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MAY 2026 IS YOUTH SERVICE MONTH

*"Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement.
Nothing can be done without hope and confidence."*

Helen Keller.

THIS MEETING.

Tonight, in preparation for our upcoming BM Treasurer Kel would like to discuss this year's club donations.

Acknowledgement of Country: Bob.	International Toast: Sharyn.
Club Host: .	Appeal: Sue.

President's Report

International Project:

The International Project with Divine Mercy School, in Uganda is ongoing, with regular correspondence with the Cofounder of the school, John Bosco Agaba.



On ANZAC Day, April 25, Kerrie, Kel, Sharyn, Sue and Jenny attended the Vietnamese Memorial Service held at the Vietnamese Memorial in McCabe Park.

The service was held immediately after the conclusion of the march. This year is the 111th Anniversary of the landing in Gallipoli and the 51st Anniversary of the fall of Saigon in Vietnam.

It was a very moving ceremony with great respect forwarded to Vietnamese Veterans. Jenny was given the honour of laying a wreath on behalf of the Rotary Club of Fairy Meadow and also participating in the traditional Incense Ceremony.

On Wednesday April 29, Jenny and Friend of The Rotary Club of Fairy Meadow, John Sperring, were invited to attend the Fairy Meadow Demonstration School ANZAC Day Service.

John who is also the President of the City of Wollongong RSL Subbranch was the guest speaker. Jenny represented the Rotary Club of Fairy Meadow. John and Jenny were former pupils of the school and were given a tour of the school.

The Service was conducted by the pupils, primarily the School Captains and Vice Captains. Wreaths that were made by the pupils were a part of the wreath laying ceremony and were laid at the school flagpole.

On Sunday April 4, Kerrie, David, Sue, Kel, Sharyn, Martha, Jenny and Julie attended the Fundraising BBQ at Bunnings at Kembla Grange, along with friends of Fairy Meadow Rotary, John and Margaret, member of Rotaract Lucille and regular BBQ helper, Peter. It was a very busy and profitable day, and the funds raised go towards community organisations.

President Jenny

Attendance details last meeting (Monday 20 April 2026).

Apologies:	Claude, Albert, & Martha.
Leave of absence:	
Members Present:	8 being 72%.
Guest Speaker(s):	
Club Guests:	
Friends of Rotary:	
Visiting Rotarians:	
Makeups:	
Joker jackpot raffle:	No winner yet.
International Toast:	Rotary Club of S. W. Florida District 6960




NEXT MEETING:

Monday 18th. A regular club meeting.

Acknowledgement of Country: David.	International Toast: Kel.
Club Host:	Appeal: Jenny.

Rosters: Please arrange your own substitute if you cannot attend meetings.

ANNIVERSARIES BEFORE NEXT MEETING (04/05/2026 – 17/05/2026)

<i>Birthdays</i>	None this period.	
<i>Wedding Anniversaries</i>	None this period.	
<i>Club Anniversaries</i>	None this period.	

CLUB NEWS

Welfare update - Albert

Sharyn and Kel caught up with Albert at Bulli Hospital yesterday. If you would like to visit him, he is currently in Ward 2 West Bed 1.

If you are planning to visit him it might be best to check with the hospital first as between Wollongong and Bulli hospitals, they have been giving him the runaround for some while now.

Albert was under the impression that one of his nephews had informed us of his whereabouts, but he promises to send us e-mails once he is home.

Yesterday's fundraiser at Bunnings Kembla Grange



Having been offered a fundraiser at KB for Valentine's Day which was later withdrawn we were offered a BBQ there on a Sunday and were warned it gets very busy. That was an understatement! After a steady start it was manic around the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. but we managed just.

We have a short, sharp BBQ at Fairy Meadow Dem School this Friday between the hours of 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Thank you to those who have already volunteered.

Our next BBQ at KB is on Friday 15th May, just eleven sleeps away.

DV Safe Phones



We are ready to send another batch of old unwanted functional mobile phones to [DV Safe Phone](#). If you have unwanted phone(s) at home that you would like to donate, please bring them to the next meeting.

Please ensure that you follow the instructions to wipe any personal data from the mobile before donating it.

For instructions on how to wipe any smart phone (Apple iPhone, Samsung Galaxy or other Android) go to this link and scroll down to the heading "Prepare your phone/s for sending" and follow the relevant instructions.

Upcoming ClubRunner webinars

[Between May 4 and May 14 ClubRunner is running a series of Webinars](#) to help us brush up on our ClubRunner skills and knowledge. Hosted by their expert Product Specialists, they will be presenting webinars based on roles, club or district versions, and in-depth module deep dives.

There is no cost to attend any webinar. Note all listed times are in NAEST (North American Eastern Time) If you click on the blue "Register" icon (right of screen) details of that webinar will be displayed showing the date and time of the webinar relative to Australian Eastern Standard Time.

Here is a list of webinars that maybe of interest to you:

Description	Duration	Local date and time
ClubRunner Nova*	90 minutes	May 5 th 08:00
ClubRunner Mobile App**	60 Minutes	May 8 th 08:00

* Topics include: An introduction to Nova, Cloud Events, Financials, Newest reports and analytic tools, CR mobile app, and how can a club or district upgrade to Nova?

** Topics include: How to install the app on Android or iPhone, Overview of app and features, editing your profile, viewing your own attendance, searching and contacting member, viewing and registering for events, viewing website stories, mobile app chat, and mobile broadcasts.

[All webinars will be recorded and made available after all sessions are complete.](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

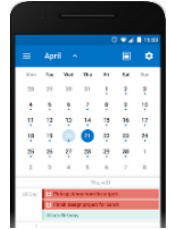
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[Click here to see details of up-coming club events and meetings.](#)

[View the District calendar here.](#)

[View the Rotary International calendar here.](#)



Thursday 7 May PCYC Fit For Life at the Snake Pit.

Friday 8 May Mothers' Day BBQ at Fairy Meadow Dem School.

Friday 15 May Bunnings BBQ at Kembla Grange.

Saturday 16 May [Club Leadership Learning Seminar](#) (CLLS) a.k.a. District Assembly at Bankstown Sports Club
9:00 am – 3:00 pm

Thursday 4 June PCYC Fit For Life at the Snake Pit.

Friday 19 June Bunnings BBQ at Kembla Grange.

Sunday 28 June [District Changeover](#) at Bankstown Sports Club 11:30 am for 12:00 pm

Agenda items for the board meetings should be sent to the secretary by the Saturday before the board meeting.

Items for the Bulletin should be sent to the Bulletin editor by the Sunday before the club meeting.

If you would like to nominate a Guest Speaker for a club meeting, please send the details to the club secretary or President Jenny.



Yours in Rotary,

David.



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