

ROTARY
Club of Penrith



Club Bulletin

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**NEXT MEETING:- Monday 26th June, 6:30 for 7:00 p.m. at the
The COFFEE CLUB NEPEAN RIVER**

Our guest speaker tonight will be our own Olivia Mangold.

Olivia was born and raised in Penrith, she always wanted to be a hairdresser & beauty therapist & to own her own business. You will hear how she achieved that and more along with the many ups and downs she went through to get there. Olivia is such an inspiration for someone so young.



The Great Rotary Whitewater Duck Race

Thousands of ducks take on the whitewater and the fastest rubber ducky wins!

The spectacle of thousands of rubber ducks racing down Penrith Whitewater Stadium course attracts people from far and wide, whether they have a chance to win the prize or not.

The Great Duck Race is one of the Rotary Club of Kurrajong North Richmond major fundraising events that provides much needed funds for not for profit organisations and clubs.



This year's event is on Saturday, 9th September and Penrith Rotary has been invited to be involved

Highlights of our..... *Last Meeting*



Last Monday night we had the pleasure of having two amazing young men attend our club as guest speakers from Penrith PCYC.

Both Lance & Angus are Police officers and work with young boys who have either been in Juvenile detention or have been involved in some form of crime. They spoke to us very passionately about what they are doing to help stop recidivism and to encourage these young guys to see the better way in life.

We had no idea that the Nepean area including St Marys have some of the highest youth crime in Australia! That is heart breaking information and we all need to be aware.

Lance told us about how they do hikes with these kids and how angry and upset they are when the hike starts, moaning and complaining all the time...by the end of the hike they are smiling, joking and mostly ready to listen and learn how to do things a better way.



Angus explained how so many of these kids come from really good families with their other children having had no issues at all, how the parents are at their wits end to know what to do to stop their children from ending up in detention or worse jail when they are older. Often these children have so much peer pressure and would otherwise be good kids.

These officers work out of Penrith PCYC permanently and are running what they call the "Ambassadors club" where business owners can contribute "directly" to helping reform these children by having them attend the facilities run by the police. This money goes to the needs of these children / young adults or to wages or administration. Often these young people have no funds for shoes etc, to attend an interview etc.



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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or do

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



RYDA

RYDA is a partnership with schools to provide students with the tools and understanding they need to see themselves active, responsible road citizens. It is a one day workshop with a practical demonstration of road safety for both drivers and passengers throughout their lives.

Over the last couple of weeks **President Joh, John Harding, Kayla Jenkins and Keith Willoughby** provided supervision on two occasions for St. Dominics and Caroline Chisholm High Schools

MUNA - Model United Nations Assembly

On the 3rd & 4th June, 18 Schools, 140 students participated in this year's Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) held at Nepean High School. Penrith Rotary had two teams from the Caroline Chisholm High School, one team from years 11 & 12 the other from years 9 & 10 and they were successful in winning the "Peace Prize"

What is MUNA?

It is a forum where Senior high school students develop an awareness of the United Nations and the countries they represent at a simulated UN Assembly. The event provides an excellent place for students to develop and practice their public speaking skills whilst debating on topical world issues. The goals of the United Nations in the areas of Peace, Health, Education and Living Standards underlie all the debates. Teams are asked to become a citizen of the country they represent, including adopting their religion, politics, and indeed dressing in the national dress of the country.

The team that places first in our MUNA is invited to compete at the Australian National MUNA at the Old Parliament House in Canberra.





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