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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 5th June 2017

Our Toast

Bob Rosengreen proposed a toast to the Rotary Club of London, which was founded in 1915, the first Rotary club formed outside the United States, and is Club Number 50. It meets at 12.30 pm each Monday. Bob took us through the colourful history of London Bridge, on which traitors' heads were once spiked, and which was the scene of last weekend's terrorist outrage. He points out that there is a Rotary Club of London Bridge, but that meets in Lake Havusa City in Arizona, USA, where a replica of the London Bridge has been built.

Our Guest

Our guest was once again Sher Khan, a Rotarian from Rotary Club of Mirpurkhas-Satellite Town, who is chief executive officer of an Australian multicultural charity.

Police Officer of the Year

John Stamboulie reminded us that the Police Officer of the Year event will be held on Monday evening, 10th July.

BowelCare Screening

PE Natalie has collected the unused bowel care kits and has received all the money, except for \$600 owed by the Oatlands Pharmacy. The total, with the outstanding money included, is \$1,080. The bowel screening program as assisted by Rotary is to end, with the Federal Government taking over the program next year.

District Requirements - Working with Children Check

President Phil said the rules had been tightened. Club members must ensure they have current approval.

Parramatta Daybreak Club

President Phil reminded us again of the Parramatta Daybreak Changeover and 25th Anniversary celebrations on Friday 16th June at Muirfield Golf Course, North Rocks.

Donations

PP Keith said all the donations decided by the board had been made save for the donation to Days for Girls because there are some complications over the classification of such donations on the light of tax deductibility. He said that in our fundraising account, we now had approximately \$1,500, which would be carried forward into the next financial year. To remind members, We had \$11,739 to be allocated and of that \$500 went to New Zealand marathon walker Peter Watson for his campaign against sex slavery; \$4,000 to the Rotary Foundation, \$750 to FOLIA; \$750 to Days for Girls; \$750 to our sister club, Ramon Magsaysay in the Philippines; \$750 to St Peter's School in Uganda and \$2,500 to Australian Rotary Health.

RAWCS project - All Ears Cambodia

PP Keith said he would be prepared to manage this RAWCS project previously managed by a person who is no longer a Rotarian. This would involve the task of recording the donations received by RAWCS for the All Ears Cambodia project and transferring the money to Cambodia. It would not involve our Club giving financial support but merely providing a facility, through RAWCS for supporters to donate and obtain tax deductibility for their donations.

Paul Harris Fellows

PP Keith indicated he wished to propose for Paul Harris awards the names of two long-serving teachers aids at the The Hills School in Northmead. This is a school for children with special needs.

Dream Cricket

PE Natalie raised the prospect of having a "Dream Cricket" program at Northcott where disabled children would have the opportunity to play and it would involve local schools. She said this would help raise Rotary's profile in the community.

Social Nights

PE Natalie said she thought there might be an opportunity for special social nights such as Christmas in July where club members could get to know people better. It was especially applicable to new members.

For Your Diaries

16 June. Rotary Club of Parramatta Daybreak, 25th Anniversary Dinner & Changeover

19th June Club Meeting Guest Speaker Kathleen Rome past NYSF student

26 June. Club Changeover – Novotel Hotel 6pm for 6.30pm

1 July. Parramatta Rotary Changeover Bookings <https://www.trybooking.com/277591>

2 July, District 9685 Changeover. 12 noon. St George Motor Boat Club

Bookings <https://www.trybooking.com/283732>

10 July. Police Officer of Year event.

15 July. Volunteers' day at Minchinbury.

2 September. Sydney Welsh Choir Concert at St Kevin's Church, Eastwood