



### Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Borogegal and Cammeraigal people as the traditional custodians of the land on which our Club meets. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

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**TUESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> October – Club meeting both at the Rowers and also by ZOOM from 1pm. Rowers are limited to 20 with mandatory pre-booking with Dom Rabu closing Sunday 24<sup>th</sup>. All attendees must show proof they are double-vaccinated.**

Our guest speaker last week was Club member Surinder Jain (Suri) who “wowed” us with the latest developments in robotics and artificial intelligence (AI). We heard about the benefits from the massive expansion in robotics and AI capability including solutions to automate some of our everyday activities. However we also heard about the risks to mankind should decisions be made through AI without necessary validation by humans. Your OoZoO editor is awaiting automation of the newsletter publication although notes that automated lawn mowing robots are already well advanced!

This coming week we will hear from Margaret Tung from the Asylum Seekers Centre, a place of welcome which provides practical and personal support for people living in the community who are seeking asylum.

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## ON-GOING SUPPORT FOR WOMEN IN REFUGES

Following a proposal from Past President Derek Andrew, the Club agreed at its last Board meeting to provide up to \$2500 to support the provision of mobile phones for women who go into refuges. The policy of the Women and Children First refuge (which the Club has supported for many years) is to take all mobile phones off the women when they arrive to overcome the risk of the women being traced through their phones. Our offer of the Club's support was very welcome. The Club is purchasing 5 phones as a trial following on from which it will agree a further roll-out schedule.

## EXCHANGE STUDENT UPDATE

Since I've done Rotary Exchange Program, Barry has literally become part of my family and has always been in touch with me and my family. It's been 25 years already! and feels like was just last year I left the program. That's how it really impacts a student's life.... forever! I married Giane in 2009, and we have 2 kids, Breno who's 10 years old and Rafaela who's 7. And I had the honour to have Barry as my Best Man!

As the whole world was struggling, we as well had some changes in our life due to Corona Virus. I had to sell my business to stay with my kids, supporting them with online studies. We were very worried by that time, especially with my parents. Now the situation in Brazil is a lot better and every adult in the family is vaccinated.

Our kids went back to school at the beginning of August. and we are all trying to get back to normal life as it should be. Nowadays I'm working with 3D printing at home and Giane works at the bank as General Manager.

On my free time I like rally racing... as a co-pilot!

I hope you all are safe and best wishes to all!  
Celso Watashi



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## PLAY IT FORWARD

The official launch for all Play it Forward Swing sites in Mosman was held last Friday with President Mark Wallis representing Mosman Rotary.

Play For All Australia “dialled-up” social inclusion by setting up a tech-enabled inclusive infant swing seat at Balmoral Beach Playground which will visibly promote the program both online and in the local community.

The tech-enabled swing has a built-in counter that will record every swing providing a fun and interactive way for the community to join the cause because the more swings made on it, the faster the sponsored inclusive swing seat upgrades will be unlocked across the community.

Play it Forward helps educate the community on the importance of inclusion and this wonderful initiative has brought together business and families in a way that benefits both, with many of our local businesses welcoming the opportunity to be involved.

Local businesses including Bendigo Community Bank, Di Jones, Harris Farm Markets, **Rotary Club of Mosman**, Mosman Council, Music N’ Me, Mosman Toyota, The Works and Vine Apparel have sponsored seats, as well as have Mosman Council and Play for All.

## ZOOM IN FOR FRIDAY DRINKS

Don’t forget to dial-in each week for Friday drinks from 5pm to 6pm. As the Sydney lockdown continues, this is proving to be a great opportunity for friends to catch-up and share news.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**26<sup>th</sup> October** – Margaret Tung – Asylum Seekers Centre

**2<sup>nd</sup> November** – No Club meeting due to the Melbourne Cup

**9<sup>th</sup> November** – Brad Manera – ANZAC War Memorial & Victoria Cross Recipient – Teddy Sheehan

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