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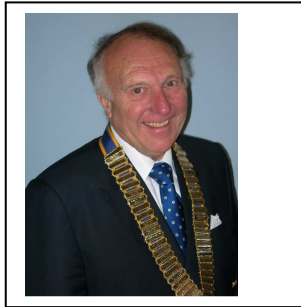
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President John Reports



Thank you to all the incoming board members for their attendance at our District Assembly last Sunday at UTS, Lindfield. It was a most informative day and everyone should have benefited greatly from

the experience. DGE Monica Saville did an outstanding job with her many presentations to the various groups and to the attendees as a whole and, as her Aide, I witnessed every one. Monica has since received many congratulatory e-mails regarding the way in which the District Assembly was conducted. The formalities ended with a visual promotion for our District Conference in Bathurst next year from 6th to 9th March which featured Monica arriving on stage at the Mudgee Conference on the back of a Harley Davidson motor cycle dressed in a proper racing driver's red suit being welcomed by checkered flag waving Rotarians from both Epping and Carlingford Clubs.

This was followed by "Happy Hour" in the dining room at UTS which was most enjoyable.

Our Pride of Workmanship awards last Monday was a very successful evening and a special thank you to Vocational Director, Craig Gallagher for organizing the recipients and the evening. The two POW awardees were David Rankin from the Epping Hotel and Kerry Hardwick from Tom Kerr Auto Centre at West Ryde. Congratulations to both these people.

We were hoping to have Community Service

awards on the same evening but time didn't allow this to happen.

To help the evening along, with some valuable help from Keith Williams, I showed some photographs of our recent RAWCS trip to Vanuatu which I hope people found interesting. Our visit was very beneficial for the people of Vanuatu and a personally rewarding experience for those of us who went. I do apologise to both John and Vivienne Corney for unintentionally leaving their names off the list when in last week's report I was thanking those from our Club who went to Vanuatu.

At our last Board Meeting I am pleased to report that we unanimously agreed to make PP Roy Sadler OAM an Honorary Member of our Club. I will write to Roy advising him of our decision.

This week I spoke with a man who has suffered a spinal injury and he works in the AMP building in Epping, corner of Carlingford Road and Rawson Street and needs help at 9.00am and 5.00pm each week day with his wheel chair. There is no heavy lifting required and he is prepared to pay \$100.00 per week if someone can help him to get out of and into his car. Please speak to me if you are in a position to help this man.

Next Monday we are meeting at Keith Williams' new restaurant, Cibo-e-Vino at 229 Old Northern Road Castle Hill and this should be an enjoyable evening. Keith advises we can park underneath the building or at Jax Tyre Service next door. Please note **this is a BYO restaurant**. In spite of the fact that this is an Italian restaurant we will make this our Ikebukuro night as we are running out of dates this year. If anyone would like a lift next Monday evening, please let me know.

President John

The Epping Mission Statement...

"To improve the well being of our community and foster international understanding through action by Epping club members embracing Rotary ideals"

Monday 14 May 2007

CLUB MEETINGS CALENDAR
EPPING ROTARY MEETS EACH MONDAY 6.15 FOR 6.30
BORONIA GROVE RAWSON STREET EPPING
Apologies to Neil Anderson 9876 1676 by midday Monday

Date	Topic	Introduction	Appreciation /Report
Mon May 14 th 2007	Dinner at Cibo e Vino 229 Old Northern Road CASTLE HILL		
Mon May 21 st 2007	Zoo Friends - Gillian Barton	Partners night	
Mon May 28 th 2007	NDT - Colin Kerr		
Mon June 4 th 2007	Club Assembly		
Mon June 11 th 2007	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday		
Social & Service			
HOSPITALITY THIS WEEK -			

Dinner
e Vino

This Week's Meeting

Partners Night

'Dining at Cibo e Vino'
 (Keith Williams' restaurant)
 229 Old Northern Road Castle Hill
Monday 14th May

Enjoy a delicious meal at Cibo e Vino for only \$25 per head.
 6:30 for 7:00pm dinner
BYO.

John Royer
 Programme Director

YEAR 5 PRIMARY SCHOOL DEBATING

All primary schools in our web are involved: Epping, Epping Heights, Epping North, Epping West, OLHC and Roselea. The first 'clash' was held on Tuesday, 8th May. Semi-finals are scheduled for 28th August and the finals will be held at our club dinner on Monday, 17th September. Any member interested in attending one or more of these debates can obtain a full copy of the draw from me simply by request.

John Payne Co-ordinator

Last Week's Meeting
Pride of Workmanship Awards



Kerry Hardwick with Tom Kerr



David Rankin with Jim Granger from
the Epping Hotel

Last Monday, Vocational Service Director Craig Gallagher presented two worthy recipients of the Award to the club again this year. Kerry Hardwick an employee of Tom Kerr Auto Centre of West Ryde and David Rankin Manager of the Bottle shop at the Epping Hotel.

Kerry was introduced and supported by Mr. Tom Kerr. Mr. Kerr outlined the contribution Kerry has made to his business as an efficient receptionist, fielding calls, ensuring that customers are well looked after and praised her dedication and commitment. He added that Kerry is always first there and last to leave.

David was introduced and supported by Mr. Jim Granger licensee of the Epping Hotel. Mr. Granger explained that David is Manager of the Bottle Shop at the Hotel and has been a most competent manager and a strong contributor to the success of the hotel for 20+ years.

Paul Clune

JOY'S BIGGEST EVER LUNCH

on behalf of Epping Rotannes, in aid of Cancer Research

FRIDAY 25 MAY at 12 noon

38 Japonica Road Epping

ADMISSION by Donation (generous)

SAVOURIES, SUPER SANDWICHES, HOT STUFF,
SIPPING SINGING SYRUP (wine tasting again)

London Lodge wines sold as for previous years.

SPECIAL ... We are raffling a week at our beautiful
property on glorious Lake Coila. (Not at Xmas or Easter).

Tickets @ \$10.00 each. Stand by!

PLUS other raffles for great prizes.

RSVP ASAP on 98691223

Our Foundation

Over many years, a large number of Paul Harris Fellow Recognitions have been presented to Rotarians in this district and, generally, the club has financed this honour as an acknowledgement of the Rotarian's worth to both club and community.

In some cases those Rotarians repay this debt to their club in terms of additional personal contributions to The Foundation but, sadly, in most cases this is not so. There are never any conditions attached to the awarding of a PHF and there never will be, even though the original concept was to recognise a personal contribution of US\$1,000 to The Foundation. We tend to use the PHF scheme as recognition of a Rotarian's valued contribution of effort and endeavour and I certainly wouldn't like to see that change.

Having said all that, The Foundation's generation of funds has to keep pace with the escalating needs of the world and perhaps we could consider increasing our level of activity in the area of personal giving. Many Rotarians in our district are already personally contributing but the vast majority are not. If your club has given you the great honour of PHF Recognition, and you haven't yet started the process of personal giving to The Foundation, why not consider starting now. It can be something as simple as becoming a Centurion at a cost of A\$100 per year, a Foundation Sustaining Member at US\$100 per year, or a Paul Harris Society Member at US\$1,000 a year. Some Rotarians might like to consider the possibility of becoming a Major Donor or a member of The Bequest Society.

There's no end to the ways you can help our own Foundation and I'd be happy to talk to anyone who wants to start this exciting journey. Give me a ring if you think I can help or if you would prefer complete confidentiality, ring Terry Davies at the Foundation office in Parramatta on 9635 3537.

Best wishes

Bruce Allen

District 9680 Foundation Chairman

Out & About with Paul & Stan

Cooper Family News. PP Wal has announced the recent engagement of his daughter Anne to Greg Conway of Carlingford. Anne is a teacher of Religious Studies at MLC Burwood and Greg a teacher of Maths and Science at the Pacific Hills Christian School at Dural. We hear that a wedding date has been set for December this year and accordingly extend to Anne and Greg the heartiest of congratulations and very best wishes for happiness and success in their future lives together.

A Veteran returns to the Battlefield .Charles Brown, esteemed Honorary Member, with a group of former comrades, attended an ANZAC Day Service in Balikpapan in Borneo on ANZAC Day just gone. Charles served there during World War II in the AIF with the 7th Division's 2nd/5th Field Ambulance .The service was conducted at the War Memorial, located in the Centre of town by a local chaplain in two languages

Indonesian and English. It was a typical solemn service with the Last post and Reveille together with Recessional interludes. The Australian Attache from Jakarta and a Major- General from the Indonesian Army were also in attendance. 241 young Australians gave the supreme Sacrifice and many were wounded in the last battle six weeks before the end of the war. Charles was there at the surrender by the Japanese and left for home in the following December. How things had changed after 62 years! It was a memorable trip for the 12 in the party and easier without a pack! So says Charles.

Influences of an Assembly. These days the Assembly is for a day compared to the full weekend of yesteryear, however, notwithstanding the shorter period it appears that enough is covered within that time frame, to ensure an informed and satisfactory result for the attendees. It must have been just that, for those attending the recent Assembly from Epping. It was so evident in the favourable comments about the well organised program. A "glad I was there" attitude exuded from each of our team.- even reflected enough for some to recall again, PP Graham's "I'm Excited." Theme. The Board and Officers for 2007- 08 appear to be already in that mode- ready to get things done, which augurs well for the new Rotary year ahead. PE Peter, the Board and Officers are away to a good start!

Promoting Rotary. Full marks to PP Neville Hodgson of the Rotary Club of Hunters Hill for promoting Rotary in a Guest column in a local paper, **The Weekly Times**, Wednesday May 9. PP Neville addressed the question – Where is Rotary going and what is it doing? He compared the contribution of Rotary with other organizations and referred to its significant Polio eradication program, and its permanent non-voting seat at the United Nations. He explained aspects of the various programs in which his club is engaged and the benefits of being a Rotarian. He spoke about the developments of long-term lasting friendships, opportunity for contribution, comments about weekly meetings and emphasised one great experience of each Rotarian - as he put it-simply fellowship. His article issued an invitation for readers to attend a meeting of his club. It was a well written and informative piece. It is worthy of a good read and certainly a challenge and a good example for each club to follow Thanks to PP Neville.

Anniversaries and Birthdays

No Anniversaries this week

Birthdays

John Goddard May 16

Paul & Stan

More information from the District 9680 website

www.rotarydistrict9680.org.au



The Changing of the Guard



Attention!

Calling all members of
District 9680
to witness the Change Over of
District Governor **Pam Pritchard** to
District Governor **Monica Saville**

Saturday 30th June 2007

Hornsby RSL

6.30 for 7.00 pm

Cost \$50

RSVP before 7 June 2007



Guest Speakers - The Rotary District 9680 Guest Speaker Bank

The aim of this `bank' is to collate a central list of suitable guest speakers who have consented to having their contact details circulated within the District. This will assist Clubs in presenting meetings of interest and relevance.

The process is simple.

When you have a guest speaker who you believe would provide an interesting and worthwhile presentation to another Club, ask them to complete the `Guest Speaker Deposit Form'. Note the form enables the speaker to specify broad geographic areas that are intended to meet the speaker's limitations and avoid invitations that cannot be fulfilled.

Fax the form to Lindsay May at 9966 0776. Forms must be faxed to satisfy Privacy requirements so we have the signed consent from the speaker.

Procedure.

Once your Club has `deposited' a speaker's details, you will be entitled to receive details on other potential speakers.

You won't be credited if the speaker details were already in the bank.

The management of this `bank' will continue to be refined but in essence you will need to deposit regularly to withdraw. One deposit will not result in a continual supply of speakers.

Information.

Additional information about guest speakers and programs is contained in the Club Service Manual, Chapter 7. A copy is held by your Club Service Director.

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All this information & more is found on the District 9680 website
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Advance Australia Fair

*Australians all let us rejoice,
For we are young and free,
We've golden soil and wealth for toil,
Our home is girt by sea.
Our land abounds in nature's gifts,
Of beauty rich and rare,
In history's page, let every stage
Advance Australia Fair.
In joyful strains then let us sing,
Advance Australia Fair.*

Rotary Grace

*O Lord and giver of all good,
We thank thee for our daily food,
May Rotary friends and Rotary ways,
Help us to serve thee all our days.*

Notes: