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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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#### **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

#### **Tonight**

#### **Debate**

with Rotary Club of Turramurra

#### **Announcements**

**Brian Cato-Symonds** - a condolences card was passed around.

**Board Meetings -** Minutes of Board Meetings are uploaded by the Secretary to the member's area of the **website** - SEE: Navigation Menu item "*Docs & Images*", where they can be viewed at any time

Thank you letters from **Bo Hospital** and a second letter from our **School of St Jude** project in Tanzania were distributed.

**NOTE** - the brief article on St Jude on our website is wanting for a better description from the Committee. (How about providing a copy of the thank you letter - at least they can write!)

**Trivia Night - Fri 12 Aug** at Chatswood Golf Club, proceeds to Bo Hospital. Space is available. Bookings through Greg Newling.

WEBSITE: You can now print your own handy 1-page Members' Address List. See "Member Forum - Member Profiles". (Access to Members Only). The font size is a bit small, so have your reading glasses handy!

## Last Week: Youth Insearch



#### Intro by Joy Newling:

"Tonight I am very pleased to be able to introduce two impressive young women, Nicole Clark and Briar Ward, from Youth Insearch.

I knew very little about Youth Insearch until Greg and I first met Nicole in January this year when we were organising to cater for one of their weekend programs at Kurrajong. Most of you have heard me talk about those very hot days in February and the fun we had!

Nicole is 26 and has been working for Youth Insearch for almost 4 years as the Program & Development Coordinator. She recently finished Certificate IV in Community Services Work and is now completing the Diploma in Community Services Work. Nicole also attends the weekend programs as a support person/mentor and has a real passion for helping young people. She has also participated in one of Rotary's programs, RYLA.

Briar came through the program as a young person and is now a Leader and Support Person as well working in the office. Briar made a big move from Sale, Victoria to Sydney last year when she was offered the role of Admin Assistant. Briar will be 21 in September and has been involved with Youth Insearch for over 5 years now.

Welcome, Nicole and Briar. We look forward to hearing from you and learning more about the work of Youth Insearch."

Youth InSearch started in Riverstone 26 yrs ago as counselling by young people for young people. It runs in QLD, NSW and VIC with 26 programs each year, including mentoring and weekends away.

The latter are very emotional and often leave the supervisors in tears. ...continued >

#### Youth InSearch ...contd

A short DVD was shown.

#### Main features of the weekend programs

- Most attendees come from broken families and do not normally receive 3 meals a day, so food is important
- They enjoy having rotary/Lions at weekends
- Support each other
- Self esteem sessions hugs are important as many have never had one, and they replace 'words'
- Team building
- 'trust' sessions
- Helps to improve self confidence and family relationships
- Helps youth make changes to improve their lives
- 'tuck-ins' at bed time help ensure people are settled - many have never experienced that before at home
- · 'bed-time stories' many have never had one
- 'Hassel' sessions: why families split up; how to rebuild relationships
- · Drugs & alcohol education
- Techniques for dealing with abuse and assault
- · Dealing with grief
- How to break the cycle of broken families

Government funding of about \$400,000 pa covers up to 20% of costs. A weekend camp costs \$1,200 pp - but the individual is charged only a small amount.

Briar told a most emotional story of her own relationship with her mother, who was a heroin addict until Briar was age 7. She said her Mum has been a Mum for only the last 4 years, and Youth inSearch stopped Briar from self-harming - and saved Briar's life.

Asked about the **success rate**, they said it's rather difficult to measure our success rate as we are dealing which such a vast array of issues however the following statistics are an indication:

- Antisocial behaviour is reduced by up to 30%
- Criminal behaviour is reduced by 40%
- 97% of participants reported that they no longer feel suicidal
- 61% of participants reported decreased alcohol consumption
- 84% of participants who had previously demonstrated violent behaviour said they would discontinue resorting to violence.

#### Below, extract from:

Newsletter for Supporters of Youth Insearch, Jun 11

# From the Rotary Club of Kuring agis spent on amazing weekend catering for a Youth

In February 2011, a team from the Rotary Club of Ku-ring-gai spent an amazing weekend catering for a Youth Insearch camp in Kurrajong, NSW, There were 13 of us both Rotarians and partners, in shifts from 3.30pm on Friday until Sunday afternoon.

We were kept very busy. We'd just finish preparing one meal and it would be time to start the next, or sometimes two meals together. It was a great team-building experience and we all learnt new skills!

It was rewarding and fun, especially when you had comments from the young people such as:

I like the fruit, I eat more fruit when I come to camp"

"Thank you for giving up your time to cook for us"

"Austonia food!"



As well as 40 Young People aged between 12 and 17, there were young Leaders and supporting adults, all of whom were Volunteers. We met Rotarians from Tamworth and Moree who had both driven buses down with a load of young people. They had been doing it for 14 and 10 years respectively and sometimes had to raise the funds to bring the bus down themselves. They also supply follow up support to the young participants on a weekly or fortnightly basis.

We are looking at it becoming an annual project for our Club. Perhaps if you are a member of a service club such as Rotary or Lions, you might consider getting a team together and catering for a similar camp. You will find it worthwhile and enjoyable, and you will be providing a great service to Youth Insearch, as well as helping their strained budget.

Joy Newling

#### 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

## Thank you from Lifeline Book Fair

### Letter of thanks received from Wendy Carver, CEO Lifeline Harbour to Hawkesbury

Dear Lindfield Book Fair Committee Members and Book Fair Volunteers

Your Knox Book Fair over the last four days was clearly an outstanding success. Thank you so much to each and everyone, who was involved in this magnificent event. I am very aware that the success of this event is the result of 12 months hard work by a large number of dedicated volunteers. The time and energy that obviously went into collecting, cleaning, sorting, pricing, categorising, packing, moving, setting up and finally selling so many 1,000s of books, was obviously enormous. Throughout the Book Fair we had many compliments about the quality and presentation of our books, which was delightful to hear.

Lifeline Harbour to Hawkesbury feels privileged to have such a committed group of volunteers, who work tirelessly to ensure that we raise enough funds every year to keep operating all of our services. Everyone may not be aware that our Lifeline Centre still has to raise around \$700,000 a year to maintain all of our services (even with the new State Government funding). We could not do this without our Book Fair volunteers, so a very sincere thank you from me.

With kind regards Wendy

In particular thanks to our members who helped: Caroline Jones, Greg Newling, Joy Newling, Malcolm & Margaret Braid, Peter Kipps and Frank White

#### How about taking in the Rugby World Cup in New Zealand Sep-Oct 11

Experience true kiwi hospitality in a fellow Rotarians home with bed and breakfast for \$150 per night., Includes a donation to Polio Plus.

## RUGBY WORLD CUP DOWN UNDER 25211

ROTARY IN NEW ZEALAND IS GEARING UP TO HOST YOU



### When the world comes to New Zealand for the Rugby World Cup, accommodation will be at a premium!

Rotarians throughout New Zealand have combined to encourage visiting Rotarians to share our World Cup experience by providing the chance to be home-hosted by fellow Rotarians during their visit.

Home-hosting is available in all the locations where the World Cup games are played. The cost is only NZ\$150 per night for bed and breakfast. More information, and the opportunity to register is available on www.rotarynzrugbyhosting.org

You can download a promotional brochure from the website to enable you to encourage others in your Rotary Club to participate.

Rotary New Zealand Rugby Home Hosting is a great option for those who want to support their team, see the wonderful scenery and experience the fantastic hospitality of Rotarians and all New Zealanders.

Rotary New Zealand Home Hosting provides you with the flexibility to arrange your own travel arrangements and timetable.

You will not only experience all the thrills of the World cup, but all funds raised from this programme will you go The Rotary Foundation Polio Plus Programme recognising your club plus those of the hosting and organising clubs.

Game Tickets are not part of the home hosting package, and have to be purchased separately. These go on sale from April 2010, so keep an eye on: www.rugbyworldcup.com/tickets





**REGISTER NOW!** 

www.rotarynzrugbyhosting.org Rotary New Zealand Rugby Hosting



## Guest Speakers See club website: "Member Forum - Events" for whole year listing of events 25 July Debate with Rotary club of Turramurra 1 Aug Steve McGregor, Honorary Secretary for the Spitfire Association 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	11-Sep		
BANNERS	White, Frank	White, Frank		
SIGNS	Timms, Graham	Timms, Graham		
	Hungerford, Geoff	Hungerford, Geoff		
MORNING SET UP	White, Frank	White, Frank		
	Thompson, John	Thompson, John		
PR	Lam-Rohlfs, Linda	Lam-Rohlfs, Linda		
1ST SHIFT 8.00 to 10.30	Braid, Malcolm	Forbes, Wally		
	Jackson, Tom			
2ND SHIFT 10.30 to 1.00	Hoch, Chris	Evans, Emyr		
	Midlam, Michael	Houghton, Judy		
3RD SHIFT 1.00 to 3.30	Coenen, Lou	Egan, Ross		
		Krishnan, Bala		

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	Linda Lam Rohlfs	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.

Happy 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	