

# NORTHERN BEACHES TOASTMASTERS CLUB MINUTES

Club No: 609136

Area 8 Hawkesbury Division

District 70

**Meeting No:** 189

**On:** 27 June 2017

**At:** Thup Tim Siam

**Theme:**

**Change Over Dinner and Transformation**

**Meeting Opened:** 7.00pm

**Sergeant At Arms:** David Tomlinson opened the meeting on time and read the Mission Statement

**Present:** Sharon Austin, Steve Barber, Errol Byrnes, Luke Donabaeur, Muriel Jones, Sue Loucks, June McKimmie, Laura Rogers, Talal Rossi, Kathy Stewart, Reg Stewart, David Tomlinson, Denise Tomlinson, Giselle V, (14)

**Apologies:** Graham Blandy, Keren Snell, Jan Vecchio, Gail Goff, Dominic Harriman, Nicola Power, Brian Paull, Deanna Morporgo, Dominic, Hardiman(9+1) and Victor (Guest 1)

**Past members:** Graham & Tanuja West

**Quorum:** yes

**Guests:** Beverley Barber (1)

**President's Opening** Sharon welcomed all and handed over to the Chair.

**Chairman:** Reg welcomed us all to the restaurant and the meeting -

**Annual Awards** Appreciation Award – donated by Keren Snell - **Luke Donabauer**- recipient is helpful to the chairman, organises raffle prizes, go beyond the duties and help members generally

Mick Renvoise Award for Commitment - donated by Jan Vecchio - **Sue Loucks** - attendance, participation, prep of assignments, commitment to TM and attending events, helping others, club mission and Toastmaster promise.

Runner - up - Errol Byrnes

The Vecchio Toastmaster of the Year - Donated by the Holterman Family - **Kathy Stewart** - enthusiasm, standard of excellence, for an all round outstanding toastmaster who helps the club to achieve and actively promotes the club.

**Toast:** Muriel gave a toast to those who are brave and adventurous.

**Outgoing President's Speech:** Sharon completed her HPL by delivering this speech. She clearly outlined what her goals were at the beginning of the year - including

measurable key metrics — and then highlighted how she worked with her team to achieve those goals. (7,06)

**De-installation & Installation:** Reg Stewart highlighted the importance of the executives — and dismissed the previous executive with pomp and ceremony. He then installed the new Executive, asking each to take the oath of office.

**Incoming President's Speech:** Denise gave a her incoming speech - highlighting how she was instrumental when she was the area governor in 2004 by thinking outside the box and suggested the creation of a Dinner Club — and now gets to lead the club as president for the first time. She challenged all members to also think outside of the box and rise to the challenge - to think about all of their roles and be brave to do them differently. (6.01)

SPEAKER	TITLE	MANUAL	EVALUATOR
Steve Barber	The B Line	# 3 CC. (7.31)	Errol (2.43)

**Table Topics Master** Giselle de Vasconcelos had a range of questions that were aimed to allow everyone to respond.;

- 1) When was the last time you tried something new - Errol
- 2) Which activity makes you lose track of time - Muriel
- 3) Would you break the law to save a loved one - Steve
- 4) What makes you smile - June
- 5) If you were to recommend a book to a high school student, what would it be - Sue
- 6) Where would you go to build a mosque and why - Talal
- 7) what have you seen or read online that inspires you - Luke
- 8) When have you worked hard and loved every minute of it - Sharon
- 9) What was something someone did for you that was so nice - Denise
- 10) How do you deal with someone in a position of power who wants you to fail. Reg

**Round Robin:** Tell us about your ancestry -for 1 minute.

- Denise Pirate King of the Cocos Islands
- Sharon [ancestry.com](http://ancestry.com) - into contact with people from all over the world
- Steve Barber = german uncle "Herr Kutt"
- Giselle Grandfather from Germany and grandmother from Lebanon
- Laura Scottish - 'sheep farmer' - raised in West Indies, grew up in Africa, married an Englishman and got rid of him - so her children are English, Scottish, African.
- Luke - Austrian ' river farmer' - grandfather born in Austria - born in the same town as Hitler
- Errol Grandmothers family farmers 150miles north of Condobalin in the 1900s -
- Sue [ancestry.com](http://ancestry.com) - 4 generations back Guy's family and Sue's family from same small town in UK.
- Talal Grandparents Lebanese - 2 sisters born in Lebanon and then moved to Brazil and 3 brothers born there. All moved to Australia - and Talal married an

- Italian and his daughter just married a Fijian boy.
- Muriel - 3/4 Irish - grandparents all moved to Canada from England and Ireland – Muriel and her husband moved here with 3 children — and her grandchild has moved back to Canada.
- June back 2 generations - both sets grandparents from Eastern Europe - Jewish background - grandparents were in Kiev around 1900 - escaping programs in Russia. Moved to Leeds. Grandfather from Vienna, moved to Britain when June's dad was 4 - but as he never took out UK citizenship he was interned during WW2.
- Beverley Great grandfather born in .... Moved to Ireland and then to Aust. Became one of the first Mayors of Orange.
- Kathy indigenous to Australia - 2nd generation - believes from the Vikings and a royal family so due lots of jewels.
- David grew up in Ipswich queensland - and we are a well populated family
- Reg a family history book - Mums side from Isle of Wight - Dad's side from the Stewarts - must be royal.

**Timers Report** Kathy delivered a succinct and precise timers report.

**GE report:** Sue gave a report highlighting areas done well and some areas for improvement. Specifically commented on evaluations, change over ceremony, awards presentations.

**Awards** **Steve** - Best Speech. **Giselle** - Excellence Award for table topics

**Chairmans Closing:** Thanked all - especially for the Restaurant.

**Presidents Closing** New President Denise gave closing remarks - saying she is humbled to be able to lead us for the year. Denise referred to the Past Presidents who were still here - a club of friends - from childhoods, marriages, through Toastmasters - pls embrace this and share it with others. Everyone's got a reason to not come - for those of us who do come - that is the first step to being great - just coming to the meeting.

Denise presented Sharon Austin with a gift for her friendship, leadership and all she has given this cub over the past 10 years.

**Next meeting:** Lebanese Restaurant in Roseville - Taters.

**Meeting Closed:** 9.38

**Secretary:** *Sue Loucks*

**Outgoing President:** *Sharon Austin*

**Incoming President.** *Denise Tomlinso*