

THE ROTARY CLUB OF RYDE—DISTRICT 9680 CHARTERED 1946

The HUB

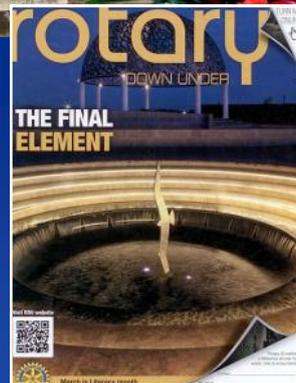
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Chartered: 22nd April 1946
 Club: #18039 / District: #9680 in NSW, Australia
 Meeting Place: Level 2, Next Generation Club, next to
 Ryde Aquatic Centre, 504 Victoria Road, Ryde
 Meeting Time: Every Tuesday — 6:00pm for 6:30pm
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RSVP extras or absences to: Val Payne 9874 5787



Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

Opinions expressed in The HUB are those of the author and do not necessarily reflect those of the editor or the Rotary Club of Ryde, Inc.

This Week... Wendy Farrow

Tonight April 17: **Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia—
Wendy Farrow**
PCFA State Manager
+ presentation of Golf Day fundraising cheque

Tonight's Roster

Welcomers	Ron Taffa, Duncan Taylor
Loyal Toast by	Kalma McLellan
Guest Speaker introduced by	David James
Guest Speaker thanked by	Martin Aston



If you are unable to fulfill this duty, please arrange your own swap and inform President Ken what you've done.

The "Meeting Night Roster" for the next 3 meetings appears on Page 11

Ken's Korner



Welcome to another week at Ryde Rotary. This week we welcome as our guest speaker Wendy Farrow, the State Manager of The Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia. We will also present to Wendy a cheque for the final portion of the proceeds of the Golf Day.

The following week (24th April) is our Club's 66th birthday celebration at Il Vicolo restaurant in Church St Ryde. A list began circulating last week and many indicated their main menu choice on it as well. The list will circulate again this week please indicate attendance and menu choice on it or be sure to contact Charles Kilby with that information, if you won't be attending this week.

Peter Cooper also began circulating a list for another social evening at the Ryde Parramatta Golf Club on Friday the 11th May. Please check whether you are able to be present. That list will circulate for the next couple of weeks.

Notwithstanding our vote on these matters earlier this year, I cannot help noticing continual references in Rotary Down Under and various communications from District to the need for Clubs to be open to change on aspects of meeting procedure increasingly considered out of date. Perhaps we will need to visit this matter again next year. There is nothing sacred about procedures we have come to regard as the status quo. As someone has observed nothing is as certain as the fact that change is constant.

In Rotary

Ken

Deadline to submit material in **The HUB** is Friday 5pm unless otherwise arranged.



Last week ... as recalled by Allen Horrell

Our Club assembly had many absences, a coincidence I'm sure, even our Serjeant was missing in action, with acting Serjeant **David Johnston** calling the meeting to order. To balance the absences we had ADG **Jade Catherall** as our welcome guest, and as it wasn't her official visit, she was here to enjoy our meeting as a visiting Rotarian.

President **Ken** circulated an attendance list for the Club Birthday party at Il Vicolo restaurant, where members had the task of not only registering numbers, but indicating what main course each would eat. **Ross Rocca** being absent there was no attendance report this week.

Dinner was a welcome roast pork meal as appropriate for the wintery blast outside with an interesting-looking alternative for our vegetarian friends.

Nora reported that she already has 85 Interact students from James Ruse signed up to help with the Red Shield Appeal 19th – 20th May this year. Now we need drivers, as delivering these volunteers to their collection zones will be a full time job for Rotarians. The second Sunday in the month of May is celebrated as Mother's Day, and Nora will advise more details soon regarding presents for our nursing homes in Ryde. There is also a Mental Health Hat Day on Friday 18th May with a (Mad Hatter's?) breakfast for those who don't have to be at work by then.

Social Secretary **Peter Cooper** announced a Social Night organised for Friday the 11th May at the Ryde-Parramatta Golf Club (same venue as last year), and circulated a second list to chase the Birthday one around the meeting room. This is always a good night out.

PP **Jan Cutler** spruiked the Pride of Workmanship night on the 29th May, then President Ken read PP **David James'** lament on the lack of committee reports submitted to the Hub. Acting Serjeant **David Johnston** supervised **Kalma's** spackle ticket being drawn, and the Joker not being found. After a few fines, marred by the absence of most of the usual suspects, David managed to fine me twice for nothing much to make up the take for the night. Well done, David!

Club Assembly kicked off with **Youth Director Charles** reporting on Paint Vandalism (I guess there's a relationship between the two), and **Youth Exchange**. Apparently we need two more sets of Host Parents to volunteer from within our club or circle of friends, or we shall not be able to continue this project which has been a feature of Ryde Rotary for decades. Contact Charles if you can host a teenage boy for three months.

Siddharth announced that his problems with his employer's sponsorship and with the Immigration department mean that he and **Swati** have to leave Australia by the end of May, and he will therefore have to resign from the position of Projects Director; shocking news that distracted me somewhat from his report on the Tamil Nadu project. I gather that an audit of the project was generally positive, and that 95% of our students achieved passes in their exams, with three going on to University.

PP **Rob Mitchell** then reported that the Fundraising committee's attempts to broaden our funding sources have shown some progress: Council events at Ryde Park,

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Last week ... continued

Corporate Sponsorship and a "Donate" button on our website are all in planning stages. Rob reported on the Borjegai Schools project. The Board voted to continue support, but at a lower level than in previous years, as the last two years' expenditure was to build our school, and is a level that is unsustainable going forward. On the plus side our Conference presentations over the last two years have inspired three other Rotary Clubs to pledge their support: North Sydney, Lindfield and Glenhaven, so we hope to finish at least one more School in the area.

Bob Kaye-Smith spoke on the Conference in Nowra next year, and told the club to block out 15th – 17th March 2013 in your calendars now: Some clubs supposedly have a Rotary Mafia, but in Ryde you have all been conscripted into **John Dodd's** Conference Army!

Allen Horrell

(New) Board Meeting



President-Elect Burkhard Foertsch wishes to assemble all members of the new Board for a meeting this Tuesday, after the main meeting. This is a most important occasion because it will help shape the club's projects and functions for the incoming year. If you have a role to play in Ryde Rotary's year (2012-2013 and/or you've been tapped on the shoulder, Burkhard would appreciate your attendance and involvement at this meeting.



Housekeeping

*If you or a speaker you have organised needs use of the audio visual facilities at one of our meetings, it helps if the source material arrives early and the President knows about it. If material arrives just before a meeting, it may conflict with other presentations being loaded for the night, so try to get PowerPoint presentations and photos in by **5:45pm** so that everyone gets a fair chance. Normal set-up for our meeting is to have the wireless microphone. At some meetings we opt to have no screen, projector, or laptop at all, so its best to check well in advance.*

Material for publication

Short articles for The HUB are welcomed. As a guide, each page contains approximately 540 words. Announcements and notices should be graphical and in A4 format (PDF or JPEG) which can be reduced to this page size. Allow plenty of time so that your article receives the appropriate exposure. Deadline is 5pm Fridays. The HUB is published on or before the Sunday prior to the meeting date.

Rotary Leadership Institute

On Saturday 14th April four members of the Club completed their three day 'Rotary Leadership Institute' course and graduated with certificates to show successful completion of the course.



District Governor David Rands presents Bob Kaye-Smith with his Rotary Leadership Institute certificate

There have been a number of groups doing the Course on different days to allow for the volume of applicants for training.

The other groups have also completed their training and have been presented with certificates as well.

The course covered many aspects of Rotary administration and procedures and will equip those who have participated well for their coming duties on our Club's Board.

District Governor David Rands sacrificed more of his time to come and present certificates to our four candidates which clearly reflects the high regard District places in this new and valuable addition to Rotary training.

Adrian Hallett

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If you think you've seen this notice elsewhere in this edition, then you're right. Burkhard cannot stress it enough that this is an important meeting.

Our Birthday at Il Vicolo

Our meeting on 24th April will be at Il Vicolo Restaurant, Church Street, Ryde. Start time is 6.00 for 6.30 and we'll be asking members and guests to pre-order their meal. So, work out how hungry you'll be in two weeks time, make sure you don't cook the same meal at home the night before and be sure not to have lunch that day. Save yourself! The menu is reproduced below. For further information, Charles Kilby's the man.



Dinner Set Menu at \$35.00 Per head

**TO START, A SELECTION OF IL VICOLO'S FAVOURITE
ENTREES**

**Herb / Garlic Bread
YOUR CHOICE OF**

SPAGHETTI ARRABBIATA

*Linguine tossed with prawns, chilli, garlic, baby spinach, cherry tomatoes,
olives and extra virgin olive oil*

Pollo Mango

*Tender Chicken Breast cooked in a Mango, Apple & cream sauce
served on a bed of rice*

Scaloppini "Pavarotti"

Scaloppine of veal with bacon, mushroom, shallot, sherry & cream sauce

YOUR CHOICE OF BEVERAGE

One Glass of House Wine & Beer and Soft Drink, Tea & Coffee

DESERT

**Gelato
&
Tiramisu**

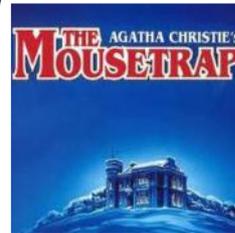


Theatre Party — The Mousetrap

DGE John Dodd has secured some seats for the Agatha Christie play, *The Mousetrap* which commences its Sydney run at the end of June. *The Mousetrap* has been running continuously in London's West End for 60 years. The date is Sunday 15th July, 3pm. Cost is \$85 each. Book with John. So... whodunit?!

At Monkswell Manor, the news on the radio reports that a murder that has recently taken place in London. Mollie and Giles Ralston, the young owners of the once-regal estate recently converted into a guesthouse, hardly notice the news. They are far too busy preparing for the arrival of their first guests and concerned that the heavy snowfalls may prevent the guests reaching their destination. As the guests arrive safely and the Manor becomes snowed in, a policeman arrives on skis suspecting that one of the seven occupants may be the killer. After a second murder occurs in the Manor, Sergeant Trotter is convinced.

Suspects include the young married couple, a spinster with a curious background, an architect who seems better equipped to be a chef, a retired army major, and an unexpected visitor who claims his car has run into a snowdrift. During his interrogation, Sergeant Trotter uncovers the many mysterious secrets of everyone present, as he tries to solve the murder in true Christie style.



President Chris O'Brien & President-Elect Bruce Jacob
invite you to celebrate the

50th Anniversary & Changeover

of the

Rotary Club of Epping

Supporting
The Shack Youth Outreach

Special Guest
Detective Superintendent Deborah Wallace
Commander of the Middle Eastern Organised Crime Squad

WHEN: 6.30 for 7.00pm on Saturday 16th June 2012
WHERE: The Epping Club, Rawson Street Epping
COST: Standard \$65 per person
(includes drink on arrival, dinner with wine/soft drink)
OR
Premium \$100 per person
(as above plus champagne & \$25 donation to The Shack)
DRESS: Black Tie or Bow Tie
RSVP: Monday 28th May 2012
Enquiries: Graham Stevens
(M) 0422 934 669
(E) eppingrotary@inet.net.au

Premium tickets include \$25 donation to The Shack

Why a Rotary Youth Exchange 25 years ago still matters



Chrysula Winegar is community manager for the United Nations Foundation's Million Moms Challenge and a former Rotary Youth Exchange student.

When I was 17 years old, Rotary International gave me the opportunity to live in South Africa for 12 months.

My parents and brothers worked seven jobs to pay my way. That year changed everything about my life's path and shaped my world view. It has impacted every major decision I've made since.

Many decades ago, Rotarians began creating these Rotary Youth Exchanges to foster global understanding and respect. A young girl or boy from an average family could spend a year in foreign lands, while in the safe arms of local families who created a framework for exploration.

I observed the last hurrahs of apartheid. We lived under a state of emergency with intense military presence including soldiers on our school buses carrying automatic weapons. The media was under total censorship. But even then, in the pre-internet world, ways were found to share truths.

Much of it didn't make sense to me then. But I took it all in. Twenty-five years later, as a mother, I unlock these observations with a different perspective. My youth exchange experience is a lens through which I examine life's challenges, thanks to Rotary, and my families both here and there.

Around the time I went on my youth exchange, Rotary International was embarking upon its campaign to eradicate polio. I vividly remember those beginnings. I saw the ravages of the disease up close.

We are "this close" to ending polio because people like you created a culture of global thinking for people like me. We are "this close" because you have never given up. We are "this close" because your hearts are big and you were willing to take a multi-generational position. You knew it wouldn't be solved in 5 years or even 10. You knew it would take a truly long view.

And all the while you sent young girls and boys out into the world so we could learn, engage, and be passionate about people from everywhere. It is true, Africa takes a piece of your heart and claims it for her own. It's been 25 years since I breathed African air. I long to return. But I don't need to be there to love that great continent or her many peoples; and to work with them for a better future.

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A government that robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul.

George Bernard Shaw

A James Cagney love scene is one where he lets the other guy live.

Bob Hope



Attendance last meeting

Attendance Last Meeting: 80.95%

Makeups: John Dodd, Steve Thorp, Burkhart Foertsch

Apologies: Artin Etmekdjian, Ross Rocca, David James, Steve Thorp, Duncan Taylor, Tony Abboud, John Dodd, Burkhart Foertsch, John Higgins, Paul Burnett, Mick Nelson, Richard Henricus, Patrick Longfield, Terry Kerim, Ron Thomson

Rotarian Guest: ADG Jade Catherall (Roseville Chase)



Looking Ahead...

April 24: **Ryde Rotary's 66th Birthday celebration** at Il Vicolo, 20A Church Street, Ryde.

May 1: **Social Media** — Sam Lambert

May 8: To be confirmed

May 15: **A Night At The Movies**

May 22: **The Sydney Peace Foundation**

Any suggestions? Contact Martin Aston: maaston@optusnet.com.au 02 9808 2574

Birthdays and Anniversaries

April 18: 84 year Birthday Celebration for **Ron Taffa**

April 18: 12 year Club Anniversary for **Val Payne**

April 20: 13 year Club Anniversary for **David Johnston**

April 21: Birthday Celebration for **Pat Bond**



Friday Night Roster for Victoria

Victoria is presently hosted with Daniel & Kristina Graham — 9873 6096

Who	When
Martin Aston	20/4/2012
Geoff Brennan	27/4/2012

Who	When
John Brown	4/5/2012
Geoff Nix	11/5/2012

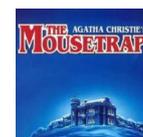
We'll be sad if we don't SEE YOU ON TUESDAY ...



If you need to give a late apology for non-attendance at any meeting please ring Val Payne (9874 5787) **before 10am Monday**. Club policy is that you will be expected to pay for your meal if you are absent without timely apology. Isn't that **fair to all concerned**?

Other events ...

- ▶ **Anzac Day Service**
Date: Wednesday 25th April
Time: 9am
R. E. Tebbutt Lodge, 40a Stewart Street, Dundas
Morning tea afterwards
- ▶ **Meals on Wheels**
Date: Sunday 29th April
Details: Bob Carroll
- ▶ **Paint Vandalism (Graffiti) Removal**
Date: Saturday 5th May (first Saturday in the month)
Time: 8am—10am
Details: Charles Kilby
- ▶ **Ryde Rotary Social Get-together**
Date: Friday 11th May
Venue: Ryde-Parramatta Golf Club, Victoria Road
Details: Peter Cooper
- ▶ **Hat Day for Mental Health**
Date: Friday 18th May
Details: TBA
- ▶ **Salvation Army's Red Shield Appeal**
Dates: Saturday and Sunday 19th & 20th May
Details: TBA from Nora Etmekdjian
- ▶ **Rotary Club of Epping 50th Anniversary celebration**
Date: Saturday 16th June
Time: 6.30 for 7pm
Venue: The Epping Club
Details: Graham Stevens 9743 6974 (see notice page 6)
- ▶ **Theatre Party—The Mousetrap**
Date: Sunday 15th July (see p8)
Time: 3pm, Sydney Theatre, Walsh Bay
Details: TBA from John Dodd



If you have a Rotary-related item for this calendar, please e-mail it to editor@ryderotary.org.au

Meeting Night Roster

Date	Welcomers	Loyal	Intro	Thanks
24/04/12	Doug T. Les Whitcroft	Graham M.	—	—
1/05/12	Erdem Toner Tony Abboud	Rob Mitchell	Charles Kilby	Patrick L.
8/05/12	John Brown Geoff Nix	Maureen M.	Siddharth M.	John Mazlin

If you are unable to fulfil this duty, arrange your own swap and then advise President Ken

The Rotary Club of Ryde



The Rotary Vision

Rotary is a worldwide organisation of more than 1.2 million business, professional, and community leaders. Members of Rotary clubs, known as Rotarians, provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

There are 33,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Clubs are non-political, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds. As signified by the motto "Service above Self", Rotary's main objective is service — in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world.

Rotary Grace

O Lord and giver of all good
 We thank you for our daily food
 May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
 Help us to serve you all our days.

The Four-Way Test

of the things we think, say & do:

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Advance Australia Fair

Australians all let us rejoice, for we are young and free;
 We've golden soil and wealth for toil;
 Our home is girt by sea;
 Our land abounds in nature's gifts,
 of beauty rich and rare;
 In history's page, let every stage, Advance Australia Fair.
 In joyful strains then let us sing, Advance Australia Fair!