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ROTARY CLUB OF PARRAMATTA CITY Inc. DISTRICT 9675

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Rotary Four Way Test

The Four Way Test challenges Rotarians, in everything they do, to ask of themselves: Of the things we say or do:

- 1. Is it the TRUTH?
- 2. Is it **FAIR** to all concerned?
- 3. Will it build GOODWILL and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4. Will it be **BENEFICIAL** to all concerned?

Club Meeting 21* November 2016

President Phillip proposed a toast to the Rotary Club of Parramatta City, our Mother club, who were celebrating their 90th Birthday that evening.

Our Guests

Amit Patel, a GP in Blacktown, who will be inducted our meeting on 12 December was welcomed again to the club.

District 9675 Presidents' meeting held at Camden

Phil reported to the club on matters discussed at the President's meeting last Friday night at Camden Golf Club:

- · Guest speakers for the district conference in Wollongong will be announced soon,
- DG Stephen Humphries mentioned that he was now in a position to revisit clubs so we should invite him to any of our events,
- DGN Sue Hayward said that she needed to get to know clubs in this area so we should also invite her to events but probably closer to her term.
- Chris Edwards who has competed in every City 2 Surf spoke about the new ARH sport champion program and suggested people visit **wwwarhsport.com**. The program is designed to give something back to Rotary and by promoting a healthy lifestyle and raising our profile above bbqs. He suggested that each club would appoint a sport champion who would encourage members to take part in a weekly activity. Members of the community could take part and this might be a new way to attract members. Phil referred back to the days when the club had a director of wellness for a short time.

Welcome back to Ron Edgar

The meeting welcomed Past President Ron Edgar back after an extended leave of absence from meetings. Ron said he was very busy with the building boom and the discussion turned to developments around Parramatta and Council's plans for the City.

Christmas Trees

Phil also reported on preparations for the Christmas tree sales, in particular the need for members to fill spots on the Roster.

Selling will commence on Friday 2nd December.

Annual General Meeting

President Phil reminded members that the club's AGM was on December 12 and people should consider whether they would like a board position.

St Peters Junior School, Gulu, Northern Uganda.

The club board recently considered a request from the school for financial assistance to conduct some training sessions for parents and citizens who have been elected to positions on the school board and on the Parents & Teachers Association. This will enable capacity building so that they know their roles and responsibilities. The training sessions will involve outside consultants and be held over a period of 3 days.

The board agreed to commit \$1250 towards the total cost of approx. \$2,200.



Some of the Year 7 students on their final day at the school. This is the part of the first group of children to reach this milestone.

The Rotary Foundation Million Dollar Dinner

Secretary Joy said there would be no lunchtime meeting on Monday, November 28, but that it would be transferred to the night meeting at the Epping Club which was being convened to support the Rotary Foundation.

For Your Diaries

- 25 November, Christmas get together Thai Garden House 526 Church St North Parramatta from 6.30pm.
- 28 November. Rotary Foundation Million Dollar Dinner at the Epping Club NO club meeting.
- 1 December. Clean-up and preparation of the Castle Hill Road site for selling Christmas trees.
- 2 December. Christmas tree sales begin on Castle Hill Road and will continue for at least two weeks.
- 10 March 2017. District Conference at Wollongong