



HORIZONS



Central Blue Mountains Rotary

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Rotary District 9685 - Australia

Wednesday, January 18, 2017

Invite your friends and associates to our outstanding meetings

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What's On....



January

Wednesday 18 - Club assembly

Monday 23 - Board meeting

Wednesday 25 - Peter Carroll - Nepal project

Thursday 26 - Australia Day event - Wilson Park
Wentworth Falls 0800 - 1200

February

Wednesday 01 - Dr Michael Bendon - archeologist

Sunday 05 - Food van at Leura School market

Wednesday 08 - Sue Beevers - BlazeAid

Monday 13 - Board meeting

Wednesday 15 - Club Assembly

Saturday 18 - Celebrating Rotary's birthday

Our Mission

Central Blue Mountains Rotary has a very simple mission; to provide service to others within our local community and overseas, to promote integrity, and to advance goodwill through fellowship.

We have a long and successful history of supporting our local community and assisting overseas. Since being established in 1976 we have achieved, quite simply, nothing less than outstanding results every year. We are proud of our contribution to helping others.

You get a free lunch topped off with lots of general information and valuable knowledge about Rotary when you register for a Rotary Leadership Institute course

RLI Courses for 2017 are opening now:

RLI 37 - Sundays, 22 Jan, 19 Feb, and 19 March

RLI 39 - Saturdays, 4 Feb, 18 Feb and 18 March

Register at rli.rotarydistrict9685.org.au

Courses are held at the 9685 District Office, Thornleigh. Morning tea and lunch are provided. Each day starts at 8:30 for 9:00am and finishes around 3:45pm.

Until further notice, District is bearing the full cost as part of its training budget - IT IS FREE.

Rotarians who have partially completed earlier RLIs and wish to do individual parts should contact PDG Ian Scott for registration by response to this email... ian@scottadr.com

The benefits of doing RLI are many; so boost your knowledge and skills and share your experience by joining in.



8.00am
till Noon

Australia Day Community Breakfast

Wilson Park, Wentworth Falls
January 26, 2017



Adults \$8.00
Children \$4.00

Enjoy freshly cooked eggs, bacon, sausages and Aussie Damper cereal, fruit juice, tea and coffee

Entertainment, Bush Poet, Aboriginal Culture, Games, Contests, Prizes for the best Aussie outfits

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The Rotary eClub of Greater Sydney will be celebrating Rotary's birthday at The Carrington Hotel Gardens, Katoomba on February 18, 2017

This will be a free community event to spread the word about Rotary clubs and Rotary International to the local community and visitors to the area. The event has the potential to be used as a membership drive for clubs who participate. Please add this to your upcoming events, if you would like to be a part of this event (host a stall, volunteer etc.) please contact Lucian Keegel - iskeegel@bigpond.com or 0415 232 901.



Check out Rotary.org's modern, new look

Rotary.org, our public-facing website, has a fresh, contemporary look that clearly answers the often-asked question: "What is Rotary?" It's the first step in a two-part update to our entire website: first Rotary.org, and then My Rotary.

For many people, our website is their introduction to the great work that Rotary members do to improve lives around the world. It's meant to create an emotional connection that inspires potential members, donors, and partners to get involved. The latest changes to the public site do that, and more.

Some of the updates will be obvious: a modern design, increased use of imagery and graphics to tell our stories, and better organization of content to help readers find out who we are and what we're doing. Other changes, like the improved readability and speed of the site, will be a welcome surprise.

These upgrades are made possible partly by the dues increase the 2016 Council on Legislation passed to allow Rotary to provide additional support to clubs and districts. As part of our work to refresh My Rotary, we'll also update Rotary Club Central and the Club and District Administration pages — more information about these improvements will arrive in the coming months.

Visit www.rotary.org to see all the enhancements to our public site.

It's on again:

Upper Blue Mountains Sunrise Summer Fashion Sale

*Men's &
Women's
Summer
Fashion Sale*
UP TO 70% OFF
All imported stock
January 20th - January 22th
10:00am-4:00pm
Wentworth Falls School of Arts
Great Western Highway,
Wentworth Falls

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Mountain Ghost

Captain Phillips was prankish enough to take full advantage of the opportunity for achieving the navigational freak of a lifetime.

The Mountain Ghost was researching the origins of the name Warrimoo and came upon this most interesting story.

Now before you go on, the Ghost does have a computer and he does know how to use it! (even though it is peddle powered and does have a built in Esky)...

Back to the story of Warrimoo. There is a famous steamer SS Warrimoo built in 1892 in Newcastle United Kingdom. It carried Cargo and passengers to Canada, Australia and later to New Zealand.

The passenger steamer SS Warrimoo was quietly knifing its way through the waters of the mid-Pacific on its way from Vancouver to Australia. The navigator had just finished working out a star fix and brought the master, Captain John Phillips, the result.

The Warrimoo's position was LAT 0° 31' N and LON 179° 30' W. The date was 31 December 1899. "Know what this means?" First Mate Payton broke in, "We're only a few miles from the intersection of the Equator and the International Date Line."

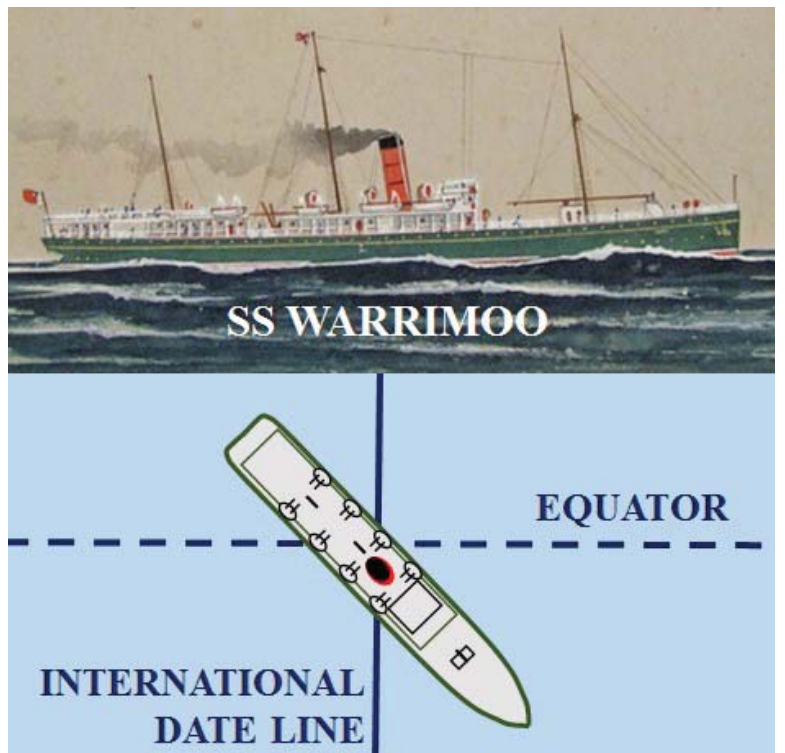
Captain Phillips was prankish enough to take full advantage of the opportunity for achieving the navigational freak of a lifetime. He called his navigators to the bridge to check and double check the ships position.

He changed course slightly so as to bear directly on his mark. Then he adjusted the engine speed. The calm weather and clear night worked in his favour.

At midnight, the SS Warrimoo lay on the Equator at exactly the point where it crossed the International Date Line! The consequences of this bizarre position were many: The forward part (bow) of the ship was in the Southern Hemisphere and the middle of summer. The rear (stern) was in the Northern Hemisphere and in the middle of winter.

The date in the aft part of the ship was 31 December 1899. Forward it was 1 January 1900. This ship was therefore not only in two different days, two different months, two different years, two different seasons but in two different centuries - all at the same time!

The ghost was fascinated by this story and his original research on the history of the name of the town of Warrimoo seems very strange. Most histories say Warrimoo is an Aboriginal name for Eagle or Eagles Nest and this is how the town got its name in 1918. Prior to that date the town had been known as Karabah.



There is no record of Warrimoo being an Aboriginal name. It does appear it could be named after the SS Warrimoo but no evidence to prove it. However the SS Warrimoo was a troop carrier in the First World War and ran into a French destroyer in 1918. Both ships sank with loss of life.

It could well be that with the sense of patriotism around the time and being only a few months after this event the town was renamed Warrimoo by a Sydney developer Arthur Rickard.

....that's all folks