

Rotary Club of Berowra



Kalori: The Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Berowra Inc



SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES

Rotary Year 2021 – 2022

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Rotary International Theme for 2021 - 2022:
Serve to Change Lives



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Wednesday 9 February: Dinner Meeting — Club Planning

**Wednesday 23: Dinner with Shane Fitzsimmons AO AFSM PHF,
St Ives Rotary Club, Avondale Golf Club, Pymble**

FEBRUARY IS

**PEACE AND CONFLICT PREVENTION/
RESOLUTION
MONTH**

"Peace is not the absence of conflict but the presence of creative alternatives for responding to conflict -- alternatives to passive or aggressive responses, alternatives to violence." Dorothy Thompson

Rotary TAKE ACTION: Engage Rotary, Change Lives

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The Rotary Club of Berowra Inc.
Asquith to Brooklyn

Chartered 10 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

Rotary Berowra (from Asquith to Brooklyn) meets on the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month, at Club Berowra (RSL Club) at 6.30pm for 7.00pm, unless otherwise indicated.

Visitors, both men and women, are very welcome at the meetings of Rotary Berowra.

Please call one of the members of Rotary Berowra listed below.

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February 2022

- Wednesday 9 Dinner Meeting — Club Planning
Wednesday 23 Dinner with Shane Fitzsimmons AO St Ives Rotary Club, Avondale Golf Club, Pymble

March 2022

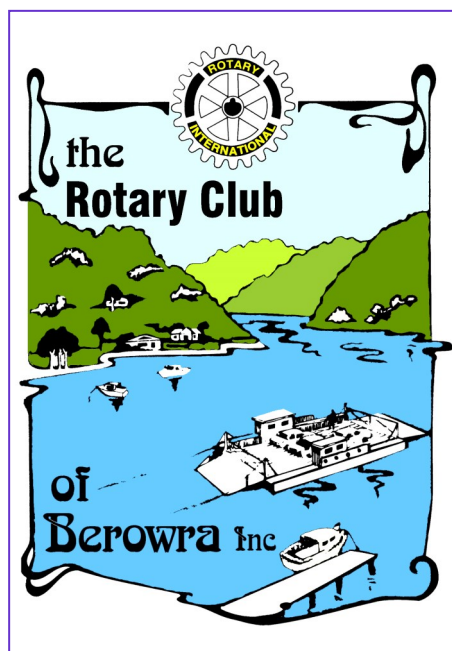
- Wednesday 9 Dinner Meeting
Fri, Sat 18 — 19 District Conference
Wednesday 23 Dinner Meeting

April 2022

- Wednesday 13 Dinner Meeting
Wednesday 27 Dinner Meeting

May 2022

- Wednesday 11 Dinner Meeting
Wednesday 25 Dinner Meeting
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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 spots – is depicted on our historic Club Banner.

BOARD 2021—2022

President: *Jeanette Bakker 0421 958 841*
Immediate Past President: *Trevor Bailey*
President-Elect: *Kathy Kendall*
Secretary: *Kathy Kendall*
Treasurer: *Trevor Bailey*
Club Administration: *Peggy Sanders 0413 481 854*

Directors:

Community Service: *Jan Childs*
International: *Mary Kendall*
Youth: *Tom Borg*
Vocational: *Gil Stokes*
Foundation: *Rich Moore*
Public Image: *Peggy Sanders*
Membership: *Trevor Bailey 0400 999 226*

Additional Roles:

Bulletin Editor: *Peggy Sanders*
District Conference Coordinator: *Peggy Sanders*
Public Officer: *Trevor Bailey*
Welfare: *Jan Childs*
Child Protection, Verification Officers: *Carolyn Higgs and Peggy Sanders*
Attendance: *Jan Childs 0438 613 139*



<https://www.shamidaethiopia.com/>

Attendance

For attendance at meetings, and bringing guests, please contact **Jan Childs**
Tel: 9456 1482 or 0438 613 139



The next Bulletin will be published for March 2022. Please submit your contributions to the Editor, Peggy Sanders, by 5pm Friday 25 February 2022 @ psanders@ozemail.com.au



FROM THE PRESIDENT



Welcome to 2022 looking forward to another happy year for being a Rotarian, and for me my second half of being President.

A huge thank you to PP Peggy Sanders for organising a very successful book launch for Rhonda Davis for the title *Margaret Preston in Berowra*. I wish I was able to attend the evening but was on holidays. I am happy I purchased the book which I thoroughly enjoyed reading and learning about her history whilst living in Berowra. I wish that this book was published earlier when my children were in primary school as they could use it to do their school projects on Berowra's History.



During my holiday to Port Macquarie, the first day we stopped at Taree for lunch and went through an arcade and found a small café. In the arcade, there was a vacant shop which displayed all Taree Rotary Club's banners, flags, and their memorabilia. At Flynn's Beach close to where we stayed, I also noticed that the lifesaving tower was sponsored by Port Macquarie Rotary. The Tacking Point Lighthouse and Headland were yet another Rotary project opened by Ian Riseley, Past Rotary International President. On the way back we visited Kew Information Centre which was formed because of a Rotary International project. (See photos). So, you might say that it was a Rotary Holiday.



Thank you to PP's Janette and Trevor Bailey for hosting the Rotary Christmas Party, and making it a fun day with food, fellowship, and laughter.

On Boxing Day, we watched the 2021 Sydney to Hobart yacht race. Did anyone else watched our "Kialoa 11" around the first mark in under 20 minutes from the start, navigated by our Rotary District Governor Lindsay May. "Kialoa 11" had to retire at sea due to a broken main stay, he wasn't alone as others retired too. So many yachts racing and plenty of rough weather.

After the festive season break a large envelope from Matt Kean MP, arrived at my door. He was writing to congratulate Berowra Rotary Club on our amazing year in our community and the money raising for Shamida Bright Vision. He spoke in Parliament on the 20 October 2021, he

also attached a copy of the speech on Hansard.

Wishing that RYLA 2022 had been held, however it has only been postponed until later this year, due to Covid-19. We trust that our RYLarian Jack Dacey will be able to attend and come back and report to us on his experience.

The February Uniting Church Markets were cancelled. The exciting news is I have the ingredients to make my famous Rock Road and Peggy has already printed the labels - let's hope that it is on in March. Please put in your orders.

Congratulations to our honorary Rotarian Commissioner Shane Fitzsimmons AFSM PHF on receiving the Officer of the Order of Australia honour, yet another remarkable achievement by an exceptional man! Looking forward to attending the St. Ives Dinner on 23 February with their guest speaker being Shane.

FROM THE PRESIDENT CONTINUED

We also congratulate RAWCS District Secretary Sue O'Neill on being awarded an OAM for service to the international community through medical and humanitarian programs.

Another reason to attend this year's District Conference is to hear our Young Australian of the Year Dr Daniel Nour, Founder of Street Side Medics speak. I heard him on the ABC radio last Friday, he is such a caring person with a passion for other people.

I am really looking forward to our first meeting on 9 February a face to face dinner meeting and planning at Club Berowra.

Until then please stay safe and well. Be happy and enjoy each day.

President Jeanette Bakker



COMMUNITY SERVICE REPORT

School Awards: although we were not able to be present in the schools to present the Awards, Berowra Rotary congratulate the following awardees 2021:

Asquith: **Ryan Benjade**

Berowra: Senior – **Leanne Chong**; Junior – **William Shaw**

Brooklyn: **Amelie Dupres**

Cowan: Senior – **Eve Bennett**; Junior – **Willem Thomas**

Mount Colah: **Sophie Adams**

Mount Kuring-gai : **Andrew Streek-Warren**

Wideview: Senior – **Peppa Harder**; Junior – **Zalia Wicks**

Berowra Uniting Church Community Markets: Due to COVID-19 the Uniting Church Markets and therefore our planned Stall of mixed goodies, has been postponed to Saturday 5 March ...we hope! Five extra weeks to prepare increased merchandise!

Rotary Berowra Plant Sale: Mothers Day Plant Sale 2022 — Saturday 7 May. Nearly time to contact Hornsby Shire Council to book our usual area of Hunt Reserve for the Mothers Day Plant Sale.

Happy New Year, and best wishes for a better year ahead.

PP Jan Childs PHF

The
Rotary
Foundation



November was Rotary Foundation Month, every month is Rotary Foundation Month.....

Consider making a special gift to [The Rotary Foundation](https://my.rotary.org/en/donate) and together we can continue *Doing Good in the World*.

<https://my.rotary.org/en/donate>
and donate to the 'Annual Fund'

• **February**

Wednesday 9 February: First meeting back at Berowra RSL— we will undertake some planning for the second half of the Rotary year.

Wednesday 23 February: We have been invited by the Rotary Club of St Ives to their February dinner evening with **Shane Fitzsimmons AO AFSM, Commissioner of Resilience NSW.** 6:30pm for 7pm. Avondale Golf Club in Pymble or on Zoom for what should be a memorable evening.

To register for the dinner or Zoom, please RSVP to **Rosemary (r.coucouvini@gmail.com)** or **Matt (matt_t_cross@hotmail.com)** noting any dietary requirements, your Rotary Club / organisation, and make a \$55 deposit to the St Ives Rotary Club account:

- Rotary Club of St Ives
 - BSB: 633 000
- Account: 161 181 334

Please note: there is no cost to join via Zoom.

• **March**

Saturday 5 March: At Berowra Community Markets, Uniting Church 4 – 6 Alan Road, Berowra Heights we will take our first market stall.

Wednesday 9 March: Dinner Meeting

Friday March 18 – Saturday March 19: District Conference

It's time to book your place at District Conference March 18 – 19 2022, West HQ This is the first time in 3 years we can come together. Please support your District and **Register Now!** Conference Dinner is **Friday evening March 18** and **Saturday 19** will be an action-packed full day commencing with the NSW Police Band at 8.30am, finishing with relaxing Sundowners after 4.30pm. Visit the *Friendship Circle* to see Club Projects in action!
 Speakers: <https://navigatingchange2022.wordpress.com/speakers/>
 Stay at the Novotel West HQ, Friday and Saturday and enjoy a weekend staycation at Rooty Hill.
Scan QR Code or <https://navigatingchange2022.wordpress.com/>



Invite you to dinner with
Shane Fitzsimmons
Commissioner Resilience NSW

Wednesday 23 February 2022
 6:30pm for 7pm
 Avondale Golf Club Pymble
 \$55 per person

RSVP: r.coucouvini@gmail.com or matt_t_cross@hotmail.com & deposit \$55 per person to **Rotary Club of St Ives**
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**NAVIGATING CHANGE
 ROTARY DISTRICT 9685 CONFERENCE 2022**






Wednesday 23 March: Dinner Meeting - Conference Report



The link to the donation page on Shamida's website is below, click on 'Australia' and you can read the information about Shamida partnering with Rotary Australia Worldwide Community Service (RAWCS). If you click the "Donate Now" button, you will be able to view the RAWCS form.

<http://shamidaethiopia.com/donate>




LEADERSHIP BEGETS LEADERSHIP

Regular readers of the Mosman Club Newsletter, Oozoo, will be familiar with some of the details of the following story, but it is topical to go into more insight of this long-standing project.

The Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA) program is an intensive experience organised by Rotary for young leaders and emphasises leadership, citizenship, and personal growth. RYLA leaders in our Sydney District arranged for young leaders from Timor-Leste, PNG and the islands to fly to Sydney to attend RYLA. However, the attendees experienced issues with language and cultural content and as there was also a cost issue it was decided to run a RYLA program on shore in Timor-Leste. The multiple challenges included building program content relevant to the local culture and environment, providing facilitators, arranging funding support and completing all the arrangements to promote RYLA, recruiting attendees, locating facilities and running the event. The first event (for 85 attendees) was run 12 years ago and was planned, funded, run and extensively staffed by RYLA experienced Rotarians and facilitators from Australia.

The kick-off for RYLA this year was held last week and it was fully planned, organised and is being run by local RYLA alumni. Recognising its importance in the community the program has for some years been fully funded by Woodside.

Speakers and hosts this year include the current President of Timor-Leste, Francisco Guterres, former Presidents Dr Jose Ramos Horta and Jose Alexandre Kay Rala Xanana Gusmao; the Head of the armed forces; the President and the CEO of Timor Gap (oil and gas operator); and many senior government, business, religious and NGO leaders. On the day of the opening, the Timor-Leste TV equivalent of Good Morning Australia featured 40 minutes of discussion and interviews with the local team leading RYLA.

There are now more than 1,000 Timor-Leste RYLA alumni (men and women from across all areas of the country) and the program is widely recognised as providing skills which greatly enhance career opportunities. A key part of the program is give-back with alumni providing support for community mentoring; disaster recovery; "clean up Timor-Leste"; English language training; fund-raising etc. The RYLA TL Alumni have chartered 5 Rotaract Clubs with approximately 100 members per Club.

Many Rotarians and Clubs have contributed in some way to this wonderful outcome however there are two individuals who have (until this year) attended every event. Their roles have changed from managing the entire program to being the cheerleaders for the Alumni who now run RYLA. So a great debt of gratitude is due to Angelo Raveane (Crows Nest Club) and Theo Glockemann OAM (Pennant Hills Club).

Part of the success of the program has been the encouragement for members of all Clubs to join in one of the annual pilgrimages to Dili "to show the Rotary flag" in support of the running of RYLA (and also RYPEN). So great appreciation is also due to Georgia Glockemann and Sue Raveane for their support in facilitating all those trips for so many Rotarians and helping establish wonderful and long-lasting relationships between young leaders in Timor-Leste and Australian Rotarians.



Facilitators 2022

From RYLA Timor-Lorosa'e Facebook



Kathy and Karen Kendall catching up in Chicago, Here outside 'One Rotary Center' in Evanston which was closed because of COVID-19.

Kathy is back in Berowra.

Karen returned to Ethiopia in January as the conflict there seems to be reaching some negotiations of peace.

Mary Kendall remains in Chicago with family.



ANNUAL THEME 2022 –2023



MEMBERS' PAGE

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| Rotary Year | 2021—2022 |
| | February 2022 |
| Friday 4 | Berowra Creative Society |
| | March 2022 |
| Saturday 5 | Community Market — Rotary Stall |
| Saturday 12 | President Elect Learning and Development 22-23; 8am— 4pm |
| Friday 18 and Saturday 19 | District Conference |
| | April 2022 |
| Monday 25 | ANZAC Day |
| | July 2022 |
| Saturday 2 | District Changeover |

Birthdays, Anniversaries and Congratulations.....
1 February — 28 February

Happy Birthday to: Shane Fitzsimmons (22/2)
Happy Anniversary to: Nil
Happy Anniversary of Induction to: Pat Smith (14/2)



Rotary Matters
On air
Friday 3pm—4pm



From **Francesca Parrino**, *The Bush Tele*, February 2022 page 7

Following my last editorial, my request for suggestions on a local project which could benefit from my support was answered when I attended Rhonda Davies' book launch "Margaret Preston in Berowra" hosted by our local Rotary Club.

This was such a celebration of Berowra's history and the attendance was testament to the level of interest our local community has in its heritage and art in general. Accordingly, with the support of likeminded residents, I aim to begin the process of forming our very own **Berowra Creative Society** which will honour the art of Margaret Preston, encourage the talented young members of our community and reward and acknowledge the artists we already have in this suburb.

I call on all art lovers and those interested in Berowra's history to join me as we gather ideas and ways to implement them.

Our meetings will be held on the **first Friday of each month at 7 p.m. at Unit 6 no 4 Gundah Road, Mt Kuring-gai with our first one on Friday the 4th of February** at which we will form a committee and create our agenda as we move forward.

Please call me to register your interest. 0415 651 740

FROM THE TREASURER

Hi Everyone,

Its that time of the year again when our half yearly fees are due. For this six months it is \$170.00 again.

If you are paying electronically, the account is BSB 633108 Account No. is 137328183 Bendigo Bank.

Thank you

Trevor Bailey PHF
 Treasurer