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ROTARY CLUB OF CESSNOCK DISTRICT 9670 SPOKE

PRESIDENTS REPORT



Something President Vicki forgot to mention was that we also celebrated her Birthday at Glendale before we went in to watch the movie. There was no cake but our President did bring along a lot of snacks to share around. Lucky she turned up just at the right time as a lot of us were headed out to get a bite to eat. With the premier of the movie "The Second Best Exotic Marigold Hotel" being screened this week as a fund raiser for the Polio Plus, a number of our members enjoyed a great night's entertainment at Glendale. Almost 200 Rotarians from eight clubs attended the night. This is a great effort and the money raised will go far in the plight to have a future without polio. When Rotary took up the challenging goal to eradicate polio 25 years ago it was endemic in 125 countries with more than 1,000 children each day falling victim to the disease. Today, polio remains endemic in just three countries, Afghanistan, Nigeria and Pakistan. In 2014, only 33 cases were reported. What a great battle it has been and will be ongoing with the resistance some have to the help. We can only hope that with perseverance and continued support from members and friends of Rotary the dream will become a reality.

Last Saturday saw the Light up Newcastle Lantern Walk held on the foreshore at Honeysuckle and even though it threatened to rain several times the event was blessed with good weather for the most part and especially did not dampen the spirit of those who attended. The fireworks finale was one of the best I have seen. Congratulations to the organisers and hopefully it will be a tradition to continue.

The visit by the GSE team from Germany is fast approaching and Steve Crane has been working hard to make their time with our club a memorable few days. We look forward to hearing what Steve has organised.

Don't forget our interclub visit with Nelson Bay on Sunday 15th March, the majority vote was to travel by car. Should be a good day and hope the weather is fine for some dolphin watching.

As there was no formal meeting this week there is not much to report, hope to see you all on Thursday.





Sydney reunion with Kati Horvai who was our Hungarian Exchange student twelve years ago, so not everyone in our club will remember Kati. We went to Chinatown to meet up with Kati and her fiancé Zoli. We found out that that news was just a one day old event, so that was a nice surprise. The happy couple have been to Melbourne to visit Kati's brother who is studying there and they just spent a few days in Sydney. We went to have a Yum Cha in Chinatown and believe it or not they ate everything we ordered. We had duck, pork, prawns, chicken feet, tripe, squid, seaweed, jelly fish just to name a few great dishes. They did say that they don't have all those in Hungary but there was nothing left when we finally finished. We were chatting so much that we didn't realise that we were the only ones left in the restaurant. They are flying out tomorrow to Coolangatta to meet up with Steve and Janette who also hosted Kati during her exchange.

ROSTER 5th March 2015

INTERNATIONAL TOAST John Jowett

TELLER: Margaret Maley WELCOME TO GUESTS: Louse Selmes

INTRODUCE SPEAKER: TBA GUEST SPEAKER TBA VOTE OF THANKS: TBA

FINE SESSION: Louise Selmes STEWARDS: All members

12th March

Alison Crane Margaret Maley Steve Crane

Graham Lidbury All members

FUTURE EVENTS

10th March - GSE Dinner at Toronto.12-16 March - German GSE Visit20-22nd March- District Conference Foster

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

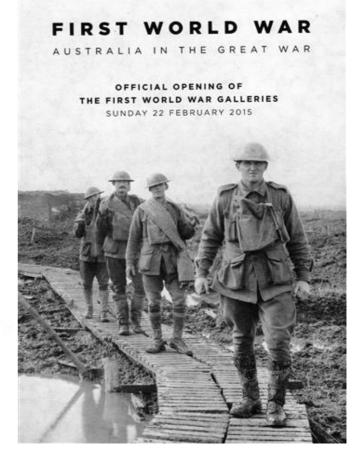




Two of our past exchange students are featured. On the left Magdalena Palmgren from Sweden just had another birthday and she is pictured with her sister. On the right we have proud Dad Attila Ori with his two gorgeous daughters at a Hungarian Ball. You will all recognise Fanny who was with

our club just two years ago.

FENDERSON, MR BOB	2
FISCHER AC, THE HONOURABLE TIM	3
FLETCHER, MR NICK	2
FRASER LVO OAM, MR MARK	1
GATES AO, MR RAYDON	7
GATES, MRS ALISON	7.
HALL, MR ANDREW	7.
HANLON, MR WILLIAM	6
HAWKE AC, THE HONOURABLE BOB	4
HOWARD OM AC, THE HONOURABLE JOHN	4
JOWETT, MR JOHN	6
JOWETT, MS TINA	6
LEAHY AC (RETD), LIEUTENANT GENERAL PETER	2
LEAHY, MRS LEE	2
LEE, MR KIONG	
MCMAHON, MR PETER	1
MCMAHON, MS KATHERINE	1
MOORE, MR ADAM	3
MUELLER, HIS EXCELLENCY DR CHRISTOPH	. 4
MUELLER, MRS CHRISTINE	4
NELSON, THE HONOURABLE DR BRENDAN	1
PAYNE OAM, MRS FLORENCE	2
PAYNE VC OAM, MR KEITH	2
PRATT, MR MALCOM	<u>6</u>
PRATT, MRS JACKIE	6
RIBOT DE BRESSAC, MR MIKE	3
RIBOT DE BRESSAC, MRS KATHERINE	<u>3</u>
RICHARDSON AO, MR DENNIS	6
RICHARDSON, MRS BETTY	6



Just have a look at the specials guest list after Bob Hawk and John Howard at the official opening ceremony in Canberra. Its non other than the Jowett clan. John's granddaughter Beatrice sang for the guests on the occasion.









