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ROTARY CLUB OF CESSNOCK DISTRICT 9670 SPOKE

PRESIDENTS REPORT

A well attended meeting this week with a presentation from John Barnes from the Cessnock Art Gallery. John showed a passion for keeping the Art Gallery active in Cessnock and has positive thoughts for the future.

David Clark has attended the meeting for the Postie Bike Grande Prix on our behalf. This is going to be a huge event for Cessnock and our Club. David has confirmed that apart from other smaller food stalls along the tack circuit our Rotary Club and the Lions Club are the only two Sausage Sizzle type stalls. We hope to set up in the car park of the Royal Oak which is very close to the marshalling yard so should have a very busy day. We will need to work on rosters in the next couple of weeks. Also need help setting up the track area.

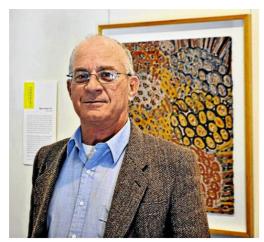
I have been contacted through the week by Hunter Valley Gardens and secured 4 weeks for the lights this year, rosters will be sent out in the near future, our first week is 7th November.

Rosters will be forwarded for help with a BBQ for the Newcastle District Car Club on the 19th October which is being staged at the Hunter Valley Gardens. A busy couple of months coming up.

Ross and Graham presented Iver with a Rotary Jacket but also with his own identification emblem – Viking 1, well done. Iver seems to be settling well and has been attending football training but with the end of our season drawing to a close will be looking for other training activity. I see by George's Facebook page Iver's family are able to keep up to date with his stay in Australia.

We also welcomed Mara, an exchange student from Switzerland who is being hosted by Greg and Lorraine Bevan, we hope to see Mara at more of our meetings.

Don't forget the Morisset High School Dinner hosted by Morisset Rotary Club is on this Wednesday. Graham has also been active organising a Girl Guide meeting for us to attend on 9th September. Apologies to Alison, missed the International Toast this week so will book you in for next week.



John Barnes Cessnock Art Gallery

John is the former director of Newcastle Art Space and in 2011 completed a PHD in Fine Art.

John's history as a farmer provided the inspiration for his PHD works, which focused on the Australian landscape since British colonisation.

He is looking forward to working with Cessnock Regional Art Gallery and developing future exhibits.

"I will be trying to make it a representation of the region," Mr. Barnes said.

"Not only a representation of the artists in the region, but the people who live here as well.

"We will keep trying to put on a variety of the highest quality art we can find."





The Lidbury brothers purchased a "Viking One" jacket for our Norwegian Exchange Student Iver. Now he is one of us. Thanks to the two Lids. Iver is also pictured with newly arrived exchange student Mara Vogel from Switzerland. Mara is staying with the Bevans and hosted by the Rotary Club of Kurri Kurri.



WE ARE FINALLY LIVE ON **FACEBOOK**

You can LIKE, look it up, post photos, comment or whatever you fancy. BUT LOOK.

ROSTER 21st August 2014

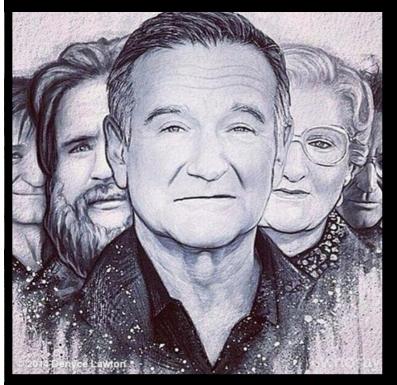
28th Aug 2014 INTERNATIONAL TOAST Alison Crane Peter Carver Maley/S Crane Maley/Koncz TELLER: WELCOME TO GUESTS: Gail Thomas Greg Bevan INTRODUCE SPEAKER: David Clark N/A **GUEST SPEAKER** John Barnes N/A **VOTE OF THANKS:** N/A N/A Peter Carver FINE SESSION: Peter Carver STEWARDS: All members All members

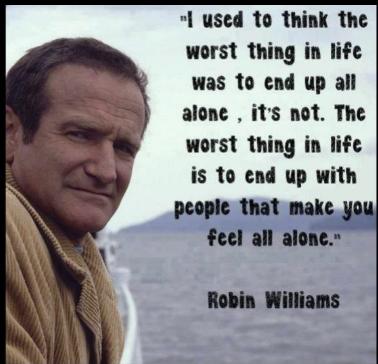
FUTURE EVENTS 21st Aug - Board Meeting

Meeting time is 6 for 6.33pm

Apologies to Graham Lidbury by 11am on Thursday on phone 0419 682 573 or Email: lids@westnet.com.au

SMALL TRIBUTE TO ROBIN WILLIAMS





'Friend like me': Aladdin Broadway cast perform touching tribute to Robin Williams



The night after Robin Williams died, the Broadway cast of Aladdin took to the stage to pay tribute to the great entertainer. Robin Williams is known for his role as the Genie in the 1992 film, which the musical is based on. Jason Monroe Inglehart, the actor who plays the Genie on stage, lead a moving tribute to Williams. Speaking to the audience, Inglehart expressed his admiration for the actor and revealed the massive impact Williams had on his life.

"When I was a kid there was a TV Show called 'Happy Days.' I didn't like it. I don't know why — probably because there were no black people in it," Inglehart said. "But there was one episode where this guy came on in this really cool red suit and he was the first, first guy to ever beat Fonzie. Fonzie said something to him and Mork went 'zip!' and Fonzie just stood still. And I went "That is the coolest thing ever!". "And then the man got up and had a movie.

"And then he began to do movie after movie after movie and I watched them all. And then, when I was 17 years old, I had watched every Disney cartoon in the world, and they had put him in a Disney cartoon to play this iconic role of the Genie, and he sang this song, and I looked at my mom and I said, "If I could just do something like that.". "And here we are in 2014, in this beautiful theatre, and I get to play this role.

"Yesterday we lost one of the greatest—not comedians—but one of the greatest entertainers of all time. "So, we're only going to do this once, because we don't want to drag something on, because first and foremost to give our hearts and our prayers and our thoughts to his family because he's a husband and a father first, entertainer second. But for tonight—and I think it's in your programs, if it is you can pull it out—I want us to just sing a little bit, of *Friend Like Me* before we go."



Mr Darren Black, CEO, PCYC NSW

takes great pleasure in inviting you to

the official opening of

PCYC Cessnock,

entry via Mills Crescent (off Buckland Avenue), Cessnock

by

the Governor-General,
His Excellency General the Honourable
Sir Peter Cosgrove AK MC (Ret'd) and Lady Cosgrove

on Sunday, August 17, 2014 at 2.30pm.

Tours, activities and refreshments will be available from 12pm, prior to the official opening.

RSVP: Friday, August 8 to mblaxland@pcvcusw.org.au





CREATIVE PUNS

The roundest knight at King Arthur's round table was Sir Cumference. He acquired his size from too much pi.

- I thought I saw an eye doctor on an Alaskan island, but it turned out to be an optical Aleutian.
- She was only a whiskey maker, but he loved her still.
- A rubber band pistol was confiscated from algebra class because it was a weapon of math disruption.
- The butcher backed into the meat grinder and got a little behind in his work.
- No matter how much you push the envelope, it'll still be stationery.