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Rotary District 9685 - Australia

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ROTARY BREAKFAST at Lawson Public School



Central Blue Rotarians
Maria Hopwood and Lora Stopic

"The children who need the breakfast you provide, for whom it is really important, don't receive many smiles in their lives. When they come to the Breakfast Club you Rotarians always greet them so warmly you're friendly and welcoming. This is so important for these students and is as nourishing as the food you have for them. Thank you," Principal Lawson PS.

A free breakfast every Friday, provided by the Central Blue Mountains Rotary Breakfast Team, is a highlight of the week for some youngsters, who don't eat breakfast before they leave home, and in winter a warm and nourishing meal in the morning keeps them going all day.

It's a wonderful Rotary program and well worth the time and expense, particularly when you see gratitude on the faces of some children who may come to school hungry.

The kids get a selection of porridge, CornFlakes, buttered toast with jam, honey, vegemite or peanut butter, and a mug of hot chocolate. Some are so hungry they come back for seconds.

The program has been operating now for about 12 months. It is not difficult. Bread is donated by a local bakery and Central Blue Mountains Rotary supplies the rest.

Breakfast is served between 8.00am and 9.00am and all we have to do is be there to prepare the meals and serve the kids when they arrive. It's a win-win for local children, Lawson Public School and Rotary.



up front

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Have you heard the one about the monkey that stole a camera and took a grinning selfie that went around the world? The crested black macaque's cheeky grin appeared everywhere. The wildlife photographer who owned the camera found the photo after he retrieved his camera. He posted the delightful picture on a few wildlife websites. It was very popular and was copied to thousands of websites and then appeared in newspapers, magazines around the world.

The photographer realised he was missing out on a small fortune for reproduction of the picture. He tried to claim copyright on the photo. He requested Wikipedia take down the picture as it was his camera and therefore his copyright. Wikipedia refused, saying the monkey took the picture so the monkey has copyright.

Australian copyright law, and most international copyright law, appears to be on the side of the monkey. The Copyright Act 1968 requires the originator of a work to have some creative input – whether it be writing, music, film, audio, computer programs art or photography. Under copyright law, handing your camera to someone who takes your photo would require some artistic or creative direction from you for you to have copyright. So, if you tell someone holding your camera how to focus, to hold it for landscape or portrait or where to stand, you would have copyright.

If a photo is commissioned for “private or domestic purposes” the client is the first owner of copyright. An employer who directs a worker how to take the picture would own copyright as they are the originator of the work.

Armed with this bit of law, the wildlife photographer claimed he was effectively employing the monkey by offering it food. The photographer argued that he has a valid copyright claim based on the fact that he engineered the situation that resulted in the pictures. In 2014, the United States Copyright Office stated that works created by a non-human, such as a photograph taken by a monkey, are not subject to copyright. A number of legal experts in the US and UK, however, argue that photographer's role in the photographic process may have been sufficient to establish a valid copyright claim

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) tried to use the monkey selfies photographs to establish a legal precedent that animals should be declared copyright holders. In 2015, PETA filed a lawsuit against the photographer, requesting that the monkey be assigned copyright and that PETA be appointed to administer proceeds from the photos for the endangered species' benefit. The court ruled that a monkey cannot own copyright, under U.S. law. PETA appealed, and in April 2018, the appeals court affirmed that animals cannot legally hold copyrights.

The case highlights important issues of copyright: copyright is not waived just because text or image is on the internet, copyright applies even without the © mark, copyright automatically applies to both published and unpublished work. As soon as it is fixed in some way such as paper, disk or USB, it's covered by copyright. To use copyrighted work you need permission from the owner.

The laws covering copyright can be confusing so it is best to get legal advice if you are in doubt. Getting it wrong can be costly.

In England a man who went into a cinema and secretly taped the film was recently sentenced to 33 months in jail. He uploaded it to the internet and it was pirated 779,000 times. Universal Pictures estimated it cost them \$4 million in lost revenue. Downloading the pirated film is a criminal breach of copyright.

— Rita Fisher

WhatsOn....

July

- Wednesday 17 - Richard Mills - Ombudsman
- Wednesday 17 - Foodbank pick up and delivery
- Wednesday 24 - Robyn Thomson - Resilience Management (Beyond Risk Management)
- Friday 26 - Lawson School breakfast club
- Saturday 27 - Catering van at Woolworths, Katoomba
- Wednesday 31 - Karen West - Organ donation awareness for teens

August

- Friday 02 - Lawson school breakfast club
- Wednesday 07 - Dr James Hunter - Maritime Archaeology
- Wednesday 21 - Foodbank pick up and delivery
- Thursday 22 - BM Grammar School Athletics Day
- Saturday 24 - Catering van at Woolworths, Katoomba



Guest Speaker 17 July



Richard Mills

Ombudsman

1. What's the problem?

Almost two million public sector employees make decisions every day in health, education, welfare, immigration, tax, law enforcement, garbage disposal etc. Sometimes they make mistakes, make poor judgements, or even act unlawfully. They may be biased or arbitrary.

2. What would you do if you thought a Government department had made a bad decision that affected you personally?

You could ask them to review their decision, ask your local MP to make a representation on your behalf, maybe go to a tribunal, or go to court. Or you might go to the Ombudsman.

3. What does the Ombudsman do?

The Ombudsman investigates complaints about the actions of public authorities - but not Ministers. Ombudsmen have powers like a Royal Commission's.

4. Is the Ombudsman a Good Thing? Costs and benefits.

5. What can/should Rotary do about this?



11 Years in a Row

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“Would I go to another RI Convention? I certainly would.”

...Ava Emdin



The two Rotarians with Ava are from the Republic of Cameroon, a country in Central Africa bordered by Nigeria to the west and north. They met at the House of Friendship.

Deciding to attend a Rotary International convention can be a big deal, particularly if it's on the other side of the world.

Apart from the financial aspect of travel, insurance, accommodation, registration, and the rest, there is a certain reluctance, apprehension, even hesitation, to undertake such an adventure when you have not been before.

All of that did not deter Central Blue's Ava Emdin who found herself in Hamburg, Germany, along with 25,000 other Rotarians from an unbelievable number of countries.

“It was mind-blowing,” Ava said, when describing her experience at last week's meeting of Central Blue Mountains Rotary.

“It was my opportunity to see Rotary at an international level. To look at Rotary on the world stage. To understand more about major peace initiatives, feeding programs, literacy, sanitation, and more.... It was huge.

“A highlight for me, and a very proud moment indeed, was to see an Australian, Daniel Flynn, receive a standing ovation after his presentation during the Leadership and Integrity sessions,” Ava said.

Daniel Flynn is founder of a social enterprise company called “Thankyou” which from sales of water, body care and food products donates money to safe water, hygiene and sanitation programs, and food security programs in 16 countries.

“Thankyou has already donated \$5.8 million to help end global poverty, impacting the lives of more than seven million people in 20 countries, including Australia, Ava said.

“Something else that inspired me was “Bee Alive”, a program to save white bees from extinction through overuse of pesticides, single crop planting and climate change.

“Germany's Rotaract clubs and their sponsoring Rotary clubs have been working to educate people about the importance of bees to the environment.

“Anyone can help bees - with a bit of manual skill, some material from a hardware store and a balcony or garden. Farmers in Germany are being encouraged to provide a small portion of land to cultivate bee attracting sunflowers.

“The House of Friendship was enormous, where hundreds of clubs, districts and zones showcase what they do - each one worthy of multiple awards.

“It also provided me with an opportunity to meet and talk with Rotarians from around the world. To see two Israeli and a Palestine Rotarian sitting together chatting and having a coffee, I had to join them, and what a revelation that was.

“Serving our communities was high on the agenda, as that is what Rotary does best. From polio eradication to local projects, youth programs and all the other good that The Rotary Foundation does throughout the world.

A Rotaractor from England said:

“It's all about “Dogoodery”.

“The Rotary International convention in Hamburg allowed me to look beyond the club to a bigger picture.

“I now realise I am a member of an organisation that has tremendous clout across the globe and, while working locally is very important, we need to remember to look nationally and internationally...summing up, let me say it was a most inspiring and educational experience.

“Would I do it again? I certainly would. It was worth every dollar/euro I spent,” Ava said.

—Peter Hartley

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Mountain Ghost

This article is based on the quality of the pies not on price or service. The Ghost has noticed some places have great pies but the service leaves a lot to be desired. He would be interested to hear any comments from his many readers.



THE BEST PIE SHOPS IN THE BLUE MOUNTAINS

The Mountain Ghost loves his food (and drink). His favourite food is a meat pie or two.

If you have them with tomato sauce you are getting all the essential food groups which is another way of saying pies are good for you.

Recently, the Ghost read an interesting article by Jade Jackson (Weekend Notes) comparing the best pie shops in the Mountains.

She started at Glenbrook with Bakehouse Gourmet Pies, followed by Bakehouse on Wentworth, at Springwood.

At Lawson, she went to the Lawson Cake Shop.

At Wentworth Falls, she went to Schwarz's Bakery. Schwarz's pies were her favourite for the whole of the Mountains. The Ghost has different favourites to her.

Anyway from Schwarz's she stopped at Mountain High Pies on the highway at Wentworth Falls. The Ghost highly recommends their pies as they offer a huge variety.

From Wentworth Falls Jade went directly to Katoomba and stopped at the Hominy Bakery.

Continuing to Mt. Victoria, she stopped at the Piccolo Café for their chicken and camembert pie, then a detour to Bells Line of Road and Pie in the Sky at Bilpin. Apart from their excellent meat pies surprise surprise they do great apple pies.

The Ghost has tried all the previous mentioned pie shops and agrees they are all great. But what about the Bakehouse on Wentworth at Leura. The Ghost loves their pies.



While he has not been there he has heard the pies at the New Ivanhoe Hotel at Blackheath are great. Also if you like apple pie and who doesn't, the Logan Brae Apple Orchard at the Shipley Plateau are brilliant.

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Techie Talk Translated

LOGON:	Adding wood to make the camp fire hotter.
LOG OFF:	Not adding any more wood to the camp fire.
MONITOR:	Keeping an eye on the fire.
DOWNLOAD:	Getting the firewood off the Ute.
HARD DRIVE:	Making the trip back home without any cold tinnies.
KEYBOARD:	Where you hang the ute keys.
WINDOWS:	What you shut when the weather's cold.
SCREEN:	What you shut in the mozzie season.
BYTE:	What mozzies do.
MEGABYTE:	What Townsville mozzies do.
CHIP:	A pub snack.
MICROCHIP:	What's left in the bag after you've eaten the chips.
MODEM:	What you did to the lawns.
LAPTOP:	Where the cat sleeps.
SOFTWARE:	Plastic knives and forks you get at Red Rooster.
HARDWARE:	Stainless steel knives and forks - from K-Mart.
MOUSE:	The small rodent that eats the grain in the shed.
MAINFRAME:	What holds the shed up.
WEB:	What spiders make.
WEBSITE:	Usually in the shed or under the verandah.
SEARCH ENGINE:	What you do when the ute won't go.
CURSOR:	What you say when the ute won't go.
YAHOO:	What you say when the ute does go.
UPGRADE:	A steep hill.
SERVER:	The person at the pub who brings out the counter lunch.
MAIL SERVER:	The bloke at the pub who brings out the counter lunch.
USER:	The neighbour who keeps borrowing things.
NETWORK:	What you do when you need to repair the fishing net.
INTERNET:	Where you want the fish to go.
ONLINE:	Where you hang the washing.
OFFLINE:	Where washing ends up when the pegs aren't strong enough.



SAVE THE DATE!

Enjoy dinner with Rotary
International President for
2019-2020,
Mark Daniel Maloney



Monday
23rd September 2019

The Deckhouse,
Clarke Road, Woolwich
6.30pm for 7.00pm

\$70 - two course meal
Welcome drink on arrival
Dress: Business attire
Registrations: by 15 September
www.trybooking.com/523543
Seating is limited.

*This is an opportunity for Rotarians
and guests to meet and hear from our
international leader.*

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