



# WEEKLY BULLETIN

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District 9675

## Basic Education and Literacy Month

### Tonight:

Fireside Chat - Ruth

6.00 pm for welcome with 6.30 pm meeting start

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84318485815>

### President's Note:

Another great week under our belts. It's hard to believe I've been president for 3 months. That week we had an interesting update from a rotaract past president and also my brother Cameron McLeod. Yesterday we had Kay's birthday along with Neville and Judy's wedding anniversary. We also have Paul Cook's birthday this Friday. Happy birthday Kay and Paul, and congratulations Neville and Judy. This week I am looking forward to a great meeting with our fireside chat with Ruth being run by Judy. We have exciting plans coming up for the club so stay tuned

*President Emma*

### Social Activities:



On Sunday, 19 members, partners and some friends enjoyed a beautiful sunny day at Cataract Dam with a walk to and along the dam wall, lots of conversations and a picnic – all with regard for some social distancing. The only disappointment was that Peter & Judy Gibbs came a little later but didn't find us.

On Monday, 5 of us enjoyed the movie "Made in Italy" at the Gala Theatre and coffee afterwards. No problem with social distancing there either.

There were only 3 other people in the theatre with us. Suggestions for other social activities will be welcomed.

*Sue*

### CRAG Clean Ups:

We had a small but dedicated band of volunteers last Wednesday. This was the first time for a clean up at Fairy Meadow beach and we collected a lot of rubbish.

This morning (Wednesday) we were back to Lake Illawarra at Berkeley.

Don't forget this coming Saturday will be our first of the month clean up at Corrimal Beach. Meet in the carpark at 8:00am.



[Link](#) Rotary D9675

[Link](#) Rotary Down Under

[Link](#) RC of Corrimal

## **Anniversaries for September:**

**Birthdays:** 1 Kay Mireylees  
4 Paul Cook  
7 Don Love

## **Wedding Anniversaries:**

1 Judy & Neville Doherty  
12 Stephen & Denise Knightley

## **Club Anniversaries:**

18 Cliff Barker (1996)  
28 Horst Huettel & Emma McLeod (2016)

## **Dates to Remember:**

5 Sept CREG Clean-Up – Corrimal Beach  
Peter Steele – 0401 628 725  
19 Sept ROC Dapto 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday Dinner  
17 Oct Relay 4 Life  
Dennis Clark – 4283 4163  
7&8 Nov Wings Over Illawarra  
Dennis Clark – 4283 4163  
21 Nov BBQ for FLL Regional Tournament  
Dennis Clark – 4283 4163  
21 Feb Memory Walk & Job BBQ  
Dennis Clark – 4283 4163

**If there are any events above which interest you, please feel free to come along or contact the Co-Ordinator.**

## **Upcoming Meetings:**

9 Sept Natalie Goward – Cruise Dev Mgr  
16 Sept Martin Vasseur – Past Exchange Student  
30 Sept Social Night: Ten Pin Bowling, Northern Bowl  
21 Oct Club Assembly

Due to COVID-19, getting guest speakers is an issue, if you can assist or have suggestions, please give Peter a call.

## **Help for Uni Students:**

Thanks to everyone who has contributed to the international university students' project. I loosely call it that, but the UOW staff refer to it as 'Food for Students' Our treasurer has sent \$1,410.00 to the university to assist in purchasing food. Some is from our club and other donations from other networks. These sums allow buying directly from warehouses.

Other people are finding pleasure in shopping for groceries for the students. So far 1,000 food packs donated to UOW students who live in Sydney, and 1,500 in Wollongong. \$20.00 buys a food pack. I am happy to collect from anyone and take the goods to the university on Saturday morning. Alternatively, the Caltex Service Station at Fairy Meadow is a receiving place or Asha at 75 William Street, Keiraville accepts food and clothes.

*Ruth – Senior Food Fairy*

## **Grab Your Ticket!:**

Club Joker kitty currently stands at \$708 - 29 tickets remaining in the deck, you need to be in it.

To buy a ticket send money to Dennis before meeting.

## **Ruth's Ramblings:**

Sadly, Ruth's Ramblings have come to an end.

Ruth started these at the beginning of the pandemic and as you can imagine takes a lot of effort each week.

I'm sure all members join with me in saying thanks to Ruth for her weekly contributions – not an end and we look forward to snippets from you in the future.

In the meantime, I found the poem below in the archives – written by Noel Causer (who was a member of our club). He wrote this poem when he visited Cobar – at a time when Oz was going through the ten-year drought.

## **Give Us a Home Out Back of Cobar**

### *Chorus*

Give us a home out back of Cobar  
With lots of Coolibah  
Emu or two, and a Kangaroo  
Sheep dog down the back  
Boots outside the door  
And an old brown slouch hat.

Been livin' in these parts out here  
for just on seven years.

Eaten flies, and dust, and things  
and drinkin' all our tears  
But even though its mighty tough  
to eat mums home cooked stew.  
We just say We're "True blue".

The other day a bloomin' steer  
got caught up in the fence.  
We had to ring the local Vet.  
It made a lot of sense.

By the time he'd found the place,  
the jolly steer had passed away,  
But we still had to pay.

City Kids they think we're strange  
And some they think we're nuts!  
And when we ask our Mum.'1Explain"  
She just says. "Jump the Ruts."  
They wouldn't know a wild Pig,  
from a Wombat, or Galah.  
Out here,"They wouldn't go far

So if you're passing down this way  
Be sure to tip your hat.

We'll rustle up a scone or two  
and we'll have a little chat  
but don't expect red carpet  
or cold tinny in the fridge  
You'll Just say "Ridgy Didge"

*Noel Causer - December 2008*