

THE BULLETIN OF ROTARY BEROWRA FOR FEBRUARY

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ROTARY YEAR 2018-2019

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Rotary International Theme for 2018-2019:



Be the Inspiration

FEBRUARY – 23 February is Rotary's 114th Anniversary

**Wednesday 13: Scott Fryer – His RYLA Experience
Andrew Muirhead – His time as a RYLA Facilitator**

**Wednesday 27: Dinner Meeting – Jeni Hayes,
Northern Sydney Youth Homelessness Service,
Mission Australia**

THE ROTARY CLUB OF BEROWRA INC.

Chartered 10th May 1977 First Meeting 25 May 1977

Meets Second and Fourth Wednesdays 6.30pm for 7.00pm

Club Berowra (RSL Club). 997 Pacific Highway, Berowra NSW

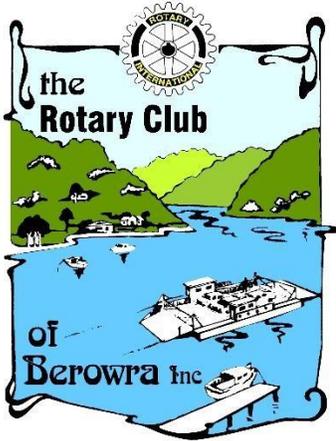
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PROGRAMME - MEETINGS AND GUEST SPEAKERS



The Rotary Club of Berowra meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, and at Club Berowra (RSL Club) at 6.30pm for 7pm, unless otherwise indicated. Visitors, both men and women, are very welcome at the Meetings of the Rotary Berowra. Please call Jan Childs or one of the members of the Rotary Berowra listed on the cover.



Kalori means the message stick used by the Aboriginal Tribes which lived in the sandstone Ranges surrounding the Hawkesbury River. Berowra is situated above a major area of the Hawkesbury. Berowra Waters – one of Sydney's well known Beauty spot- is depicted on our Club Banner.

Rotary Grace

For Food, friendship and the opportunity to serve through Rotary, we give thanks

The next Bulletin will be published for March, 2019. Please submit your contributions to the Editor, Tom Borg, by 5pm Thursday 28th February, 2019 to: tyvborg@bigpond.net.au

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MARCH 2019

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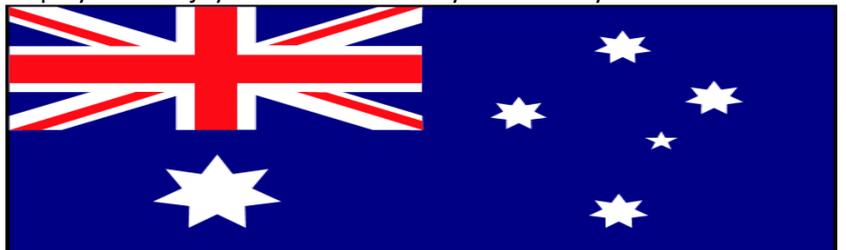
APRIL 2019

Wed 10: Dinner Meeting

Wed 24: Dinner Meeting

Don't forget your Rotary Subscription is due. Please pay \$165 to Admin Account.

Hope you all enjoyed our National Day with Family and Friends



MEMBERS' PAGE

FEBRUARY 2019

Fri 8: 3-4pm Rotary Matters FM100.1- Shamida
Sun 17: 10am-4pm – Promoting Rotary's Public Image Seminar

MARCH 2019

Tues 12: New Probus Club Meeting (see notice below)
Sat 16: President Elect Training Seminar (PETS)
Mon 18 – Fri 22: Science and Engineering Challenge
Fri 29 - Sun 31: District Conference, Newcastle

APRIL 2019

Mon 1 Apr-31 May: BowelCare
Mon 15: Multi-Club Meeting hosted by West Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Club @ Dural. Ricardo Bosi – Guest Speaker
Sun 14: District Assembly – Training for all 2019-2020 Board Members and Executives

MAY 2018

Tues 7: Science and Engineering Challenge
Sat 11: Mother's Day Plant Sale

JUNE 2019

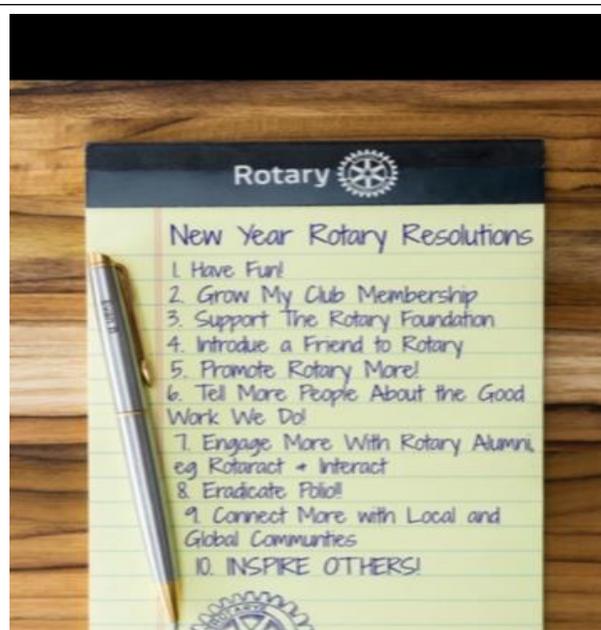
Fri 28: Science and Engineering Challenge
Mon 29: District Changeover at Hornsby RSL

Birthdays, Anniversaries and Congratulations 1 – 28 February

Happy Birthday to: NIL

Happy Anniversary to: NIL

Happy Anniversary of Induction to: NIL



FUN, FRIENDSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP IN RETIREMENT

Probus provides you with the opportunity to join a social Club in your local Community to meet retirees on a regular basis, listen to interesting speakers and join together in activities.

A new Club is being formed in your local area.

MOUNT KURING-GAI & DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB

Venue: Mount Colah Uniting Church, Cnr Amaroo Ave & Pacific Hwy, Mount Colah
Date/time: Tuesday 12th March 2019, 10:00am

Come and join us for morning tea to find out more about PROBUS.



RSVP with us today T: 1300 630 488

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

There was plenty on in **December 2018** and for some also in **January 2019**:

Thursday 6 December 2018 Tom represented the Club at the **Hornsby Shire Council** Mayoral Christmas function.

We participated in the **Soar and Roar Festival** supporting Special Olympics Australia by manning one of the departure points for a Motor Bike Ride at Pie in the Sky on **Sunday 9 December 2018**. Tom, Yvonne, Jean-Philippe, Carolyn, Jan, Rich, Trevor and I set up the site - putting up the flags; registered the riders; took some photographs; and waved the motorbike riders off on their way to Sydney Motor Sport Park.



The Club made our annual donation to each of the **local primary schools** to provide Rotary Citizenship Awards, and we were in attendance at each school to make the presentations between **Monday 3 and Thursday 13 December 2018**. This is an enjoyable part of our community service. Thank you **Jan Childs** for co-ordinating this project.



On Tuesday 11 December 2018 @ 2pm I joined Jeanette at a **Thank You Afternoon Tea** at the **PCYC Hornsby / Ku-ring-gai**. It was nice of them to ask us to participate, and good to hear from Peter Kirkwood how well the Rotary Hub is used, and the large numbers using the PCYC, and the variety of activities provided. Peter has offered us a 'vocational visit' in the year ahead, and I am sure we would all find that very enjoyable and rewarding.

Wednesday 12 December 2018 was the final meeting for the year, and the **Annual General Meeting**. Nice to have Kathy Kendall join Trevor Bailey and Jeanette Bakker on the Club Executive for 2019-2020.

On **Saturday 15 December 2018** I started the day at the **District Presidents Meeting** at Hornsby RSL before our **Christmas Lunch** at Waterview Restaurant, Berowra Waters. A nice lunch and good company – thank you Yvonne for organising yet another successful social function.

On Thursday 20 December our community was hit by a severe hail storm, officially a 'catastrophe' – leaving many in our community with severe damage to homes and cars, and with ongoing repairs and replacements. A sense of humour also in evidence – some renamed the suburb "Tarpaulin Heights"!



In the immediate aftermath volunteers from the SES, Rural Fire Service from near and far and members of Fire and Rescue descended upon our suburbs and worked long hours to help homeowners. We thank these selfless people for their service to our community. Where would we be without these people?

There are plans to have a 'thank you' event in the community for the volunteers, and we have indicated that Rotary will be involved.

Photo: Wolter Peeters

We started the year informally with a **New Year BBQ** on **Saturday 12 January 2019 @ my home**. It was a good evening, thanks one and all for the shared food, and to Rich our BBQ Chef.

We had a great attendance at the **RYLA Dinner** on **Tuesday 15 January 2019 at Miramere Gardens, Terrey Hills**: Tom, Rich, Kathy, Jean-Philippe, Jeanette, Gil and I joined our RYLarian Scott Fryer at dinner. Sue O'Neil was the guest speaker, and it also proved to be a good catch up between Kathy and Sue on the Shamida registration. A big thank-you to Tom, not only for driving Scott to and from RYLA, but also for his huge contribution to the RYLA program as a bus driver for their community service day.



At our first meeting back at Berowra RSL on **Wednesday 23 January 2019**, while there was a small attendance it was good to catch up and makes some plans for the year ahead.

I am very pleased to report that we seem to be well down the path of having **Shamida Bright Vision** registered as a RAWCS Project, as the sponsoring Club I have been asked by RAWCS to approve the registration.

Mary Kendall is still with her daughter Karen in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, helping her to find suitable accommodation for Shamida. Kathy was able to give us an update during our last meeting. On 8 February Kathy will speak with Ian Stuart on Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Radio Triple 100.1FM during 'Rotary Matters' between 3pm and 4pm.



February 2019:

Wednesday 13 we look forward to hearing from Scott on his RYLA experience, and to welcoming AG Bruce Jacob to the Club again.

Sunday 17 Tom and Yvonne are attending the full day seminar '**Promoting Rotary's Public Image**' and I am very grateful to them for doing this.

Wednesday 27- we have invited Jeni Hayes from Northern Sydney Youth Homelessness Service of Mission Australia. Jeni is a local so it will be an added bonus welcoming her to the Club.

We have been asked to sponsor another **Probus Club** in the area. Members have agreed that this is appropriate and we expect that some of our members will be present at the meeting where the level of interest is to be determined. Tuesday 12 March 2019 10am Mount Colah Uniting Church,



As we move towards 'Rotary Rocks' in Newcastle we need to work out how to decorate our gnome, and to get some tips from Kathy on how to dress ourselves!

Peggy Sanders, President.



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ROTARY MATTERS

Ian Stuart (Turramurra Rotary) presents a weekly program on Triple H 100.1FM, a community radio station covering Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai (but the signal certainly goes much further afield) on Fridays 3-4pm.

The purpose is to reach and engage interest from non Rotarians into the many causes, projects and people who make up Rotary. Subjects covered in recent months include Shelterbox, ROMAC, RAM, RYPEN, RYDA, Interplast, Pride of Workmanship Awards, National Youth Science Forum, Model United Nations Assembly, End Polio Now, Dementia Awareness, overseas aid and community building projects in

the Philippines, Nepal and India. Each program includes a 'What's On' of district activities hosted by Rotary which are accessible to the wider non Rotary public.

Clubs are invited to propose ideas for exposure on *Rotary Matters*. Suggestions include interviews with:

- Someone recently returned from an overseas aid project.
- A Pride of Workmanship Award winner
- A beneficiary of a Rotary fundraising project (eg. Lifeline which is a beneficiary of the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic)
- A returned youth exchange student
- Host of a regular Rotary fundraising activity
- A prominent club member with an interesting life story

Clubs are also invited to include *Rotary Matters* on the distribution list for their regular newsletters, to provide content for the weekly What's On segment. Triple H 100.1 FM covers Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai but can also be picked up outside this area *Rotary Matters* is keen to profile activities throughout the 9685 District.

Ian Stuart,
Presenter, Rotary Matters

Note from Peggy: As you know we advertise 'Rotary Matters' in each Bulletin; we also include Ian Stuart in our Bulletin distribution; and we are looking forward to Kathy Kendall participating to talk about Shamida Ethiopia.



Email from Kathy regarding Dr Catherine Hamlin and a visit to her by Mary Kendall and Ruby: *"On Friday Dr Catherine Hamlin turned 95 and mum had taken some of her favourite chocolate from Australia. Here is a photo at a party in her honour of my niece, Ruby, presenting her the chocolate"*.

Celebrating the woman who gave life to an idea – Happy 95th Birthday Catherine! On January 24, Dr Catherine Hamlin celebrated her 95th birthday – a milestone. 2019 also marks 60 years since Drs Catherine and Reg Hamlin first arrived in Ethiopia forever changing the country's maternal healthcare landscape. It's remarkable that for 60 of her 95 years Catherine has been completely committed to transforming the lives of some of the most vulnerable women in the world. These women really are her life story.

<https://hamlin.org.au/catherine-hamlin/>



UPDATE ON GRACE'S PLACE

Greetings everyone,

I wish to bring you up to date with some developments with my DG Partners Project, which is Grace's Place. For those of you whom District Governor Susan and I have yet to visit, Grace's Place is a purpose-built project to assist the children who have been the silent victims of a domestic homicide. This is a project of Martha Jabour, the CEO of the Homicide Victim's Support Group in New South Wales, who is one of our keynote speakers at the District Conference next March.

It had been planned for a 'SOD Turning' to get the project underway at the land in Doonside that had been donated to the group by the NSW State Government and the Blacktown City Council. Unfortunately, when the initial inspection was made of the land, it was found that it contained a large amount of asbestos which had been dumped there over years gone past. Blacktown City Council has now undertaken a clean-up operation in readiness for an inspection and a building application to be

approved. It is now thought that the turning of the 'SOD' will be either just before or just after the District Conference March 2019.

For those of you who like to have a shot at the 'SOD', or DG Susan's Official Driver, the turning of the SOD is purely a building term and not associated with me, but I intend to attend that event.

I wish to thank the following Clubs and Rotarians who have donated funds to Grace's Place so that we can fit out one or more of the therapy rooms in the complex in the name of Rotary District 9685. Those clubs are Brookvale, Glenhaven, Castle Hill, Kenthurst, Richmond and the Rotary EClub of Sydney. I would also like to thank Karo Haltmeier for her personal donation.

If you wish, you may meet with Martha Jabour at our District Conference in Newcastle where she will be selling 'building blocks' at a stall or you can EFT funds to the District 9685 Admin Account and use the Reference 9875 which will alert the District Treasurer that the funds transferred are for Grace's Place. If you could also send me an email so that I can have an audit trail for funds raised. If you would prefer to use a cheque, please make the cheque out to the District 9685 Admin Account. If you make it out to Grace's Place, please endorse the back of the cheque to pay the Rotary District Admin Account.

Once again, thank you for your interest and support of Grace's Place which is named after Grace Lynch, the mother of murder victim Anita Cobby. Grace was one of the four people who started the Homicide Victims Support Group after the death of her daughter.

John Wakefield OAM
PDG 2002-3 D9690
2019 District Conference Chairman.

CONGRATULATIONS FROM BEROWRA ROTARY to BRIAN ENGERT on the awarding of the OAM in the Australia Day Honours 2019. This is certainly a fitting recognition of his work in our community.

Brian Engert's service to the Berowra community spans more than four decades. On Australia Day, his countless hours spent volunteering for community organisations was recognised.

Brian said, in responding to the very many 'congratulations' he has received on Facebook: *Thanks to everyone for the kind words and congratulations. I am very honoured and appreciative of the award. And very grateful for the friendships made along the way by being involved in our community. And Rhonda has my love and gratitude for her support over many years of community involvement. We both love living in this great community. Again, thank you all.*



CONFERENCE NEWS

DISTRICT CONFERENCE - GATHERING OF THE D9685 GNOMES

Each club has received a Gnome from DG Susan, as she has visited clubs, to decorate and take to Newcastle, as the District 9685 Gnomes gather.

Join the Rotary Rocks Gnome in Newcastle **as each club decorates a gnome that represents their own club** – will we see the marketing gnome from Carlingford, the running gnome from Lindfield, the operatic gnome from Woy Woy, the antique gnome from Springwood or the caroling gnome from North Ryde and Macquarie Park?

See all the different gnomes from all corners of our amazing District. Be creative, think outside the gnome and turn your tiny gnome into the giant power of your Rotary club!



Berowra:

We have to decorate our gnome before 29 March 2019

Could we all get our thinking caps on and our creative juices pumping ideas welcome from all members please!

Peggy Sanders

Conference Coordinator

ROTARY District 9685 Conference
Newcastle 2019

ROCKS

NEX, Newcastle Exhibition & Convention Centre
King Street, Newcastle
March 29, 30 and 31, 2019

Friday - Inspiring Youth
Saturday - Inspiring Men
Saturday afternoon - Everyone WALKS to END POLIO NOW
Saturday night - Rotary Rocks Newcastle with prizes for best dressed!
Sunday - Inspiring Women

Major Speakers
Confirmed speakers include:
Former Victorian Police Commissioner Christine Hickox; NSW PCYC CEO Doreen Heakle; acclaimed NZ Rotary leader PDG John Prendergast; Grace's Place CEO Martha Jabour; and young Rotary leader and Scholar to Germany Brittany Arthur. Watch this space for more big names...

Note the bargain registration fees below and you will really 'rock'!

- Full Conference - \$280
- Early Bird Full Conference - March 12 to June 30 - \$200
- Early Bird Full Conference - July 1 to November 30 - \$150
- New Rotarians (joined on or after March 12, 2018) - \$100
- All Youth attendees - \$200

... AND we understand some people cannot attend for the full weekend - Saturday day only \$100; Saturday night only \$100; Sunday day only \$50

conference2019.rotarydistrict9685.org.au

WE WILL ROCK YOU!!!

So far the following have registered for the Conference in Newcastle in March 2019. Tom & Yvonne Borg; Jan Childs; Jean-Philippe & Luiza de Jong and Peggy Sanders.

Kathy Kendall has kindly invited anyone who would like to look at some of her outfits for the Conference.

Date: Saturday 9th February

Place : Berowra Waters Road, Berowra

Time : Around 11am

Contact: kmdz777@yahoo.com

Please email her if you are intending on turning up.

For further ideas you can follow Instagram or Facebook a page called : **Kiss Kiss Bang** Clothing

PROJECT REPORT



Another busy year in the areas of Youth, Vocational and Community Service and the Annual Mother's Day Plant Sale, the proceeds from which will provide the funding required to support these activities.

YOUTH

February 13: Our returning Rylarian **Scott Fryer** and former Rylarian and Facilitator, **Andrew Muirhead** will be the Guest Speakers always an interesting evening.

VOCATIONAL and COMMUNITY SERVICE

March 27: Pride of Workmanship (POW) and Community Service Presentation Dinner.

Have you received or observed exceptional service from a local business or are aware of sustained community service by a local person worthy of an award? Please talk to Jan.

MOTHER'S DAY PLANT SALE

Saturday May 11 – Initial plans are underway More details to follow.

SCIENCE and ENGINEERING CHALLENGE 2019 (the 20th year).

Monday 18th- Friday 22nd March – Homebush Olympic Park

Tuesday 7th May - Galstaun College, Ingleside

Friday 28th June – Ravenswood Girls School, Gordon

Rotarian assistance is needed and an enjoyable experience



Primary School Citizenship Awards 2018

- Asquith Public School: Citizenship - Marley Dighton
- Berowra Public School: Citizenship, Senior – Mackenzie Faught; Citizenship, Junior – Ruby Barton
- Brooklyn Public School: Citizenship - Zoe Weddin
- Cowan Public School: Citizenship, Senior – Jack Turner ; Citizenship, Junior – Sam Bennett
- Mount Colah Public School: Senior, Year Six English Award - Liv Dryza; Junior, School Citizen - Aiden McSweeney
- Mount Kuring-gai Public School: Citizenship - Andrew Blundell
- Wideview Public School: Citizenship, Senior – Zachary Carreno; Citizenship, Junior – Samantha Blair

Jan Childs – PROJECT DIRECTOR

SOCIAL NEWS

Christmas Celebrations 2018

THAT HAT Trevor had a mind of its own!!





Tom gets around
Mr Everywhere Man



Mayoral Cocktail party – 6th December, 2018



You can't see Tom but he attended Matt Kean's Christmas Party at his home on 16th December and Hornsby Rotary Club's Picnic party at Bobbin Head on 17th December.



NEW YEAR GET TOGETHER AT PEGGY'S PLACE 12TH JANUARY 2019



SPECIAL EVENTS

ROAR AND SOAR – 9TH DECEMBER, 2018





SPOTTED IN THE BUSH TELEGRAPH!

Congratulations to Rich Moore's daughter, Ashlie Robinson, who is the Owner and Instructress of Berowra Physie. It is the first time in Berowra Physie's 37 year history that a member has won at the Senior National Finals held at the Sydney Opera House. Sophie Batchelor took out the 15 years National Title in December 2018. Sophie also won the Ruth Moore Memorial Club Champion Award,

Congratulations to Sophie and Ashlie and Rich Moore who is a very proud father indeed!!