



President's Message



Last Tuesday it was our pleasure to be guests of the Blackwell/Ettalong Guides District. It is gratifying to know that there are still good people prepared to be Leaders of young women who are enthusiastic and inspired to do good for others while taking the opportunity to achieve in their own personal development and experience. We were fortunate to have GDE Susan Wakefield as

our guest speaker sharing her vast experience and knowledge of the Guiding Movement during a long and distinguished career. It is interesting to note the similarity of purpose between Rotary and Guiding where Service to others is a core purpose. Thanks to Sue and Don of their co-ordinating and on the ground efforts-the ice creams were a perfect touch to end the evening. We also appreciated the expertise of the "BBQ Boys" on duty-well done. It was also a privilege to receive a framed Certificate of Appreciation from the Guides recognising the support of the Rotary Club of Woy Woy. Finally thank you to those Members who were able to attend this special and enjoyable evening.

Another wonderful success-Opera in the Arboretum took place last Saturday on a pleasant autumn afternoon without rain. A near maximum audience enjoyed a varied programme with great artists. Again, many thanks to John Greenway for his dedicated attention to putting the event together. As usual Vic Brown covered all the bases with the logistics with parking and security-well done. Thank you to all members who gave their time and energy to ensure all ran smoothly. Our raffle and program sales exceeded \$6,400-a great response for the eager Rotary ticket sellers.

This week we look forward to our Vocational Service Awards.

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Russell

[Russell Grove | President 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.

Charity Trivia Night

At the Everglades Country Club. Monday April 23rd 6:00 for 6:30pm. \$10 of the entrance fee of \$20 will go directly to Coast Shelter. A free drink and nibbles will be provided by Everglades.

Practice Question 2:

Name Australia's Territories. (Answer next week)

Last week's trivia question:

Name the highest peak of Australia and its Territories.

Answer:

Our highest "peak" is Mawson Peak on Heard Island in the Southern Ocean, (Heard and McDonald Island Territory) which is 2745 metres high and forms the summit of an active volcano (one of two in Heard and McDonald Islands territory) named Big Ben.

The highest mountain on Australian territory is in the Australian Antarctic Territory. Mt McClintock in the eastern sector of the Territory at 3490 metres with Mt Menzies in the western sector at 3355 metres, both considerably higher than Mount Kosciuszko at 2228 metres.

Elevations more than 4000 metres also exist in the western sector of the Australian Antarctic Territory, although these are ice domes and generally not considered mountains, but the definition is frequently debated. Also debated is our sovereignty over the Australian Antarctic Territory which is only recognised by 4 of the world's 195 countries. The UK, France, New Zealand and Norway.

Guest Speaker Joan Patrick - March 13

A History of the Woy Woy Abattoir



Joan Patrick with President Russell and Fiona

Joan was introduced by Fiona and spoke on one of our famous butcher families.

In 1882 Frederick Charles Nichols arrived at Port Jackson after 95 days at sea from Camberwell, London with four children aged 7, 5, 2 and 1 and with his wife pregnant.

He had a letter of introduction to Thomas Mort of Bodalla Estate which replicated an English Village with two churches, school, shops etc. While there, the family learnt the skills of the meat industry. (At the present day there is nothing left of the estate except for a church.)

The Bodalla Estate had 22,000 acres with 2300 head of cattle of which nearly a thousand were milking cows. They produced some 300 tons of cheese annually that was shipped to Sydney for sale. A thousand pigs were also slaughtered, and their meat sold in Sydney.

The family left Bodalla in December 1890 and Fred senior obtained a position at the Centennial Brewery Leichardt. After 10 years at the brewery he was able to buy his own little Bodalla Estate of three and a half acres at North Ryde in 1901. There the family developed their own ice works which opened for business in 1921. Four brothers of Ted were also butchers and they stored their produce at the ice works while it was waiting on delivery to their customers.

Between 1930 and 1936 Fred junior bought three butcher shops. The family decided that they needed their own abattoir.

In 1938 they decided on a slaughterhouse at Tennyson near the Blue Mountains. They had a ten-year lease. It closed in 1939 due to the intervention of WW2.

The next generation Norman, Cecil and Alan bought an abattoir in 1955. The electrification of the railway in 1960 increased the population of the Central Coast dramatically and they saw an opportunity. The brothers' opened their largest shop at 95 The Entrance Road, The Entrance with others at Gosford, Woy Woy and Umina.

The abattoir was located near the entrance to the tunnel at the base of the Bulls Hill. However, the shops could not compete with the supermarkets and the Govt required abattoirs to move away from populated areas. It closed in 26 May 2004.

A lively question and answer session ensued.

BBQ Photos March 20



Three of our Club's newest members Herbie, Nick and Eric undertook the BBQ function for the night at the Guide Hall and formed a great catering team along with Don and Sue. We had a beautiful presentation at the Buffet - lovely food, nicely cooked and delivered spot on time! It was enjoyed by all. Thanks guys for your efforts. Great achievement.

Speaker Susan Wakefield DGE at the Guides Hall - March 20



Susan was introduced by President Russell who said that as a partner of PDG John she was aware of what she was taking on and we were looking forward to having her leading the District next year.

Susan in her presentation compared Rotary with the Guiding movement.

Both commenced by founders born in the 19th Century. She said the first project of the first Rotary club was a public toilet for men in Chicago. Paul Harris's wife, Jean, is less well known than Paul but Susan received the initial Jean Harris award from the then DG Bob Aitken. Sadly, after two years the award was discontinued.

In the case of Guides, it was commenced as a branch of Scouting that was initiated by Baden-Powell after Girl Scouts marched at the end of a parade with Boy Scouts in 1909. Initially BP's sister ran the new "Guides" but when BP married, his wife, Lady BP, took over the role.

In 1970 at the age of 70, her doctors banned her from travelling and she lived in Hampton Court Palace until her death ten years later.

So, the two organisations have a similar background and similar mottos:

- Rotary – Service above self
- Guides – Be prepared.

Rotary has the Four Way test while Guiding has the Guide laws.

Guides provides overseas volunteer services such as sanitary services in Bangladesh and Rotary does similar programs for youth and overseas communities.

Susan said that when she was an eleven-year-old she would not go into a shop alone and that Guiding has given her confidence and basic skills that Rotary has developed still further. In the 1970s she joined a Rotaract club and attended RYLA. Later she joined the NSW police and unfortunately this prevented her from continuing with Rotaract because her work commitments. However, she was able to continue with Guiding.

Last weekend she attended a conference where there were many inspirational speakers. A panel discussion took place between a Rabbi, a lady head of an Islamic School and a Christian youth worker who worked together in a program called "Together for Humanity".

She concluded by saying the Rotary and Guiding are similar and there is much we can do for each other. She looked forward with working with us next year for we will be "Inspirational".

Susan was warmly thanked by Russell for her presentation.

Presentation by Belinda Player - Guides District Manager (Training)



Belinda speaking with Guides Ronnie Joyce, Jennifer and Phoebe

Belinda commenced by stating that as a mum she started the local group with Ronnie and about ten girls in 2007. By 2015 there were about twenty girls and they attended the Jamboree that year. (Two girls who attended that Jamboree were with us and are pictured above, Jennifer and Phoebe. They are looking forward to going again this year as Seniors.)

As a mum Belinda said that she had seen the benefit of girls going to Jamborees. Girls are pushed out of their comfort zone and learn that they can do things that they never thought that they could do. They come back with such amazing skills, full of energy to take advantage of everything that comes to them in life. For example, Jennifer came back from the Jamboree in July 2015 and by July 2016 had travelled to Canada. Belinda's own daughter came back and said that she was going overseas as well and spent some time in the UK having a great time.

This year her daughter is walking the Kokoda trail as part of her Duke of Edinburgh's award.

Belinda said that these girls are up and coming community leaders and she is proud of what Guiding produces out of a small district.

In an interactive session the following was elicited:

- Jennifer was in receipt of a bravery award for surf lifesaving at Killcare beach and Phoebe had just donated her hair and raised \$1240 in so doing.
- Jennifer in year 12 said that she had to concentrate on her HSC and then later she might travel overseas to be a volunteer.
- Phoebe in Year 11 was interested in going to Uni and doing childcare.
- Both expressed their enthusiasm to attend this year's Jamboree in Sydney.

The assembled Rotary group warmly congratulated the girls, Ronnie and Belinda for their achievements and encouraged them to continue their involvement in Guiding.

CALENDAR



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

MAY 2018

- Tue 1 Bobby Redman -A Better Understanding of Dementia
- Tue 8 Sponsors' Night
- Mon 14 Hawkesbury River Postman Ferry
- Tue 15 Dennis van Someren - Shine for Kids
- Mon 21 BOARD MEETING
- Tue 22 Joint Meeting with Umina Beach Rotary Club.
- Tue 29 - Preview Restaurant-Ourimbah (TBC)

JUNE 2018

- Tue 5 TBA
- Tue 12 NO MEETING
- Thu 14 CC MUNA (Gosford City RC)
- Thu 14 Top Blokes Presentation-Breakers Country Club
- Sun 17 Club Changeover (TBC)

SERGEANTS

Tues 27th Mar Sue Tee

JOIN US

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

MEMBERSHIP

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ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS - Advise Sue Tee of non-attendance
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THIS 'N' THAT NEWS

Stop Press: Opera at the Arboretum

John Greenway has again been at the helm of another successful afternoon at the Opera. Backed by a team of club members and friends the event was another showcase for the club.

A full report will appear in the next edition of the Pinion.

Message from John: Many thanks to you all for a great job done yesterday, only positive feed back so far.

We have been invited to the Annual General Meeting of the Guides BLACKWALL District on Monday, 9 April 2018 at Blackwall District Guide Hall, 120 Memorial Avenue, Ettalong Beach. 6pm.

For those who would like to kick up their heels here is an invitation to a country dance at Springwood in the Blue Mountains. Why not make a weekend of it and spend a night in the mountains?

A LITTLE BIT OF COUNTRY

The Rotary Club of Springwood
Invites you to a night of Country Music
Dance the night away with

Bell Bird Bush Band
With a Caller
Winmalee High School
High School Drive
Winmalee
Saturday April 14th
7pm—11.30pm

\$30 PP
\$50 Couples
Supper Supplied
BYO

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