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## **KOONGGA**



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www.kuringgairotary.org.au The club meets every Monday 6.30pm at West Pymble Bowling Club

Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

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- PPres Brian Cato-Symonds funeral svc: Nsubs Crem 12.15pm Tue 19 Jul.

#### **Meeting Apology**

Please use the club website **before 3 pm** on meeting day to apologise or add a guest, or you will be required to reimburse the club for your meal cost. http://

www.kuringgairotary.org.au

#### **Back Pages**

Guest speakers Market roster Door team Happy days

#### **Tonight**

Youth Insearch Nicole Clark and Briar Ward

#### **Announcements**

John Aitken reported on his accident on the F3 two weeks ago. John was travelling at 110 km/hr in the centre lane of 3. He saw a car behind him approaching quickly, but drifting to the left. John moved into the right lane to get out of the way. The other driver was asleep and woke up at the noise of his tyres on the rough surface, over-corrected, clipped the rear of John's car & spun it 90 degrees. Not a lot of fun trying to control a car going backwards at over 100 km/hr!

John met with the rock wall in the centre divide which destroyed that side of his car. And who knows what happened to the inside of the gearbox of John car, still in 'drive'. Fortunately John was not badly hurt.

**Lifeline Book Fair** - Greg & Joy Newling and Geoff & Patsy Hungerford assisted. Lifeline raised about \$100,000 during ther year from books.

**School of St Jude** - a hand written letter of thanks was received from the school for the two boarding rooms we sponsor.

**Our Wonderful Chef** - President Caroline presented the club chef with a Certificate of Appreciation for his meals.



#### **Last Week's Guest Speaker**



Marianne Holford when younger, enjoyed a period in France as an Exchange Student and has been back a number of times since. She spoke of the origins of Bastille Day and how it is celebrated today.

The 13th Century Bastille was a military fortress and is now a prison. As such it is seen as a symbol of the oppressive regime of Louis 15th.

The first celebration was on 14 July 1790. I big feast was held and it was hoped that would be the end of the Revolution - but it went on until 1880.

Today it is not referred to as 'Bastille Day', just '14 July' and is celebrated in local communities with get-togethers and fireworks.

The 100th anniversary celebrations included a picnic held throughout the country.

Today the celebrations can be likened to a 'trouping of the colours' or 'Fireworks Day'. It is a community celebration with long summer meals, often at long tables and lasting until well after midnight.

French cuisine has its roots prior to the Revolution and in the 19th Century cooks under Napoleon helped further develop the French Cuisine. The essence of French cooking is that "They Really Care"

Marianne is writing a book about French cooking.

#### Minutes of Board Meeting – 5.30 pm Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2011 West Pymble Bowling Club

Present: Caroline Jones (Chair), Roger

Desmarchelier, Peter Kipps, John Thompson, Michael Tyler, Frank White, Geoff Hungerford.

On Leave: Dilys Geddes, Tony McClelland

Apologies: Ross Egan

Minutes of previous meeting

Confirmation of the minutes of 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2011 meeting was proposed by Michael Tyler, seconded by Geoff Hungerford, and carried.

**Matters arising** 

Financial statements 2009/10: audit being ar-

ranged PLeC

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arranged **PLeC** 

Deregistration for GST has been granted

PLeC

Secretary: Correspondence list (and distri-

bution for action) received.

**Reports:** The President advised that future

monthly reports need only be a brief note for the agenda of matters new or different to the plan or problems which have arisen.

Newsworthy items raised at Board level are to be put in Koongga.

#### **Projects:**

- Community
- Garden Festival: RE will continue discussions with KMC re the St Ives Showground lease

#### RE

- Caroline Jones, Roger Desmarchelier and Paul Truda (West Pymble Shopkeepers) suggested a growers market be held the last Sunday of each month commencing October in the West Pymble Car Park. It was agreed by the Board that Roger should ask Paul to put before the Chamber of Commerce that the markets go ahead on the fourth Sunday of every month instead. Frank White suggested that Club members be asked if they agreed with us taking on the project. Roger to put it to the club this evening and approach Council after Ross Egan's return.
- Gordon Station Rotary garden: a sign saying that we had installed the garden has

been removed – a second sign remains for attention RE

International Plan received

New Generations
 Plan received

Vocational
 No Plan re-

ceived

Administration: No Plan received

Foundation: No Plan received

Public Relations: Plan received

Membership: Plan received

**Membership dues 2010/2011:** have now all been paid – membership now stands at 36.

#### **General Business**

The debate with Turramurra will be held on July 25 and it was suggested that if willing we be represented by Roger Desmarchelier, Irene Kennedy and Graham Timms with a subject to be chosen by our team and arrangements in Roger's hands.

The Budget will be reviewed by Roger and Caroline CJ/RD

A draft **Calendar** was presented for comment **CJ** 

Discussion re **The Forum** will take place after RE, DG and TMcL's return **CJ** 

A request to operate a Chocolate Wheel at Pymble Turramurra Kindergarten was referred to the New Generations Committee

It was agreed that external Fund Raising be restricted to benefit external projects and internal fundraising was not unnecessary at present as GST no longer applicable to the Club.

Meeting closed: 6.25 pm

Next meeting: 5.30 pm, 1<sup>st</sup> August, 2011 at

**WPBC** 

<u>Confirmed</u>	
Chairman	/ /2011

#### Visit by Moragot Konkiatkul

Our 2005 Exchange Student from Thailand

Morogot and her parents are holidaying in Sydney, attended last week and Morogot gave a brief talk.

Morogot explained that she was 15 years old while here in 2005 as an exchange student. She then spoke very little English. She has just finished university in Thailand and wanted to visit her previous host families and show Sydney and her experiences to her family.

She was impressed by our members being more happy to 'give' then to 'get', with the help we gave to Clarke Road School and at Gordon Markets. She spoke of how we sacrifice our time for no benefit to ourselves - there are no similar groups in Thailand.

On her return home 6 yrs ago she realised the many differences between our countries:

- Seat belts not worn
- Thai people do not study geography or history. For example when she explains where she lives as '100 km north of Bangkok', people do not understand 'north'

Thailand has its first female prime minister. The previous prime minister should be in jail as he was corrupt and stole millions from his country, but he is living in Dubai.

Gifts/club banner were exchanged.



#### **Postscript**

Morogot's father Anusit joined Graham Timms, Tom Jackson and Bob Ivey for golf at North Turramurra on Wednesday morning. The temperature was just 9 degrees and felt freezing with the wind chill.

Despite the obvious disadvantage Anusit was subjected to - overloaded wearing a parker, no proper golf shoes or gloves, and using a set of borrowed ladies clubs, after a slow start he started to shine in the second nine and made some beautiful shots.

... your quick thinking editor saved face by losing the score card!

#### **Rotary Foundation**

This week's Foundation Thought is about ...

Our mission. Doing Good in the World is more than a motto. It is our goal, our mission, and our reminder. It expresses in the clearest terms why we have a Foundation, and it challenges us to reach as far as we can to do the most good possible with everything we have. Our Foundation exists to support the good that we can do through Rotary. It expands our reach, increases our strength, and makes our service more powerful and more effective. Because of our Foundation we can, very simply, do more of our Rotary work.

2004-05 RI President Glenn E. Estess Sr.

Polio. Past District Governor John Jacob Zucker Gardiner says that "the experience of giving polio vaccine to little children in Ethiopia was transformational. The children's faces were open and joyful (mostly), and I realized that while their futures were not as bright as their faces, at least polio would not be part of their days to come. Rotary brings hope. Rotary's work is never done."

**Peace.** Through the Rotary Peace Centers program, The Rotary Foundation and Rotarians can increase their effectiveness in promoting greater tolerance and cooperation among peoples, leading to world understanding and peace. Archbishop Emeritus and Nobel Peace Prize laureate Desmond Tutu has said: "Rotary Peace Fellows believe, and I believe, it is possible to have a world without war. It is possible to have a world without hunger."

#### **Extract from District Governor's News**

Below is an extract from this week's newsletter from David Rands, our District Governor 2011-12

July is Projects Month. One of the major planks of our RI strategic Plan is to increase our Humanitarian service, specifically in six focus areas. This thrust is also reflected in President Kalyan Banerjee's theme "Reach Within to Embrace Humanity". As well as being a vital part of our mission to make the world a better place, a strong project focus in your club is also a powerful attraction to potential members. We must work hard to find project minded people to share the great experience of Rotary with as we reach Within to Embrace Humanity during 2011-12.

#### Blackwattle Ball - 20 August

The Rotary Club of Waitara is sponsoring the Blackwattle Ball on August 20th 2011. This is a fundraiser ball with great music and entertainment. There will be two major recipients of the night, Studio ARTES Nortside, a service for adults with disabilities in Hornsby with a long association with Rotary <a href="http://www.studioartes.com.au">http://www.studioartes.com.au</a> and the Salvation Army Homeless Programs in Hornsby. Both these groups tie in well with the International aims of Rotary this year in promoting families and safe housing.

Why not make this a transfer meeting for your club (we are), support two great causes and have a great time as well. The entertainment on the night will be provided by The Sydney Street Choir, Studio ARTES performance group, and the dance music will be provided by well known Berowra musician, Steve Passfield. Full information is below.

Simon Bryan
President Rotary Club of Waitara



### Rotary Club of Ku-ring-gai Bank Accounts

From 1 July 2011 we have a new bank account at Westpac Turramurra.

Rotary Club of Ku ring gai Project account

BSB 032089 Account 253333

Rotary Club of Ku ring gai General account

BSB 032089 Account 253341 **Claims** must be presented with a completed remittance advice which you can download from the WEB.

All payments to you will be made electronically (I do not have a cheque book) so please include your BSB and account when you make a claim.

When you make a payment please ensure you include your name in the details

#### DRAFT 2011-2012 Calendar

Mondays	Speaker	Board meeting (5.30pm)	Weeke nds	Mondays	Speaker	Board meeting (5.30pm)	Weekends
Monday 18 July	Youth Insearch speaker			Monday 2 January 2012	Christmas break		
Monday 25 July	Debate			Monday 9 January		Board meeting	
Monday 1 August		Board meeting		Monday 16 January	Bowls night		
Monday 8 August				Monday 23 January			
Monday 15 August	Club Forum			Monday 30	Movie night		
Monday 22 August				January  Monday 6		Board	
Monday 29 August				February Monday 13	Pride of	meeting	
Monday 5 September		Board meeting		February	workmanship		
Monday 12 September	Who do you know?		10/9 Trivia	Monday 20 February			
Monday 19	DG's visit to		night 11/9	Monday 27 February			
September	Club		Clarke School	Monday 5 March		Board meeting	
Monday 26 September	Games Night			Monday 12 March	Dilly Bag		16-18/3: conference
Monday 3 October	Labour day			Monday 19 March	Who do you know?		25/3: Cycle Classic
Monday 10 October	Rotary Awareness	Board meeting		Monday 26			
Monday 17 October	Carers' Night			March Monday 2 April		Board	
Monday 24 October			27/10 Pymble Players	Monday 9 April	Easter Monday	meeting	
Monday 31 October			30/10: 1 <sup>st</sup> g's	Monday 16 April	Rotary Awareness		
Manday 7		Decard reception	market	Monday 23 April			
Monday 7 November		Board meeting		Monday 30 April			
Monday 14 November				Monday 7 May		Board meeting	Dinners for eight
Monday 21 November	Movie Night			Monday 14 May			
Monday 28 November			25-7 /11 Insearch	Monday 21 May			
Manday 5	ACM: Fla	Deemlers "		Monday 28 May			
Monday 5 December	AGM; Elevator statement	Board meeting		Monday 4 June		Board meeting	
Monday 12 December	Christmas party			Monday 11 June Monday 18 June			
Mon 19 Dec	Christmas break						
Mon 26 Dec	Christmas break			Monday 25 June			

# Guest Speakers See club website: "Member Forum - Events" for whole year listing of events 18 July Nicole Clark and Briar Ward from Youth Insearch 25 July Debate with Rotary club of Turramurra 19 Sep District Governor's visit

#### **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 <a href="http://www.kuringgairotary.org.au">http://www.kuringgairotary.org.au</a> before 3.00 pm on the day of the meeting. An apology for future meetings may also be entered. If you do not apologise for non-attendance the Club must pay for your meal and you will be asked to reimburse the Club.

Market roster		
MARKET ROSTER 14-Aug		
BANNERS	White, Frank	
SIGNS	Timms, Graham	
	Hungerford, Geoff	
MORNING SET UP	White, Frank	
	Thompson, John	
PR	Lam-Rohlfs, Linda	
1ST SHIFT 8.00 to 10.30	Braid, Malcolm	
	Jackson, Tom	
2ND SHIFT 10.30 to 1.00	Hoch, Chris	
	Midlam, Michael	
3RD SHIFT 1.00 to 3.30	Coenen, Lou	
	Kipps, Peter	

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

	Door team			
Duty	July	August	September	
Greeter	Malcolm Braid	Graham Timms	Judy Houghton	
Team	Peter Kipps	Dilys Geddes	Bob Ivey	
Team	Wally Forbes	Ross Egan	Chris Hoch	

**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.

		lappy days July 2011			
Birthdays		Anniversaries			
Margaret Tang Irene Kennedy Susan White Peter Kipps Graham Timms Gwen Ivey Pat Fisher	6 Jul 11 Jul 19 Jul 25 Jul 26 Jul 27 Jul 30 Jul	Peter Kipps John Thompson Irene Kennedy Peter Tang	8 Jul 19 Jul 22 Jul 23 Jul		