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District Conference

The District Conference in 2011 is on from Thursday 17 to Sunday 20 March in Canberra. The actual Conference is on the Saturday and Sunday but there are optional activities (golf, visits to wineries etc) beforehand and, of course, the special Dinner at Parliament House on Friday night. All details are on the District website and can be accessed at: <http://rotarynews.info/2/District/9680/909/>

There are already 14 of us going and we'd love to have more join us. Attending a conference like this really gives you the bigger picture of Rotary, and you usually come home inspired to do more!

If you would like to know more about the Conference, accommodation or registration, please email or phone Joy or Greg as soon as possible. Because we have booked accommodation through the Club it is important that you speak to Joy before registering to avoid being charged twice!

Jo & Kevin Fernandes

Jo and Kevin read our article in the North Shore Times about SheltaBox and decided to pay our club a visit.



Meeting nights for next 2 weeks

This week we have the movie evening at Roseville Theatre

The following week is a long weekend and we do not have a meeting

Donation to Studio ARTES

PP Malcolm Braid presented a cheque to Wendy Escott CEO of Studio ARTES.

The funds will be used to assist with the purchase of a vehicle to transport the students. Some students have special transport needs.



Ivan & Pat Skellet

Pat is back home and unfortunately Ivan has returned to hospital today and he is hoping this treatment will fix his leg issue.

Chris McGuigan

I phoned Chris to ask how he is because I had not seen him for several weeks.

Chris was in Intensive Care at RNSH under observation for blood clots on his lungs.

Rotary Youth Driver Awareness

Rotary Youth Driver Awareness program

A new format is being created and we will be brought up to date in the near future. NRMA and Insurance Companies will assist with the funding

Geoff Hungerford

We have an opportunity to make several hundred dollars next Saturday. We need members to assist Geoff 11.30 Linda Graham and Roger Emyr. Graham reported our club made \$300 at the BBQ.

John Thompson Government Grants

Government Grant – we have Data projector and Laptop, projector and Canopy and we have several hundred dollars remaining

Guests

President Michael welcomed guests PP Wendy Escott and Simon Bryan, Julia, Guy, Oliver, from Studioo Artes, Margaret Braid and Jo and Kevin Fernandes Ivan and Joyce Cribb

Guest Speaker Wendy Escott



Introduced by Carolyn Jones
Wendy commenced 2001 and has run Studio Artes for 10 years
Wendy taught at Clarke Road School for 20 years
And she went into Special Education studies
Wendy had 16 students and six teachers and they found a garage in Hornsby with a donation of \$2,000.
Rotary has assisted studio Artes
Studio Artes is for adults with disabilities and they have grown from 26 to over 100. They only 1/3 receive Government assistance
The students come from a region of up to 70k
Most students have an intellectual disability some with physical and some with mental issues

Guest speaker continued

They have a Gallery in Hornsby and they are currently preparing for Carnivale Artes

They also have dance song writing and singing
One member painted a portrait of the NSW Governor and she was so impressed she visited the school

The PR group is Wendy's favourite time and the teams visit Politicians but without much success to date. Some of the ideals are based on Rotary.

Julia has been there for 3 years and she came from school

Guy is in a transition to work program and only attends 1 day per week, he also works with Wesley Mission and does certificate 2 for Parks and Gardens

Oliver is also in transition to work and he also works at Hornsby at CNS making Circuit boards and also at Allambie where he works.

They need a multi purpose vehicle which must be more than a bus. Currently the staff use their own vehicle for all needs

Julia Oliver and Guy then sang for us.

What a beautiful group and a wonderful evening



Rotary Foundation Thought for The Week

12) This week's Rotary Foundation Thought is about the Rotary World Peace and Conflict Studies Program (RWPCS) strengthening the leaders of today for peace.

Mid-career professionals from around the world, representing a wide variety of fields, participate in an intensive three month course at Chulalongkorn University in Bangkok, Thailand. RWPCS Program alumnus Richelieu Allison, Regional Director of the West African Youth Network, says, *"This course has been the missing link in my ability to contribute to the resolution of the numerous problems confronting my region. If I had had the knowledge I am gaining now I would have been in a better position to adequately analyse the conflicts, map out the various actors, go the extra mile, and play a major role in helping to restore peace."* This sentiment has stuck with him, as he wrote in a recent email, *"The changes [the program] made in my life cannot be overemphasised."* Create awareness. Take action. Make your annual gift today!

Rotary Acronyms

Club Banner	A small flag expressive of the community, country or region of a club - Commonly used to present to visitors or exchange with clubs visited throughout the world
Club Charter	A document issued when a new club is admitted to Membership in RI - Signed by RI Pres, General Secretary and DG Date thereon represents date of official membership Framed and preserved
Club Committees	The "action" groups within a club - Comprise standing committees under the 4 Avenues of Service plus others approved by the Board Each headed by a Director, with Deputy and committee members
Club Forum	Formal meeting of an entire club - Called to inform members about service activities and progress of projects Also an opportunity for members to air views

Guest Speakers

27 Sept	Movie Night at Roseville Theatre
4 Oct	Labour Day - no meeting
11 Oct	Registrar, Hornsby Local Court
18 Oct	Author Ann Howard
25 Oct	Catherine Zuill, North Shore Times and Marieken – Youth Insearch
1 Nov	International dinner
15 Nov	Lindsay May
22 Nov	Mal Booth
6 Dec	AGM
13 Dec	Xmas Party

Market roster

Time	10 October		
Signs & Banners	Timms, Graham Hungerford, Geoff		
Morning Set up	White, Frank Thompson, John		
0800 – 1030	Fletcher, Howard Hoch, Chris		
1030 – 1300	Aitken, John Fletcher, Rebecca		
1300 – 1530	Forsythe, David McGuigan, Chris		

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

Door team

Duty	October	November	December
Greeter	Malcolm Braid	Peter Kipps	John Aitken
Team	Bala Krishnan, Linda LamRohlf	Rebecca Fletcher Chris Hoch	David Forsythe Howard Fletcher

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.

Happy days September 2010

Birthdays

Bob IVEY*	4-Sep
John BOYLE	9-Sep
Janet BOYLE	11-Sep
Chris McGuigan	12-Sep
Ivan CRIBB*	13-Sep
Rita COENEN	15-Sep
Helen EGAN	16-Sep
Amanda HOCH	18-Sep
Susan AITKEN	23-Sep

Anniversaries

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 <http://www.rotarynews.info/Club4219/r.i> 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-attendance the Club must pay for your meal and you will be asked to reimburse the Club.

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-ring-gai 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 "Karlbandi", a friendly welcome. Indeed, the Club's "Koongga" and "Karlbandi", banner reflect in their own unique way, the ideal of "Rotarians united in service, dedicated in Peace".