



HORIZONS



Welcome to Central Blue Mountains Rotary *Effective - Energetic - Enterprising - Empowered*

Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, July 13, 2016

Invite your friends and associates to our outstanding meetings

CBM Rotary donates to local Rural Fire Brigades



Superintendent David Jones; Snr. Dep. Capt. David Bellantonio, Bullaburra; Capt. Luke Ham, Hazelbrook; Capt. Colin Analzark, Linden; Capt. Peter Bennett, Katoomba/Leura; Deputy Mayor BMCC, Chris Van der Kley; Snr. Dep. Capt. Greg Topp; Snr. Dep. Capt. John Grimshaw, Woodford; Capt. Terry Cameron, Wentworth Falls; Capt. John Starkey, Lawson.

At a function Sunday 10/07, held at the RFS Emergency Centre, Katoomba, Central Blue Mountains Rotary donated \$14,400 to eight local rural fire brigades from Woodford to Katoomba.

The money was gathered from a substantial fundraising effort over three months in villages where the brigades are stationed. Each brigade received \$1,800 to assist in the purchase of items of equipment not provided by governments or other authorities.



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What's On....



Guest Speaker 13/07

July

- Wednesday 13 - Guest speaker: Bill Avery
- Tuesday 19 - Board meeting - Greystanes
- Wednesday 20 - Club assembly
- Wednesday 27 - Guest speaker: Julie Bargenquast

August

- Wednesday 3 - Guest speaker: Marilyn Mercer
Transplant Games
- Saturday 6 - District Governor's BM visit
Springwood Sports Club
- Sunday 7 - Catering van at Leura School Market
- Wednesday 10 - Terrance Plowright
- Monday 15 - Board meeting - Greystanes
- Wednesday 17 - Club Assembly
- Wednesday 24 - Guest speaker: Sue Wildman and
Auntie Ellie Chatfield
- Fri-Sat-Sun 26-28 - Umina Beach Rotary visiting BM
- Wednesday 31 - Guest speaker: Member

September

- Sunday 4 - Catering van at Leura School market
- Wednesday 7 - Guest speaker: TBA
- Wednesday 14 - Guest speaker: TBA
- Monday 19 - Board meeting - Greystanes
- Wednesday 21 - Club Assembly
- Wednesday 28 - Guest speaker: TBA

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This week's guest speaker is Bill Avery. His presentation would interest any visitor.

Bill's topic is Bushwalking Tracks in Australia. He has published quite a few books over the years on bushwalking tracks.

Bill started bushwalking in his late forties as a stress-reliever and participated in the inaugural trek of the

Great North Walk in 1988. He pioneered the Federation Track South bushwalking route from Sydney to Melbourne between 1991 and 1995; the Federation Track North from Sydney to Carrai Plateau between 1996 and 1998; the Federation Track West Barrenjoey to Cronulla in 2014 and the inaugural Sydney Harbour and Coast Walk in 2015.

Bill's other hobby is gardening and his garden has been in the Leura Gardens Festival but that, also, is now retired.

He lives in Leura and has been married for 51 years with three children and eight grand-children. He retired from IBM in 1994 as Corporate Treasurer after a 26 year career in sales, marketing manufacturing and finance. A retired Foundation Fellow of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and former Trustee of the Committee for Economic Development of Australia.



*Visitors are always welcome
at CBM Rotary*

YOUR ATTENDANCE

Ray Wiles - 0409 845 415 - raymar40@bigpond.com.au is our attendance person. Please call before 12.30pm, Wednesday, if you are bringing a guest or you are not able to attend. Letting us know helps with setting up the dining room.

Also, you must order your meal by calling the Grand View Hotel 4757 1001 Wednesday afternoon.



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Clean Water - Saving Mothers and Children
Supporting Education - Growing Local Economies*

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CBM Rotary's Winter Hamper Distribution



Left to right: Ray Wiles Vanessa Balfour, Tom Hickey, Sue Beevers and Chris Van der Kley

Packaged and tinned food purchased in bulk this week from Woolworth's Supermarket, Katoomba, was distributed to Katoomba Neighbourhood Centre, local community nurses, Blue Mountains Family Support and Our Lady of Nativity Catholic Church, Lawson.

As part of the club's community service program, Central Blue purchases and delivers food twice a year to assist parents and elderly people who need extra help because of changing and developing circumstances.



Meeting with a former CBM exchange student

During their travels, Ian and Jennifer Scott made contact with one of Central Blue's former exchange students at Lake Como. Jennifer said in her recent email: "We are relatively close to the Swiss border so our exchange student Toja took a train for three hours from Zurich to spend the day with us. It has been five years since the club hosted Toja. She is now studying architecture in Zurich. It was a delightful day.



Toja being presented with a farewell gift by Karen and Paul Sullivan just before leaving for home in July 2012.

Mountain Ghost

If you haven't been to the Norman Lindsay Gallery, The Ghost says it's a must see....Great paintings too!

The Ghost was having an amicable discussion with a bottle of red and a few friends. The topic arose "who was the most famous resident of the Mountains?"

After another bottle of wine, it was agreed that it probably was Norman Lindsay. The Ghost thought he might do some research for his/her readers.

Norman Alfred William Lindsay was born in 1879 in Victoria and died in Sydney 1969. For starters, he was an

artist, etcher, sculptor, writer, editorial cartoonist, scale modeller and an accomplished amateur boxer.

Lindsay moved to Sydney in 1901 and joined the staff at the Bulletin. He had an association with the Bulletin for 50 years as a writer, artist and cartoonist.

He wrote the classic children's book "The Magic Pudding" in 1918. His book "Redheap" was banned due to censorship laws in 1930. His most famous novel was "Age of Consent" in 1938. Surprise surprise this book was also banned for a while. It was made into a film starring a teenage Helen Mirren.

But it is his paintings and sculptures that Lindsay is famous (or infamous) for. While Lindsay is famous for his erotic nude paintings he was an excellent portrait and landscape painter. The Ghost loves his sculptures as well.

Lindsay spent most of his adult life living on a large property (42 acres) at Faulconbridge. Over the years, he transformed the property into a magic place adding fountains, colonnades, sculptures etc. He lived at the property until he passed away in 1969 aged 91.

The property was purchased by the National Trust in 1970 and all of Norman Lindsay's fans can visit the Norman Lindsay Gallery and Museum at Faulconbridge (although it was almost destroyed by bushfires recently)

Lindsay is buried at Springwood Cemetery.

Good to Know:

Norman Lindsay Gallery at 14 Norman Lindsay Crescent, Faulconbridge

Open daily 10.00 am to 4.00 pm

Contains the Award Winning Lindsay Café (open 7 days a week, fully licensed)

Gallery – plenty of works to admire

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Norman Lindsay 1879-1969

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Donations in Kind is expanding - Committee members needed NOW!

Donations In Kind is a key activity area for RAWCS as it engages with Rotarians and community members nationally enabling millions of dollars worth of goods to be placed overseas where they are needed.

Donations in Kind (DIK) Eastern Region, an activity of Rotary Australia World Community Service Limited (RAWCS) is expanding as a result of the re-structuring and increased awareness of the project with the NSW medical and educational institutions.

An example of this is the recent donation of 650 hospital beds and mattresses from the Sydney Local Health District.

With this increased awareness and opportunities, DIK is looking to expand the existing working committee by at least three Rotarians.

The positions that require people to volunteer on a regular basis are Shipping Manager, Building & Equipment Manager and Promotions & Public Relations Manager, for practical reasons Rotarians living within the Sydney metropolitan area would be ideal.

However, in addition to these roles if every District in NSW were to have as part of their leadership team a Donations in Kind representative, so much more could be achieved in taking advantage of the potential of DIK in providing donated goods to developing nations.



Currently the facility is based at 6 Colyton Road Minchinbury with a short term facility at Castle Hill and on average the commitment is three to four hours, one to two days a week at the facility.

Volunteers please contact: Janis Harvey - 02 9869 2974 - jbharvey13@bigpond.com or:

Miriam Jacka - 0450 110 336 - dik.eastern@rawcs.org.au

Regular visitor to Fiji provides practical help

Northbridge Rotarian David Robertson travels to Fiji twice each year and he always manages to take with him donations which provide practical help to poor and disadvantaged families.

In May, the Rotary Club of Northbridge supplied David with packages of rubber gloves for the Lautoka Hospital in Fiji to lessen the chances of cross infection. David also took soap to wash nurses and doctors hands before seeing their patients, surgical scissors and toothbrushes and toothpaste for each child so they can be taught oral health and keep their incredible white smiles.

Last year, David – a Castlecrag resident - took more than 500 solar-powered lights to remote villages in Fiji which do not have regular electricity to provide a source of light for school children and their parents.

“Most people know Fiji for its fabulous resorts and some of the friendliest people on earth,” David said. “What they don’t know is that just a few kilometres away there are seriously poor and disadvantaged families living in extreme poverty. They don’t get the tourist dollar, and on some islands the villages have no access to health care.”

Northbridge Rotary expressed its sincere thanks to Ansell for supplying the gloves; Donations In Kind for donating the toothbrushes and soaps; and to David for carrying the 30 kilograms of baggage from Sydney to Fiji.



David Robertson supplied packages of rubber gloves to medical staff at Lautoka Hospital, Fiji

....that's all folks