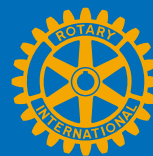


# NEWSLETTER

Rotary  
Club of Dee Why Warringah



## Mike & Suzanne Pawley - HAPPY DAYS Cambodian Village School Inc

In 2012, **Mike** and **Suzanne Pawley** started an Australian Not-For-Profit Organisation to raise funds to assist impoverished children in a rural village area, 18km from Siem reap, in the Kingdom of Cambodia.



Suzanne Pawley

<https://www.happydayscambodianvillageschoolinc.org.au/>

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Mike & Suzanne Pawley

*"We were awed by the rich culture and history of the country, however, we were equally affected by its people in rural areas who live in devastating poverty. A people who had suffered so terribly at the hands of the Khmer Rouge during the Pol Pot Regime. This regime set the country back 50 years and the effects of this are widespread even today with more than 2 million people having died from starvation, overwork and executions, and those who survived suffer the effects of Post Traumatic Stress which is invariably passed on to their children.*

***Our charity has no running costs in Australia which allows every cent to get to where it is needed."***

## Our objective

Enabling the rural village children of Cambodia an opportunity to break the poverty cycle by improving their living conditions and teaching them to make informed decisions about their future through the power of education.

## Our achievements to date

- Sponsored the building of houses and repairs to houses to provide safe living environments for families
- Sponsored the provision of chickens, ducks and pigs for families to create food and income

- Sponsored hand pumps to families and schools to ensure fresh water is available
- Sponsored English classes in three schools and university training for teachers
- Sponsored excursions to thousands of children to Buddhist sites including Angkor Wat, Banteay Srei and Kulen Mountain
- Sponsored 6 students and one English teacher with trips to Australia, incorporating intense English language studies
- Sponsored hundreds of bicycles to enable children to be able to ride to school
- Sponsored paid "extra classes" at local high schools
- Sponsored medical needs for many students and families
- Sponsored soccer coaching and inter school sports transport
- Sponsored the provision of stationary and school uniforms yearly to three village schools, assisting over 1000 children per year
- Sponsored the building of school huts to provide shade, outdoor classrooms and canteen areas





- Sponsored toilet blocks in schools
- Sponsored 22 Full High School scholarships at our scholarship home in Siem reap
- Sponsored 15 Full University Scholarships and Vocational Training in Siem Reap and Phnom Penh
- Sponsored the provision of sports ovals, basketball hoops, inter school sports carnivals.
- Sponsored Breakfast Feeding program for 200 children, 6 days a week for several years
- Sponsored music and traditional dance classes, including traditional instruments and costumes
- Sponsored several motor bikes for families/ students in need
- Sponsored the provision of thousands of mosquito nets in village areas.



Former member of RCDWW, Don Rosenfeldt, now president of the RC Phnom Penh, Cambodia



Mike & Suzanne Pawley with President Ruth Vumbaca

**Please check out these amazing videos:**

**Tribute to women of Cambodia**  
<https://youtu.be/vgKoHOel6ZQ>

**Introduction**  
<https://youtu.be/Yynv1Cuursk>

**Neil Diamond** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6JSjJS\\_qh\\_4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6JSjJS_qh_4)

**Hands Up**  
<https://youtu.be/7F9yELtDCHY>

**School Opening**  
<https://youtu.be/apnOmcWEg90>

**School Buildings**  
[https://youtu.be/Z\\_ZuNI1Qexw](https://youtu.be/Z_ZuNI1Qexw)



Assistant Governor, John Campbell discussing RAWCS grants that could assist Mike & Suzanne's charity



PUTTING YOUNG  
PEOPLES NEEDS FIRST

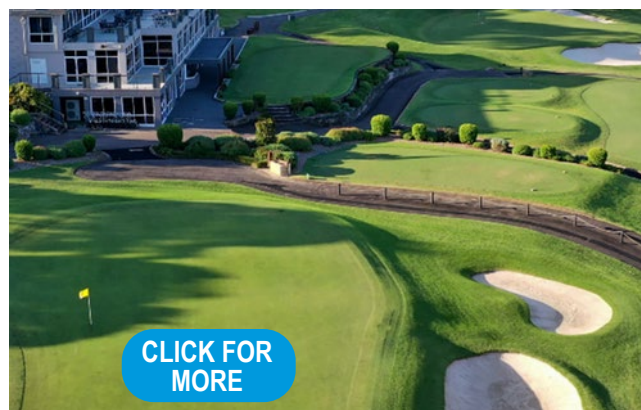


## WORK PLACEMENT

As part of the **Work Placement Support Program (WPSP)**, we coordinate quality HSC VET Work Placements for students and support host employers with information and advice about students and placements. **Would you like to join our WPSP program as a host employer?**

## GOLF FUNDRAISER

Join us **Thursday March 2nd** for our **Annual Golf Fundraiser** at the exclusive, members only, **Monash Country Club**. We have options to play, spectate, sponsor and/or donate. Please contact us for information and check the sponsorship proposal out. We would love to see you there!



## COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Our Community Engagement Programs are designed to bring the community together. We create, coordinate and deliver educational, recreational and vocational programs that provide opportunities to young people, families, local businesses and other community groups to connect, grow and share positive community experiences.

## CAREERS EXPO

**Exhibitor registration is open for our Careers Expo on Thursday 8th June.** Our exhibition provides an excellent opportunity to display and promote your service or business to a captive audience and to be part of the business community supporting and working together with our youths.








# Comedy for a Cause

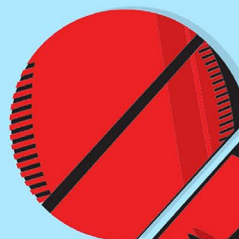
Saturday 1st of April 2023

Doors: 7pm / Show: 8pm / 18+

Featuring comedians from  
**Sydney & Melbourne  
International  
Comedy Festivals**

[comedyforacause.net/DWR](https://comedyforacause.net/DWR)

 **Manly Warringah  
Rugby Leagues Club**  
563 Pittwater Rd,  
Brookvale



BOOK NOW!  
**\$40**

BOOK  
ONLINE

**Presented by:**

**Rotary**  
Club of Dee Why Warringah



**In Support of:**

**Women & Children First**

**WOMEN  
&  
CHILDREN  
FIRST.**





The Leprosy  
Mission  
Australia

This day is an opportunity to raise awareness of leprosy, a disease that many people think no longer exists. [CLICK HERE](#) for more info.

**WORLD  
LEPROSY DAY  
29 JANUARY**

**CHARITY GOLF DAY** Rotary Club of Balgowlah

**Ambrose Tournament**

**FRIDAY  
17<sup>TH</sup>  
FEBRUARY**

**Open to  
both men & women**

**WAKEHURST GOLF CLUB**



GOLF: \$110 GOLF CARTS: \$65  
REGISTRATION 10:00AM SHOTGUN START 11:30AM

BOOK ONLINE: [balgowlahrotary.com.au/media](http://balgowlahrotary.com.au/media)  
FOR INFORMATION, CALL LINDY MYERS: 0417494457

Rotary Club of Upper Northern Beaches

*Art Show*

**2023**

FRI. 24<sup>th</sup> – SUN. 26<sup>th</sup> February 2023  
MONA VALE MEMORIAL HALL

[Click here for more information](#)





## SUN RUN REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN. **1 WEEK TO GO!**



[Sun Run registrations are now open, click here.](#)

Secure your spot at the start line and you could be running alongside our new ambassador and local fitness guru, Shannan Ponton.

The celebrity personal trainer and former coach on TV show, The Biggest Loser, has competed in the Sun Run at least six times (he's lost count!) and has signed up to run again in 2023 as our event ambassador.

*"The Sun Run is one of the highlights on my annual sporting calendar", Shannan said.*

*"I've raced in hundreds of events nationally and internationally but there is nothing more impressive than running along Sydney's Northern Beaches".*



### **YOU & YOUR BUSINESS CAN HELP YOUR COMMUNITY**

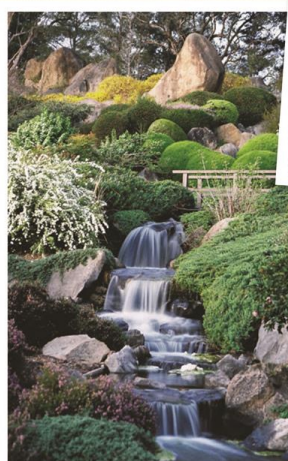
Have your business or employees sell **B2B** raffle tickets that aid our community groups.

**80%** of tickets sales, go to a community group or charity of your choice **OR buy tickets to WIN 5 nights at the Seaview Hotel, Norfolk Island, includes airfares and a car hire.**

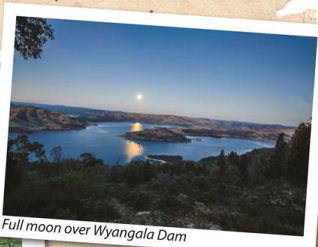
Contact Christine on **0418 201 228** or email [brookvalebd@bigpond.com](mailto:brookvalebd@bigpond.com)



## COWRA BREAKOUT



Japanese Garden



Full moon over Wyangala Dam



The region is renowned for its boutique wineries

Photo: Destination NSW



Australian World Peace Bell



Vast fields of canola

District 9685 Annual Conference  
17-19 March 2023



DISTRICT 9685 ANNUAL  
CONFERENCE 2023

Click [HERE](#) to go to the  
Conference website.

**Relax.  
Refresh.  
Refocus.**



Stay Safe,  
Ruth Vumbaca, President  
2022-2023  
Email: [rtds3de@gmail.com](mailto:rtds3de@gmail.com)







## JANUARY 2023

Date	Guest Speaker/Event	Location	Time	Activity
Tuesday 3	No Meeting	–	–	–
Tuesday 10	No Meeting	–	–	–
Tuesday 17	First meeting 2023	Manly Leagues Club	6pm 7pm	Dinner Meeting
Wednesday 25	Mike Pawley - Cambodia	Manly Leagues Club	6pm 7pm	Dinner Meeting
Tuesday 31	TBA			

## FEBRUARY 2023

Tuesday 7	Sharon Dale Relationships Australia	Manly Leagues Club	6pm 7pm	Dinner Meeting
Tuesday 14	Trevor McAlister - Epping RC Exploring Hidden Sydney	Manly Leagues Club	6pm 7pm	Dinner Meeting Board Meeting
Tuesday 21	TBA			Dinner Meeting

## MARCH 2023

Wednesday 1	TBA			Dinner Meeting
Tuesday 7	TBA			Dinner Meeting Board Meeting
Tuesday 14	TBA			Dinner Meeting
Tuesday 21	TBA			Dinner Meeting
Wednesday 29	TBA			Dinner Meeting

Dee Why Warringah & Brookvale Rotarians,  
the 'rocket science' has been removed from our meeting dates.  
If you could keep an eye on our calendar, just above. Thank you

