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ROTARY CLUB OF CESSNOCK
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PRESIDENTS REPORT

The Kurri TAFE Dinner was a great success, wonderful meal produced and served by the students. Thanks Graham for organising this, I am sure we will support the TAFE on more occasions. Louise introduced us to her guest Graham Farrish who we hope enjoyed the night and will join us in the coming weeks at more meetings.

Our guest speaker was Peter McCloy who talked about the impact of climate change on the island nation of Kiribati which consist of 33 atolls and reef islands and one raised coral island dispersed over 3,500,000km² of the Pacific Ocean to the north east of Australia. Peter was a past President of our club and also a member of Newcastle Rotary Club. Peter is very passionate in his dealings with climate change and how Rotary could maybe help the islands of Kiribati to be more sustainable with the introduction of methods to produce oil from the copra to offset the use of diesel fuel. Copra sales are being forced down by the market trend and the price of diesel is escalating. If the copra can produce enough oil fuel this would alleviate the necessity to purchase the high priced diesel. This in time leads to a more self sufficient economy, copra becomes a sought after product, employment for farming and in the production of the copra oil, less diesel to be imported. A very interesting talk from Peter.

President Elect Training and District Assembly is on the 18th and 19th April. The 18th is for President Elect training and the Sunday 19th April for in-coming Board Members Training. This is a worthwhile programme and a recommend all Board Members to try to schedule this day for training.

Saturday 18th April, Joh and Meg have invited all members and partners to attend a BBQ at Pin-dima. The day is to celebrate Ivor's 18th birthday and aslo the birthday of club members, John Jowett, Gail Thomas and Steve Crane – lots of cake.

MUNA 2015 will be held at Muswellbrook on 22nd and 23rd May 2015. We have one application from Mt View this year.



Louise with guest
Graham Farrish
and
Guest Speaker
Peter McCloy
With
David Clark
who thanked
Peter for a very
thought
provoking speech

KURRI TAFF DINNER



Looks as though there was plenty of merriment as well as nice food to tantalise the taste buds. Thanks to my trusty second in charge photographer - Louise Selmes, nobody escaped the photo shoot

RYPEN - APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE MAY 2015 CAMP RYPEN is for average young people who have shown courage and perseverance in everyday life. The aim of the program is to work with the group helping them see beyond their current outlook and approach life with purpose and direction to maximize their full potential.

About RYPEN R.Y.P.E.N. (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) is a Rotary program for teens that's main focus is introducing life skills and fundamental concepts that will start kids thinking about the transition that they will be making from kids to young adults, forming their own values and moral standards, and broadening the horizons culturally, socially and academically. Run over a weekend, RYPEN is supervised by Rotary Club members. The program is delivered by



an experienced group of volunteer facilitators, past attendees and Rotarians. The program is designed to create a caring and fun atmosphere where attendees agree to abide by the RYPEN core values; respect, tolerance, responsibility, commitment and contribution, honesty integrity, fairness and justice in order to get the most for themselves out of the weekend.

Photo of a RYPEN group with Matt, our exchange student last year attending.

ROSTER 2nd April

INTERNATIONAL TOAST
TELLER:
WELCOME TO GUESTS:
INTRODUCE SPEAKER:
GUEST SPEAKER
VOTE OF THANKS:
FINE SESSION:
STEWARDS:

David Clark
Margaret Maley
Louise Selmes
David Lennon
Peter McCloy
David Clark
Graham Lidbury
All members

9th April

Janette Jackson
Margaret Maley
Alison Crane
David Lennon
Maryka Gibson
Steve Crane
Graham Lidbury
All members

FUTURE EVENTS

9th April - Maryka Gibson Project Officer-
Community Visitors Centre
11th April - Bunnings BarBQ
16th April - Board Meeting
18th April - BarBQ at Jowett's Pindimar

Meeting time is 6 for 6.33pm

Apologies to Graham Lidbury by 11am on Thursday on phone **0419 682 573**

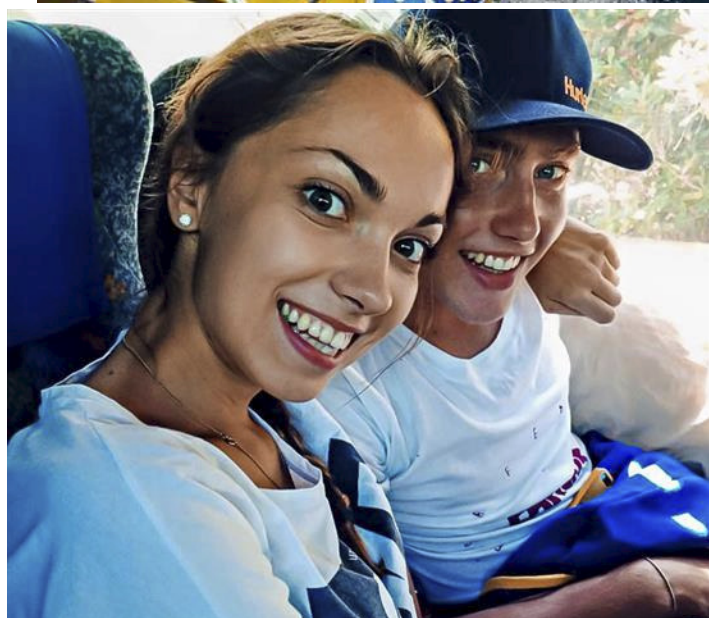
or Email: lids@westnet.com.au

REMEMBER: you will be charged for your meal if you are absent and do not apologize.

Capricorn Ramble in full swing



It looks like there is a fun bunch of students this year from three different Rotary Districts. They travelled north first and have just finished the diving and Whitsundays tour. This is generally the favourite part of the overall trip and it seems that it will be remembered as such again this year.



We haven't heard much from Iver since he left for the Ramble. I wonder if he is enjoying himself.

I JUST read an article
ON THE DANGERS
OF drinking...
Scared the SHIT out of Me.
So THAT'S it!
AFTER today,
NO MORE READING.

THE FACT THAT
THERE'S A HIGHWAY TO
HELL AND ONLY A
STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN
SAYS A LOT ABOUT
ANTICIPATED TRAFFIC
NUMBERS.



SPIDER!

