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Welcome Loïc Lacombe -

This Week

Adele Mitchell Viewing Mountain Gorillas in Rwanda

With only around 880 mountain gorillas left in the world, seeing them in the wild is something only a few people will ever have the chance to experience.



About 480 mountain gorillas inhabit an extinct volcanic region called the Virunga Range along the borders of

Rwanda, Uganda and the Democratic Republic of Congo in East Africa. The other 400 or so mountain gorillas inhabit a nearby area of Bwindi in Uganda, a thick rainforest.

Come and hear Adele share her incredible experience of visiting two gorilla families in Rwanda's Virunga Mountains.

Next Week

Matthew McClelland **Hunting in National Parks - The Case** Against



Matthew McClelland is the creator and publisher of the web site 'Wild Walks' - a free online bushwalking and camping guidebook for New South Wales. Through his involvement with National Parks, Matthew has become a committed advocate of the

case against allowing hunting in the parks.

Whether you believe that National Parks should be reserved for bushwalkers or that hunting is necessary to eliminate destructive introduced species, this is your opportunity to hear Matthew outline the issues and to put your own point of view.

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The club meets every Monday 6.30pm at West Pymble Bowling Club, 2 Prince of Wales Drive, West Pymble. Visitors welcome. www.kuringgairotary.org.au

the world's newest Rotarian! Last week we celebrated Bastille Night and to make the night truly memorable,

In thanking the club, Loïc said that he

Loïc Lacombe as a member of the club.

President Tony inducted Frenchman

had been a member of the French 'Round Table' (which is similar to Rotary) for many years and that he had found our club through its website and had been inspired to join it by reading Graham Timms' article 'You can make a difference!'.

New Member Induction

Loïc is currently working for not for profit organisations while studying to become an actuary. He was unable to be accompanied by his wife, who is expecting their first child shortly.

Loïc's classification is 'Project Management' and he joins the Community Service Committee.

Lifeline Book Fair



Leading by example, President Tony McClelland and a team comprising Gary Dawson, Nicky Dawson, Geoff Hungerford, Patsy Hungerford and David helped pack up the Lifeline Harbour to Hawkesbury Book Fair at Knox Grammar School when it ended at 5 pm on Sunday, 14 July. Well done all of you.

Tony reported that the book fair had raised \$120,000 for Lifeline.

Horton House Helpers

President Tony reported that Dilys Geddes has become a volunteer at Horton House Aged Care Home in Gordon and that Malcolm Braid has also provided assistance there. Well done to both of them.



Theme 2013-2014

Hopping Family Appeal

Joy Newling spoke about a tragic house fire in Mt Colah where a young woman, Melissa Hopping, died and her mother Joanne and brother Andrew were transported to hospital suffering from minor burns and smoke inhalation. Understandably, husband and father Tony was deeply distressed. The house was destroyed and the family has lost everything.

Melissa was an ex student of Clarke Road School and Studio Artes and Andrew, aged 15, currently attends Clarke Road. The staff and school community are rallying round to support Andrew, Joanne and Tony, as is Studio Artes and other community groups.

An appeal has been set up and is being supported by The Rotary Club of Waitara on behalf of a number of community groups. If you would like to help make a real difference to this family, to help them grieve without financial pressures and to help rebuild their lives, by making a personal donation, please click on the link <u>http://</u> <u>www.trybooking.com/55896</u> To make a donation purchase ticket(s) at the amount you wish to donate.

If you would prefer not to donate online then please send your donation to Hopping Family Appeal c/- Studio ARTES, 3/67-71 Jersey Street, Hornsby, NSW 2077. Donations can also be made in person at Studio ARTES or at Gallery ARTES, corner George & Florence Streets, Hornsby.

President Tony has indicated that our club will make a donation.

Bastille Night



The club celebrated Bastille Night with a French inspired meal; a quiz about the history of the Bastille and its significance in French history, presented

by Ross Egan; a prize for the best dressed 'French' people (Dilys Geddes and - largely on the basis of his name -



Roger Desmarchelier); members' reminiscences of visits to France (most notably Graham Timms



selling his Fiat 650 outside L'Opera in Paris to pay for a fare home); and a presentation by Loïc Lacombe about the French overseas territories. Greg Newl-

ing reported viewing the website of a French Rotary Club, on which the only item he could understand was an advertisement for the Rotary International Convention to be held in Sydney next year. Many thanks to Ross and Helen Egan for donating prizes for the evening.

French Overseas Territories

Four of the French Territories (Reunion Island in the Indian Ocean, Martinique and Guadeloupe in the Caribbean Sea and French Guyana in South America) belong to the European union. The three first produce sugar cane, rum and are tourism-based. French Guyana is the host of the French space centre, where the two first satellites for the NBN will be launched in 2015. Seven Australian satellites have already been launched from Kourou in French Guyana.

Mayotte, which is located in the Indian Ocean, has begun the process to join the European union. The territories mentioned above as well as St Pierre & Miquelon (close to Canada), all use the euro currency.

Three of the French territories are in the Pacific Ocean (New Caledonia, French Polynesia and Wallis & Futuna) and are between 16,000 and 20,000 km far from Metropolitan France. Their currency is the Pacific Franc and they benefit from a relative administrative and legal autonomy.

The last group of French Territories is composed os the French Southern and Antarctic Lands, the Eparses Islands (around Madagascar) and Clipperton (near Mexico), all of which host servicing meteorological and geophysical research stations.



The Blackwattle

The Rotary Club of Waitara is pleased to announce that our annual event "The Blackwattle" will be held again this year. This year we have done away with the usual 'Dinner – Dance Ball' and have opted for a funfilled Rock'n Roll night on September 7 at the Hornsby RSL.

The evening will be full of fun with entertainment by George 'Houndog' Galea and Andy and the Cruisers. The main aim for 'The Blackwattle' is to raise funds for charities and organisations in our local Hornsby community. The fundraising focus for this year is Studio Artes, the Hornsby Hospital and the Hornsby Salvation Army. The local member for Hornsby, Matt Kean is the patron of 'The Blackwattle' 2013.

As a wonderful supporter of your local community we hope that you will be able to support this fantastic event. Attached letter gives details of the event and sponsoring options available. "The Blackwattle" also offers your members a great opportunity to 'let their hair down'.

We sincerely hope that you will be able to help us help our local community.

Kind regards,

Simon Bryan Community Director Rotary Club of Waitara

		Calendar of Events
July	22	Adele Mitchell: Viewing Mountain Gorillas in Rwanda
	29	Matthew McClelland: Hunting in National Parks - the Case Against
August	5	Avenue of Service committee discussions
	12	3 x '10 on me' - Gary Dawson, Caroline Jones and Lou Counen
	19	TBA
The Party	23	(Friday) 6 am: Daffodil Day: sale of daffodils to support Cancer Council of NSW
1-	26	Jan-Maree Ball - founder and coordinator of Aussie Hero Quilts
September		ТВА
October	14	Hat Day in support of Mental Health - Australian Rotary Health
May 28 - Jun	e 4	Rotary International Convention, Olympic Park, Homebush

Anniversaries - July

	Birthdays		Wedding Anniversaries	
25-Jul	Peter Kipps	23-Jul	Peter and Margaret Tang	
26-Jul	Graham Timms			
27-Jul	Gwen Ivey			
Meeting Guests & Apologies				

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.kuringgairotary.org.au before 2.55 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.

Door Teams - 3 months

July	August	September	
Graham Maslen	Ross Egan	Michael Midlam	
Joy Newling	Lou Coenen	Graham Timms	

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 if you are unavailable.

Last Week's Guests

Joyce Cribb Helen Egan Patsy Hungerford Gwen Ivey Kerrie McCullough Loïc Lacombe Christian Musard Lisa Musard

Club Officers and Committee Chairmen 2013-14

Board of directors Service committee chairmen President **Tony McClelland Club Service** (Vacant) **Vice President** John Aitken **Vocational Service** Michael Midlam **President Elect Community Service** Ross Lambert (Vacant) International Service Secretary Geoff Hungerford Greg Newling **Youth Service** Treasurer Graham Maslen Joy Newling **Bobbin Head Cycle Classic Director - Membership** Roger Desmarchelier Peter Kipps **Director - Public Relations** Michael Midlam **Director - Club Administration** (Vacant) Sergeant-at-Arms Greg Newling **Director - Service Projects** John Aitken **Director - Rotary Foundation** Graham Timms

Gordon Market Roster

MARKET ROSTER	11-Aug	08-Sep	13-Oct	10-Nov	08-Dec
BANNERS	White, F <mark>ran</mark> k	White, Frank	White, Frank	White, Fr <mark>ank</mark>	White, Frank
SIGNS	Timms, Graham		Timms, Graham Hungerford, G	Timms, Graham Hungerford, G	Timms, Graham Hungerford, G
MORNING SET UP	White, Frank	White, Frank	White, Frank	White, Frank	White, Frank
PUBLIC RELATIONS	18 8 M 2			Carl Star	
1ST SHIFT 8.00 to 10.30	Jones, Caroline	Aitken, John	Evans, Emyr	Jackson, Tom	Jones, Caroline
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Second shift collects payment from stallholders. Third shift returns signs and bins to St George Bank storage. Please arrange your own swap and notify Geoff Hungerford if you will be unavailable.

Positions Vacant

President Elect

Board position in preparation for the role of President of the club 2014-15. Significant experience in Rotary preferred but not essential. Comprehensive training for the position of President will be provided. Suit a candidate with vision, energy and a desire to serve the community. Immediate start. Apply to President Tony.

Club Service Chairman

One of the most important positions in the club, the Club Service Chairman heads the committee responsible for organizing and running club meetings and other internal operations of the club. Suit a candidate with organizational skills and initiative. A stepping stone to a club leadership position. Immediate start. Apply to President Tony.

Club Bank Details

Rotary Club of Ku ring gaiGeneral accountBSB: 032 089Account no.: 253341

Rotary Club of Ku ring gai **Project** account BSB: 032 089 Account no.: 253333

Please include your name in the details of all deposits to the club accounts

Expense reimbursement claims must be presented with a completed remittance advice which you can download from the club website. Please include your BSB and account number.