



Rotary Club of West Wollongong Inc.
 (ABN 32 681 953 565)
District 9675
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6 November 2024 BULLETIN

November is Rotary Foundation Month

Tonight's guest speaker, Greg Knight, (pictured below) will be accompanied by Denise & Peter Aubourg and will speak on "The Benefits of Electrifying Our Homes"



ELECTRIFY ⚡LLAWARRA

President:	Rose Pope	RI President 2024-25:	Stephanie A Urchick
Secretary:	Kerrie Hayes-Williams	District Governor 2024-25:	Sue Hayward
Treasurer:	Noel Watt	Rotary Comm. Leader:	Margaret Uitterlinden
IPP President:	Phil Peckman	President Elect:	Phil Peckman
Send items for the Bulletin to Editor: Michael Crowley			

Birthdays	Anniversaries
11/11 – Helen Hasan	<i>None this week</i>

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CLUB PROGRAM ... *Dates for you diary!*

Date	Speaker/Theme
<p align="center">Wednesday 6 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>“The Benefits of Electrifying Our Homes” – Denise & Peter Aubourg & Greg Knight</i> <i>SERGEANT: <u>LECTURN, LAPTOP & PROJECTOR</u> required please!</i></p> 
<p align="center">Thursday 7 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ JOKER DRAW at The Charles Hotel from 6.00 PM <u>TEAM 5</u></p> 
<p align="center">Sunday 10 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange – <i>Volunteers needed ... please assist if you can!</i></p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 13 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>ARH Indigenous Scholar – Maddy Lawson</i></p>
<p align="center">Wednesday 20 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>5.30pm start with pre-meeting drinks in the Centro Courtyard!</i> <i>Short meeting – Club Business followed by a Board Meeting</i></p>
<p align="center">Friday 22 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>Imagination Library Illawarra Movie Night – Gala Cinema Warrawong. The movie “HERE” starts @ 7pm & tickets are \$25pp!</i> <i>(The trailer for the movie can be viewed from this LINK)</i> <i>Refer to the attached flyer for further information & ticket purchases.</i></p>
<p align="center">Wednesday 27 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING</p>
<p align="center">Wednesday 4 December 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>An evening with our ARH PhD Scholar (Thanapon Deekaikam & RCWW John Chaplin Memorial scholar (Nicholas Fantham) together with UOW representatives</i> ... <i>(NB. Partners evening)</i></p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 11 December 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>RCWW Christmas Party – All members, honorary members, friends and respective partners are very welcome.</i> <i>6.00pm @ The Builders Club, Wollongong</i></p>
<p align="center">Monday 16 December 2024</p>	<p>❖ BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange - TBC – <i>Volunteers needed ... please add to your diaries!</i></p> 
<p align="center">18 December 2024 to 8 January 2025 inclusive</p>	<p>❖ <i>Christmas/New Year break – NO CLUB MEETINGS</i> ❖ <i>Meetings resume – Wednesday 15 January 2025</i></p>
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<p align="center">Wednesday 15 January 2025</p>	<p><i>TBA</i></p>
<p align="center">Wednesday 22 January 2025</p>	<p><i>5.30pm start with pre-meeting drinks in the Centro Courtyard!</i> <i>Short meeting – Club Business followed by a Board Meeting</i></p>
<p align="center">Wednesday 29 January 2025</p>	<p><i>TBA</i></p>
<p align="center">Saturday 1 February 2025</p>	<p>❖ BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange - TBC – <i>Volunteers needed ... please add to your diaries!</i></p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 5 February 2025</p>	<p><i>CLUB ASSEMBLY</i></p>
<p align="center">Monday 10 February 2025</p>	<p>❖ BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange - TBC – <i>Volunteers needed ... please add to your diaries!</i></p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 12 February 2025</p>	<p>❖ PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP EVENING</p> 

President's Message

As I write this message, our members are preparing to:

- Attend the *Awards Australia Community Achievement Awards* (for which we are judges) presentation night in Sydney Friday evening;
- Organise and run the *MS Gong Ride BBQ on Saturday and Sunday* with the RC of Corrimal; and
- Enjoy the fellowship of members and friends at the *Charles Hotel for Melbourne Cup Day*.



Reports on these will be in next week's Bulletin.

Our **new banner** has been ordered and will hopefully be displayed on Sunday. Thank you, **Phil Peckman**.

Last week's *pre-meeting drinks session in Centro's Courtyard* was popular as usual. It was such a nice evening that it was tempting to stay outside in the courtyard for the meal and meeting.

The Board meeting last week:

After an urgent request from our **RCL Margaret Uitterlinden**, the Board agreed to help *purchase an electronic wheelchair for 23 year old Liam Bulman (pictured right)* who was recently and tragically diagnosed with stage four, high-grade neuroendocrine carcinoma, which is an aggressive and rare cancer.



Happier news from the Board meeting is that **Ros Yeoman has been formally accepted as a full member**. She has been a very active Friend of our club for several years. Welcome Ros!

On a District level, PDG Sue Hayward has now taken over from Warwick Richardson as our District Governor. PDG Tonia Barnes will then take over in March 2025.

Now I look forward to hearing from our guest speakers Denise, Peter and Greg to learn more about electrification of homes.

President Rose

Greg Knight has indicated he is happy to introduce himself this evening; however, for the benefit of our members & friends a little information about our speaker is outlined below:

Greg Knight worked at BHP & BlueScope Steel for many years as a metallurgist, quality engineer and statistician.

In his retirement, Greg is focussed on raising awareness and championing the transition to renewable energy.

By electrifying our homes, cars and businesses climate change can be tackled while locking in ongoing energy bill savings. However, we will no doubt hear more about this tonight!

Meeting minutes from last week: Scribe – Phil Peckman

- ✚ **Sergeant Ray Lee** opened the meeting, after settling down a noisy bunch of pre-meeting drink members, and **President Rose Pope** welcomed everyone to the meeting.

- ✚ **Phil Peckman's** *reflection* was to the wonderful *multi-cultural society* in which we live.

- ✚ **Anne Christensen's** *international toast* was to the **Rotary Club of Taunton Vale, Somerset, England**. Chartered in 1981 and has raised over one-half a million pounds since then. The club supports many local and international charities as well as many projects like "Making a Difference", aiming to improve employment prospects of young people.

- ✚ **Sergeant Ray** mentioned that Mike Crowley was not doing well with his hip and was in a lot of pain. All members extend their best wishes to Mike and wish him a speedy recovery.

- ✚ **Milan Stanojevic** stated that preparation for the *MS Gong Ride BBQ* on Sunday 3 November was going well and had a full roster of people throughout the day, with the *assistance of the Rotary Club of Corrimal*. Parking permits were issued to those who were rostered on. It's looking to be quite warm, so please ensure you take your breaks and drink plenty of water during the day. Thank you to all who have volunteered their time.

- ✚ **Noel Watt** informed the meeting of the profit from the *Charles Hotel's Jag the Joker* the previous week.

- ✚ **Phil Peckman** presented the *revised RCWW Banner*, which was approved by all at the meeting. The banner will be ordered and hopefully ready for this weekend's MS Gong BBQ.

- ✚ **President Rose** noted:
 - **Ken Potter** had *successfully applied for another IMB Grant for RYDA (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness)*. A further \$10,000.00 has been approved for the RYDA program. Well done, Ken!
 - *Smith's Hill High School*, who our Club supported students to travel to the *National Science & Engineering Challenge in Queensland*, was victorious and won the National Challenge. A first for the Illawarra!
 - Perhaps a *new way of raising funds*, in which all members could contribute, would be *Christmas Gift Wrapping*. More to come on this one.
 - Maybe we should *re-think the Sergeant's fine session* as not everyone has coins and the people that do are perhaps over giving to those that don't have coins! Food for thought?
 - *Her significant 'banking proficiency' and unique way of not frustrating those in line behind her!*

- ✚ The **AGM** is coming up (27 November) and a reminder for everyone to get their Board nominations in.

✚ The *wine raffle* was won by **Helen Hasan** and **Noel Watt**. **Rita Giampieri** won the ½ Bottle of red left over from drinks and **Anne Christensen**, who won the block of chocolate, then passed it to **Rose Pope** who then passed it to **Kevin Wanambiro**! All the lucky winners are pictured below:



Helen Hasan



Noel Watt



Rita Giampieri



President Rose Pope



Kevin Wanambiro

Rose thanked all members for attending... then **Sergeant Ray** closed the meeting at 7:05PM

Rotary clubs of the Illawarra

Imagination Library Movie Night

Gala Cinema - Friday 22nd November - 6.30 for 7pm start

A fundraising movie night has been arranged to support the Imagination Library. The movie chosen is called '*Here*', which stars Tom Hanks and Robin Wright in a generational story about families and the special place they inhabit, sharing in love, loss, laughter and life. To view the movie trailer, please click on this [LINK](#).

The cost is \$25pp which includes an ice-cream or soft drink. Please invite your family and friends to join us!

To acquire your tickets, either scan the QR code on the attached flyer or click [HERE](#).

ROSTERS

Please arrange your own substitute if you are not able to attend meetings.

Date	Sergeant	Reflection & Scribe	Int. Toast***	Charles Hotel			
				Joker Draw &		Mega Meat raffle	
				Date	Team	Date	Team
06/11	P Roberts	M Phillips	K Potter	07/11	5	The next Mega Meat Raffle will be held on Saturday 7 December 2024 from 2-4pm	1
13/11	B Stevens	K Potter	P Roberts	14/11	6		
20/11	D Simpson	P Roberts	D Rutherford	21/11	1		
27/11	Di North	D Rutherford	D Simpson	28/11	2		
04/12	J Erickson	D Simpson	M Stanojevic	05/12	3		
11/12	<i>RCWW</i>	<i>Christmas</i>	<i>Party</i>	12/12	4		
18/12	<i>Christmas/NY</i>	<i>Break</i>	<i>No Meeting</i>	19/12	5		
25/12	<i>Christmas/NY</i>	<i>Break</i>	<i>No Meeting</i>	26/12	6		
01/01	<i>Christmas/NY</i>	<i>Break</i>	<i>No Meeting</i>	02/01	1		
08/01	<i>Christmas/NY</i>	<i>Break</i>	<i>No Meeting</i>	09/01	2		
15/01	J Christensen	M Stanojevic	B Stevens	16/01	3		
22/01	K Potter	B Stevens	K Wanambiro	23/01	4		

***Int. Toast: Each member to research and select their own Rotary-based international toast.

Apologies to be directed to Treasurer Noel Watt, prior to midday on the Tuesday before our meetings.

The Charles Hotel "Joker Draw" – Thursday, 6:00pm					
Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	Team 5	Team 6
Marilyn Phillips	Ken Potter	Barry Stevens	Di North	Ray Lee	Jim Christensen
The Charles Hotel "Meat Raffle" - 1 st Saturday of the month from 2.00pm to 4.00pm					
Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4		
D Simpson & D North	R Pope, D Reid & P Peckman	J Christensen & K Potter	R Pope, D Reid & P Peckman		
PCYC BULLI – Fit for Life Program: Members' Breakfast Schedule					
Thursday 07/11			Di Reid & Rita Giampieri		
Thursday 05/12			Ros Yeoman & Phil Peckman		

Rotary Illawarra's

Say NO to Domestic and Family Violence Walk... To be held in Kiama

Saturday 30th November 2024

Rotary clubs, friends and members of the public are invited to participate. More details to follow.





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IMAGINATION LIBRARY ILLAWARRA

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FROM THE WRITER, DIRECTOR AND STARS OF FORREST GUMP

Tom Hanks Robin Wright



Friday 22 November
Gala Cinema
Warrawong
Movie to start at 7pm

Tickets \$25

includes an ice-cream or soft drink

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Joy, Hope, Loss, Love, Life happens...

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