

Bulletin 26 of 19th January 2017

“Heaven Can Wait”

Charity Yacht Race on Lake Macquarie

“Most people don’t know much about the Cancer Council”, said our guest speaker for the night, Sue Russell. “But when I mention ‘slip, slop, slap’ most people recognise that”. Sue is Community Programs Coordinator for Cancer Council NSW. She visited our Club to provide information about a big fundraiser for the Council that is going to take place in February. Rotary Clubs in the region are invited to sponsor a boat in the race (for \$500). On Friday 17th February it starts with a Charity Dinner at the Royal Yacht Club Toronto with several interesting guests, like Liesl Tesch (Paralympic Gold Medalist) and Tom Addis (Navigator of the Sydney to Hobart Race winner “Perpetual Loyal”).

During this Race Dinner a draw is made to match participating boats with a sponsoring Rotary Club. The actual 24 hour endurance race takes places the following weekend. All proceeds go the Hunter and Central Coast chapter of the Cancer Council.

Before the end of the evening Jim Booth announced that he already had \$150 participation collected and was looking for more. Any members interested in making up the full \$500 are invited to contact Jim (0408 496716). Apart from that the Club will consider sponsorship in next week’s board meeting.



Sue confirmed that all proceeds stay in the region and pointed out that the Cancer Council helps funding the activities of the local support groups for prostate cancer and breast cancer.

Another major activity of the Cancer Council is the “Home Help” program. This program helps local people affected by cancer, providing services that include lawn mowing, house cleaning and support. This support is provided by local gardeners and house cleaners. For more information talk to a social worker at your Hospital or Call the Cancer Council Charlestown office on 49230700 or email Sue srussell@nswcc.org.au.

Nationally the Cancer Council is involved in funding research to the amount of \$120 million over the past 12 years, making it the largest non government funder of cancer research in NSW.



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Congratulations

Members birthdays

- 26-1 - Ella Clarke
- 28-1 - Graham Pretty
- 28-1 - Michael Jenkins

Partners birthdays

none

Anniversaries

- 20-1 - Yvonne&John Stuhmcke
- 21-1 - Denise&Geoff Diemar

Lady Luck

Head & Tails was won by Doug Craike and John Stuhmcke had the winning raffle ticket.

Next Week No Meeting

2nd February 2017

Speaker Ryan Palmer

Door

Bart Richardson
Judy Priestley

Grace

Tony Todd

Loyal Toast

Phill Smith

Meet and Greet

Hugh Randall
John Shaw

Intro Speaker

Henk Tobbe

Thank Speaker

John Stuhmcke

Bulletin Editor

Dieter Greiter



**Apologies and Extras, please phone or SMS
John Crump (0401 450 239) before Wednesday noon!**



Guest Speaker Extraordinary: Evan Burrell

**Saturday, February 11th - Nelson Bay Bowling Club
6 for 6:30 pm in the Nelson Room**

One of Australia's high profile Rotarians, RDU's Social Media Specialist, Evan Burrell will be Guest Speaker at Nelson Bay Rotary Club at our meeting on Saturday night February 11th 2017 at Nelson Bay Bowling Club. Evan was one of the presenters at our District Conference in Mudgee in 2016 and has numerous speaking engagements on both sides of the Tasman. He is highly entertaining.

Among Evan's topics are finding and attracting younger people to join Rotary, marketing and publicity and the promotion of Rotary. This is a special night and other local clubs have been invited to hear Evan speak. You will need to get in early, especially when you want to bring a guest!

NOTE The change of night for this meeting

Evan Burrell:

"Every single time you publish your online club bulletin or newsletter and email it to your subscribers, you should be asking yourself, "Have I made it informative AND engaging?"

Basically, your club bulletin could be the best piece of writing ever, but if no one reads it, what is the point? And if they do happen to read it but get absolutely no value out of it, what have you accomplished?

Make sure your club bulletin works for you, and the best way to do that is to make sure you are offering your readers something of real practical value."



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Australia Day

A day of hard yakka for all participating members and partners. The final roster and job descriptions will be mailed over the coming weekend. Please check your position, make sure you know what to do and when and talk to Don Whatham if there are any late changes in availability.

The weather forecast for the day is not too bad: partly cloudy and 28C. Make sure you keep hydrated. Drinking water is freely available during the day.

At the end of the day all members are invited to an informal Rotary meeting at the Rotary Shed (off Nelson Bay Road near the Council Depot) for a drink and a slice of pizza. Bring your own chair, plate and cutlery. Beer, wine and pizza are available at minimal cost.

INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

International Director, John Cropley announced an "international night" for next month:

**Thursday, 23rd February 2017
at the
Jumbo Palace Chinese Restaurant.**

This restaurant is located at the top end of the Cascade Walk (off Stockton Street). It is going to be an informal and social night for members, partners and guests. The charge will be \$25 pp for the meal (excl. drinks).





Mike Mobbs Resigned

Sadly we had to learn that Mike Mobbs has resigned from the Club. He joined us 13 years ago and has made many contributions to the Club and the community. He served on the board for many years in various capacities but is best known for his "Adopt A Road" initiative. Thanks Mike, for all you have done and all the best for the future.



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**



Guests this night: left Jill Pretty and right Brian Pont, guest of Richard Turner. Also present was Lynn Moffatt.

RI president for 2017-2018 is Ian H.S. Riseley from the RC Sandringham VIC introduced the theme for his year.

He sets us three main goals:

- support and strengthen clubs;
- focus on and increase humanitarian service;
- enhance Rotary's public image and awareness.

I am sure that when DGE Helen Ryan is back from San Diego she'll have a lot more to tell us about the coming Rotary Year.



**Early Bird Registration Closes 3 February 2017!!!
Don't miss out (and make sure you get your accommodation).**

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