



Quo Vadimus

Where are we going?



The Bulletin of the Rotary Club of Macarthur Sunrise Inc.,
Macarthur Group, District 9675
Wednesday, 25th April 2018
Solis Ortus (Sunrise) - Campbelltown 6:27 am

From the President

Good Evening Sunrisers!

As you enjoy the 'day off' that ANZAC Day provides please take time to remember those that have served and continue to serve our country. Take time also to remember the families who support them, particularly the children of service men and women.

FUNDRAISING ALERT

Further to last week's we will be working with the Sugarloaf Cobbitty Equestrian Club to erect four dressage arenas for future events. Training is this weekend, 10.30am Saturday and 3pm (TBC) Sunday for about an hour each day. The Club will earn \$400 per event. Please contact me to confirm your availability.

LAST CALL

Youth Volunteer Information and Declaration
If you have misplaced your form there is one attached to this week's QV email.

Please return your form to Denys or myself TODAY/NOW/ASAP.

I am expected to have all forms completed and details provided to the District by the end of April. I need them this week or dropped at my house, alternatively you could scan it and email. I will still need the original for our Club records.

Remember to keep telling your Rotary story.

Rotary word.

Denise



Coming Up

The *Coming Up* table on the next page shows what is about to happen, but please note that there are several events that happen before our next meeting:

1. Saturday, the 28th, has two things; the first is the District Assembly at Greystanes High School. See the District web site if you need more information. The second is Sugarloaf Cobbitty Equestrian Club work as detailed in the President's article.
2. Tuesday, the 1st of May, is the evening at McDonald's at Woodbine. It isn't just you that needs to come. Bring your family and your friends and enjoy a meal. Time is from 4 – 6 pm.

Then next Wednesday, the 3rd of May, is our regular meeting. We have a Guest Speaker in Di North, who will tell us about *Interplast*. Di is the District Governor Nominee and a member of West Wollongong Rotary.



District President Nominee, Di North

There is a Board Meeting on the 3rd of May after the regular meeting. It begins at 8:15 and goes for an hour or so. You are welcome to be present.

After that, the next week is our Evening *Fight Against Polio Fund Raising Dinner*. We are active, aren't we?

Last Week

Last week our speaker was Dennis van Someren, the Community Service Director of the Kenthurst Rotary Club, who told us about *SHINE for Kids*. This is an organisation that supports the children of prisoners. It is the only national charity in Australia that works solely to support the families of people caught up in the criminal justice system.

Dennis told us that the prison population in Australia is now at its highest-ever recorded level with close to 40 000 across the country. That means that over 60 000 children have a parent in prison. The cost per prisoner is \$292 per inmate per day.

Women prisoners have increased by 77% over the past decade. Indigenous people account for 27% of prisoners and in youth detention there are 55%. The indigenous population is around 3% of the total.

Lots of statistics, but what do they mean? Dennis asked. The worst part is these kids are six times more likely to end up in prison themselves without support. In order to provide that support *SHINE for Kids* offers programmes for children, young people and their families so that they can maintain family connections and help parents to understand and respond to the needs of the kids and younger family members to let them live normal lives.



Dennis van Someren

Dennis understands the needs very well as he had a parent in prison when he was growing up.

In the past we, as a Rotary Club, have been involved with this programme through the Airs Church of St Andrews. We provided Christmas presents for kids who otherwise would not have received anything. We also supported, through the same organisation, inmates at the Airs Juvenile Detention Centre, Reiby.

Coming Up (See the GREEN BOOK)

Sat 28 Apr Sun 29 Apr	Sugarloaf Cobbitty Equestrian Club – Fund raising work.
Sat 28 Apr	District Assembly Greystanes High School (9:00/4:00)
Tue 1 May	McDonald's Fund raiser.
Wed 9 May	Evening Meeting: <i>Fight Against Polio</i> Fund Raising Dinner. Guest Speaker: Air Marshall Mark Binskin
Thu 10 May Fri 11 May	Science and Engineering Challenge (contact Malcolm)
Sat 12 May	<i>Discobility</i>
Thu 24 May	<i>Australia's Biggest Morning Tea</i>
Sat 16 Jun Sun 17 Jun	Sugarloaf Cobbitty Equestrian Club – Fund raising work.
Mon 25 Jun	Campbelltown Rotary Change Over
Tue 26 Jun	Ingleburn Rotary Change Over
Wed 27 Jun	Macarthur Sunrise (us) Rotary Change Over
Wed 8 Aug	Police Officer of the Year Awards (Note Change of Date)
Sat 25 Aug Sun 26 Aug	Sugarloaf Cobbitty Equestrian Club – Fund raising work.
Sat 6 Oct Sun 7 Oct	Sugarloaf Cobbitty Equestrian Club – Fund raising work.
Sat 1 Dec Sun 2 Dec	Sugarloaf Cobbitty Equestrian Club – Fund raising work.

Board 2017 -2018

President	Denise Pritchard
President Elect 18-19	Bec Purcell
Immediate Past President	Di Wilson
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Note: President Nominee 19/20 is Vacant

Personality has power to uplift, power to depress, power to curse, and power to bless.

Paul Harris