

New Horizons



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Events

Public Forum – Asylum Seekers: The Facts

Thank you to everyone who helped make this event a success! We had around 140 people attend PLC on Sunday evening from 6pm - 8pm. The venue was superb and the Guest Speakers were as fantastic as anticipated. After the screening of Between the Devil and the Deep Blue Sea, Teri O'Toole from the Australian Red Cross dispelled some of the myths about Asylum Seekers. Akram Azimi, Young Australian of the Year 2013, followed this with a personal account of his own journey to Australia as a young refugee from Afghanistan and also highlighted how different this experience was from those coming to Australia by boat. Akram is an extremely gifted speaker and he was certainly very well received by the audience.

Here is an email from Jesse Brennan, Stakeholder Engagement Office for the Migration Support Programs at the Red Cross.

Dear Kristen and Mike

I'd just like to express my sincere thanks to both of you and all of Rotary Freshwater Bay for putting on an excellent and informative event last night. The screening and speakers provided attendees with a real insight into the lives of asylum seekers, including the

difficulties and challenges faced by people fleeing their homelands. Teri and I really appreciate the opportunity to attend and participate. It has allowed members of the public to access accurate information about asylum seekers, without bias or prejudice. In sum, you've both done a great job and we thank you for your work. I hope that there will be future opportunities for Rotary Freshwater Bay and Red Cross MSP to collaborate for the benefit of those seeking asylum.

Kind regards

Jesse Brennan



Guests during Q&A Sgt Don Emanuel-Smith, Teri O'Toole, Akram Azimi



Teri O'Toole



Kristen Meagher, Sgt Don Emanuel-Smith, Teri O'Toole, Akram Azimi



Akram Azimi

Four-Way Test Speech Competition

On Wednesday 11th of September the Four-Way Test Speech competition was held with three students speaking; David Blayney, Samuel Thompson and Penny Hollingdale. The students chose three very interesting and controversial topics. Penny spoke about Australia's response to Asylum Seekers. Samuel discussed school uniforms and the importance of having them and David's speech focused on compulsory voting and why it should be abolished. Liz Hollingdale ran the evening and we had a guest adjudicator Alain Bernay. Mike and Laura O'Hara also assisted as adjudicators. Alain Bernay announced that Penny Hollingdale was unanimously decided as the winner on the evening.

Penny will now go through the District Finals. Congratulations Penny, and we wish you all the best at the District Finals!



Penny Hollingdale, Liz Hollingdale, David Blaney, Samuel Thompson

Interact Changeover

WA Chief Scientist, Lyn Beazley, is confirmed as the speaker for the evening.

The Interact Changeover Dinner on Friday, 25th October at the Nedlands Golf Club, Melvista Ave, Nedlands. Time is 6.30pm for 7.00pm. Cost is \$35.00 per person for a two course meal, with bar service available.

The main course will be Chicken Cacciatore served with herbed penne pasta. There is a vegetarian option, plus, members who do not eat chicken, there is a fish meal available. These have to be pre-arranged so when indicating your attendance, would you also please indicate if a vegetarian or fish option is required.

Please put the date in your dairy and needless to say, it is a 'partners' night. Pre-Payment for the dinner is requested into the Club's Westpac Bank Operating A/c BSB 036034 A/c No. 304 015.

Special Dietary requirements are to be given to Acting Sec. Kristen.

Light & Shade Concert

All members have tickets to sell and a letter to seek sponsorship of an item for the raffle which will be held on the night.

A 100% sold out concert with a great lot of prizes to be raffled on the night is required to raise necessary funds for the committees to carry out planned projects. The success of this event is in the hands of every member. Please do your share to contribute to the success of the night.

We are fortunate to have two such outstanding and talented performers in Richard Symons (Tenor) and Isabelle Freeman (Soprano). They are some of our top young performers. Rik is an 'old boy' from CCGS and Isabelle is a former student from Penrhos College.

Details

Date: Saturday, 9th November, 2013

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: Christ Church Claremont, Cnr Stirling Hwy

& Queenslea Dr. Claremont

Cost: \$25.00 p/p, includes a light supper

Bookings: Tickets from members or on line at

www.trybooking.com/DDMV

Annual Dues

There are still some annual dues outstanding. Please pay as soon as possible

Birthdays

Happy Birthday Stephanie for Sunday 15th September!

Program for September

Date	Program	Attendance	Introduction and Thanks
1 oth a			and Thanks
18 th September	Prita Asih – Thumbnail Sketch		
22 nd September	International Committee Meeting –		
1	57 Mountjoy Rd, Nedlands		

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