



# Rotary Club of **HOLROYD (inc)**



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## BULLETIN

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The Rotary Club of Holroyd meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday nights each Month at 6pm for a 6:30pm start at Club Merrylands Bowling, Corner of Newman & Oxford Streets, Merrylands NSW 2160.

Apologies/Guests to Eileen Britten on 9683-3848 or 0427-658-982 prior to the day of the meeting

| RI President      | Club President | President-Elect |
|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Barry Rassin      | Pat Gerardis   |                 |
|                   |                |                 |
| District Governor | Secretary      | Treasurer       |
| Sue Hayward       | Narelle Wilson | Helen Wilson    |

| Future Meetings : |   |
|-------------------|---|
| 8 October         | Regular Meeting _ Combined meeting with Cabramatta at Mt Pritchard Community club |
| 15 October        | Board Meeting – Guildford Bowling club  |
| 22 October        | Regular meeting- Merrylands Bowling Clun  |

| Duty Roster                 | 22 October 2018  | 12 November 2018 | 26 November    |
|-----------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Meet & Greet                | Bob Feil         | Paul Reid        | John Heslop    |
| Invocation                  | Rod O'Donoughe   | Andrew Stringer  | Ann Abdel Ahad |
| Welcome Guests & 4 Way Test | Sofia O'Donoughe | Audrey Williams  | Julie Apps     |
| Introduce Guest Speaker     | Jenny Pedley     | Helen Wilson     | Bill Auld      |
| Vote of Appreciation        | Julia Reid       | Narelle Wilson   | Barrie Britten |

| Sister Clubs:                                    |
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| Rotary Club of Huntington, Indiana, USA, D6540   |
| Rotary Club of George Town, Tasmania, AUS, D9830 |
| Rotary Club of Gourock, Scotland, D1230          |

### Notes of Meeting: 24 September 2 018

**GUESTS:** Peter Wilson, Frank Williams, Eletta Brown

*APOLOGIES : Vicki Clement, Trevor Elias*

*RAFFLE WINNER : Sofia O'Donoghue*

*GUEST SPEAKER; Bharathi Rengartatjan, Vera Leonidas*

**PRESIDENTS REPORT: Pat Gerardis**

As I have mentioned at our last meeting AG Allan Petersen has asked that we join Cabramatta Rotary for his visit on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October at Mount Pritchard Community Club 101 Meadows Rd Mt Pritchard, as he has not been well of late. Please make an effort to attend so that our club has a good representation, as this is an important meeting.

Hat Day is 10th October. It has been suggested that we combine the event with Cabramatta Rotary as a fund raising event. I have discussed this with David Butterfield. Peter De Zilva has followed up with Geoff Lumley and will report to the club.

On Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September John Heslop Robert Feil and I attended a concert at the Holroyd School and I presented a Vocational excellence award on behalf of our club to Peter Burke who is the school cleaner. It was well deserved and he had no idea of what was about to happen.

As discussed at our last club meeting we have contacted the Holroyd School and offered to purchase 20 tickets to the Invictus Games for students and carers. They have gratefully accepted our offer. We have also offered to help on the day if required.

Regarding the Car show I have had a further meeting with Cumberland Council and left them with information regarding the number of car clubs that we think will be participating as well as catering - children's entertainment - facilities etc. I have returned with a mountain of requirements and forms which we need to submit. Lou, Rod and I will meet and complete the submission.

Thank you to everybody that helped at the BBQ at Rookwood Cemetery last weekend. Unfortunately I was not able to attend.

We will have Bharathi Rengartatjan past President of Granville Rotary as a guest speaker as well as Vera Liondas. Bharathi will speak briefly for 5 minutes about women in Rotary and the upcoming conference. She will arrive at approximately 7pm as she has a prior engagement.

**Secretary: Narelle Wilson (Correspondence)**

*All correspondence has been passed on to members*

**Treasurer: Helen Wilson**

- *Thank you to everyone for paying dues. All dues are now in*

**Club Service: Sofia O'Donoughe**

- *Sofia reported it was good to be back from her travels.*
- *The nosh at the Coolibah was relaxing if a little noisy.*
- *We need to know numbers for the transfer meeting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October.*
- *Need to know numbers for the meeting when Sue Hayward comes. Still order own dinner but we will arrange the round tables*
- *No nosh in October, it is suggested we go upstairs to the buffet on Monday 29 October*
- *More than 18 teams have entered for the golf Day. Donations for the raffle should reach Sofia the week before.*

**Community Service: Peter de Zilva**

- *No report.*

**International: John Melbourne**

- *No report*

**Foundation: Paul Reid**

- *Paul presented a Centurion certificate for Andrew Stringer. It is not the first, but he is the last person to receive a certificate;*
- *He reminded Members to leave a bequest to the Foundation.*
- *Paul reminded members about the Train trip on Friday, starting at 4.32am at Epping finishes at Cronulla. See emails (NB. See attached notice at end of bulletin. ED.) They arrive at 6.15 pm at Merrylands, President Pat is keen for us to be involved. Ride to Cabramatta and come back at 6.45pm then go to RSL for dinner after. Paul proposed we give the cheque for \$1187 on the train. Members get the credit as does the Club as part of annual donation. It was moved seconded and carried.*

- *Paul has spoken to Taka Noguchi our Rotary Postgraduate scholar. She is now living in boarding house at Stanmore closer to the University of Sydney where she is studying. She has been invited to attend the Rotary club of Camden to speak about her work.*
- *The Holroyd School will be the attending INVICTUS games as our guests. The Principal will purchase tickets for days they want to go. She will let us know and we could meet them and spend time with them*
- *Paul has received a letter from Cumberland Council re community grants There is an Info day on fourth October, Paul going at Berala Community Centre.*
- *24 October is End Polio Day, replica iron lung from Camden to be put in the foyer of the Merrylands Cub*

**Fund Raising: Rod O'Donoghue**

*No report*

**Vocational: John Heslop**

- *He needs one more mentor for Australian Business Week and two judges for the last day at Cerdon college  
The Fundraising coordinator at Ronald McDonald is to organise a visit*
- *The Raffle for ROMAC : He has 10 x 10 books, valued at \$450,  
We will draw it here and someone will win*

**Membership: Robert Feil**

*No report*

**New Generations: Barrie Britten**

- *Cheque for Dominique Espinosa for the National Science Forum. We pay half the cost  
He has interviewed Aidan Dumas teacher at Holroyd School for RYLA*
- *For the Koneco Phillips Science experience, there will be one student from Cerdon, six from Holroyd High. We are checking finances,*

**Welfare: Alan Ezzy**

*Trevor Elias is in hospital, fitted a pace maker,. We send our best wishes*

*Vicki Clement's husband not well, major op in future*

*Liz Heslop is not well, flu.*

*Alan related the following story: "I talked with a homeless man this morning and asked him how he ended up this way. He said, "Up until last week, I still had it all. I had plenty to eat, my clothes were washed and pressed. I had a roof over my head, I had HDTV and internet, and I went to the gym, the pool and the library. I was working on my MBA on-line. I had no bills and no debt. I even had full medical coverage." I felt sorry for him, so I asked, "What happened? Drugs? alcohol? divorce?" "Oh no, nothing like that," he said, "No, no.....I was granted parole."*

**Guest Speaker 1. Bharathi Rengartatjan**

*.Bharathi is the Past President of Granville Rotary. She spoke about Women in Rotary. She pointed out that only 27.85 of rotary members are women. She is keen to see this number increase and we should invite women to join and maintain membership. Target 2 new women members by June 2019*

## Guest Speaker 2. Vera Liondas

*Introduced by Lou Camenzuli:*

*Vera spoke about her work with RAWCS including Days for girls, distributed over 1000 kits, sewing days. As a result has set up sustainable industry in Cambodia*

*She illustrated the work in The Philippines, go to Mindanao including Shelter boxes after hurricanes and wrapped with love blankets for birthing Centre*

*She has just returned from Philippines, visually beautiful, great welcome*

*Dinagat Flower Mission, small island*

*Education program on health and hygiene for women*

*In Timor Leste RAWCS run RYPEN camps there. Sponsored by KONICO Phillips*

*She has worked in the Solomon Islands and are going back next year for training*

*She showed pictures of a squatter village of Kiribatis in Fiji and the "Homes of Hope" for girls who are at risk*

## General Business

*President Pat presented awards to*

- 1. Elettra Brown was given a name badge, now officially a friend of Rotary*
- 2. Frank Williams was given an honorary membership lapel pin and certificate*
- 3. Peter Wilson 25 years of service, Honorary member, lapel pin and certificate*

## Wedding Anniversaries

*2<sup>nd</sup> October Lyn & Pat; 17<sup>th</sup> October Ann & Peter*

## Happy Birthday

*7<sup>th</sup> Mary Duma; 8<sup>th</sup> Trevor Elias; 9<sup>th</sup> John Bateson; 20<sup>th</sup> Sofia O'Donoughe; 23<sup>rd</sup> Ann Abdel Ahad; 28<sup>th</sup> Pam Manson*

## Rotary Anniversary

*Peter Wilson 1995; Barrie Britten 1974; Julie Apps 2017*

## Get Well Soon

*,Trevor Elias, Liz Heslop*

## Coming Events :

| Day          | Date / Time               | Event   |
|--------------|---------------------------|---|
| Monday       | 8 October                 | Regular Meeting AG Allan Petersen Visit at Mount Pritchard community club |
| Monday       | 15 October                | Board Meeting – Guildford Bowling Club                                    |
| Mon – Friday | 15 – 19 October           | Cerdon – ABW Mentoring (JH)   |
| Wednesday    | 17 October 07:45 –> 10:30 | Greystanes High School – Year 11 Mentor / Mentee Presentations            |
| Sunday       | 21 October                | Graffiti Removal Day (PdZ)  |
| Monday       | 22 October                | Regular Meeting – District governor Sue Hayward Official visit            |
| Monday       | 29 October                | 5 <sup>th</sup> Monday – Nosh at ??                                       |
| Wednesday    | 31 October 07:45 –> 09:30 | Greystanes High School – Year 11 Mentor Program Evaluation / Feedback     |
| Friday       | 2 November – 7am-> 3pm    | Holroyd Charity Golf Day – Cumberland Golf Club SO'D / RF                 |
| Monday       | 5 November                | Projects / Committee Meeting @ Guildford Bowling Club                     |
| Saturday     | 10 November               | Spring Fashion Fair (Sofia)   |
| Monday       | 12 November               | Regular meeting- Dot Hennessy District Vocational Programs                |

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| Monday | 26 November | Regular meeting -Jacqueline Andres, Aged & disability Service @ Cumberland council |
| Monday | 10 December | AGM & Ham night  |
| Friday | 21 December | Christmas Party @ Lily's seven Hills   |
| Monday | 24 December | No meeting   |
| Monday | 14 January  |  |
| Monday | 28 January  | Australia Day holiday –no meeting  |
| Monday | 11 February | Regular meeting –George Pedersen (Manager Holroyd Youth Services)                  |
| Monday | 25 February | Regular meeting –Keith Roffey RAWCS  |
| Monday | 11 March    | Regular meeting – Andrew Stringer Job talk   |

### **The Object of Rotary**

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as the basis of worthy enterprise and in particular, to encourage and foster:

- The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service.
- High ethical standards in business & professions; the recognition of all useful occupations; & dignifying of each Rotarians occupation as an opportunity to service society.
- The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarians personal, business and community life.
- The advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

### **The Four-Way Test**

Of the things we think, say or do:

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

### **The Rotary Grace**

Oh, Lord and Giver of all good, We thank thee for our daily food  
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways, Help us to serve thee all our days.

### **Invocation**

For life, for health and the spirit to serve Rotary,  
for faith, for freedom and good fellowship - we give thanks.

### **Local Rotary Clubs**

*Parramatta City* – Novotel, 365 Church St, Parramatta, Monday 12.30 for 12.45pm  
*Parramatta* - Parramatta RSL Club, Monday 5.45 for 6.15pm  
*Wetherill Park* – Club Marconi, Tuesday 7.15 for 7.30am  
*Blacktown City* – Blacktown Workers Club, Tuesday 6.00 for 6.30pm  
*Granville* – Auburn Tennis Club, 181 Chisholm Road, Tuesday 6.00 for 6.30pm  
*Parramatta Daybreak* – The Lighthouse Restaurant, Friday 7.15 for 7.30am

### **National Anthem**

Australians all let us rejoice, For we are young & free;  
We've golden soil and wealth for toil; Our home is girt by sea;  
Our land abounds in nature's gifts Of beauty rich and rare;  
In history's page, let every stage Advance Australia Fair.  
In joyful strains then let us sing, Advance Australia Fair.

### **Acknowledgement of Country**

I would like to acknowledge that this meeting is being held on the traditional lands of the Darug people, and I pay my respect to elders of the community both past and present, and acknowledge with respect any Aboriginal people who may be present.

## LOCAL CRIME ALERT

Rotary members are asked to be on alert for a new gang roaming the streets of Merrylands. The group of ten persons, both male and female, was last seen in the vicinity of Merrylands Railway station on Friday night, 28<sup>th</sup> September at approximately 6.30 pm . They are a motley crew mainly dressed in red T-shirts although some appeared in blue and gold shirts or wind jackets.

When first observed they were gathered on Platform 2 , ostensibly waiting to catch a train heading south. However after train after train stopped and none of the group boarded the trains , it was obviously they were up to no good. One of the group, probably the gang leader, was seen to approach arriving southbound trains peering anxiously into the windows.

The group was last seen boarding a train where other members of the group also wearing red t-shirts were travelling. The motto on these shirts was the cryptic “ENDPOLIONOW”.

If you see these desperados wandering in Merrylands please report them to Holroyd Rotary club . A reward is offered for their apprehension.

