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# Building communities

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## KOONGGA

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http://rotarnet.com.au/kuringgai The club meets every Monday 6.30pm West Pymble Bowling

### Malcolm Braid awarded Presidential Citation

District Representative Dilys Geddes presented Malcolm with the prestigious award.

Dilys said every year Rotary International sets targets for the Presidents and their clubs, these targets revolve around membership and various focus points for the Avenues of Service. Presidents have the opportunity to nominate for the Presidential Citation evidencing that their Clubs have achieved those goals, and it is no mean feat to meet them.

5 July 2010

I feel very strongly about Presidents taking this step as it is not only recognition for them as a President for a Club that delivers, but also recognition for the Club, for without your support and effort during the year this Citation would not have been achieved.



Malcolm Braid holding his Presidential Citation Congratulations Malcolm

#### Changeover dinner

MC David Forsythe opened the proceedings and proceeded to entertain with his insightful humour.

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• Message stick

We started with Grace, toast to the Queen and Australia. Not sure where Grace and the toast to the Queen came from, we voted to discontinue this process.

Harry Jerram delivered a passionate and well researched toast to Rotary International.

Malcolm handed over to Michael with a summary of his action packed year.

Michael emphasised his team for the

coming year. He then introduced each board member and committee chair.



Incoming President Michael standing tall with his badges of office

#### **Recognition Awards**

One of the important areas of Human Resources is Rewards and Recognition

In Rotary the rewards are through the successful achievement of projects and activities. Putting service above self.

#### **Certificate of Appreciation Caroline Jones**

One of the 1500 emails I received in the last 12 months was from the GSE District Coordinator asking if we could assist with the GSE team from Brittany in France.

Knowing Caroline was on the International Committee and a French speaker I asked if she would like to be the Zone coordinator.

She accepted maybe without knowing all that was involved. It was a team of 7 and we needed to find Rotarians who could accommodate a team member for a week, to find work placements for each of the team, to arrange sight seeing and the general overall management of the team for a week.

Caroline took to the task and did herself and the Club proud. We say many thanks Caroline.



**Caroline Jones** 

Outstanding Contributor of the year Ross Egan

This year I wanted to introduce a perpetual trophy for a floor member who has been an outstanding contributor to the Club. (by definition Board members and A of S chairs are excluded)

When I proposed this Award at the May Board meeting there was unanimous support for the perpetual award and this years awardee.

The recipient for this perpetual trophy has been a member for nearly 10 years. When I asked him if we could get a Rotary and Australian flags for our meetings, he made it happen. When I suggested a Trivia night to have some fun and rise money he made it happen......two fun nights raising over \$4000.

In addition to these achievements he volunteered (and I emphasize volunteered) to do the enormous task of filling the Garden Festival with stallholders as well as be part of the site operations from start to finish. With recognition we often say thank you to members for their efforts but sometimes I we should do more.

Tonight we have several special acknowledgements

#### **Certificate of Appreciation Bob Vernon**

I'm not certain for how many years Bob has been organizing the annual Carers night but its many.

Every year Bob diligently sources out about 6 or 8 carers who have been providing 24/7 care for a loved one and to invite them to our Annual Carers night so we can publically recognize their contribution.

Tonight Bob we want to acknowledge your service in this wonderful program. You quietly go about organizing and running this night and the feedback from members and the Carers is very supportive of your efforts.



**Bob Vernon** 

He was focused on securing the maximum number of stallholders.

Without his contribution in the Trivia nights and the Garden Festival we would not have had such a successful year.

Ross unfortunately could not be with us tonight ---------Helen could you please come forward and receive the Outstanding Contributor of the Year Award on behalf of Ross.



Helen accepted the award on behalf of Ross

#### 'Annual Sporting Team Challenge'.

#### **Eleanor Filewood**

In January we held the traditional Bowls challenge and the winning team was Eleanor Filewood, Emyr Evans, Millie Constable and Justin Constable (our outbound student and her father). Congratulations to the team.



**Eleanor Filewood** 

#### **MC David Forsythe**

David our entertaining MC made the evening flow.



**David Forsythe** 

#### Incoming President Michael with his board and committee chair persons



Weekly Rotary foundation thought

1) This week's Rotary Foundation Thought is about the founder of our Foundation, Arch C. Klumph.

A member of the Rotary Club of Cleveland, Ohio, USA, Klumph served as the RI president in the 1913-14 Rotary year. In 1917, Klumph declared that "we should accept endowments for the purpose of doing good in the world in charitable, educational, and other avenues of community service." His vision and a contribution of US\$26 left over from the RI Convention helped to establish the charitable and humanitarian arm of our organisation, The Rotary Foundation.

Due to the hard work and generosity of Rotarians worldwide, The Rotary Foundation has improved lives for over 92 years. With ongoing financial support, our Foundation will continue to carry on Klumph's dream well into our second century of service.



Arch C. Klumph

Guest speakers			
5 July	Lauren Taylor (RYLA) / Angela Lee (UNYASC). Intro - Eleanor/Ross VOT: TBA		
12 July	Lyn Davies (E Timor Ryla) Intro: Graham Timms VOT: TBA		
19 July	Club Forum		
26 July	Restaurant Night		

#### **Market roster**

Time	11 July	8 August	12 September	
Signs & Banners	Timms, Graham Hungerford, Geoff			
Morning Set up	White, Frank Thompson, John			
0800 – 1030	Newling, Greg Newling, Joy			
1030 – 1300	Braid, Malcolm LeCompte, Petra			
1300 – 1530	McGuigan, Chris Tang, Peter			

MARKET DUTIES: You must initiate changes & advise Geoff Hungerford. Third Shift returns signs & bins to St George Bank

#### **Door team**

Duty	July	August		
Greeter	Forbes, Wally	Eleanor Filewood		
Team	Jones, Caroline White, Frank	Judy Houghton Michael Midlam		

**NOTE:** The door team is responsible for welcoming visitors and guests, recording payments and issuing copies of the record to the President, Secretary and Bulletin Editor. Please arrange your own replacement.

Birthdays			
Rebecca Fletcher	19-Jul		
Susan WHITE	19-Jul		
Peter KIPPS	25-Jul		
Graham TIMMS	26-Jul		
Gwen IVEY*	27-Jul		
Patricia FISHER*	30-Jul		

#### Happy days July 10

Anniversaries			
Peter & Christine KIPPS	8-Jul		
Bob & Edna VERNON	21-Jul		
Peter & Margaret Tang	23-Jul		

#### **Club awards**

Winner District Governor's Shield - Best Large Club for 2004-05 Presidential Citation - for excellence and exemplary achievements 2005-06-07-09 District Governor's Membership Growth Award (Large Clubs) 2006-07 District Governor's Membership Growth Award for Large Clubs 08-09 Rotary International Award for Membership Development Initiatives 08-09

#### **Apologies & Guests**

Members are booked in to attend every regular meeting of the Club, if you cannot attend a meeting or wish to book in a guest/partner please access the WEB at <u>http://www.rotarynews.info/Club4219/r.i</u> before 3.30pm on the day of the meeting. An apology for the next week may be entered after 5pm. If you do not apologise for non-

#### The 'Koongga' Message Stick

#### The Emblem of the Rotary Club Of Ku-ring-gai

It is appropriate that the emblem of the Rotary Club of Ku-ring-gai should be the "KOONGGA", which is a message stick used by the Australian Aborigines. The pattern of markings burnt into the surface of a "Koongga" is not a form of writing. The bearer delivers the message orally and the "Koongga" is a guarantee that he is telling the truth.

Bearers of message sticks sometimes travelled long distances, often through the territories of hostile tribes. The messages they delivered were to arrange a corroboree, a trade meeting, exchange of information and other tribal matters.



The colours and symbols on a "Koongga" vary with each tribe. The ones chosen by the Rotary Club of Ku-ringgai and incorporated into our banner are representative of the tribes that lived in the Ku-ring-gai area many years ago. Additionally, the Banner of the Rotary club of Ku-ring-gai bids to all who receive it, a friendly "Karltandi", a friendly welcome. Indeed, the Club's "Koongga" and "Karltandi", banner reflect in their own unique way, the ideal of "Rotarians united in service, dedicated in Peace".