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## ROTARY CLUB OF CESSNOCK DISTRICT 9670

### CHANGEOVER DINNER



President Vicki Steep is taking on another year as the president of our club. President Elect for next Rotary year is George Koncz who will also be the Public Relations Officer. Greg Bevan will be the Secretary and Public Officer and John Jowett is in charge of Community Service.

# CHANGEOVER HIGHLIGHTS



Ben Hannay was presented with a Paul Harris Fellowship Award for her hard work over the years in our club and especially for her dedication as our Treasurer for many years. Bev puts in so many hours in her roll as Treasurer which can go unnoticed by most members but it is a vital roll to our club. With this award we thank you Bev for your dedication to this vital position.

Another major award on the night was to Graham Farish. It is the David Clark Memorial Award and we had Judy Clark to present it this year. Graham contributed the most towards the service of our club in the past year. Graham was an outstanding President in 2017-18 Rotary year and due to his travels felt that he had to leave the club, but he has re joined and has never lost site of trying to improve our club in whatever way he could. Our sponsors program can fully be contributed to Graham and his dedication towards youth programs and membership are his highest priority. Such a well deserved award, we all thank you for your dedication towards the club Graham.

Another highlight was the induction of three new members to our club. Sadly we have lost quite a number of members recently so this is even more special then past years to welcome new members. Harma Hill has been a friend of Rotary since April 2017. She puts her hand up to volunteer to nearly all of our events, so it's really great to have her now as a full member. We also have Graham and Helen Rose who we first met at the Membership Night at Marthaville Cottage. Three new members is a great start, now we just have to build onto that in this new Rotary Year.



# JUNE IS

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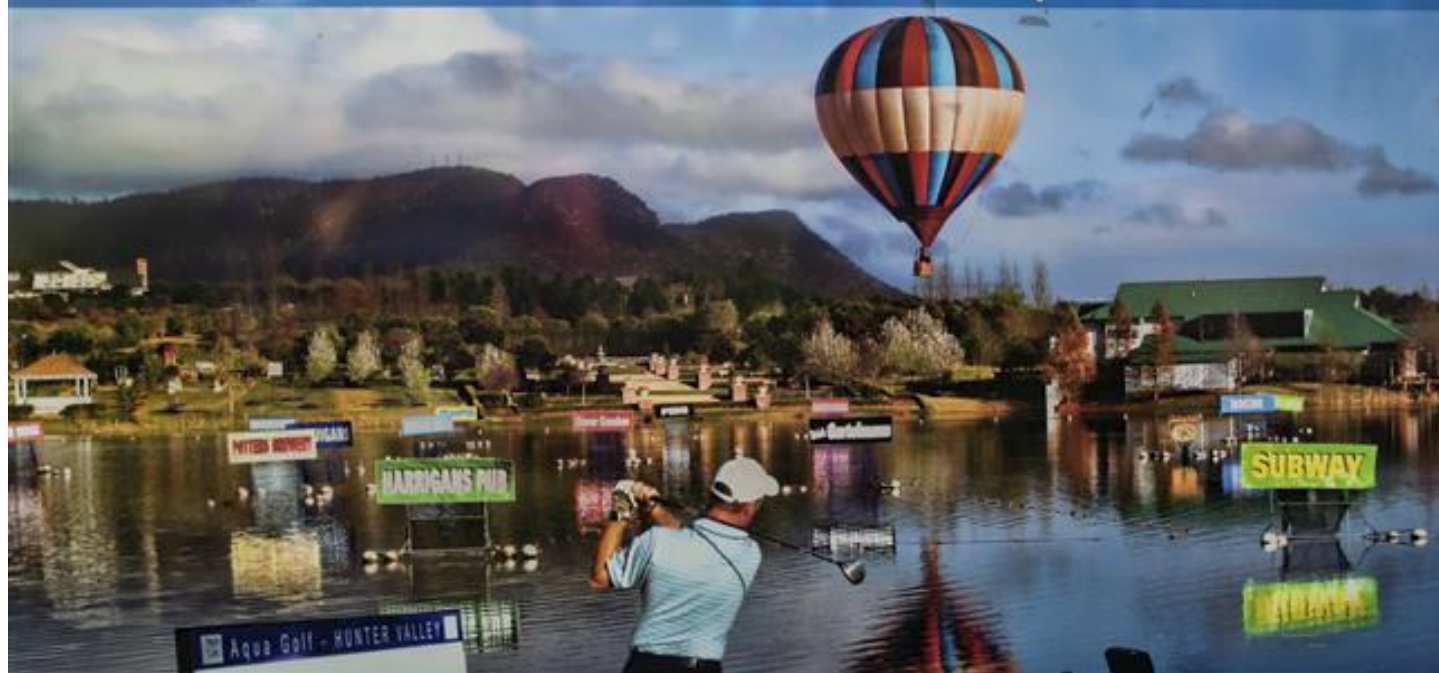


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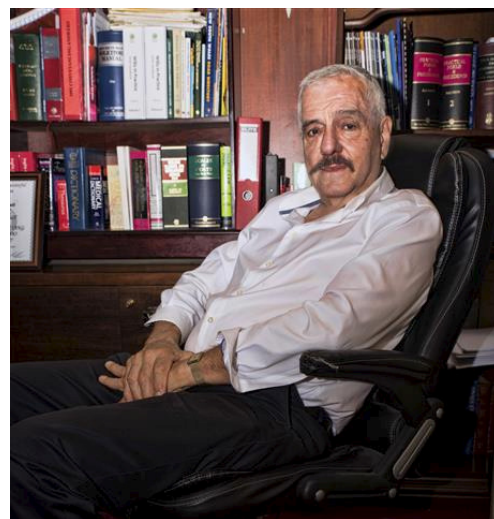
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# DONATIONS FOR 2020 - 2021 YEAR



Three donations were made at the Changeover with the others donations listed below. Jacaranda Grove received a much wanted specialised wheelchair for the aged care residence and the Cessnock District Rescue Squad and the Cessnock Girl Guides are two of our regular yearly donations for many years now. It was a good year for our club with such small numbers in our membership to be able to raise so much towards both local and international needs.

Donation	Amount	Donation	Amount
Cessnock District Rescue Squad	\$1000	RCNE Science Engineering Challenge	\$500
Cessnock PCYC	\$500	Club Donation to Rotary Foundation	\$700
Aust. Rotary Health for Lift the Lid	\$1000	Rotary Foundation M'brs Donations	\$1060
Cessnock High for Gold Sponsorship	\$250	RAWCS Flood Appeal	\$500
Cessnock West PS - Don Perkins Award	\$500	Anytime Fitness RUOK	\$200
Mark Hughes Foundation	\$500	Jacaranda Grove	\$7500
CCC Mayoral Scholarship	\$2500	Cessnock Girl Guides	\$1000
Cessnock Girl Guides	\$1565	Umoja Orphanage Kenya	\$2000
TOTAL			\$21,275



We should also thank The Rugby Leagues Supporters Club for arranging the main hall and the dinner for our Changeover. I am sure that everyone enjoyed both the venue and their meals. One more thank you to Claudia Koncz for the beautiful deserts she made for the night.



During the week, we had a visit to the new Cessnock Police Station. It was a combined Kurri Kurri and Cessnock Rotary event. Chief Inspector Michael Gorman made the visit a special occasion and there were lots of questions and answers that were raised. It is great facility for our town.

# **FUTURE EVENTS**

**Club meetings at Cessnock Leagues Club 6pm for 7pm start Thursdays**

1st July - Club meeting with guest speaker Melanie Albert

4th July - Broke Village Markets BarBQ

11th July - Huntlee Coles Car Park BarBQ

15th July - Club meeting with guest speaker Steve Witby from bike shop

21st July - Kurri Kurri TAFE dinner



Tony Mak, Harma Hill and George Koncz had lunch at our new Major Sponsor Restaurant. The Deck Cafe at Lovedale. It offers a tappers lunch menu which we tried out on the deck with some of Gartlemens wines to top it off..