



24th September 2020

Club President: Chantelle Kechebashian

Secretary: Chris Evans

Treasurer: Alek Jankowski

Rotary International President 2020/2021: Holger Knaack

District Governor 2020/2021: Warwick Richardson

Assistant Governor: John Pillay

PRESIDENT'S WEEKLY REPORT



Hello members,

Thank you to all members who came along to our meeting last week to pay tribute to John Fahey and John Newman. I would like to thank Terry Gordon, Ian McKenzie and Alek Jankowski for their heartfelt tributes.

Although John Fahey was not an 'everyday' member of our Club, we are all very proud of his achievements and he was so very well respected and accomplished.

Our mate John Newman will be very much missed. What a wonderful legacy he and Rhonda have built for the next generations of their family. If you were unable to watch the service for John yesterday, it will be available online for the next three months.

I would also like to thank our speaker of last week, Annette Arany, for her time and her talk on the community garden.

This week we have our social night at the Plant Breeding Institute - see you all there!

See you soon
Chantelle

THIS WEEK – SOCIAL NIGHT

This week is our **SOCIAL NIGHT**, thanks to our social co-ordinators extraordinaire, Rob & Mike, and 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). Plenty of free parking at both venues.

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. 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

A request for payment to be made online beforehand please for convenience. Details below for payment for those who have put their name on the list to attend.

Contact Rob Mulley with any enquiries please.

BSB: 062 516

Acct: 2800 8282

Name: Rotary Club of Camden

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



NO ZOOM THIS WEEK

Upcoming Events

Visit to Plant Breeding Institute

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

Sarah Ryan - Mater Dei

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

"Lift The Lid on Mental Illness" Day

Oct 10, 2020

Charity Golf Day

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

Ally Cox - Picton RC Bushfire Response

Camden Golf Club + Zoom
Oct 15, 2020
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

"Quo Vadis" Strategic Plan Review

Camden Golf Club + Zoom
Oct 22, 2020
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

LAST WEEK – ANNETTE ARANY



Last week we had another very interesting speaker, Annette Arany (aka nom-de-plume Magnolia Bonnet) who spoke passionately about her love of plants and the environment and how we can all help to improve it.

Our members and guests heard about Annette's interests in micro food security and community gardening which is becoming very popular in many communities today.

CAMDEN ROTARY CLUB

meets every Thursday at 6 for 6.30 start.

Please send email or any enquiries to

camdenrotaryattendance@gmail.com

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

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

NO ZOOM THIS WEEK DUE TO OUR SOCIAL NIGHT



Monday 21st September 2020



Have you checked us out on Facebook yet?

Great way to keep in touch with Rotary.

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

Check out our informative Club website

www.camdenrotary.org.au

Rotary Myth Buster

- ROTARY IS FOR MEN**
WRONG! Rotary has welcomed women for over 30 years.
- IT'S FOR RETIRED PEOPLE**
WRONG! We are open to ages 18+. Age is just a number, it's attitude that is more important.
- IT'S FOR PROFESSIONALS**
WRONG! Diversity is our strong asset and there's always a place for you in Rotary.
- YOU MUST ATTEND EACH WEEK**
WRONG! We focus on what you can contribute. Get involved with fundraising activities, community projects and activities.
- IT'S A RELIGIOUS ORGANISATION / SECRET SOCIETY**
WRONG! Rotary is non-religious and non-political.
- YOU HAVE TO BE FORMALLY DRESSED FOR MEETINGS**
WRONG! We are interested in what you can offer, not how you dress.
- IT'S A LUNCH AND DINNER CLUB**
WRONG! We do have meals at most meetings, however we principally meet to plan projects, hear guest speakers, social and fun activities.
- MEMBERSHIP BY INVITE ONLY**
WRONG! Anyone with the right mindset can visit and join. We accept members from all walks of life.
- INTERESTED IN BIG INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS ONLY**
WRONG! We are involved in these huge projects, however the majority of our work is within local communities supporting local causes.

Rotary - People of Action Google us to find out more

SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK

Happy Birthday!

Merilee Macaulay – 28th September
Jim Davies – 28th September



Judy & Hugh Davies 30th September (21 years)
&
Alan & Jeanette Redman – 20th September (52 years)

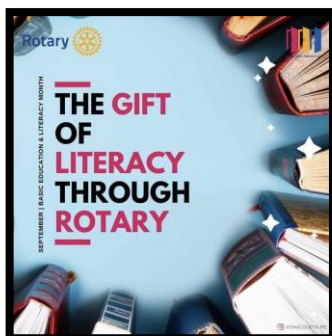


SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY MONTH

Rotary supports activities and training to improve education for all children and literacy for children and adults.

The Rotary Foundation enables Rotarians to ensure that all people have sustainable access to basic education and literacy by:

1. Involving the community to support programs that strengthen the capacity of communities to provide basic education and literacy to all;
2. Increasing adult literacy in communities;
3. Working to reduce gender disparity in education;
4. Supporting studies for career-minded professionals related to basic education and literacy.



CAMDEN ROTARY CHARITY GOLF DAY.

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

Monday 12th October at Camden Golf Club

This is a last "shout out" for teams to play in our Golf Day. We have a couple of spots left so if you know a local business person who you think would like to support the great charities which will benefit from the day please pass on the attached flyer. Proceeds go to The Right Start Foundation, Shining Stars Foundation and Camden Rotary charities.



LIFT THE LID (HAT DAY) -10th OCTOBER

At our upcoming meeting on the 8th October we will be asking members and guests (a great night to invite partners or guests) to wear a HAT – it can be funny, classy or even just your very favourite Rotary one. October is Mental Health Month and 10th October is Australian Rotary Health's "Lift The Lid" Day, a major annual fundraiser but also a day where awareness is raised about mental health.



Our special guest speaker will be Cameron Edwards (former ARH Indigenous Scholar) and the District RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) Chair. More details about this meeting in upcoming bulletins.

Let's LIFT THE LID on MENTAL ILLNESS



with Australian Rotary Health

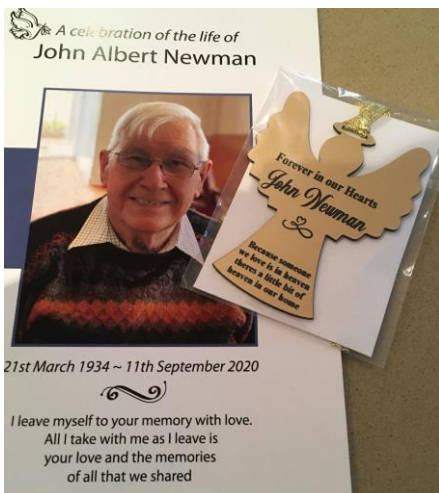
JOHN NEWMAN

On Monday 21st many Camden Rotarians and partners, along with DG Warwick Richardson, joined John’s wife Rhonda, their family and friends at Gledswood to celebrate his life.

The service was beautiful with many a tear shed as well as a smile or two as we heard all about John’s amazing life.

John was a wonderful and much-loved husband, family man, friend to many, and a very dedicated Rotarian.

We shall all miss him greatly. RIP John.



LAST WEEK



Some beautiful tributes to John Newman were given by Alek Jankowski & Ian McKenzie last week.



Terry Gordon also gave a moving tribute to John Fahey



**‘SPRING INTO ALICE’
VIRTUAL CONFERENCE**



The Australia-New Zealand “Spring into Alice” Virtual Conference was held last Saturday and Sunday with an amazing array of speakers including RI President Holger Knaack, Past RI Presidents Barry Rassin and Ian Riseley and RI Director-Elect Jessie Harman.

We were also privileged to hear recently selected RI President for 2022-23, Jennifer Jones, talk about her thoughts about the future of Rotary. Exciting times ahead.

There was an excellent update on Polio eradication and The Rotary Foundation. These recorded sessions will be available very soon for you all to hear and enjoy.

Rotary International recently recognised Sarah Brown (Purple House) with a joint Humanitarian Award with Erica Henley, founder of Operation Hope Australia. Sarah was one of the speakers on the Saturday session at the Virtual Conference from Alice Springs. Well done and congratulations Sarah.

