**Rotary** Club of Warringah



#### AN INTERVIEW WITH ROTARIAN, Ron Allars



Vice President, Ruth Vumbaca interviews Ron Allars

**Ron Allars** grew up in Central West NSW, in Parkes and then to Lithgow for High School.

After completing high school he moved to Sydney, living in Denistone and then Cronulla, while studying architecture at the University of NSW.

Before graduating, he worked part time as an architect for the Methodist Church. There is a church on Boundary St, Roseville, opposite Penshurst St (now the Christian Assembly Sydney) that was one of his designs.

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Ron's Methodist Church design, the Christian Assembly

He had moved to Cronulla but discovered that 80 per cent of Sydney's architects lived in the city or North Shore.

So newly married and before four children, Ron moved with his wife across the bridge and settled in Beacon Hill, Frenchs Forest, Belrose and Queenscliff. Over the decades he built four houses in these locations before retiring to Bayview.

His three daughters still live in Sydney while his son lives in Whistler, Canada, a place Ron has visited many times, especially to bike and ski.

Ron's professional career evolved via a number of Architectural practices until he established Allars Architects at Belrose in 1982. Over 25 years his legacy included 25 commercial buildings in Brookvale including Brookvale Oval Arthurson Stand, 99 Bikes building plus 12 major projects at Austlink Park Belrose.

Throughout the years Ron had been aware of Rotary (his father was a Rotary President at Lithgow) but while he was working in Clearview Place, Brookvale, he discovered the Rotary Club of Brookvale which met at lunch time. This suited him as it didn't eat into family time.

There were some great Club projects: the warehouse sale in John Fisher Park which ran until Sunday trading began, then Robbie Gaha launched Charity Golf Days.

While President of Brookvale Rotary in 1993 Ron recalls fond memories of attending the Melbourne Rotary Convention, with John Emmett, former Brookvale Rotary member Millar McGowan and 20 others - they all dressed up for the occasions. He has fond memories of attending the Melbourne Rotary Convention, led by former Brookvale Rotary member Millar McGowan and they all dressed up for the occasions.

A group from the Rotary Club of Brookvale also went to the Rotary International Convention in Buenos Aires, home city of fellow RC Brookvale member John Emmett. They then spent six weeks travelling around South America.

Ron has held many positions on Rotary Club boards, including President in 1992 and 2017 and Vocational Chair for the past few years.

But one of his largest roles has been with the **Beach2Beach Fun Run**, formerly the Pub2Pub.

His is in charge of much of the logistics – no mean feat for an event of this size. Ron liaises with council, police, Roads and Maritime Services and all the community groups who assist on the day – Surf Life Saving Clubs, SES, Rural Fire Service and many, many others.

To stay fit, Ron plays tennis twice a week, plus a weekly bike ride around Narrabeen Lakes, stopping for a coffee and chat with his cycling buddies.

He is also active in two Probus Clubs being past President of Brookvale and Narrabeen Lakes Clubs.





Club of Warringah

### 2023 PRIDE OF WORKMANSHIP AWARDS

President & Members of the Rotary Club of Warringah cordially invite you to attend their

Pride of Workmanship and Community Awards Presentation Dinner

> to be held at Manly Leagues Club, 1st Floor, 563 Pittwater Rd, Brookvale

Tuesday 30 May, 2023 6:30pm for 7:00pm



Cost: \$55 (incls gst) per person ~ 2 course meal

The Pride of Workmanship Award is presented to workers or volunteers in our local community who have embraced the fundamental principle of Pride of Workmanship, "Do it once - Do it well".

#### Use **QR CODE** or **CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS**

RSVP: Fri 19 May, 2023 • Dress: Business Attire

For more information, please contact: Chrisy: designer@neo1works.com.au 0408 314 344 Ron: ronallars@gmail.com 0418 236 980

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If you prefer to give a donation 'in-person', the Salvation Army will be collecting donations at **The Dee Why Grand** from the **15th May for two weeks**.

1st week, **Monday 15 May to Friday 19 May**, and then the 2nd week, from **Monday 22 May to Wednesday 24 May**. Come and say hello, there will be a few Rotarians also helping out.

#### If you prefer to give online, CLICK HERE

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#### Rotary Club of Manly FUN RUN & WALK 7 MAY 2023 – THANK YOU!

Hello to all our Volunteers

We just wanted to give you all a tremendous thank you for your help on Sunday.

It's really not that easy to get up before dawn and certainly takes a big effort, particularly when it's dark and cold!

Thanks to your effort and help it was a great day with no serious hiccups. This year there were **1340 participants** in total and funds from the event will go toward helping our various charities.

As you know we are all volunteers and appreciate members of the community, other Rotary Clubs, McKellar Girls, SES, Manly Lifesaving Club, Stand Tall, Counsellor Candy Bingham, friends and family, and all of you for your support.

Kind regards and thank you again.

#### Susie Morgan and the Fun Run Team



This Red Shield Appeal, please help a struggling family through the cost-of-living crisis.





Dear Rotary colleague,

April 27, 2023

I am thrilled to share with you an update on Interplast, in this our 40th Anniversary year. It brings me great joy to say that, despite the challenges we've faced in the past several years, we are more committed than ever to delivering life-changing surgeries to those in need.

As you may know, Interplast was co-founded by Rotary District 9800 and the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons in 1983, and together, we have been transforming the lives of people in the Asia-Pacific region ever since. This year, we plan to celebrate this incredible milestone by sending our volunteer teams to as many of our partner countries as we possibly can.

We've already resumed our programs since the end of pandemic-related travel restrictions, and have visited Fiji, Solomon Islands, Papua New Guinea, and Samoa. We have plans for another 6 volunteer programs before the end of this Rotary year, including to Tonga and Bhutan. It is an incredibly exciting time for us.

But we can't do it alone. We need your help. We are reaching out to all Rotary Clubs to ask for your support in sending our volunteers to developing nations in our region. With your help, we can deliver life-changing surgeries and associated care to patients in desperate need.

Our specialist plastic and reconstructive surgeons repair congenital defects, including cleft lips and palates, so that children can thrive, learn, play, and participate fully in the life of their family and community. Our surgeons also treat severe burns scarring, and they repair the damage caused by traumatic injury, enabling the patient to live without disability and stigma, and with the ability to return to work and to support their family.

Interplast's costs for sending our volunteers overseas have increased significantly since the pandemic – in the same way as we all notice the seemingly never-ending cost increases in our own personal and business lives. It now costs approximately \$1,500 AUD to perform an Interplast surgery. And as we always send 250 - 300 kg of equipment with each of our programs, our shipping costs just to provision the team have increased to anywhere between \$15,000 and \$20,000. For each trip!

Your club has donated to Interplast in previous years, and we are incredibly grateful for your support. As we celebrate 40 years of partnership with Rotary, will your club consider a donation once again, in this Rotary year? You will be helping patients who have been waiting for years to receive life-changing surgery. You will be partnering with Interplast to repair bodies and rebuild lives, and you'll be making a real difference in the world.

If you have any questions about Interplast's work or how your donations can help, please don't hesitate to contact Janette Etherington, our Coordinator – Rotary Engagement, on 0487 130 041 or at janette.etherington@interplast.org.au.

Together, we can transform lives.

With heartfelt thanks,

Rtn Cameron Glover Chief Executive Officer Interplast Australia & New Zealand







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for tickets.





**Tuesday, 4 July 2023** 6:30 for 7pm • \$25pp

Manly Leagues Club 1st Floor, 563 Pittwater Rd, Brookvale

> Special Guest Speaker Nick Farr-Jones

> > RSVP: Fri 23 June



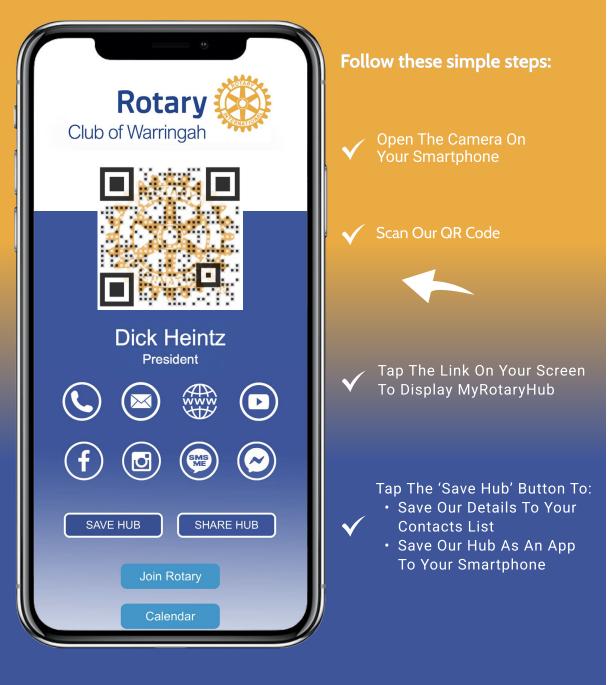
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#### HAPPY DAYS ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF DAY • 26 MAY 2023



We would love you to share with us on the 26th of May, 2023 at our annual Charity Golf Day, being held at Long Reef Golf Club, Anzac Avenue, Long Reef, to raise funds for our High School/ University Scholarship Program in Cambodia.



**CLICK HERE** or use **QR Code** for more information.

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#### 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







#### Inaugural Sportsman's Lunch Hosted by Matt De Groot With Special Guests Nathan Lyon & Kerry O'Keeffe Friday May 19, at 12.30pm Manly Leagues Club 563 Pittwater Rd, Brookvale Tickets \$120pp + booking fee **Great Auction & Raffle Prizes!** To book a ticket or table of 8 go to: www.trybooking.com/CHHTU **Proudly Supporting** 2023 Lyon Junior Cricket Tour of England and children's charity, Stewart House BOOK NOW

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#### JUST FOR A LAUGH...THANKS BOB

I hate it when people act all intellectual and talk about Mozart, while they've never even seen one of his paintings...

SO A NEIGHBOR KNOCKED ON MY FRONT DOOR AT 3AM... 3AM!!! LUCKILY I WAS ALREADY UP PLAYING THE BAG PIPES.





Stay Safe, Dick Heintz, President 2023-2024 District 9685 Email:dick@marketknowledge.com.au

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		MAY 2023		
Date	Guest Speaker/Event	Location	Time	Activity
Tuesday 2	Interview with Phil Jackson	Manly Leagues Club	6pm 7pm	Dinner Meeting
Tuesday 9	Interview with Ron Allars	Manly Leagues Club	6pm 7pm	Dinner Meeting
Tuesday 16	Guy Leech - Defibrillators	Manly Leagues Club	6pm 7pm	Dinner Meeting
Tuesday 23	ТВА			
Tuesday 30	Pride of Workmanship Award Night	Manly Leagues Club 1st Floor	6:30pm for 7pm	Social Community Event (includes dinner)
		JUNE 2023		
Tuesday 6	Wendy Finianos Int'l Leisure Insurance - PassportCard	Manly Leagues Club		Dinner Meeting
Tuesday 13	Donna Sabine Your Side Total Care	Manly Leagues Club	6pm 7pm 8pm	Dinner Meeting Board Meeting
Tuesday 20	Changeover Dinner	Manly Leagues Club 1st Floor	6:30pm for 7pm	Social Dinner
Tuesday 27	ТВА			
		JULY 2023		
Tuesday 4	Inaugural Cluster dinner	Manly Leagues Club 1st Floor	6:30pm for 7pm	Social Dinner
Tuesday 11	TBA	Manly Leagues Club	6pm 7pm 8pm	Dinner Meeting Board Meeting
Tuesday 18	ТВА			
Tuesday 25	ТВА			

Warringah Rotarians, please check our calendar weekly for updates. Thank you

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