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12th December - Haruto's farewell presentation + visit by Felicity Wilson

After a highly successful year "becoming aussie" our exchange student Haruto will be returning to Japan in early January. He will be missed but before he goes he will be giving his farewell presentation to our club on Tuesday. In addition we will be visited by our fairly new State representative, Felicity Wilson.

PHF for Prof Peter Abelson

To recognise the many achievements of Mosman's previous Mayor our club awarded Peter Abelson a Paul Harris Fellowship at our Xmas party. As most will know Peter was the first popularly elected Mayor of Mosman and was a key figure in both updating council and in successfully opposing the NSW state inspired move to amalgamate councils. Many thanks to Clare and Chris for organising this.



December is DISEASE PREVENTION Month

Come and visit us at our Tuesday lunch meetings.

Summary of the year to date

This rotary year is nearly half way and its appropriate to summarise our progress so far:

Club Service - the day to day running of the club is moving along like a well oiled machine. Its been extremely pleasing to have had a succession of really good speakers and reasonable food for lunchtime meetings. It now looks as if the move to the 1st floor for our regular meetings is to continue. Unfortunately the idea of 5th Tuesday dinners was not successful and has been discontinued.

Vocational Service - this year we decided to suspend Vocational Service Awards and look to adopt a different approach next year. We contributed to the Impact100 awards and awarded a PHF to ex-Mayor Peter Abelson.

International Service - another successful hand team visit to Vietnam and an agreement with Lane Cove club to support the extension of their project in Myanmar. PDG Danny was awarded an extremely prestigious award by the President of Vietnam. We are waiting to get feedback from Queenwood in respect to the Show That Grows project. Our club now has a supply of wheelchairs and we expect to start fundraising for this marvellous project when the school year restarts in 2018.

Community Service - we have continued to support the Books in Home project at Hebersham Public School as well as making further contributions to the Manly Warringah Women's Refuge. We have committed the proceeds of our Xmas Raffle to the Rotary Foundation "End Polio Now" project. With other club related contributions we expect to donate at least \$10,000 to the foundation this rotary year.

Youth Service - we have been blessed with two superb exchange students this year and will be wishing Haruto a safe return to Japan and his family next week. We have continued our support for youth related projects such as MUNA and RYLA and reached a milestone this year when 3 students were successful in gaining entry to the National Youth Science Forum only to have one of them decline because he had been admitted to an even more prestigious program. And of course we have continued to be the coordinating club for RYPEN; successful to the point that the program may well be extended to a second course.

None of the above could be achieved without the dedication and contribution of many club members. We should all feel very proud of what we have achieved so far and look forward to even more in the second half of the rotary year.

Some more publicity

Yet again through her persistence Clare has secured a mention in the local press. After much effort North Shore Living have finally published a short story about Halyna's Youth Award.



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Christmas Party

Your board decided that rather than a formal party at a club or restaurant we should have a very informal party at the Mackie Lane Community Garden. We coupled this with the PHF award to our ex-mayor which also led to attendance by the current mayor, Carolyn Corrigan. Of course the weather was in our favour and we had lights and decorations so we were all able to enjoy an extremely pleasant evening in calm quiet surroundings. Many thanks to all that helped with the setup and food. A fantastic night!!



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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 12th December - Haruto's farewell talk + Felicity Wilson MP

Tuesday 19th December - Xmas in Croatia [Vera], in France [Dom] and in Ukraine [Halyna]

AND THEN A BREAK UNTIL

Tuesday 9th January - New Years Picnic at Mosman Bay

Tuesday 16th January - Impromptu film show by Mark Alderson

Friday 6th July 2018 - Changeover Dinner

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Front desk roster

December 2017 Graham Kenny Mark Alderson

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