

# ROTA

*CLRI(NSW)*

## AS EASTER APPROACHES

If you need a ROTA badge give Ann a call on 9663.2199 and we'll arrange to get a badge to you. It is handy to be able to recognize other members at bus stops, stations and ven-

**ROTA has 100 members: would you like to join us?**

**TO BECOME A ROTA MEMBER:**

- Contact Ann on 9663 2199
- Email [clrinsw@ozemail.com.au](mailto:clrinsw@ozemail.com.au)

**Included in this mailing:**

- 1. FIRST 2010 ROTA Newsletter**
- 2. Booking forms for the April, May and June**



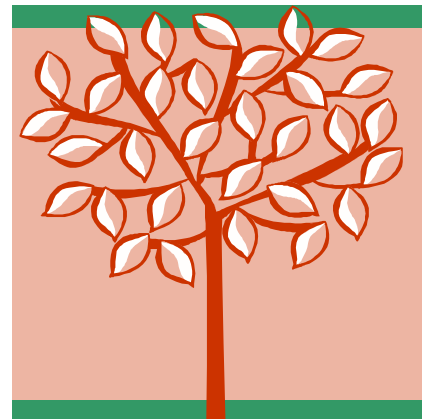
Welcome to our first Newsletter of 2010 and the opportunity to book for our ROTA events in April, May and June.

Welcome, also, to the new members who have joined ROTA in 2010! We are always glad to have new members to add to the richness of ROTA: so if you know anyone else who might like to join, refer them to Ann here at the office.

And our third welcome is to autumn: we are really appreciating the lower humidity, the crisp mornings and cooler nights! Makes us feel like getting out and doing things!

Hopefully, you are similarly encouraged by the arrival of autumn to join us for some of the events coming up in April, May and June.

There are just a couple of weeks of Lent left and then we'll be celebrating Easter. I recently re-read some words from a favourite writer who said that we need to take *time to look at the very ordinary parts of our day, to pray them by holding them up to the light of the scripture, to celebrate them in the depths of our being by pausing to reflect and reverence them, knowing that the God of graciousness is always there, immanently present, active, drawing us into a deeper love relationship.*



**CHECK YOUR CLRI(NSW) ROTA calendar for 2010 on the website**  
[\[www.clrinsw.org\]](http://www.clrinsw.org)



## APRIL, MAY AND JUNE EVENTS FOR 2010

### APRIL

**note: Date Changed by the ABC**

**April 8 Thursday**

**1 pm—2.30 pm      \$ Free**

***The 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Book Club***

Journalist and publisher Jennifer Byrne hosts First Tuesday Book Club on ABC TV – Jennifer will be joined by a panel of book lovers and experts who will discuss titles from fiction, non-fiction, biography, thriller, romance and history genres.

**We need to book for a group, so RSVP to Ann by 26 March.**

The hour taping begins at 1 pm so we need to meet no later than 12.30 pm in the Atrium of the ABC Centre at 700 Harris St, Ultimo.

The 501 bus can be caught from either the corner of George and Bathurst Sts (opposite Town Hall) at 11.12am. Parking is not available on site, but parking station locations can be found on the map at [www.abc.net.au/tours/ultimo/about.htm](http://www.abc.net.au/tours/ultimo/about.htm)

Meet at the ABC Café for an Early Lunch at 11.30 am.



**SEE INFORMATION FOR  
APRIL, MAY & JUNE  
ACTIVITIES ON the  
BOOKING FORMS  
ENCLOSED**

### MAY



**May 13 Thursday**

**Cockatoo Island Tour**

**10.25 am      \$14 for Tour + lunch**

**(Concession return Ferry Ticket to be purchased from the Quay)**

The history of Cockatoo Island is fascinating. It is the largest island in Sydney Harbour. Located at the junction of the Parramatta and Lane Cove rivers, Cockatoo Island is a former imperial prison, industrial school, reformatory and goal. It is also the site of one of Australia's biggest shipyards during the twentieth century.

We shall have a private Tour Guide to show us around the Island for an hour and a half. Lunch will be enjoyed at The Muster Station Café on the Island (right near the Ferry wharf) where a hot lunch as well as sandwiches can be purchased for under \$20.00.

We shall meet at Circular Quay for the 10.25 am Ferry (Wharf 5) to Cockatoo Island. Cost of Ferry \$2.50 (Pensioner Excursion Ticket) Cockatoo Island has wheelchair access and disabled toilet facilities.

**Please RSVP to Ann by 13 April. We need to have a definite booking of 20 people to be able to have the guided tour available to us.**

### JUNE



**June 8 Tuesday**

**\$ Free**

In 2010 the Spirituality Day will once again be facilitated by **Sr Yvonne Parker sgs** at the Good Samaritan Centre, Glebe.

BYO Lunch

**It assists the centre at Glebe if we can give approximate numbers, so RSVP to Ann by 23 May.**