



Bi-monthly Newsletter Rotary Club Illawarra Sunrise

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2018 - 2019

AUGUST	
Tue 21st	RAFFLE C'tee Meeting 7pm @ Huxtables.
Wed 22nd	Joint Northern District Meeting 6.30pm @ Fraternity Club
Thu 23rd	RACE DAY C'tee @ DeVries
Fri 24th	NO BREAKFAST MEETING MANJITS ON CROWN 6.30pm Buffet Menu \$39
Thu 30th	SWING INTO WINGS C'tee NOVOTEL 5.30pm
Fri 31st	NO MEETING Music Trivia Night—St Mary's
SEPTEMBER	
Fri 7th	Week 1 Breakfast Meeting GUEST SPEAKER
Sun 9th	COUNCIL SPRING CLEAN UP 9.30am Puckeys & MUDCAT
11th	BOARD MEETING No 3
14th	Week 2 Breakfast Meeting CLUB ASSEMBLY AUS-NZ Rotary Conference TAS MIRACLE BABIES Gala Night Liverpool West 7pm
Fri 21st	Week 3 Breakfast Meeting GUEST SPEAKER
Wed 26th	Inspirational Women Awards RC Epping
28th	NO MEETING
OCTOBER	
Thu 4th	Thu GOTA Rotary Down Under
Fri 5th	Week 1 Breakfast Meeting

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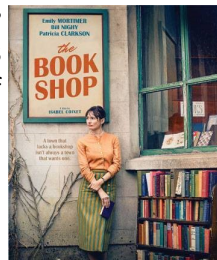
Breakfast Meeting 10th August

Apologies Isla, Michael, Brian
Leave John P, Ian W, T McAdam, C Jeffs
Guests John Brennen

REPORTS

With President Brian calling in sick, Peter Rixon opened the meeting and welcomed members with an account of our social outings over the past week:

Firstly the Thursday Movie Night to raise funds for the "Imagination Library" and the screening of *The Bookshop*. Peter was effusive in his praise of the film and the food (for 200 according to Peter and 2000 in Rowan's view). There were also discrepancies about the amount of magnificent "bubbly" (Peter 1 doz, Rowan 10 doz) consumed on the night, which tended to explain why the night was so fabulous.



Then we lined up for the *Mystery Murder Night*, with mixed (& often contradictory) accounts of suspects, witnesses & evidence. Our legal-eagle David Swan, relied on his training with the law, by knowing the murderer "just by looking at him" and Edith chose the moment at breakfast to confess to all that "she was in fact the murderer." Acting-President Peter Rixon commended the St Mary's organising committee for their outstanding organisation and service to guests, it was all in all again a fabulous evening and great fun.

A huge thank you to Elaine Hart for her organisation of the Lolly bags for the night. Here they are at work wrapping up (but how many were eaten before they reached the bags?) the goodies for the big night.



GUEST SPEAKER

John Brennen.

Our guest this week was John Brennen, an officer with the NSW Dept of Juvenile Justice and a recipient of the NSW Public Service Medallion for 40 years of meritorious service.



Peter opened, addressing the changing times when he began his work and "when 12 year olds didn't shoot up heroine" and concluded with his "3 wishes to give kids a chance' namely a safe home, education and employment.

It was sad but enlightening to hear John's anecdotes of dealing with 20 stone bikies, sizing up houses, he was called in to inspect and checking the size of the shoes/boots that he saw at the door, to get a measure of who he was going to deal with.

However, there were many happy endings and John was quick to say that he was forever rewarded for his work efforts, when years later, he was

OCTOBER	
Tue 9th	BOARD MEETING No 4 @ President Brian's.
12th	Week 2 Breakfast Meeting ROTARY HAT DAY (10th)
14th	WOMEN IN ROTARY Forum Syd
19th	Week 3 Breakfast Meeting CLUB ASSEMBLY
20-27	INVICTUS GAMES Sydney
Sun 21st	GRAFFITI REMOVAL DAY
Wed 24th	HALLOWEEN dinner @ TAFE
25th 26th	Aust Rotary Health Dinner NSW NO Breakfast MEETING
NOVEMBER (5 Fridays)	
Fri 2nd	Week 1 Breakfast Meeting
Fri 9th	Week 2 Breakfast Meeting
Tue 13th	BOARD MEETING No 5
Fri 16th	Week 3 Meeting Club Assembly Project Bucephalus Public Opening
Sat 17th	RACE DAY 2018 Kembla Grange
Fri 22nd	NO Breakfast MEETING
Mon 26th	Rotary Foundation Dinner The Waterview HOMEBUSH
30th	NO Breakfast MEETING

approached by someone saying, “you don’t know me but you saved my life when I was a kid”. Thanks to a man with a wonderful story to share with us.
RAFFLE Wine won by Peter Rixon.

Board Meeting 14 August.

Present B Ashe, E DeVries, B Hassen, R Huxtable, P Rixon

Apologies Norm Miller (in Philippines RAWKS), John Bilboe (Darren in hospital)

Absent Elaine Hart

RESOLUTIONS

◇ Since the MOU signed with *DreamBig Dancers*, offered a \$5,000 donation for the Dancers and *Swing into Wings* had allocated \$1800. it was decided that the additional \$3,200 come from the General Account.

◇ With regular *CEO of Halloween*, Carol Jeffs on leave, the question of the Halloween Night at TAFE was raised. TAFE was contacted by Peter and so, for the closet witches, wizards, ghosts, vampires and Voldermorts, the 24th October has been booked at TAFE.

◇ 2018 FEES. To address members’ concerns about the breakdown of Rotary mandatory fees, Treasurer outlined all costs and it was decided to maintain the \$350 and a handout to be made available to members at the next Breakfast Meeting.

Breakfast Meeting 17 August : CLUB ASSEMBLY

Apologies Norm Miller (RAWKS), John Bilboe (Darren still in hospital), Wyn Janssen and Peter Hill (Enjoying Himself Skiing)

Leave C Jeffs, I Wilson, J Pearman, T McAdam

PAUL HARRIS AWARD. P Rixon.

It was a very surprised Peter, who was called up to the podium for this award. He was preparing for his (club member) Presentation on his visit to the RI Convention in Toronto but later admitted that he was surprised when Colette and his dear mother had casually said they would come and listen to his talk. He had replied that, it was only going to be a 2 minute talk and really there was no point, hence his (well kept) surprise.

Congratulations from all members Peter, a most well deserved award.

GUEST SPEAKER (Club Member). Peter Rixon.

Peter attended the 2018 RI Convention, this year hosted in Canada, Toronto and no doubt inspired some of our members to consider following suite, with 2019 RI Conference hosted in Hamburg, Germany or maybe 2020 in Honolulu.



So, In Brief

35,000 Rotarians attended, 10 from Illawarra Clubs, Accommodation costs for 7 nights - CAD950, Registration, 2 lunches, 2 Activities \$450.

Speakers included Princess Anne, Laura Bush, Helen Clarke, the Haitian PM, and Justin Trudeau and a “Billy Joel” performer, who was selected and applauded by Billy Joel himself. Peter will be going to Hamburg, as will I (BH) and will gladly provide German Clap-Dance lessons in readiness. (OH and will Angele Merkel be a speaker?)

REPORTS

Peter R Is working on a **Vocational Visit** for 30th August. TBC

Elaine H Interact’s next fundraiser will be a “**Good Samaritan Day**”

Rowan **Council Spring Carnival** is 9th Sep” He will be way so the SUPREMES aka Betty, Edith and Chris) will take over, while he is away.

Stephen **Swing into Wings** debrief was held last week and all is underway for Next year, (1st Sat in May) with a return to the “Dinner-Dance” format .

RAFFLE WINNER
 MARK HAMPTON (again)
 ...and AGAIN,
 Mark donated (his) wine
 to the Wine Bar at Race Day.