



10th September 2020

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PRESIDENT CHANTELLE'S WEEKLY REPORT



This week we have our Yandelora Book Drive. As you will know, each guest speaker is asked to sign a book that we supply which is then gifted to Yandelora's library. At this week's meeting, please bring a book for donation, or a voucher or cash donation towards the purchase of a book. If you find second hand books in good condition from our local charity stores, these are also accepted, and supporting our local charity shops such as Life Line and Mother Hubbard's Cupboard is encouraged!

If you are isolating at home but would still like to contribute, we can accept donations via bank transfer to the Club account. If you would like more details on this type of donation, please contact me. I kindly ask that you please dig deep this week as the gifted book is a tradition that we would like to continue for many years to come! The wonderful students at Yandelora really benefit from these gifts. If you would like advice on which types of books to bring along, please contact myself or Judith Humphreys.

A big, huge thank you to Rob Mulley for his presentation last week - what an interesting career you've had Rob, I hope we get to hear more about it in the future.

It was great to be back at the club and wonderful to see everyone. Our first meeting back was a bit touch and go and we did have a few minor technical difficulties, but each meeting will become more seamless as we learn what works and what doesn't. Thank you all for your patience. Please remember to adhere to social distancing guidelines as much as possible - although I know it's hard to catch up and chat with each other across a table, we must follow the 1.5m rule.

Stay safe this week and see you Thursday!

Chantelle

THIS WEEK – GREG PENMAN

"Crafting the Fabric of Life"



Please join us this week to hear this very interesting presentation by local and many time visitor to Camden Rotary, Greg Penman.

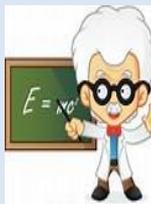
Greg is a Chartered Accountant who, following 9 years working with PWC in Sydney and London, moved into commerce as Group Financial Controller with Len Evan's Rothbury Wines Group – a role he would hold till a hostile takeover by Fosters led to a career change and move to Camden.

In 1998 the business started by Greg's sailmaker great grandfather Edwin Henry Brett was undergoing something of a crisis following the retirement of Greg's father John. Greg got involved to represent his arm of the family in what ended up being a takeover and revival of the business, instead of closure. EHBrett has been Greg's main career interest for the last 22 years, where he has helped guide the business as it has modernised and carved out niches for viable operation by focusing on design, quality and value manufacture of a range of items – from shade sails to covers for all manner of things, and even enormous helibanners flown around the world. Trade training and skills shortages have been the key challenge throughout, requiring constant and innovative effort. Greg has spent 4 years as Treasurer on the Governing Council of the national industry body, the Specialised Textiles Association, with one year as President.

Aside from family, Greg's loves include choral music and sport – tennis and cricket mostly – which he's pursued variously in the Camden area.

LAST WEEK – PROFESSOR ROB MULLEY

‘Science, Serendipity & a Remarkable Discovery’



‘Last week’s special guest speaker was Camden Rotarian Rob Mulley who talked about how a chance observation at the Veterinary Centre at Cobbitty many years ago contributed to new knowledge about the effect of maternal hyperthermia during pregnancy in animals and humans.

Rob spoke passionately about the interesting research that he was involved in with a guinea pig colony that was housed in accommodation that was subject to extremes of temperature. It was noted that in high temperatures during pregnancy some guinea pigs aborted and that there were deformities in offspring of some that carried to term.

Later work looked at how high temperatures due to infection could be the cause of foetal problems in humans (& not the virus). This was due to the effect of high temperatures on the central nervous system.

Rob also outlined the work he did to obtain his Master’s Degree and PhD.’

(Ross McGregor)

NEXT WEEK – 17th SEPTEMBER

ANNETTE ARANY (Horticulturist, Writer & Trainer)

‘Sustainable Farming and Food Production’



CAMDEN ROTARY CLUB

meets every Thursday at 6 for 6.30 start.

Please send email or any enquiries to

camdenrotaryattendance@gmail.com

This week’s meeting will be a **face to face meeting** at Camden Golf Club (Studley) **as well** as a zoom meeting. (Login from **7pm** please).

Please notify ‘attendance’ BEFORE Wednesday noon if you are NOT attending the meeting face to face.

For those members and friends who aren’t comfortable meeting face to face at this time, are unwell, or concerned about their health or a member of their family’s health, please consider joining us by zoom at **7pm**. (Details below).

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89790358764>

Meeting ID: 897 9035 8764

Everyone is welcome every week but please remember to book in guests for the Golf Club in advance with attendance.

Have you checked us out on Facebook yet?

Great way to keep in touch with Rotary!



<https://www.facebook.com/camdenrotaryclub>

Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th September

11.30am – 1pm (both days)

Zone 8 Rotary Virtual Conference 2020



Click [here](#) to register

**CLUB CELEBRATIONS & CAMDEN ROTARY NEWS
THIS WEEK:**



Errol Best – 9th September



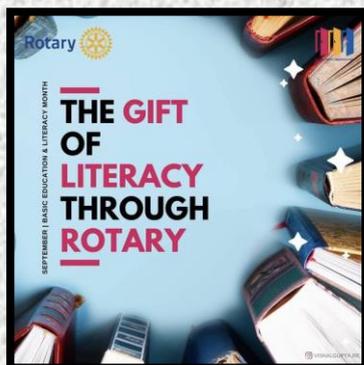
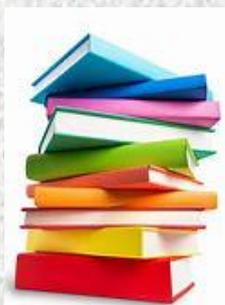
Special birthday wishes to Jacquie Lockyer 10th September

Rotary Anniversary



Chantelle Kechebashian – 7th September (3 years)

This week is our book/money donation night. Each week our guest speaker signs a book that is donated by Camden Rotary, on their behalf, to Yandelora School. Please bring along a suitable book or maybe make a small donation towards buying one. Thank you. (Editor)



CAMDEN ROTARY CHARITY GOLF DAY.

Our **Annual Charity Golf Day** is on again this year....

Monday 12th October at Camden Golf Club

Planning for our Charity Golf Day is reaching the "pointy end" and the support of all members would be very much appreciated. Fundraising in this Rotary Year is going to be difficult due to Covid-19 so we need to ensure that this day is a success. Proceeds go to The Right Start Foundation, Shining Stars Foundation and Camden Rotary charities.

We are still in urgent need of prizes for our 'silent auction'. If you can help please contact Errol, Bruce or Stephen asap.



Upcoming Events

Greg Penman "Crafting the Fabric of Life"
Camden Golf Club + Zoom
Sep 10, 2020
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Annette Arany "Sust. Farming & Food Production"
Camden Golf Club + Zoom
Sep 17, 2020
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Visit to Plant Breeding Institute
Plant Breeding Institute
Sep 24, 2020
5:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Brett Atkins-Camden Citizen of the Year
Camden Golf Club + Zoom
Oct 01, 2020
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Cameron Edwards - ARH Indigenous Scholar
Camden Golf Club + Zoom
Oct 08, 2020
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

Charity Golf Day
Camden Golf Club
Oct 12, 2020
7:00 AM – 3:00 PM

SAVE THE DATE 24TH SEPTEMBER

Our next **SOCIAL NIGHT**, thanks to our social co-coordinators extraordinaire, Rob & Mike, will be at the USYD Plant Breeding Institute (PBI) Cobbitty Rd, Cobbitty starting at 5.15pm (before dark) followed by a two-course dinner (main & sweets) plus tea/coffee at Café 104 (Uni campus) Cobbitty (at 6.20pm). BYO wine and beer – soft drinks/brewed coffee can be purchased separately. Cost is \$25 per person

This is a partner's night and friends are welcome too. If you want to bring a guest/s along, just put their names on the folder being circulated at club meetings or contact Rob Mulley. We're sure all club members will enjoy this visit so please come and have a night of fellowship with Rotary colleagues, and learn more about our local area. More details/information in future bulletins.

A request for payment to be made online beforehand please for convenience. Details below for payment.

BSB: 062 516

Acct: 2800 8282

Name: Rotary Club of Camden

Reference: Please ensure you include your name in the payment.



COMMUNITY INFORMATION – 'MEN'S TABLE'



The first 'Men's Table' started in June 2011 and 11 of the original 12 members still meet on the third Wednesday of every month. They talk about the highs and lows of their lives. At the beginning of last year David Pointon (Co-founder) and *Ben Hughes decided to start more Tables. They now have 19 Tables up and running with 2 more starting, one of which will be in Camden. Each Table starts at 7pm sharp and finishes at around 9pm. Men meet over a cheap meal to listen and talk, each Table runs to a set of fundamentals that ensures the Table does not get into divisive topics and that each man is talking about how they really feel.

Their Camden Entrée (information night) is on Wednesday 30th Sept. at Upstairs at Fred's (in person and on Zoom) for those who are interested

The link is here for the meeting

<https://events.humanitix.com/the-camden-men-s-table-entree-wednesday-30th-september-2020>

(* Ben Hughes will be a guest speaker at our meeting on Thursday 5th November)

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Last week we had the privilege of inducting two new members to Camden Rotary Club.

David Binksin (Airport Management) was a great guest speaker a little while ago and it's wonderful he has decided to join our Club. Bruce Farquharson is David's mentor.



Giri Padmanabhan (Web Development) has been attending our meetings, some via zoom, for a few months and has also decided that he would like to join our great Rotary Club. Alek Jankowski is Giri's mentor.



All members of Camden Rotary welcome you both and offer the hand of friendship. We all look forward to working together with you as Rotarians.

In Rotary there are
no strangers, only
friends we haven't
met yet!

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