







#### **Bulletin # 14 from 10th of October**

#### KIVA Program

The hard working International Director Chelsea gave a run down on how Kiva operates and how our Kiva projects had been going.



#### Micro Loans that change lives.

In developing countries, loans are not available to persons of low income. This holds back the opportunity to make physical improvements, and provide for health and educational needs. The organisation was started in October 2005 by Matt Flannery and Jessica Jackley and is based in San Francisco, but now has offices around the world. More information is available at kiva.org.

Money is provided by the lender at their discretion to persons who meet criterion deemed appropriate by Kiva. The money is provided as a loan with the understanding that it is to be repaid. In general the repayment rate is high.

Once the money is returned the money can be relent or withdrawn by the owner. Kiva featured in an Article in Rotary Down Under in March 2019. It has provided our club an opportunity to do good internationally without direct involvement.

We have now involved ourselves in 7 projects. The projects are varied and distributed throughout the world, but were chosen based on the Rotary themes of heath, education, hygiene.

Our outlay at this stage has been \$145 US and some loans have been partially repaid already. Projects include, a loan for a hearing aid, orthodontic treatment and money for tuition fees to study an engineering course. Money has also been provided for a water filter to give clean drinking water for a family where it was not available, and to build toilets and connect to local water supplies for a family where costs where too high for them to afford.

#### Next Week will feature the Friendship Exchange Group from the U.S.

As we anticipate more than 50 people in attendance on Thursday's meeting, the Crows Nest Bar is likely to be open. It is very important for catering, that we know numbers. If you do not advise, then it is possible there may be delays in providing meals. PDG Helen Ryan provided the meeting with details of the proposed itinerary for the group, for the period in Pt.Stephens.

Friday: Trip to Tea Gardens. Lunch at T.G Hotel. Departure 11.30am by ferry to leave at 2.30 for return trip to Nelson Bay.

Saturday:Inner light House visit with lunch at Inner light Cafe. Tour of Coastal patrol radio room is included.

Saturday Night: Dinner at Golf Club will be the farewell dinner.

Members and partners are invited to attend these functions but for catering purposes please advise Helen if you wish to attend any of these events.

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# Birthdays this coming week:

Bill Michel 16th of October Marianne McBean 22nd Fiona Whatham 22nd Anniversaries: Ian & Debbie Brigden on 23rd

#### Winners:

H & T: Spinner Doug spun out the players for the second week in a row.

Raffle:Leslie Freeman

#### **Member Duties**

Door: Dieter Grieter & Michael Jenkins

Meet/Greet:Peter Page

**Loyal Toast :**Bob Mitchell

MILCHELL

Grace: Judi Priestley

Bulletin : Chris Bartlett Binoculars:Leslie

Freeman & Chris Bartlett

#### Next week:

Friendship Exchange Guests from U.S will join us at the meeting.

Apologies/Extras, phone or text before noon on Wednesday! Ph: 0401 450 239

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Please join us in honouring our dear friend at the inaugural

# JUDY MITCHELL MEMORIAL

'Long Lunch for MND Research'

WHEN: Saturday, 16th November 2019

**TIME:** 12:00 - 3:30 pm

**WHERE:** Saltwater Restaurant, Level 1/3 Marine Dr, Fingal Bay NSW 2315

TICKETS: \$130 per person

**\$80 per ticket is a tax deductible donation** towards Motor Neurone Disease Research (2 Course Alternate Meal & Table Wine)

EARLY BIRD OFFER: Book and Pay prior to 16th October 2019

Then, go into the draw to win 2 Bottles of Wine (1 x Tyrrell Red and 1 x Tyrell White)

**BOOKINGS:** www.trybooking.com/544940

**Contact:** Helen Ryan **M:** 0409 842 455

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Ticket sales are going well in fact only a few seats remain so please ensure payment has been made.

If you would like to donate to the MND appeal but cannot attend the lunch, the option is to make payment via treasurer lan or via direct deposit to the club Acct 637000 781017418.

A tax receipt will be issued.

# Judy Mitchell Memorial MND Lunch

David Clarke advised that most tickets to the MND lunch had already been sold. Only about 1 table worth of seats remains.

The committee was meeting at Eviva Cafe on Friday to discuss arrangements for the event.

David also provided details of the committee members:

David Clarke (Chair), Helen Ryan (Secretary), Bob Michell, Christopher Barnes, Kathie Barnes, Bruce Odling, Susie Odling, Peter McBean, Kathy Rimmer, Arja Levonpera, Lorraine Nicol, Murray Nicol, Vicki Clarke, Roz Welsh. We are all looking forward to the event.

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Instead of a dinner at a venue, we are having a different concept, but in many ways it is a return to the old ideas of having fun using your own resources.

Some ideas of what you could bring include, a cake, a bottle of wine, pudding, painting or anything hand crafted. Surprise us and yourself?

Dinner will feature catering with a Christmas theme.

### **Bulletin #14 of 10th of October(4)**

## Polio Fund Raiser Film Night



Last Friday Night was a very successful and fun night at Nelson Bay Cinema for the screening of the movie "Ride Like a Girl". A good movie by all accounts, with great benefit in terms of providing funds to Polio eradication. 96 people attended on the night to raise a total of \$1700, which was rounded up by the board to \$2000. Raffles were organised, and Honorary member Terry Fitzsimmons won two of them. Attendees were encouraged to wear red to support the End Polio Program, and the sea of red suggests this idea took off.

Director Chelsea did a great job in overseeing the night. Chelsea would like to thank PDG Helen Ryan for all the help and support, Arja, Mike, Leslie ,Laurie who helped in set up, drinks service and raffles. Thanks to sponsors on the night Amcal+ Salamander, Bayside Family Chiropractic and Kmart. Thanks to Eviva Cafe and Tammy Kelly for drinks service on the night with appropriate staff and for providing a plastic free event.



The Binoculars at GanGan Lookout were in high demand over the long weekend with over \$700 being raised in this short period alone. The roster needs to keep rolling along as the income is being generated is consistent.

(Members to bring their own Aldi bag to handle the cash)

#### **BBQ** Duties

Director Milton advised of some opportunities to be involved in BBQ events with the club. Get some practice in before Christmas?

Friday 18th October Am Bunnings

Sunday 20th October Salt Ash Equestrian Event

Saturday 26th Of October. Navy Photographers Event at MiddleRock in the evening from 5.30 pm.