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Rotary Voices

Linda Lam Rolfs advised Rotary Voices commences in January for the District Conference. They meet every Thursday night 7 to 9pm. If you are interested please contact Linda

Xmas Cakes

The \$20 Rotary cakes arrived today. Please contact Ted Prices. Puddings are also available

Strategic Plan

Dilys chaired the strategic plan session

The club was divided into 4 tables and each table nominated a team leader.

The cooperation and enthusiasm were excellent and a draft will be issued shortly.



Xmas Party

Please see the Events TAB on the WEB for details

Olivier and Marie-Jo Haillot

Michael and Louise Tyler entertained Olivier Haillot and Marie-Jo Haillot our French visitors on Thursday night. They include Kangaroo in the menu to present some real Australian cuisine. Also a pavlova to die for.

Olivier Haillot Margaret and Judy



Marie-Jo Haillot Tony & Malcolm



The banner from Olivier Haillot's club Rotary Tours Sud France



Meeting Apology

Please apologise before 3pm on meeting day or you will be required to reimburse the club for your meal cost. Please advise club of your guests before 3pm

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Clarke Road Joy Newling

Last Wednesday I had the honour to represent our Club at Clarke Road Special School's Presentation Day. It was inspiring. The children are amazing and the staff is so dedicated. Every child received a certificate, some for big achievements, some for improvement in a particular area, e.g. a physical achievement, getting on better with their classmates or learning to travel independently. Often they were things most of us, and our children, take for granted. One young boy earned one for learning to walk!

The students all eagerly awaited their awards and the joy on their faces was heart warming.

As well as certificates there were others awards, e.g. for PE, computing, money skills. Our Club donated the Rotary Role Model Award and I was honoured to present it to one of the senior girls, Lara Harrison.

I should also mention that the Senior High group entertained us with a Hip Hop performance!

I was very pleased to be part of this special day for all of the students, parents and staff.

Within the next 2 weeks members of the Youth Committee will be attending and presenting Benefic awards at 3 local high schools. It is an award presented to a student in year 9 who is a role model, has influence on their peers and a favourable impact on the rest of the school community.

Sometimes it is not easy to fit it in at this time of the year and I would like to thank Tom Jackson for attending Turrumurra High tomorrow night and Caroline Jones for attending Ku-ring-gai High on 9 December. I'll be attending Killara High on 14 December. Thank you to Petra too for organising cheques, often at the last minute. Sometimes it isn't easy finding out all the necessary details from the schools!

Joy Newling

Len & Jean Jackson Update

Jean and I are both well. We have now owned Warriewood for 33 months and have lived down here for the past 28 months

Our first grandson has arrived and he is just wonderful . . . photo attached at his christening about 4 weeks ago

Lots of happening on the family front . . . some good . . . some not so good . . . life was supposed to be easier and less stressed wasn't it ?

- 1) My dad who you have all seen at Rotary on occasions turns 90 in March (he is in one of the photos too) and we are having a family re-union of the Jackson Clan in Brisbane . . . some 40 of us will be there when you count all the grand-children.
- 2) My sister is recovering well from recent brain-tumour surgery . . . absolutely amazing what they have done for her . . .
- 3) My brother is arriving down from Brisbane tomorrow for a week.
- 4) I have been back at work . . . again . . . for a short 3 month stint putting in a Program Management Office at PriceWaterhouseCoopers . . . this finishes in 2 weeks and will probably generate a bit of follow-on work in January – February
- 5) Jean is baby-sitting 3 days per week and on occasions 4 days a week to assist our daughter Lauren as she re-enters the workforce
- 6) Lauren still struggles with situation from son-in-law walking out on her just 4 weeks before the baby was borne. But she is coping well and not losing too many battles with him as she wins strong financial support
- 7) Son Andrew is riding a motor-bike from Asia to Europe with his girlfriend and is currently in North India where they are having a break by flying to Germany for a white Christmas. Andrew has retired at age 33 . . . Oh for the life of a stock-broker.
- 8) I'm going to retire . . . again . . . in February. Plan is to have both knees replaced in late March after my fathers 90th birthday
- 9) Jean and I will be caravanning to Melbourne for the 2011 Avalon Air-show which should be a ripper. The air-show is a bi-annual event
- 10) We had Brian Jessep down for morning tea last Wednesday week to show him how we executed our backyard make-over using his ideas. He never changes. It was good to catch up with him as we go back a long way.

That's about it for the moment.

And finally I love the new look Koongga fantastic.

Can't see me catching-up up at a meeting until sometime into next year but I would like to show my humble face again . . . and probably my new knees . . . lots of good memories from the club.

Kindest Rgds Always,

Keep Well Len and Jean

Len & Jean Jackson & family



A Lou Coenen article

Seasons Greetings !

a) One of the hard things to do is to keep current with local business trends and latest happenings in a way that is quick and easy - yet still allow depth of topic if that is also needed. Both SmartCompany - <http://www.smartcompany.com.au> and it's sister site, StartupSmart - <http://www.startupsmart.com.au> provide excellent coverage that is current, quick and **free**. While more oriented to Aus, there is excellent value in both for international readers.

SmartCompany is an daily newsletter oriented around small to medium businesses; StartupSmart is oriented around - er.... - startups! They both provide a quick overview of what is happening but also there are further articles which give a more in depth coverage.

I've forwarded a copy of today's SmartCompany newsletter so you can see.

b) As far as "bigger issues", on-going professional development and business strategy, there are still the three main "heavies",

MITWorld - <http://mitworld.mit.edu> ,
Harvard Business School's Working Knowledge - <http://hbswk.hbs.edu>,
McKinsey Quarterly - <http://www.mckinseyquarterly.com/>.

c) Harvard's Business School Library also has some other excellent references to consider - http://www.library.hbs.edu/working_papers.html

d) Finally, there are four other sources that provide significant value in various areas
YouTube - <http://www.youtube.com> - this has become a much more mature source of Business and Educational Materials. However, it can require a bit of "discernment"
Reuters Technology - UK - <http://uk.reuters.com/news/technology>. While Reuters covers virtually all major business news in 17 different national / regional editions, the UK Technology edition has an excellent global balance for Technology.
Bloomberg Business Week - Global Edition - <http://www.businessweek.com/global> - not only does this provide excellent global and regional business news coverage, they have a wide range of other longer term services and sections that make this an excellent source of information and ideas at all levels, all markets, and size of companies.

•iTunesU - part of the iTunes Store - which provides course materials for a number of different international universities. These can vary depending on the type of material used but they are still the course materials being used at some of the worlds most prestigious Universities.

Are there others which are better? Probably, but these provide an good starting point - and they are all FREE !

Cheers, Lou

ABC's & Rice

ABC's & Rice is an amazing school for underprivileged children that live in Veal Village, Siem Reap. These children love the opportunity to attend school and learn English. I am hoping, with your valued help, to support ABC's & Rice in their effort to build secure, concrete classrooms to replace the temporary bamboo huts that the children are currently learning in.

When:Saturday 15th January

Time:5pm

Where: 60 Hilma st, Collaroy

RSVP:tesshmclean@hotmail.com
0415 964 121

Hope to see you there! This is your opportunity to donate to a really worthy cause and the chance to see exactly what your donations will go towards, brightening the futures of these amazing children.

Be the change you want to see in the world!

If you can't come but would like to make a donation, please visit <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/giving/> and search 'Tess McLean' to get to my fundraising page.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ROTARY CLUB OF KU-RING-GAI INCORPORATED HELD AT 7.35 PM ON MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER, 2010 AT THE WEST PYMBLE BOWLING CLUB 2 PRINCE OF WALES DRIVE, PYMBLE. NSW

Attendance

[Geoff: please insert the names of all who attended]

Apologies

Apologies were received from Rtn Emyr Evans and *[Geoff: please insert the names of others who apologised]*

Chairman

President Michael Tyler chaired the meeting.

Confirmation of Minutes of Annual General Meeting of 7th December, 2009 reconvened on 8th November, 2010

It was resolved that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 7th December, 2009 and its resumption on 8th November, 2010 be approved.

Proposer: Rtn Caroline Jones

Seconder: Rtn Lou Coenen

Confirmation of Minutes of General Meeting of 7th June, 2010

It was resolved that the minutes of the General Meeting held on 7 June, 2010 be approved.

Proposer: PP Ross Egan

Seconder: Rtn Michael Midlam

Reception of Report of the 2009/2010 Board

It was resolved that the report of the board for the year ending 30 June 2010 be received.

Proposer: PP Greg Newling

Seconder: PP David Forsythe

Deferral of audited financial reports for 2009/2010

The chairman announced that unaudited financial statements of the club for the year ending 30 June 2010 were available for all members to peruse. However, since the club was required to approve those statements after they have been audited, he said that it would be necessary to defer this item of business to a resumption of the meeting at a later date.

Election of Directors for 2011/2012

President Elect 2012/2013

No nomination received

Vice President

PP Ross Egan, being the sole nominee, was declared elected.

Secretary

Rtn Geoff Hungerford, being the sole nominee, was declared elected.

Treasurer

Rtn Rebecca Fletcher, being the sole nominee, was declared elected.

Two other Directors

PP Dilys Geddes and PP Frank White, being the only nominees, were declared elected.

General Business

Adoption of revised constitution

It was resolved that the Club adopt the constitution in the form of the draft circulated with the notice of the meeting.

Proposer: Rtn Lou Coenen

Seconder: PP Greg Newling

Adoption of revised bylaws

The motion "that the club adopt the bylaws in the form of the draft circulated with the notice of the meeting" was proposed.

Proposer: PP Greg Newling

Seconder: PP Ross Egan

It was resolved that the motion be amended to read as follows: "That the club adopt the bylaws in the form of the draft circulated with the notice of the meeting, as amended by the second draft circulated to members on 28 November 2010".

Proposer: Rtn Lou Coenen

Seconder: Rtn Michael Midlam

It was resolved that the club adopt the bylaws in the form of the draft circulated with the notice of the meeting, as amended by the second draft circulated to members on 28 November 2010.

Adjournment

It was resolved that the meeting be adjourned to a date to be determined by the Board.

Proposer: PP Greg Newling

Seconder: PP Malcolm Braid

The meeting was adjourned at 7.44 pm.

Confirmed:

Chairman/...../2011

Rotary Foundation Thought for The Week

23) This week's Rotary Foundation Thought is about micro credit.

In Cuzco, Peru, Rotarians contributed \$10,000 to a partnering association, Asociacion MIDE, which provided small loans to 288 low-income women. In six months these women improved their businesses and living standards, lifting them out of extreme poverty. While local Rotarians had the opportunity to work together to develop the project and approve the system of loans, the participants learned to use, administer and benefit from financial credit. In the process, the women improved their self-esteem as they acquired entirely new roles of financial responsibility for their families. How do I focus my giving? *Every Rotarian, Every Year* -Giving is hope in action.

Rotary Acronyms

Founder of Rotary	Refers to Paul P Harris - Organised the first Rotary Club in Chicago in 1905 Born 19 April 1868 died 27 January 1947
Four Avenues of Service	The major elements of the "Object of Rotary" - Term used to refer to Club Service; Vocational Service; Community Service and International Service
Friendship Club	A less formal agreement that may lead to Sister Club status after a trial period - As above but less demanding of mutual co-operation until proper communication lines and philosophy is established
Functional Literacy Programme	An RI programme since 1992 - To meet the needs of adults deemed to be functionally illiterate and to promote support for reading, writing skills through community Literacy centres

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.

Guest Speakers

13 Dec	Xmas Party
20 Dec	No meeting
27 Dec	No meeting
3 Jan	No meeting
10 Jan	TBA
17 Jan	Bowls night WPBC

Market roster

Time			
Signs & Banners			
Morning Set up			
0800 – 1030			
1030 – 1300			
1300 – 1530			

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

Door team

Duty	November	December
Greeter	Peter Kipps	John Aitken
Team	Rebecca Fletcher David Forsythe	Chris Hoch 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 December 2010

Birthdays	
COENEN Lou	26 Dec
PHILIPS Tim	26 Dec
McGuigan Anne	11 Dec

Anniversaries	
Ross & Helen Egan	4 Dec