

## Bulletin No 33- March 9 2017

### THIS WEEK-CLUB MEETING



Pick the odd person out?. Our Club recognised International Women's Day on Thursday, making Community Service Director Chris Bartlett, the odd man out. President Judy was introducing Treasurer/President Elect Kathy and Youth Director Arja and Chris to say a few words on the Rotary Leadership Initiative (RLI) program, which our Club strongly supports. Chris is the odd man out again, as he is the only male member of the Club to have completed RLI, and he facilitates RLI alongside Kathy,



Guest "tossler" for the night Ella Clarke showed signs of a misspent youth with her skills on with the coins, supervised by Raffle winner "Lucky" Doug Craike, our hard working "sparky"

Thursday night saw a smaller attendance than usual at our Monthly Club night. This did not prevent the members enjoying great fellowship and receiving updates from the Club Directors. We also recognised International Women's Day. President Judy asked Directors to give their reports, and included the announcement of 5% of all funds raised will be transferred to the Club's Centennial Scholarship Fund this Rotary Year. We are also on the look out for suitable applicants to be interviewed by the Scholarship selection team, led by Ian Brigden.. two of our recent recipients, Vicky Grey (Palliative Care Nurse) and Dan Howard (PCYC) are great endorsements for this Scholarship. Other Director reports appear in the Bulletin.

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**Birthdays this coming week:** Mar 09 Jenny Turner  
Mar 12 Secretary Don Whatham  
**Anniversaries** Nil

**Heads and Tails:** John Sully  
**Raffle:** Doug Craike

#### Member Duties 19th January 2017

**Door** Bill Michel/ Bob Mitchell  
**Meet/Greet:** Peter Page/Ed Parker  
**Loyal Toast:** Trisha Parnell  
**Grace:** Graham Pretty  
**Intro Guest speaker:** Hugh Randall  
**Thank Guest Speaker:** Phil Smith  
**Bulletin:** John de Ridder  
**Photographer** Henk Tobbe  
**Guest Speaker** the 2 John's – Cropley Rotary Afloat- DeRidder- Brief update Copsy community proiect.

**YOUTH AND TREASURERS REPORTS**

**TREASURERS REPORT**

Treasurer Kathy provided the Club with Financial Details presented at Wednesday night's Board Meeting. We have had a stellar year, in both the distribution of funds and the raising of funds, the majority going back to our local community.

Kathy also updated members regarding the updating of Auditing requirements for the Club's Centennial Scholarship Fund. As this is a Trust Fund, this is a separate Account, which is administered by the Trustees (the Board). The Fund will be audited with the general Audit of the Club's Account and shown as a separate item in our Annual Report. As a Club we are blessed to have Kathy and PP Ann overseeing our Finances.

**Balance Sheet**

As of February 28 2017

This report includes Year-End Adjustments.

**Assets**

**Current Assets**

GBS TD Club	\$7,196.13
GBS Club	\$4,570.35
GBS Service	\$12,056.42
GBS S'Ship	\$3,722.14
Visa Card -	\$263.20
Exercise Trail	\$1,517.70
Scholarship TD	\$11,233.53
Town Clock -	\$10,001.00
Golf Day Acc	\$26,023.02
PSWICS	\$1.00



**Other Current Assets**

Trade Debtors	\$130.00
Total Other Current Assets	\$130.00
Total Current Assets	\$76,714.49
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**Liabilities**

Net Assets \$76,714.49

**Equity**

Retained Earnings	\$76,766.07
Current Year Surplus/Deficit	-\$51.58
Total Equity	\$76,714.49

**OVERSEAS EXCHANGE**

To have the opportunity to study abroad is a life-changing experience. The Rotary Youth Exchange Program provides this opportunity.

If you are in year 9, 10 or 11 an opportunity for a Rotary Youth Exchange in 2018 is possible. Secondary school placements are available in many countries of the world.

An Information Session will be held at Nelson Bay Bowling Club, Stockton Street, Nelson Bay on Tuesday **14th March 2017 starting at 6:30pm.**

In conjunction with The Rotary Club of Nelson Bay.

Further information is available from:

The Chairman YEP

Denise Parkes

464 Fords Road

Limeburners Creek. NSW 2324

mob: 0417 263 303

[www.youthexchange.net.au](http://www.youthexchange.net.au)

**A number of our members will be joining Arja at the Bowling Club this Tuesday to support this information evening. Hopefully some local students will express some interest.**

**If you are interested in hosting an inbound student please let Arja know.**

**ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP PROGRAM- RYLA**

**To be held on April 18 to April 23 2017**

Applications Close on Saturday March 18 for the wonderful program. Details are below

1. The Application Form must be completed initially by the Applicant and then the sponsoring Rotary Club
2. Please ensure that you respond to all questions marked with an asterix (\*). The application will **not** be considered if these questions are not completed.
3. If you have downloaded this form from the web and are unsure what to do next, complete the form and either return it to your nearest Rotary Club or send the completed form (by you) to the address below with an explanation and we will put you in contact with a Club.
4. If you are a corporate sponsor of an Applicant, have the Applicant complete the form and then submit to our nearest Rotary Club or, alternatively, contact us as per below and we will put you in contact with a Club.
5. Once the form has been completed by the sponsoring Club, it should be returned before 18 March 2017, together with the Registration Fee, to:  
Sahil Harriram, Secretary RYLA  
RYLA PO Box 171  
Hunter Region Mail Centre NSW 2310  
Email: RYLA9670@gmail.com

## THE ROLE OF THE SERGEANT

### DISTRICT CONFERENCE

**2017-** This year's Conference is being held in Dubbo, starting next Friday March 17, running till Sunday. We have a good number of members and partners attending in what should be a very convivial event. Our District Governor Elect Helen has asked all Club members to wear their Club Dress Shirt on **SUNDAY morning** to help promote the 2018 Conference in Nelson Bay. I might add a quick attention getter is mention to your fellow Rotarians from other Clubs you come from "God's Country." Response guaranteed to Start a Conversation

**2018-** Warwick Mathieson, Conference Chair for the 2018 announced last week that the Conference Committee had secured a platinum sponsor (\$10,000) in Harbourside Haven. Our Club as organisers of the conference have had a long and supportive association with Harbourside. Warwick and DGE Helen are delighted to secure this sponsorship. And of course PDG Bart is a resident of Harbourside at Shoal Bay.

### RARE PHOTO OF SGT JIM



Our Club Photographer, Henk Tobbe captured this collector's item photo of this week's Sergeant, Jim Booth, with a class of red wine in his hand. Jim is part of the Sgt's mess who week in, week out, add funds to the club coffers with witty references to events and members misdemeanours that are paid for by all. The Sgt also ensures that the meetings are correctly run and oversee the raffle and our Head N Tails session. A big thank you to the Sgt's mess for providing this burst of humour and fun each week.

### HOUSEKEEPING

Due to changes through the Bowling Club Caterers and to assist our very efficient attendance officer John Crump get the numbers right, please advise John by Wednesday morning. As a Club we are now charged for all meals. This week we had 5 either late apologies or no shows. It is understood there are some genuine late apologies, so please endeavour to attend if you are able. John does a great job, and perhaps should be a Betting operator in trying to the numbers right

### The next Couple of Weeks....

Date	Speaker	Topic
16 March	John Copley, Rotary Afloat, John DeRidder –Copsy Update	23 March "Neil Flowers" "Windmills"
17-19 March	District Conference –Dubbo	30 March "Maitland Art Gallery
17 March	Bunnings BBQ- Leukaemia Foundation	6 April Sean Mahoney –Chiropractor
		13 April Belated Hat Night 'Fun Bowls night & Easter Parade. Partners very welcome

## COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT

### STATE PCYC 80<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY ON APRIL 1

PCYC NSW 80<sup>th</sup> birthday will be celebrated on April 1<sup>st</sup>. The first PCYC opened in Woolloomooloo in 1937 in conjunction with the Sydney Rotary Club. There are now 60 Clubs State wide, with 85,000 with 1400 in Nelson Bay and 2000 in Raymond Terrace. surpassing the number of previous YMCA members. The two sets of Basketball uniforms should be delivered this week, with the co sponsorship from the NB Bowling Club. Our Club are strong supporters of Nelson Bay Port Stephens, which incorporates the Raymond Terrace Branch

### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

When announcing International Women's Day on Thursday night, Sgt Jim foolishly queried **Why do Women have an International Day?**

A rapid retort from PP Ella....

**BECAUSE MEN HAVE THE OTHER 364 DAYS !!!!!**

LOVE YOUR WORK ELLA

Hubby John "Stinker" Clarke is off to Bunnings to get you your new chainsaw .....

### CATERING ACTIVITIES

#### BUNNINGS BBQ LAST SATURDAY

Gross takings over \$1300, including \$30 donations. Nett result **\$1050**. Proceeds from this BBQ went to the DG's partner Janette Jackson end polio campaign and was topped up the Board on your behalf to \$1500, plus \$200 from the Chinese Night Raffle making a total of **\$1700**. This turns into \$5100 with the 2 for 1 contribution from the Gates Foundation. The cheque will be presented to Janette at the District Conference next week.

The Bunnings BBQ on May 4 has been allocated to Australian Rotary Health.

Special thanks to John Crump, Liz Friend, Richard Harris, Tony Todd, Arja, Judi P, John Stumcke and Doug Bairstow for their fantastic commitment, a mention to Richard Turner who checked out all was in order during his visits to Bunnings

**These BBQ's along with our other Community Engagement BBQ's coupled with Australia Day have seen over \$15000 raised so far. The Bulk of this money has been distributed back to our local community.**

Not only do the BBQ's and other catering activities bring in good profitable revenue for the Club, it is one of the best ways to get to know your fellow Rotarians, a vital part of Rotary.

### Leukaemia Worlds Great Shave BBQ at next Friday March 17



Is being organised by VP John to shaping up well. John has a team of Volunteers at the moment. Bunnings have kindly donated 6 trays of sausages and we have several trays left from recent events.

As Friday is a quiet day, and this a great organisation, the Club, on your behalf will send the Gross proceeds topped up to \$500 to the Leukaemia Foundation after this event. Thanking you all those Volunteers in advance.

## OTHER REPORTS AND NEWS

### BELATED ARH HAT DAY

Following last Month's Board meeting I approached the Nelson Bay Bowling Club regarding a Bowls night on Thursday April 13, to celebrate the above event, after 3 reschedules. As usual Nicole was excellent and the Bowls side of the Club have been helpful and generous lowering the charge for bowls by \$6.00 per person. It will be a partners night. The concept of the night, including partners and friends, is to firstly wear a Hat (not necessarily a Bowler Hat), have some fun on the greens for 60 minutes, a BBQ tea and the presentation of Prizes and some very brief highlights on ARH's work, especially Mental Health Research.

I will supply these through Australian Rotary Health, plus a few special Easter treats (as Good Friday is the following Day.). The night is about having fun and recognising all the good things we do for others (including ARH).

Instead of making money on the night, I have requested the May Bunnings BBQ proceeds to allocated to ARH. (See upcoming events report), As ARH's District Representative I would like to thank the Club for allowing me to hold this event and for the generous contributions the Club has made over the years.

### PROJECT NEIGHBOUR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

With Project Neighbour on this Wednesday, Bob "Monet" Mitchell I still looking for members to pick up our guests for the afternoon. If you can help out, please give Bob a call ASAP. With a number of regulars unavailable help is urgently required.

### BUSHFIRE APPEAL



The Rotary Clubs of Mudgee Sunrise and Mudgee have put together a project which has now received approval from the Rotary Australia Benevolent Society, which means it has DGR status and donations to it are tax deductible. Rotary Foundation Director Phil Smith announced at Thursday night's meeting that our Club had made a \$500 donation to the RABS appeal on the member's behalf to this appeal. Those driving up to Dubbo this week will see the devastation first hand. Those affected are doing it tough and in typical Rotary style we quietly rally to provide assistance to those in need.

## MEMBERSHIP, CLUB ADMIN, INTERNATIONAL

**MEMBERSHIP-** As Membership Director Bob Mitchell was recovering from his recent nose injury (not a left hook from President Judy) Kathy Rimmer updated the members on the proposed Satellite Club. There are currently 6 interested younger people interested in forming a Satellite Club (Part of our Club until chartered) in the next few months. A low key approach has been offered and the Club's Membership Committee will discuss this and other membership opportunities next week. The bottom line we also have to maintain our membership and all of us should be looking to others to join our Club. Members will be kept informed of progress.

**CLUB ADMINISTRATION-** Director John DeRidder has been providing the Club with some excellent speakers for the past 2 years and we have a pretty full program up to our Club/District Changeover on July 1 2017. One special change to our Program is a special evening on May 25 where the 10 History, lovingly prepared by Richard Turner and Henk Tobbe will be "launched". Members will be able to purchase this great publication at a vastly subsidised rate. Treat this as an early warning with more to follow

**INTERNATIONAL-** Director John Copley, now famous for his Chinese Night and the \$200 raised for the DG Partner appeal, thanked the members for their participation. John also has a couple of speakers organised to speak on the terrific Interplast Program and also ROMAC before the end of this Rotary year. All of your Directors and Board members put in a considerable amount of their own time to ensure we remain an active, vibrant and well informed club.