



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.

TUESDAY 25th January - the Club meeting will be held by ZOOM commencing at 1pm. Please dial in by 12.50pm to allow for the meeting to commence on time.

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Our guest speaker last week was Andrew Phippen from the Australian National Maritime Museum who talked about the great involvement of early French navigators in discovering, charting and naming places in Australia. He posed the question "contrary to historical opinion, was the first European person to set foot in Australia actually the Frenchman Gonneville in 1504?"

If you are interested in reading more, "Ill Starred Captains - Flinders and Baudin" by Anthony J. Brown, is a very good read and provides much of the political background for Andrew's presentation. Interestingly, it includes a plan from Baudin's staff for invasion of Sydney starting with a "feint" attack in Botany Bay with the main French force landing in Broken Bay, travelling up the Hawkesbury River, freeing and arming the Irish convicts around

Windsor and Parramatta and attacking Sydney from the inland thereby avoiding the harbour defenses. Due to the Napoleonic Wars this plan never saw the light of day.

Our guest speaker for 25th January has cancelled so in place there will be a general club discussion.

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AUSTRALIA DAY BBQ – BALMORAL BEACH

Supported by the National Australia Day Council (NADC) the Club will be running a sausage sizzle BBQ at Balmoral Beach, adjacent to the wishing well, from 9am to mid afternoon on 26th January. This is a great opportunity to raise the profile of Rotary in our local community.

Please contact Mark Wallis if you are able to help on the day.

WOMEN & CHILDREN FIRST

.As most of our readers would be aware, our Club has been a long-time supporter of Women & Children First and attached as a reminder is a write-up of their activities and an invitation to a fund-raising event to be held on 4th March.



Women & Children First

It takes a village to raise a family! We are their village.

Women & Children First is a not-for-profit, community-based service for women and vulnerable families, including women and children escaping domestic and family violence.

Our vision is to ensure women, children and families are safe, secure, connected and provided with the opportunity and environment to thrive.

We have two **Women and Children's Refuges** on the North Shore and Northern Beaches that provide crisis accommodation to women and children escaping domestic violence. Crisis accommodation is for up to three months and we provide case management to address the complex needs of mothers and their children at this time. We also have transitional housing to assist women and children once they are out of the crisis situation.

We assist women and their children to find ongoing safe, affordable housing so they may live their lives independently now and into the future.

Our **Northern Beaches Family Support Services** supports vulnerable families with children aged 0 to 12 years with specialist programs:

- Parenting skills group work, in particular, Circle of Security, Emotion Coaching, Tuning into Kids, Cool Tools, Drop-in and Share, and Messy Play.
- Parenting support through individual casework, information, advice and referrals.
- Supported playgroup (provided by [Integricare](#))
- Case management
- Home visiting

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In 2020/2021 we assisted 1058 vulnerable women and their families in northern Sydney. It could have been their stories you see in King of Pigs.

Your donation today will help in many practical ways including:

- Setting up new homes for women starting a new life including paying removalist costs
- Purchase kitchen items, bedding and furniture
- Purchase school uniforms and school supplies for children starting a new school
- Put a smile back on the faces of children who had to leave behind their favourite soft toy, scooter or game
- Support women on visas, who are not eligible for Centrelink parenting payments, literally put food on their table
- Support women to get to appointments, job interviews and continue their studies.

You are invited to the

WOMEN & CHILDREN FIRST.
International Women's Day Lunch

Friday 4th March, 2022
11.30am – 2.30pm
Manly Golf Club

Tickets: \$150pp or
\$1450 table of 10

Book and buy raffle tickets here:
<https://events.humanitix.com/wcf>

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Supporting women
when they need it most.

Supporting women escaping domestic abuse

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

01 February – Ian Westmoreland – Mentoring

08 February – Jane Jeffes – Multicultural Communications Award Winner

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