



Rotary Club of West Wollongong Inc.
 (ABN 32 681 953 565)
District 9675
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5 February 2025 BULLETIN

February is Peacebuilding & Conflict Prevention Month



REMINDER: CLUB ASSEMBLY TONIGHT FOR ALL MEMBERS!






DON'T FORGET...
CLUB ASSEMBLIES ARE IMPORTANT TO THE EFFICIENT OPERATION OF OUR CLUB.

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
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Birthdays	Anniversaries
07/02 – Ros Yeoman 06/02 – Nikki Stevens	10/02 – John & Coral Erickson

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

Date	Speaker/Theme	
Wednesday 5 February 2025	CLUB ASSEMBLY	
Thursday 6 February 2025	❖ JOKER DRAW at The Charles Hotel from 6.00 PM <u>TEAM 3</u>	
Friday 7 February 2025	❖ Charles Hotel Friday Night Meat Raffle from 5.00pm <u>TEAM 3</u>	
Monday 10 February 2025	❖ BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange – <i>Volunteers needed ... please add to your diaries!</i>	
Wednesday 12 February 2025	❖ PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP EVENING... <i>NB. Partners' evening</i>	
Wednesday 19 February 2025	❖ 5.30pm start with pre-meeting drinks in the Centro Courtyard! <i>Short meeting – Club Business followed by a Board Meeting</i>	
Wednesday 26 February 2025	❖ Q & A facilitated by Rita Giampieri: <i>“A fulfilling life with Downs Syndrome” - Rachael Young (Artist) & her inspirational mother, Assunta Young</i>	
Wednesday 5 March 2025	❖ TBA	
Monday 10 March 2025	❖ BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange – <i>Volunteers needed ... please add to your diaries!</i>	
Wednesday 12 March 2025	❖ UOW/RCWW John Chaplin Memorial Scholar – Nicholas Fantham + Nina Burr from UOW... NB. Partners' evening	
Wednesday 19 March 2025	❖ 5.30pm start with pre-meeting drinks in the Centro Courtyard! ❖ <i>Short meeting – Club Business followed by a Board Meeting</i>	
Wednesday 26 March 2025	❖ Peace Oration – featuring Dr Glenn Kolomeitz at The Builders Club <i>(More details about Dr Kolomeitz and his presentation will follow shortly. However, this will event will be open to members, friends, partners, members of other Rotary clubs and the general public).</i>	




Rotary
FEBRUARY IS
PEACE & CONFLICT PREVENTION MONTH

"PEACE CANNOT BE KEPT BY FORCE; IT CAN ONLY BE ACHIEVED BY UNDERSTANDING"
 - ALBERT EINSTEIN

President's Message

Thank you **Annette Lavender** for suggesting and helping organise *last week's "meeting"*.

We had an *excellent rollup for a night of fellowship, bowls and dinner*. There were some champions and some who might be better as cheerleaders – namely me! There were certainly lots of laughs. Commiserations to those who couldn't make it for reasons of health. We hope you recover soon.



Tonight will be a little more serious with a **Club Assembly** so I hope you'll *come along with some ideas and suggestions*. Amongst other things, we'll be discussing the bee hives we've placed in various locations, our fundraising activities and areas or organisations you feel our Club can support, especially financially.



Remember that the week after is a very important night – *Pride of Workmanship* - when we'll recognise six special people with over 30 visitors.

We have a wonderful Club.

See you tonight

President Rose

CLUB ASSEMBLY TONIGHT

Club assemblies allow members to:

- Review our Club's goals and action plans
- Coordinate committee activities
- Understand how the Club's action plans are being implemented
- Participate in informal discussions that stimulate creative solutions
- Learn about Rotary and its programs
- Discuss our Club's strengths and opportunities for improvement



Relevant topics for discussion could include:

- Service projects and club activities
- Membership growth and retention strategies
- District and RI meetings
- Rotary programs
- Any topic raised in an open forum
- Club assemblies offer an opportunity to exchange ideas and share information about issues that are important to our members



All members are encouraged to attend and participate.

We certainly had plenty of interesting bowling styles amongst our members during last Wednesday's barefoot bowls evening



Arthur Booth turned out to be somewhat of a 'dead-eye dick' getting nearest the Jack!



Clearly... some members/friends possessed more bowling skills than others!





Thanks again to Annette Lavender for helping pull this 'meeting' together at short notice!

ROSTERS

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

Date	Sergeant	Reflection & Scribe	Int. Toast***	Charles Hotel			
				Thurs. Joker Draw & Friday Meat raffle			
				Date	Team	Date	Team
05/02	K Potter	K Wanambiro	N Watt	06/02	4	07/02	4
12/02	P Roberts	N Watt	R Yeoman	13/02	5	14/02	1
19/02	B Stevens	R Yeoman	B Armessen	20/02	6	21/02	2
26/02	D Simpson	B Armessen	M Bracken	27/02	1	28/02	3
05/03	Di North	J Christensen	A Cachia	06/03	2	07/03	4
12/03	J Erickson	A Cachia	J Christensen	13/03	3	14/03	1
19/03	J Christensen	A Christensen	J Crakanthorp	20/03	4	21/03	2

***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" - Every Friday from 5.00pm to 7.00pm					
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		