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February 2025 Newsletter

## **President's Report**

Welcome to 2025!



It's probably too late to wish you all a Happy New Year, but I hope the first month has been good for you!

By the time you receive this bulletin, we already had a wonderful meeting celebrating Australia Day and many of you have helped in various ways at the Campbelltown City Council Citizenship Ceremony and local awards event.

Even though it was hot the verandah, at the back of the council property, provided some shelter. Of course, the BBQ-ers were doing a wonderful job in the heat!

Thanks to those who assisted has already been sent, but we should acknowledge the pre-planning that went into the event. The Bourkes, Tyes

and Rod Cameron, in particular should be congratulated for their efforts which made it possible for the many other helpers to undertake their tasks efficiently!



Christmas Dinner

On top of all this, we have already had a Bunnings BBQ as well! We are fortunate that the continuing relationship between Bunnings and Division 10 is so positive because it means that we have an ongoing source of fundraising. Many members and friends already assist, as they are able, on one of the shifts.

If you haven't been out to Parafield for a while you might like to talk to Gary to see if there is something you are able to do.

Anyway, this first report for 2025 brings with it good wishes for the year ahead. Rostrevor-Campbelltown Kiwanis has much to celebrate, and we are fortunate to have so many committed members, partners and associates.

I hope that the interesting program of

speakers will provide opportunity for you to invite some of your non-Kiwanian friends to come along to enjoy the fun and fellowship each of us value so much.



Christmas Dinner

Finally, I know there are some members who are dealing with personal and family situations. While we may not know the details of specific circumstances you can be sure that all members are thinking positive thoughts for those, they are aware of.



Christmas Dinner

Chris Ward does a wonderful job of keeping us up to date. If you think a phone call about a situation you are aware of might be helpful, please be in contact with him.

I am looking forward to 2025 as it unfolds, I hope you are too!

Yours in Kiwanis,

Bruce Ind President



Christmas Dinner

## **Human and Spiritual Aims Report**

Jill Norman suffered a setback with her knee replacement which resulted in a stay in hospital. She had another procedure to put her kneecap in the right place. Whilst in surgery to clean out the affected knee she developed an infection. She also needed a blood transfusion to bring her blood pressure up. Oh, Jill what a traumatic experience you had endured. She is now driving again so that is a big relief. Thinking of you Jill.

Both John and Pam Jones suffered from a debilitating continuous cough prior Christmas which sapped their energy.

Yvonne Castle had a nasty fall in December resulting in severe bruising to the body.

Wendy O'Hagan lost her sister a little

while back and we offer her our sincere condolences. Sorry Wendy but only found out at our last meeting.

Wendy O'Hagan also lost her travelling partner recently and again offer our condolences. Thinking of you Wendy.



Christmas Dinner

It was great to see Ingrid Richards at our last meeting after her successful knee replacement.

It was also great to see Bob Trevena, who has and still suffers from back pain, at the meeting.

## People on the move:

Joan Tye Sydney again.

Helen Bibbo has been to Geelong.

Yvonne and Bill Castle have been to Portland.

Congratulations to Peter and Pauline Norman and Wendy O'Hagan on the arrival of their great grandson. Louise, who is Peter and Pauline's daughter and Mark, who is Wendy's son, were married which is the connection of the two. So, enjoy your time in making a fuss on the new arrival.



Christmas Dinner

#### Who is Joan Roach?

Joan was a member of the Highbury-Payneham branch of Parents Without Partners. Joan claimed that joining this group gave her the opportunity to meet people with similar problems and realised that her problems were not unique which in turn gave her more confidence. Hence the introduction to Gary who was also a member of this group as well. Joan was nominated to enter the Parents Without Partners Mother of the Year award which she won in November 1980. Then in April 1981 she was crowned the Parents Without Partners national Mother of the Year award. She won the award 14 other from contestants. Congratulations on this remarkable achievement.

I remember that in the late '80s our club was asked to act as waiters for the annual Christmas Dinner for Parents Without Partners group which was held in the cafeteria situated in the basement of the AMP building on the corner of King William St and North Terrace. Our duties were similar to that of what our kitchen staff is doing now at our meetings. Would you believe it! Just a bit of nostalgia about our Celebrity Cook, Joan Tye.

Chris Ward Director



Christmas Dinner

# **Fundraising Report**

A very Happy New Year to you all!

Well, our last Barbecue for the year was a great result with a profit of \$2,371 for this event and the first one for the New Year raising \$1,308. Many thanks to Judy Channing & Jack Bourke for helping with the trailer and to workers Bert Kempes, Bruce & Anne Ind, Rod Cameron, Judy Channing, Chris & Jack Bourke, Judy Brewin, Jill Jarvis, Graham Goddard, Joan Tye, Pam Cooper, Chris Ward, Bob & Avril, Geoff Thomas, Phil Daws, Janine Harper, Gary & Joan many of whom worked on both or extra shifts, we appreciate your dedication in raising these funds.



Christmas Dinner

Our next Bunnings Barbecues are on Wednesday 19th February & Thursday 13th March for you to diarise.

Our Annual Brunch is on Sunday 2nd March – see Avril for tickets and ask your friends & family to this one as is a lot fun.

The Grange Golf cleanup is later this year due to the Liv Golf being on in February so it will be on Monday 31st March and a list will circulate at the coming meeting.

The Annual Quiz night is on Saturday 19th July so please keep the date for this event. Will let you know when more functions come to hand.

Thanks again for your support, we couldn't do these without your valuable help.

Best wishes

Gary Tye and Anne Thomas

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## **House and Reception Report**

Since our last Bulletin, we have enjoyed 3 great evenings of fun and laughter.

On November 25, John Chambers spoke to us about his passion Angel Flight. He asked us to let everyone we know about it, especially if they live in country areas.



John Chambers from Angel Flight

Our Christmas Dinner on December 16 provided a delicious 3-course meal. We were entertained by Gabrielle Hunter who sang in her dulcet tones and accompanied herself with her guitar.



Our entertainer Gabrielle Hunter provided some lovely music

The first meeting for 2025 was a dinner and quiz carried out by our quizmaster extraordinaire, Geoff Thomas. A fun night that tested our knowledge of Australiana.

Thank you for your feedback about the catering with some suggestions for courses and to those who have offered to introduce or thank our guest speakers.

We look forward to our interesting and enjoyable meetings ahead.

Yours in Kiwanis,

Judy Brewin & Anne Ind

# **Community Welfare Report**

#### Kiva

We have made 12 loans since our December meeting, the most recent being to the following women.

### Nemia, Philippines \$25 of \$100



Nemia works hard to support her five children. She is a widow and has a barber shop business in the Philippines.

Nemia requested a loan to build a sanitary toilet for her family. She is aware that by using the sanitary toilet she is reducing health and hazard risks to her family and neighbours, as well as promoting environmental protection.

#### **Patricia Solomon Islands**



Patricia is 45 years old and single.

She has a sand and gravel business in the Philippines. She requested a loan to purchase addi-

tional materials like cement, sand and gravel, etc. for her hollow blocks making. Patricia has been sustaining her business activities through her past loans.

She aspires to save enough money so she could afford to send her children to college.

## Jessy, Solomon Islands \$25 of \$725



Jessy, a 37-yearold single
mother with 4
children from
Honiara, runs a
small shop in her
local community. With her
loan she will

purchase mixed goods, sugar, bags of rice, and flour to expand her inventory. By increasing the variety of products available, she aims to attract more customers and boost her sales, helping her provide a better life for her children and secure a stable future.

## Olive, Solomon Islands \$25 of \$850



Olive, a 35year-old single mother of a child from Honiara, runs a market stall selling fresh fish in her community,

and has steadily grown her business.

The loan will enable her to purchase a new cooler, ice blocks, a scale, and shopping bags, and attract more customers. This will increase her sales and provide additional support for her family, including improved living standards, educational support for her child, and better healthcare. Your investment will help her achieve these goals and enhance her family's well-being.

#### **NECAP**

We received a letter from North East Community Assistance thanking us for our support prior to Christmas. The hampers were greatly appreciated by families in need.

#### Mwandi

We received letters from our sponsored children expressing thanks for our support. We wish them well as they continue their studies.

As you can see from the date, it takes a

while for the letters to actually reach their target! (Letter on following page). Please contact us if you would like to sponsor a child yourself.

**Australia Day** 





Many thanks to all those who helped out on this warm day, and in the preparation and clean up. It is certainly a mammoth task! The club is truly blessed to have such a willing band of helpers!! Even with last minute site changes all went smoothly and our efforts were greatly appreciated.

This is always an extremely busy day, but also very interesting seeing the new Australian citizens, and their families, many dressed in their best clothes and costumes.

We look forward to what 2025 brings!

Chris and Jack Bourke



## **Birthdays**

Bob Rudolph	February 4
Geoff Holmes	February 5
Avril People	February 6
Rod Cameron	February 14
Anne Ind	February 19
(Peter Stewart)	February 19
Pauline Norman	February 21

### **Guest Speakers**

10 Feb	Theresa Brown, Play it On
24 Feb	Jayne Minear, Royal Life sav- ing
<b>10 Mar</b>	Antique Road Show and Tell
24 Mar	Bob Lunn – Utopia in New Australia

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