



ROTARY CLUB OF CAMBRIDGE CAMBRIDGE COURIER 2021 - 2022



District 9455 Western Australia

We usually meet at the Cambridge Bowling Club, Howtree Place, Floreat (near the Forum), at 7.10 am for 7.30 am.

Our next Rotary Meeting: Wednesday, 8 September

Speakers: DG Dee Buckland; Jonathan Weir; Rory Beattie

Topic: Various!

On Duty 8/09/21:

Speaker intro & thanks: Pres. Jeremy; Frank Nathan

Set up/Pack up: Mike Mullin

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS

- Our sincere condolences to Frank and Eileen on the passing of Frank's sister in Albany recently.
- Please see Pres. Jeremy's email of 26th August for Peace Pole Ceremonies at various Primary Schools in our area, and help to fly the Rotary flag if you can.
- Bill Boekeman of the Wongan Hills Club reminded us of the trip to the country on 29th & 30th October. If you are interested, Bill's number is 0427 771 884.
- Volunteers are needed to man the "Join our Club" table at the Forum on Saturday 11th September please.
- We are in serious collection mode for our 20th November fete; please see Frank's email of 24th August.

Coming up soon: Wednesday, 15 September

Speaker: Primary Schools Speaking Competition Finals

Topics: various

This is an Evening Meeting starting at 6.00 pm; no morning meeting today

Speaker intro & thanks: n/a

Set up/Pack up: n/a

NEWS FROM OUR LAST MEETING

John Taylor & Co is a bell foundry based in Loughborough (near Birmingham) in England, and under the watchful eye of director Andrew Reynolds here in WA, the company is in the process of restoring the bells of the Abbey Church of New Norcia. Andrew started his fascinating talk by giving us a background to the origin of bells generally, as well as an overview of his company – which dates back to about 1320! They moved to Loughborough in 1839 and have occupied their present site since 1859. Whilst some bells are made of brass, the best material for church bells is bronze – an alloy of copper and about 20% tin, which gives a very pleasing sound when struck. There are two styles, swinging and stationary, with the former mounted on a headstock and the latter fixed with an external hammer striker. The four bells from the New Norcia tower are of Spanish origin and date back to the second half of the 19th Century. Bells number 1 & 3 were cast by Quintana in Spain and have Latin inscriptions, whereas bells 2 & 4 originate from the 1843 Barracks of the National Militia of Spain and have Spanish inscriptions. They were all spirited out of Spain at the end of the Civil War to avoid being destroyed, and thus landed up at New Norcia which was in the market for such things. The bells 1 to 4 weigh 75 kgs, 200 kgs, 125 kgs and 240 kgs respectively, and are in need of restoration after decades of service to the New Norcia community. Quite recently they were spotted on the back of Andrew's Ute in Subiaco en route to Welshpool, and this resulted in an article being published in The Post newspaper! Andrew expects the refurbishment, which will include a striking computer for accurate timekeeping, to be completed by Christmas 2021.



Is there something one can take for kleptomania?

Birthdays: Marina Petrelis (14 Sep)

Wedding anniversaries: none this time

Rotary anniversaries: none this time

IF A MEMBER CAN'T ATTEND, OR WANTS TO BRING A VISITOR, PLEASE ADVISE LIBBY LARSEN BY EARLY MONDAY MORNING
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