



President Elect's Message



I hope you all enjoyed last evening as much as I did, and what an action packed evening it turned out to be. Our three wonderful participants to the Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN for short) all appeared thrilled to be given the opportunity to attend camp this coming weekend. We look forward to hearing more from them when they return to us again on Tuesday 20th, when they will tell us in detail about their experience.

I'm sure our long-term members enjoyed catching up with John Perks and were pleased that he graciously accepted his Honorary Membership pin. Our newer members of course would not have known him but I imagine were impressed to hear of his wonderful history with our Club over so many years.

Peter as Membership Director has received 3 new applications for membership to our Club. Details have been circulated to the Board for their approval, and when this has been received full details will be sent out to members.

Our guest speaker Dave Byrnes was fascinating keeping us all spellbound with tales of his adventurous life. For those of you reading this but for many reasons were unable to join us last night Dave chose to tell us about his most recent adventure – he walked from the Mexican border to the Canadian border. This epic journey took him five and a half months to complete and covered a distance of 4,300km.

We also enjoyed the company of Jenny Brock, Honorary Member, guests of John Greenway, and four other wonderful people who came to check us out.

This month February, Rotary is observing Peace, and Conflict Prevention/Resolution month. Conferences have been arranged in several countries and will arrive in Sydney on 17th March. The agenda will cover economic and community development and peace. Applications are open now for suitable candidates to apply for a peace fellowship later this year. You may know just such a person.

Lastly bookings are open for the Rotary Clubs of the Central Coast dinner on 7th March. A flyer appears elsewhere in our 'Pinion'. Bookings are through www.trybooking.com/347845 at \$35 per head. You may of course prefer for our treasurer Marie to make a group booking. In order to do this Marie will need the money up front. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet Past International President John Germ. We have asked him to speak on 'Youth – Our Future Lifeblood'.

Stay safe and I hope you all have a great 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?

Message from Paris

Dear Rotarians,

My family and I wish you all a happy New Year and hope you had nice Christmas celebrations and summer holidays!

I spent Christmas with my family in Paris and New Year's Eve with my friends. We had two weeks of school holidays. Now I have to study because my BAC (HSC) is really soon :((

It's around 10 degrees in Paris and we haven't seen the sun much for the past two months (only 40 hours).

My Aussie best friend, Zoe, arrived in Paris a month ago and is gonna be an "au pair" for a year, 15km away from my home! It's making me so happy.

I really hope some of you are gonna come to Paris very soon.

(By the way, Bill Cook, thanks a lot for my swimming training last year because I trained again back to Paris and got to be one of the first in my category during a competition)

Sending you "la bise" from Paris!

Louise

[Ed. Looks like Louise learnt some strange Aussie words while she was here. Sergeant please speak a few appropriate words to Don.]

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.

INTERNATIONAL PROJECT UPDATE - The New Divine Mercy Primary School, Buwampa

The New Divine Mercy is set to open on Monday. Sadly, we had to stop enrolments at 300 students. The school will consist of Nursery, P1, P2 and P3 classes.



The Classrooms are complete with beautiful desks provided by the Rotary Club of Woy Woy. Blackboards are up, teachers are ready. Stationary and curriculum materials have been organised.

We have new composting latrines!



A big opening day celebration is planned. The community is very excited, several local government officials will attend. The Pure Joy ladies have been practising a dance routine. The children will form a marching band and march the community from the old school to the new school. The Pure Joy ladies will provide catering.

Sunday will be uniform distribution day. The Pure Joy ladies have been working to produce more than 300 beautiful lilac and purple uniforms.



It should be an exciting day!!

Sue O'Neill
RAWCS project manager

Australia Day 'Outing'

Australia Day was a play that had funny moments that appealed to many of our members. Everyone agreed that the cast were to be commended as they had a big script to learn.

Sadly, the event was not well supported by Club members, as it was a great social event attended by honorary member Col Margin and his wife May, the Empire Bay Probus Club, neighbours, family and friends. More importantly we supported another local community group.

My thanks to Bobby, Carole, Jill, Maggie and Marie who did a sterling job with the endless supply of food and helping to tidy up. I also thank Robert Payne and of course my other half for moving furniture and chairs around.

Lastly it was great to see Don and Sue able to relax at an event that they were not running.

Thank you everyone for your support.

Jayne.

[Ed. Our thanks to Jayne and Peter for hosting the pre-event]

President Russell in the USA



Russell is pictured here presenting one of our banners to the President of the Rotary Club of Twin Cities. We are looking forward to hearing of his travels and our American Rotary colleagues on his return.

District 9685
Rotary
Central Coast Clubs



**CENTRAL COAST
COMBINED
ROTARY CLUB'S
DINNER**

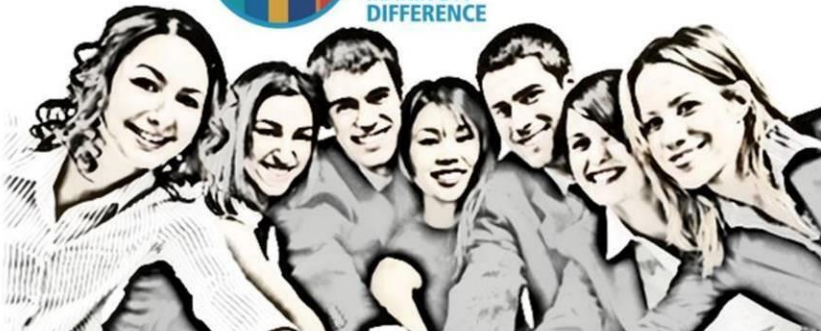
**John Germ, Immediate
International Past President will be
our Special Guest Speaker.**

"Youth – Our future Lifeblood"

John F. Germ is a member of the Rotary Club of Chattanooga, in Tennessee, USA and served as Rotary's World President in 2016-17.

As RI President John stated for Rotary to thrive members must face current and future challenges and opportunities with "passion, enthusiasm, perseverance, and above all, integrity." John envisaged Rotary boldly and creatively engaging the success of polio eradication, membership and identity issues, strengthening clubs, working with youth – our future lifeblood, and the creation of critical, strategic partnerships," and posed the question "that no one should ever have to ask, "What is Rotary?"

John has been a Rotarian since 1976, and has served Rotary as Vice President, Director, Foundation Trustee and Vice Chair, Chair of Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge and RI President's aide. He is a recipient of Rotary's Service Above Self Award and The Rotary Foundation's Citation for Meritorious Service and Distinguished Service Award and both John and his wife, Judy, are members of the Arch Klumph Society.



WHEN

7th March
6 for 6.30pm.

WHERE

Breakers
Country Club
64 Dover Road,
Wamberal.

COST

\$35
2 course meal

RSVP

26th February

Book on line
<https://www.trybooking.com/347845>

For further information contact PP Annona Pearse 0407402518 annona@bigpond.com or AG Jayne Mote 0405714289 mote1@bigpond.net.au

CALENDAR

Today - Ken Tough - Bush Poet

FEBRUARY 2018

- Tue 13 Professor Charles Mackay FAA - Research in Immunology
- 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 6th Sue Tee
- 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 Northlakes Toukley is holding its Annual Wyong Race Day on Saturday 3rd March 2018. This is the first race meeting in the \$1.25m 2018 racing NSW Provincial Championship Series. There will be an outdoor marquee with live entertainment, fashions on the field, raffle chest, sweep stake, photo booth and many more activities.

Tickets \$120 per person or table of 10 for \$1,100 which includes entry, lunch & standard beer, wine and soft drink package. For all bookings contact: Mitch 0414425772 or mitch@twinlakesair.com.au

WYONG PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONSHIPS
Rotary Club Northlakes Toukley Charity Race Day

\$150,000 qualifier - first race in the \$1.25 million 2018 Racing NSW Provincial Championship Series

Saturday 3rd March
Enjoy the day from the **New Outdoor Marquee!**

Live Entertainment | Fashion on the field Touch up station | Raffle Chest | Sweep Stake on major races | Photo Booth

\$120 per person | \$1,100 for table of 10
Includes entry, lunch, standard beer/wine/soft drink package

Rotary Club of Northlakes Toukley
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