK NOW

<https://www.trybooking.com/340985>

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Charles Brock announced at our last meeting that we have two winners of our Melbourne Cup raffle – one for the blue tickets and one for the yellow tickets. As the red ticket prize was not claimed the sum of \$800 goes into consolidated revenue.

Opera ticket sales are continuing. We have one new sponsor – The Patonga Hotel. Please support them with your patronage.

Secretary Jill is going to attend the Rotary Leadership Institute course at the District office in Thornleigh on Sundays 18th of February and 18th March. She asks if anyone else would like to attend. She has sent out an email with details.

Annette has heard that our attendees at RYPEN were very positive about the experience.

At the beginning of March is RYDA (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness), where senior school students are instructed on aspects of road safety, followed by the Science and Engineering Challenge and then MUNA (Model United Nations) where students practise their speaking skills. It is a busy period for which we will need the assistance of members. Sheets will be circulated at our meetings.

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