



The Pelican News

FROM THE PRESIDENTS' DESKS

Well, November is almost over and on Monday we start a very busy December

Christmas Tree Sale

Its all go from next Thursday 4th December when the first semi trailer of trees arrives at Ranbuild, Gosford from Country Victoria. From 5.30 pm we will be unloading 550 trees and loading up to 220 of them on to the two Pantechnicos (removal trucks) we have hired. They will be taken to Tumby, watered and stored.

On Saturday at 6.00 the trucks will be taken to Mingara, unloaded, sorted, ribboned and displayed ready for sale to the public before 7.00 am. Prices are only \$5 more than last year with Standard trees at \$130 and larger, bushier trees sold as Silver \$140, Gold \$150 or Purple \$170. As usual half the profits go to Grandparents Raising Grandchildren whilst the other 50% goes towards supporting our club's projects and local Community Groups

If members and friends have not yet committed to help we look to have enough able bodied helpers on Thursday 4th and Saturday 6 from 6-10.00am but are still looking for extra help on Saturday 10-2, Sunday and the following week same days and times.

Christmas Toys

We are hoping to get our first delivery of toys from Ray White , Berkeley Vale by December 12th so we can organise deliveries to Challenge Fostercare and Samaritans the following week. Members and friends who plan to contribute to our Kris Kringle (which traditionally we donate to the Christmas Toy Drive) are asked to get gifts early rather than wait to take them to the Christmas dinner on 16th December

Reminder- The **Central Coast Youth Forum focussing on Domestic Violence issues** is taking place on **Tuesday 2nd December** (9.00-11.00 am) at Berkeley Vale Secondary College

There is also a **Walk against Domestic Violence on the Coast**. Meeting by 10.00 at Coast Shelter in Manns St, Gosford on **Wednesday 10th December**.

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Award) – it looks as if we may have found a good, local candidate. Hopefully we will meet him at Tuesday's meeting or some time during the

Christmas Tree Sale.

Clive Denmark

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Meetings are held on 1st and 3rd Tuesdays (and sometimes 5th) at the Mingara Club at 6:00 for 6:30

Board meetings on the 2nd Tuesday on zoom and social nights on the 4th.

Attendance and apologies to
David: 0450 068887

EACH ONE
BRING ONE



COME, JOIN ROTARY

President Clive Denmark
David Waterhouse
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**ROTARY CLUB OF THE
ENTRANCE INC.**

**Chartered 26th April 1972
District 9685**

RI President

Francesco Arezzo

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**UNITE
FOR
GOOD**

Rotary

Lenore Beaton — Expedition Africa Safaris

Member speaker 19th November

We met Lenore last year when she was looking for funding to transport an array of donated goods to Africa. She helped us with a BBQ and eventually decided to join us, and became our youngest member.

Lenore is passionate about helping the community at Victoria Falls, and spends months at a time in Zimbabwe. Not only does she organise donations of goods to distribute there, she has also set up volunteering opportunities for others, taking them with her, arranging accommodation and visits to Victoria Falls and experiences like safaris and playing with elephants.

But most importantly, she organises for her guests to volunteer with five different organisations in Victoria Falls.

Mummy's Angels sources and distributes goods for mothers in need;

Ele Collection cleans up all types of plastic from the environment, and moving towards a "trash for cash" model potentially helping many people;

Amazing Kids is a teaching facility for children from four up to fourteen, where volunteers can interact with and help the children;

Nathan New Hope Centre supports children from the Mondo Church Community who are struggling to support their children because they can't find jobs, or perhaps they are supporting orphans with no parents of their own. Lenore is a founder of this organisation, and has plans to build a Centre, Community Garden and playground;

Zion City Foundation is a registered nonprofit organization focusing on empowering youth through mentorship, building confidence, skills and leadership.

Lenore offers two to five week programs from \$150—\$175 per day, and estimates that the flights, visa and vaccinations would come in at \$2450-\$3800 AUD

If anyone is interested in joining Lenore on a trip, she is currently planning one for mid next year.





TOGETHER WE SEE A WORLD
WHERE **PEOPLE** UNITE AND TAKE ACTION
TO **CREATE** LASTING
CHANGE ACROSS THE GLOBE
IN OUR COMMUNITIES AND IN OURSELVES

This week we had our social gathering at The Greens in The Entrance—the Coast’s “other Mingara!”

Big advantage is that you can enter as a member there using your Mingara membership card. Fourteen members and partners attended, and we enjoyed the different menu options, and the company of other club members.



You may recall that last month we helped Bunnings with their Halloween BBQ.

We went along and cooked for all the people who attended—Bunnings provided everything and we were just there to cook, and serve whoever wanted a snag.

As a thank you for this, Bunnings gave us a very generous gift voucher. Usually we use these as prizes for our raffle, but on this occasion, with the Christmas tree sale weekends fast approaching, we decided to treat our club and its members with the purchase of a second gazebo. We put in another gift card and bought ourselves this wonderful gazebo, to keep our members and volunteers protected from sun and rain.

Thank you Bunnings! We always enjoy helping you, but we are delighted with our new gazebo!



Community Service – Fundraising

We have no Sunday Month End Bunnings BBQ in December or January.

But we have agreed to help out Bunnings by **doing a BBQ on New Years Day**. We have done it before, it is usually quieter than normal in the morning but picks up around lunchtime. If anyone is free and would like to help just let me know.

Community Raffle Sales- we have been selling tickets in the Raffle to cover the printing cost . The last sale in mid November was a good one raising over \$400 and getting us up over \$1000 in total.

At last report we have at least 39 community groups participating and raising funds for their organisations and several of them have been back, some more than once, for extra tickets.

Oliver

The Central Coast's newest D-Caf

We are very excited to announce that at this month's Board Meeting it was decided to go ahead with a D-Caf (Dementia Café) for our local community.



If you are caring for a loved one who is living with Dementia, a Rotary D-Caf is for you both.

A Dementia Café is a group which gathers for morning tea twice a month, providing suitable activities for those with dementia, while offering an opportunity for carers to talk amongst themselves, learning and sharing experiences—or indeed a friendly ear should they just need to offload and discuss with caring people.

We are offering a new D-Caf in the PCYC at Bateau Bay, commencing in February 2026, and being run by members and friends of Rotary The Entrance. This is a free service to our community.

Where: Bateau Bay PCYC—ground floor

When: first and third Tuesdays from 10am to noon

Commencing Tuesday 3rd February 2026

If you are interested in attending, places are limited, and you should register your interest with Julie by text to 0427 426393, or email weetaliba@bigpond.com



We thank the Bateau Bay PCYC for their support in allowing us to use their room twice a month. It is easily accessible, even for walkers and wheel chairs, and there is plenty of parking making this an ideal situation.

Although we have sufficient volunteers to start, we are keen to gather a list of people who might be interested in joining us every few weeks, or from people who might have something to offer on an occasional basis. This might be a visiting musician, someone with advice on how to deal with My Aged Care, people offering to bring in a well trained pet, and even Santa Claus!

We are coming up with ideas for our programme, and will be planning a shopping trip in January to gather games and activities to keep everyone entertained.

Numbers will be limited, as we consider the room big enough to hold about 20 people—so perhaps five or six volunteers and up to seven people living with dementia accompanied by their carers. Of course as we gain experience, this may change. We encourage people to distribute this flier to anyone you know of who may be interested.

Save the Date

Sunday March 8, 2026
International Women's Day
High Tea

Raising critical funds to underpin the
 Rotary District 9685 Educational Scholarship Scheme
 for Domestic and Family Violence Survivors

Rotary Club of Wahroonga Community Bank Lindfield
 Bendigo Bank HORNSBY RSL CLUB WWS

Rotary 9685 UNITE FOR GOOD

Rotary Districts 9660 and 9685 presents...

TOGETHER FOR TOMORROW
 a combined conference

FRIDAY 20TH and SATURDAY 21ST MARCH 2026
NEWCASTLE CIVIC THEATRE AND CITY HALL

Discover the Rotary of tomorrow with visionary speakers and inspiring performances. Register at www.togetherfortomorrow.com.au

Rotary Districts 9660 and 9685

Combined Christmas Party

Rotary The Entrance

&

The Rotary Club of Erina

16th December 2025

6:30 for 7:00 pm

at

Trojans Bistro & Bar

2 Scenic Hwy, Terrigal NSW 2260

Menu

(Alternate Drop)

Entrée

- Marinated Chicken Caesar Salad Baby Cos, Smokey Bacon, Garlic Croutons, Egg & Parmesan.
- Teriyaki Beef Skewers with Asian Salad & Nam Jim Dressing

Mains

- Grilled Angus Sirloin Steak (served medium)
- Whitsunday's Saltwater Barramundi

Dessert

- Lemon & Lime tart with Vanilla Nean Ice Cream
- Sticky Date Pudding with Butterscotch Sauce

COST :\$50 per head, partners invited

Payment to be made to your club prior to the 12th of Dec 2025

RSVP numbers by Thurs 12th December 2025 to David

email waterhoused@bigpond.com

or text 0450 068 887

Rotary **UNITE FOR GOOD**

Christmas Tree Sales 2025

SATURDAY 6 & SUNDAY 7 DEC
SATURDAY 13 & SUNDAY 14 DEC
 7am until SOLD OUT

LOCATIONS

LISAROW
TERRIGAL
WEST GOSFORD
GREEN POINT
TUMBI UMBI
WOY WOY

WOOLWORTHS LISAROW CARPARK - 3 PARSONS ROAD
 ROTARY PARK - TERRIGAL DRIVE
 ANACONDA PARKING LOT
 GREEN POINT CHRISTIAN COLLEGE
 MINGARA RECREATION CLUB - 12 MINGARA DRIVE
 RAILWAY COMMUTER CAR PARK

Supported and sold by Volunteers of the Rotary Clubs of

Kariong/Somersby
 Erina
 Kincumber
 The Entrance
 Woy Woy

CONTACT

Mobile 0405 159 141
<https://www.rotarychristmastrees.org>
 See website for location details



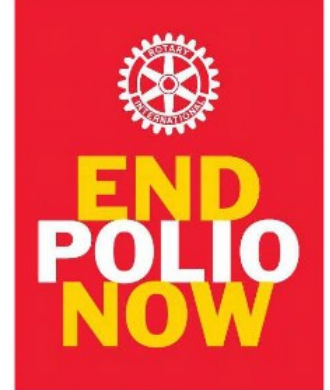
SUPPORTING GRANDPARENTS
RAISING GRANDCHILDREN
& OTHER ROTARY
COMMUNITY PROJECTS



Upcoming Program:



December			2025	
2nd	Tues	David on Nepal	Mingara	Tumbi Umbi
6th-7th	Sat-Sun	Christmas Trees	Mingara Carpark	Tumbi Umbi
9th	Tues	AGM	Mingara	Tumbi Umbi
13-14th	Sat-Sun	Christmas Trees	Mingara Carpark	Tumbi Umbi
16th	Tues	Christmas Party with Erina RC	Trojans	Terrigal
23rd	Tues	No Meeting		
30th	Tues	No Meeting		



Celebrate Brisbane Water Historical Society's 75th Anniversary

Join us at Henry Kendall Cottage and Museum

Sunday 30 November 2025
10.00am to 3.00pm

- Old fashioned games
- Food stalls
- Kids activities
- History demonstrations & talks
- Craft demonstrations
- Cottage and museum tours
- And more

Henry Kendall Cottage and Museum
25 Henry Kendall Street,
West Gosford
Gold coin donation

Thanks to Green Point Christian College for photographs of their Year 2 visit in period costume.
Ph: 02 4325 2270
E: info@henrykendallcottage.org.au
W: henrykendallcottage.org.au

Rotary District 9685

DG MICHELE ELLERY PARTNER PROJECT
Australian Rotary Health Funding Partner PhD Scholarship
Investigating Mental Health Research 0-12 years prevention and promotion in a New South Wales University
Scholarship valued at \$35,000 per year
(Rotary District 9685 in partnership with ARH and the university for 3.5 years)

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Researching mental health in children aged 0-12 years is crucial because mental health challenges often begin in childhood and can have long-term consequences if left unaddressed. Early intervention and prevention strategies are vital for improving lifelong mental health and wellbeing, as well as reducing disparities in mental health outcomes for vulnerable children.

Donations can be made individually or as a club to support this project

Donations to be made directly to Australian Rotary Health

Banking Details:

Australian Rotary Health
BSB 112 879
Account # 065 433 595

Reference: (Club Name first) e.g. LowerBlue FPP

Email: admin@arh.org.au to advise of the donation to the Funding Partner Project and for receipt details. Multiple names and amounts need to be advised.

Tax Deductible receipts sent to donors

Australian Rotary Health – PO Box 6161, Norwest NSW 2154 Phone: 8837 1900

Together we say

NO to **DOMESTIC & FAMILY VIOLENCE**

and

YES to **RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS**

There is no other single **issue** that can **impact** the health, education, economy, equality and progress of all people than the need for **clean water** and **sanitation**



Better food today
A better world
tomorrow

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Wyong Leagues Group


Bringing Communities Together



Reminder, our "3R's" apply to any form of abuse to women, men, children and our elderly:

1. **Recognise** signs of abuse
2. **Raise** your concerns "safely"
3. **Refer** victim to one of the many family violence agencies OR Make the call yourself!

MEMBERS		Partner	landline	Mobile
	BEATON, Lenore	Wendy Beaton *		0422 212 170
PP PHF	BENNETT, John	Linda Trewern		0433 945 050
PHF	CANNINGS, Don	Shirley	4339 9093	0421 838 504
3PP PHF	CRAWFORD, Gordon	Sue Kemp PHF *		0412 133 700
	DEAN, Anthea			0423 366 799
3PP 3PHF	DENMARK, Clive	Jenny		0400 425 210
PHF	GLOVER, Julie	Phil PP PHF		0427 426 393
3PP 3PHF	HEARDER, Robin	Judi *	4333 8087	0404 160 548
	LIGHT, Pam			0407 483 355
PHF	PAUL, Louise			0410 241 491
PHF	MALONEY, Greg	Ros		0414 389 590
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PDG 4PP 6PHF	WARD, Peter	Anne Cantrill	4385 1277	0414 321 773



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THE FOUR-WAY TEST
of the things we think, say or do

- Is it the TRUTH?
- Is it FAIR to all concerned?
- Will it build GOODWILL & BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

* Family members