



Jörn Gropp and Rene Herrera , exchange students from Chile and Germany respectively receive banners and visit Wonderland



“The Fulcrum” Rotary Club of Padstow Inc.



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Ashton family and Elina farewell Matthew for his exchange to Sweden

PROGRAMME

Tonight	Transferred meeting PACE Concert Granville RSL
Jan 27th	Membership Retention at Bonds 9 Fewtrell Ave. Revesby Hts.
Feb 3rd	Club Assembly and Board Meeting
Feb 10th	ROMAC(Rotary Overseas Medical Aid for Children)
Feb 17th	Matthew Reardon report on exchange to Austria
Feb 20th	Presidents Meeting Penrith Panthers
Feb 24th	Job talk Terry Martin
Mar 19th-21st	District Conference at Central Coast Leagues Club Gosford

President Joan.

- Welcome back and welcome to our visitors Elina (Finland), Rene (Chile), Jörn (Germany), Mathew Ashton (Departing for Sweden) and last but not least Maureen.
- Christmas trailer has been drawn
- Bernadette has returned home to Chicago
- Memorial service for Colin Duff's nephew – the club was represented
- Australia Day BBQ coming up
- PACE Concert – list being circulated. At Granville RSL Club 6:00 for 6:15 start.
- RI dues are now due please pay to Colin. \$100pp

Correspondence:

- Receipt from the Herald for advert listing winner of Christmas trailer.
- List of assets
- Community Relations Committee seeking nominations to join a “harmony round table” to establish processes for community harmony.
- Invitation to breakfast on Australia Day – Pres Joan to attend
- Paul Spencer update.
- Letter from Birgit – former exchange student from Austria.
- The caterers at the club will be finishing on 25th January.

Club Service – Barry Thompson:

- Update on transport etc for Osaka and Chicago Conferences. List being circulated if interested.
- Incoming Board members should submit list of proposed committee members to Barry by 27th Jan.
- List of PHF.

Community Service – Sharon Bond:

- Christmas trailer drawn – photo of the winners (Simpson family of Revesby) is being circulated.
- Advert going in Torch under Carpet Choice to announce winner.
- Made \$5,500 approx on trailer and cakes. Should reintroduce Thursdays as we would make an extra \$2000.
- Probus – to start at least one new club. Trevor is well advanced with preparations.
- Have put forward Kaye and Peter Townsends names as chaperones for YEP Safari.

International – Keith Roffey:

- Rene and Jörn are guests from Chile and East Germany via WA.
- Matthew Ashton departs for Sweden at 5:00pm on Friday.
- Matthew Reardon's presentation on his year in Austria is scheduled for 17th February.

General Business:

Joan: Have applied to DG Warwick for grant from district for project but still awaiting approval from NP&WS before we can proceed.
Ladislav goes into hospital next week
Police Officer of the year – to use this club as the venue as the catering should have improved.
Keith Roffey has agreed to be our elector at conference.

Warren: Site for shed with council – should be sorted out soon.

Barry: PACE Concert at Granville RSL.

Colin: Thank you for the thoughts at his recent loss.

Gary: PACE kids need host families – please indicate your interest ASAP for 23/24/25/26 January.

Barry: Saw Gary Russell (former member and Salvation Army officer) on New Years Eve and he sends his best regards.

Trevor: Probus – only Tuesday available at Padstow RSL. Still waiting on the starter pack.

Cliff: Brooke did PACE a couple of years ago and while serving at Dymocks met the High Commissioner from Tonga who she met whilst on her PACE exchange.

John: Holding a further outing on the boat for those who missed out last time **Sat 24th January.**

Attendance and Welfare – Kevin Bouffler:

27/33 or 81.82%

Guest Speaker Rene Herrera – Chile:

- Chile has a population of approx 16 million people
- Chile is a long narrow strip of land along the west coast of South America. It is very mountainous country and the useable land area is limited by the mountains.
- The highest mountain is 5,900m high.
- The ski resorts are the best in South America and all the world's top ski squads ski there.
- Rene showed photos of his family- both parents are dentists and spoke extensively on his country.
- He has enjoyed his time in WA and is due to return home at the end of February. Rene showed us photos of his Safari in WA and related some of his adventures to us.

Rene has been a great ambassador for his hosts in WA and along with Jörn Groppe have been enjoying the sights of Sydney. Rene and Jörn fly out next Monday with Elina and Lea (from France) who will spend some time in Margaret River.

Thank you to John Earls for their tour of the southern beaches they really enjoyed it.

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now has last weeks and this weeks Fulcrum.

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