

**MAXI'S TRIVIA** A little English military history.

The battle for Europe which ended at the battle of Waterloo (which is only as such because the Duke of Wellington slept there) which was fought in a valley at Mont St Jean about 3/4 km from Waterloo, began 4 days earlier on 15. 6.1815.

The remarkable feature about this was that it was 107 days since Napoleon got away from Elba with 1000 men and only 88 days after he recaptured Paris yet in those few days he had an army of 200,000 troops.

Belgium in 1815 was a Dutch province and he invaded without any opposition. The English troops were reinforced by Prussians and Dutch troops. The Prussian General distrusted Wellington and did not arrive at the battle until late in the day. If they had arrived when they were supposed to, Napoleon would have withdraw and his army preserved to fight another day. When they did arrive it was too late. Gettysburg in the American Civil War was as awful as Waterloo with similar casualties.

The English Grenadier Guards defeated a larger column of the French Imperial Guard and were convinced they had beaten the Grenadier Guards and took the enemy's name.

**INVITATIONS**

- Rotary Club of Katoomba celebrating their 70th birthday date changed now to 12th May at the Historic Carrington Hotel. 6.30—7.00 pm \$55.00 per head. RSVP to Sarah Morton 0402304486 or Desley Hardwick at dezihardwick@bigpond.com.
- Invitation to the Rotary Club of Springwood to support DGSE team to North Carolina at their first official function to be held at Springwood and District Community Club Lawson Road Springwood 6.00—6.30 pm 26.2.2007—\$35.00 ph for a 3 course meal. Drinks at bar prices. RSVP 16.2.2007 Ivan Fedor 0412159521 or Paul Erickson.



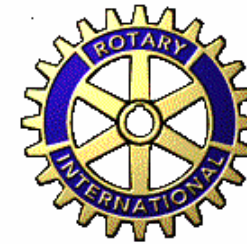
**February is World Understanding Month and Peace Day**

The Board of Directors of R.I. Designated the month of February each year as the occasion for simultaneous demonstrations of International Service by all Rotary clubs. The anniversary of Rotary's birth, 23rd February, is also observed as World Understanding and Peace Day. Each club, on that day, should give recognition and emphasis to Rotary's commitment to international understanding, friendship and peace.



***The Rotary Club of Cabramatta Inc***

<http://www.rotarnet.com.au/cabramatta>



12th February 2007

Volume 46 No. 25

**Tonight's Program:** Will be a normal meeting night.

**DESIRE**

You can have anything you want- if you want it badly enough. You can be anything you want to be, have anything you desire, accomplish anything you set out to accomplish—you will hold to that desire with singleness of purpose.

- Robert Collier

**LAST MEETING:** saw PP John Howie conducting the meeting in the absence of our President, David Butterfield. The usual formalities were conducted. Our own IPDG Bill was our guest speaker where he gave a slide show on his visit to the RAWCS Village Aid in Philippines which was a medical mission. It is a very poor country and the villages really need a lot more aid. Also seen the screening of sick people and dispensing of very limited medical supplies. The project was to provide dry toilet facilities for the locals.

**ATTENDANCE:** 84.62%

**APOLOGIES:** PP Greg Houston, PP John Grujovski, President David Butterfield, PP Boris Satara and PP Bruce Ruston,

**CLUB GUESTS:** YEPS Caroline Brivall and Ronya Houstettler

**VISITING ROTARIANS:** Peter Farrell , Liverpool West Rotary Club

**RAFFLE:** Won by PP Warren Colless

**Secretary's Report: IPDG Bill Little**

- Late Christmas card from ADG Joan Wells
- Fairfield City Community Bus change in management for the community bus program
- Rotary Club of Penrith Police Officer of the Year Award Panthers World of Entertainment Mulgoa Road Penrith 6.30—7.00 pm Wednesday, 28.3.2007—\$35.00 per head for 3 course meal (drinks not included) RSVP 14.3.2007 Ben Fesczuk 0407077143
- Rotary World Magazine
- Profile 27, is a company owned and operated by a Rotarian in Victoria selling clothing with the Rotary International Logo on it. See Secretary IPDG Bill if interested.
- Trailer was delivered last week going to a deserving winner.

**REPORTS**

**Club Service Report: NIL**

**Vocational Service Report: Director PP Ray Begovich**

- New forms for the POTYA—ideas and comments are wanted and all will be considered.

**Youth Service Report: Director PP Geoff Lumley**

- High School student's night February 26th February—guest speaker will be returned YEPS from France William Trinh.
- Students that attended RYLA will also be attending on the High School Students night.

**International and Community Service Reports: Nil**

**DIARY DATES:**



- 26. 2.2007 High School Students Evening
- 26. 3.2007 Launch of POTYA Night 6.00—6.30 pm at Cabramatta Bowling Club
- 29. 4.2007 "A day in the Country" hosted by Smithfield Innerwheel Club –Sunday 11.00—11.30 an 'Ironbark' RSVP Nada 47748233 or Carol 98712288—enjoy a country BBQ, hay ride and cows—\$30 adults, \$15 children (children under 12 free) - in honour of the Cordblood charity.
- 5.5.2007 Rotary Race Day 11 am \$100 per person
- 25. 6.2007 POTYA Awards Night 6.30—7.00 pm to be held Marconi Club—cost TBA
- 22. 7.2007 Liverpool Super Swap Catering Day Fairfield Showground

**BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARIES**

We have IPDG **Bill and Irene Little** celebrating their wedding anniversary on Saturday, 10. 2.2007. We wish you both a great day.



**ILL HEALTH**

Former member PDG **Geoff Dubois** has a malignant brain tumour and is very ill. Geoff has undergone chemo and radiation therapy Kennie and Geoff's phone number is 07 55304289 and our thoughts are with them at this very sad time. Also DG's wife **Megan Tarrant** had a heart attack last week and has had 2 stents put in. Our thoughts are with her and wish her a speedy recovery. **PP Max Law** is going to hospital to undergo an operation and our thoughts are with him and his family and we hope all goes well with the operation.