# Interim President Newsletter, Cathy Tait





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### **BEFORE 2021 ENDS, CHANGE LIVES**

What is the secret to an extraordinary life, one of fulfillment for our youths across NSW? We decided to make learning fun and accessible. That is why we are launching our Centenary- YES! Rotary/PCYC Youth Encouragement Scholarships today.

Thanks to a wonderful team (Dot Hennesey, Rose Cepero, Karen Loblay, Mark Dyer, John Snelgrove, Warwick Richardson, Cathy Tait) who created this new program to bring eight scholarships to disadvantaged youths across NSW. This provides an opportunity across four categories for youths aged 12 - 17 to pursue their passion in any one of these categories: Sports, Education, The Arts and The Environment. By elevating youth, we ask: Who will be the next Elizabeth Blackburn, Fred Hollows or Corey Tutt in the field or science?

While in the Arts we want to find the next Cate Blanchett, John Farnham or Rover Thomas. We hope to do this for eight young people across NSW.

Are you with us?

To learn more Click HERE

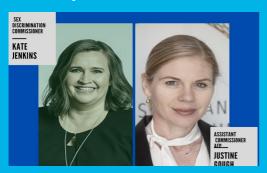
### **Winter Appeal**

Dovetailing with this new project is our **Winter Appeal** project, as the tough winter months for many families and children approach. It all started in South Sydney PCYC, when we heard about some of the hardships that are experienced by the children, youth and many families within and surrounding the Redfern precinct. We want to make it another of life's necessities during our winter months. We need your help to double our efforts this year.

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## IT'S INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2021, **2** EVENTS





### RCS is a F2F, other is virtual

We have such a great tradition of supporting this key date, and we **need AS Many of our Members** as possible to come out, meet your fellow Rotarians and friends of Rotary and hear two powerful speakers. **Mark your calendars for March 9**th at 12:00 noon to join all of us!

### Click <u>HERE</u> to register.

- Check on our Website & Social Media sites for our upcoming events & speakers as we are approaching a full schedule balance of year.
- We ask you to register ahead of time by Monday 9:00am into our Hybrid meetings, since turning up at the door due to Covid restrictions is discouraged.
- Bring a friend or colleague, at least once to one of our meetings, we always welcome new potential members.
  Studies have shown the way to growth is through others.

In the words of Paul Harris:

"THE FOUNDATION UPON WHICH ROTARY IS BUILT IS FRIENDSHIP; ON NO LESS FIRM FOUNDATION COULD IT HAVE STOOD."

# It's our Centenary, remember about getting the party started?



### The Centenary Event Packages are ready for you to buy!

#### There is something for everyone:

The Sydney Rotary Club is proud to offer a special Centenary Package to members only, to conclude on 15 March, 2021 and with a limit of two per member. Book now

- Charter Date Cocktail Event on 1st May, 2021.
- 100th Anniversary Luncheon on 17 May, 2021
- Opening of revitalized Guriwal Trail in Centennial Park (late May/June)
- Additional places at the Luncheon may be purchased in addition to the Package. Prices will increase after 15 March.
- 2021 Aussie Peace Walk Canberra, we have a team, come and join us!

**Click Here** for more information

It has been a while since we were all able to gather together in fellowship, so please try to come out and join your fellow Rotarians. Any funds raised will go towards **Rotary Give Every Child a Future.** 

### Your Board at Work!

We are now focusing on **Governance**, which as a board we are responsible for. The 7 key guiding principles that are essential for effective governance are: Leadership, Ethics & Integrity, Stewardship, Accountability & Transparency, Effectiveness, Roles & Responsibilities, Participation.

This may not sound like the most exciting topic, however in order to ensure our club is working well in this changing world we are focusing on 3 prioritized areas initially: a) Membership b) Finances and c) Communication.

We will make a working document available in the near future for our members to refer to. Big thanks to our board for all of their hard work, wisdom and commitment!



### **Top Picks**

Watch the Premier of NSW Gladys Berejiklian Tribute to Rotary for our Centenary

Watch an Introduction to the YES! Rotary/PCYC Youth Encouragement Scholarships

Watch the Introduction Video of the Future of Peace Leadership April 21-22nd

Our President's and Centenary Project, Rotary Give Every Child a Future is in need of your support. Please give what you can to make 100,000 vaccines in the poorest Pacific Island countries a reality. \$450. Provides vaccines for 10 children. \$45. Will vaccinate one child. Thank you in advance.

Click to Donate here.



### We need your Help, an invitation to get involved.

Thank you for taking the time to read what is happening in our club. We cannot do this without you, and we invite you to come to a committee meeting of your choice, or volunteer with some of the planning for our Centenary events. Feel free to contact any of your Board members or Chairs of the committees and ask how you can help. You make a difference by serving, and we welcome your service.

Here's to strong women: May we know them. May we be them. May we raise them.



