15 May 2019

Many thanks to Ken Potter for completing the task of mounting Presidential nameplates from the ‘Chains of Office’ to our Sergeant’s gong ... a great job Ken!

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Birthdays this week
17/05 – Paul Walker

Anniversaries this Week
None this week
## International Toast

**Rotary Club of San Bernardino, California, USA**

On this day in 1940 McDonald’s opened its first restaurant in San Bernardino, California.

The San Bernardino Rotary Club was first conceived on November 5, 1918, when five men, standing in the cigar store of William H. Billingsley, heard and liked Dr Russell D Marvin's description of Rotary and its ideals. These five agreed to meet for a luncheon that day at the Stewart Hotel in downtown San Bernardino. Continuing with the idea of forming a Rotary club affiliated with the International Association of Rotary Clubs, the group met again. This time each one of the five brought a guest, so a total of ten men attended the meeting on Tuesday, November 12, 1918, in the Stewart Hotel. The armistice ending World War I had just been signed on the day before.

## President’s Message

It was a welcome break for me last week having 8 days R&R with a group from the University Social Club on Lord Howe Island. Lots of bush walking, snorkelling and dining on the local fish and produce. With no mobile reception and little access to the Internet it was a bit of a shock to the system turning on my phone at the airport seeing all the messages that had piled up over the week.

As beautiful and peaceful the island is I don’t think I like to be one of the 400 people who live there: a small and isolated community I imagine that some inter-family angst has grown up over the generations. At the moment, there are divided opinions on the placement of baits for the rat eradication program and on the planned introduction by QANTAS of larger planes flying into the island requiring a longer airstrip and potentially bringing more tourists.

I like living in Wollongong because is not a large city but close enough to one when needed. Wollongong is large enough not to have everyone knowing your business but small enough so that you nearly always meet someone you know when you go shopping and find connections with anyone else you happen to talk to. We also have easy access to the beautiful South Coast when some R&R is needed.

_Helen_
DGE Dianne North would like to invite all members to attend the following events in preparations for the forthcoming Rotary Year (Rotary Connects the World):

- **Community Service Seminar** – Saturday 25th May – Bankstown Sports Club - 8.30am for 9 start – 12.30pm – Bookings [https://www.trybooking.com/BATJQ](https://www.trybooking.com/BATJQ)
- **Membership Seminar** – Saturday 25th May – Bankstown Sports Club - 8.30am for 9 start – 12.30pm – Bookings [https://www.trybooking.com/BATIM](https://www.trybooking.com/BATIM)
- **International Seminar** – Sunday 2nd June – Bankstown Sports Club – 1 pm – 4.30pm – Bookings [https://www.trybooking.com/BATKE](https://www.trybooking.com/BATKE)
- **Public Image Seminar** – Sunday 2nd June – Bankstown Sports Club – 1pm – 4.30pm – Booking [https://www.trybooking.com/BATKI](https://www.trybooking.com/BATKI)

Report on last week’s meeting … *Scribe: Joanne Glaser*

- Meeting opened with Ray Lee’s Invocation to the Rotary Foundation.
- Ken Potter toasted the Rotary Club of Belfast (in an Irish accent!)
- Joanne Glaser talked about Comic Gong this weekend and also talked about being offered the Mother’s Day BBQ at North Wollongong Bunnings.
- Netty Broekman gave us all a Proposed Activity Sheet and talked about future social outings for the Club. Netty wants us to complete the survey and also give her any other suggestions.
- President Helen Hasan wants all members to think about District Grant applications. The grants in total are worth up to $10,000. Helen mentioned a local aboriginal group and Ray mentioned the Permaculture project and said that this could perhaps be looked at for a grant.
- Rose Pope talked about Ride 4 Rotary and let us all know we can still sponsor the team or ride in the event. Rose encouraged us all to come along and support them on the day.
- Helen gave a timely reminder to all Directors to have their annual reports completed ASAP. She also advised that we had missed out on $10,000 from the IMB and BlueScope but we may still get $3,000 from the IMB. Helen suggested that the meeting on June 5th could be at the UoW Innovation Campus and we could learn how to use moviemaker for future ‘Grand Stories’.
- Jim Christensen said he is getting more Entertainment books this week and it was noted that the link is on our website.
- Bruce Inglis is completing a new contacts list and wants anyone who has changed any details to notify him perhaps as soon as possible

The wine raffle was conducted with quality raffle tickets provided by Rose Pope. The winners were, in no particular order, Anne Christensen winning the bottle of white wine and then both John Erickson and Ray Lee winning the bottle of red (turned into two bottles) for both having the same winning ticket (no B53)??????????
Vale – Honorary Member Lembit (Peter) Lainela

Sadly, honorary member Peter Lainela passed away peacefully in his sleep on Friday 26 April 2019 aged 93. Peter joined our Club in the 1995/1996 Rotary year and, upon resignation, was appointed an honorary member on 15 April 2009.

Rosters

Please arrange your own substitute if you are not able to attend

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Meeting Attendance and Bookings

All club members are automatically booked in for a meal at each meeting.

Please notify our Treasurer, Rose Pope, by SMS (text) or phone M. 0438 603 808 of any apologies, visiting Rotarians or additional guests (including friends who decide to attend) by 8.00 am on the day of the meeting.

No apology before the cut-off and a no show will cost you $25.00.
Help support youth at risk in the Illawarra
Join us in the Ride 4 Rotary 2019

Website: www.ride4rotaryillawarra.com.au/  
Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/Ride4Rotary/

Sunday 26 May 2019
at the Velodrome Unanderra
On the highway just south of Woolworths/Country Grocer.

All rider registration fees and sponsor funds raised goes to Southern Youth and Family Services supporting our local youth in need.

It is a fun and easy bike ride. The velodrome suits both social and experienced riders alike. Bring your family, friends and work colleagues and if you want form a team.

Ride in one of the 30 minute time slots starting at 9.00am. Children under 12 must be accompanied by an adult. All you need is a road worthy bike and helmet. All types of bikes are welcome.

Registration is only $20 per rider and, once registered, you’ll receive a link to assist you in generating sponsorship.

For more information contact: Stephen: M 0488 797 922 or David: M 0407 268 777

This event is proudly organised by volunteers from The Combined Rotary Clubs of the Illawarra.
President Kay Mireylees
The Directors and Members of the Rotary Club of Corrimal
Invite you to our Club’s 60th Anniversary Celebration
on Friday 24th May 2019
at Villa D’oro Reception Centre
39-41 Flinders Street, Wollongong

Guest Speaker: Superintendent Detective, Deborah Wallace – who has had a 34-year career with the NSW Police Force. Deborah refers to herself as a cop, and her career reflects the glass ceilings for women, her journey as Commander of Asian Organised Crime Squad, the Middle Eastern Crime Squad and more recently The Gangs Squad.
In 2002 after much consistent negative hassling from media person, Alan Jones, Deborah took him on in court and won!
Enjoy this entertaining woman who has humour, compassion, and wears 4-inch heel shoes!

Guest Artist: Jack Black – A great entertainer, magician, illusionist, and he will bemuse, dismay and show you his magic. Watch out as he wanders from table to table and then will give a stage presentation. We were fortunate to secure his service for the night. He is usually entertaining overseas.

A night of great entertainment, Rotary Reflections, and wonderful food.

Time: 6.30 for 7.00pm
Cost: $60.00 includes meal and entertainment
RSVP: Jean Thompson
Email: jth54274@bigpond.net.au
Ph: 4284 9480
By: Friday 17th May

Yours in Rotary

Kay Mireylees
President
Rotary Club of Corrimal