

THE ROTARY CLUB OF RYDE—DISTRICT 9680 CHARTERED 1946

The HUB

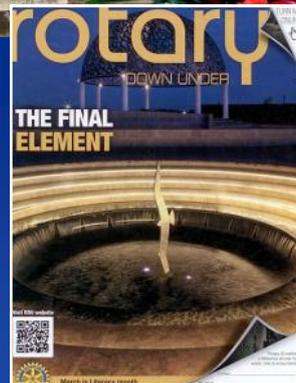
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Chartered: 22nd April 1946
 Club: #18039 / District: #9680 in NSW, Australia
 Meeting Place: Level 2, Next Generation Club, next to
 Ryde Aquatic Centre, 504 Victoria Road, Ryde
 Meeting Time: Every Tuesday — 6:00pm for 6:30pm
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Reach 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... Birthday at Il Vicolo

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

Tonight's Roster

Welcomers	Doug Thompson, Les Whitcroft
Loyal Toast by	Graham Metcalfe
Guest Speaker introduced by	—
Guest Speaker thanked by	—



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



This week is our Club's 66th birthday evening being held at Il Vicolo, 20A Church St. Numbers and main menu choices should have been given to Charles Kilby (mobile 0412 401 664) to ensure correct catering. We are planning to induct Julie Thorp as a member at this meeting.

Last week I attended the Presidents' bi-monthly dinner. We were told that the District Conference finished up with a small profit. (There were some worries that it might not). We were encouraged to remember The Rotary Foundation and Australian Rotary Health in our end of year giving both as individuals and as clubs.

District 9680 is the leading District in Australia to Australian Rotary Health. Mosman Club is conducting a Victory Ball in September to raise funds for The Prostate Cancer Foundation. Our Golf Day proceeds probably will be our contribution to that worthy cause for this year. We were shown a trailer for the '11 Eleven Project' which has selected 11 worthy humanitarian projects to support. I shall pass it on to Burkhardt for consideration by next year's Board.

We were given an update on the RYDA Program which continues to grow and a project which began in our District is now conducted in 70 centres around Australia reaching 50,000 students a year. It is now conducted under the banner of Road Safety Education Limited and is seeking to add education in other years of secondary schooling but the RYDA programme is safe and well.

Finally we were told that the date of the District Changeover when John Dodd will be installed as District Governor is June 29th at Hornsby RSL \$50.00 per head. Ryde Club will be given preferential seating I've been told by the event organiser so pop it in your diaries now.

See you at Il Vicolo

Ken



Last week ... as recalled by Allen Horrell

We sang Rotary Grace in the small room, **Kalma** led the toast to the Queen, and then **President Ken** welcomed our guests, and told us where our absent members have been. Dinner was fish with snow peas and mashed potatoes, after which **Duncan Taylor** reminded us of the Hunter's Hill-Ryde Men's Shed open day the next day. IPP **Allen Horrell** summarised the Wollongong District Conference last month, and pointed out that to beat or equal Beecroft's effort this year, we have a hard act to follow.

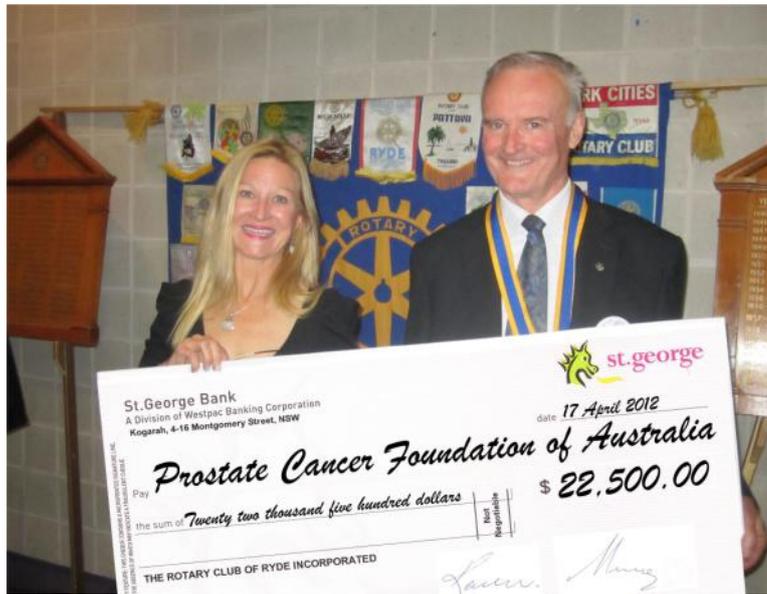
David James circulated an attendance sheet for the Mousetrap, a play that is 60 years out of date, but still hasn't reached its "use by" date.

Nora has the Mother's Day present wrapping at the Civic Centre Thursday 3rd May from 6:30pm, in the Mayor's meeting room. More drivers are required for Red Shield, and there's an opportunity to raise money for Mental Health by attending Hat Day at the Civic Centre 7:15-8:45am Friday 18th May.

PP **Peter Cooper** announced the Ryde Rotary Club Social at the Ryde-Parramatta Golf Club. **Victoria Blichfeldt's** Exchange Student's weekly report told us she went to Melbourne for Easter with young Dodds and friends, getting up at 4am on Good Friday to catch the plane, and seeing 6 shows over the weekend.

PP **Bill Payne** spoke on Bowel Care reported that 520 tests had been processed in our area, and considering we have two less pharmacies this year that is a great success.

Serjeant Thorp was back on the beat and had guest speaker **Wendy** draw the spackle. **Bill's** ticket was drawn, but he found



PCFA NSW/ACT State Manager Wendy Farrow accepts donations from Ryde Rotary's Golf Day to the value of \$22,500, which includes a \$10,000 direct anonymous donation from a Golf Day supporter.

Last week ... continued

only the Queen of Hearts. Fines were meted on the noisy tables, on Bill for winning the consolation prize, **Peter Cooper** for his grand name for the club night out, **David James** as his accomplice in pomposity, and all the Rotary Leadership Institute graduates for being over-qualified.

PP **David James** then introduced **Wendy Farrow** from the Prostate Cancer Foundation, who told us the organisation owed its existence to Rotary, specifically to Roger Climpson of Lane Cove Rotary Club. He got Prostate Cancer 10 years ago and set up the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia when he found there was no Australian organisation fighting this thing. Set up with Rotary guidance the National Organisation is unique as being the one voice for Australia for this issue. She told us early detection is the only way to reduce the death toll of 3500 men each year, a statistic which has remained the same over the ten years since the PCFA was formed. Before taking the blood test men should avoid Yoga Sex on a push bike, no doubt sound advice. She also spruiked the benefits of the GP examination provoking a feeling in the audience that can only be called DREAD (Digital Rectal Examination At Doctor's).

PP **Martin Aston** thanked Wendy, and President Ken closed the meeting. Next year's Board met to find out about the latest Cabinet reshuffle, and more was said about the Nowra Conference, and the fact that some Projects might need to be delayed or abandoned to ensure the Conference has the manpower required. Finding myself to be the Projects Director-Elect, it looks like being a busy year.

Allen Horrell



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.*

Useful websites

- Rotary Club of Ryde www.ryderotary.org.au
- Rotary International www.rotary.org
- Rotary Down Under www.rotarydownunder.com.au
- ShelterBox Australia www.shelterboxaustralia.com.au
- School of St Jude www.schoolofstjude.co.tz

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Ryde Hunters Hill Symphony Orchestra

Presents its inaugural concert

Taste of Nations – A Musical Journey

3.30pm | Sunday 6th May 2012
St Joseph's College
Br Emilian Hall,
Cnr of Mark St & Ryde Road
Hunters Hill

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SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Our Birthday at Il Vicolo — last orders

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**



Hat Day for Mental Health



The Rotary Club of Ryde
 Requests the pleasure of your company for
 dinner, drinks, and nibbles at our
Tuesday Night Meeting on 15th May, 2012 6pm to 8pm.

Address: Next Generation Function Centre
Level 2, 504A Victoria Road, Ryde. (Situating next to the aquatic centre.)

* We have a special speaker **Professor Philip Boyce**
 Professor of Psychiatry at Westmead Hospital Clinical School.

* The cost is \$40 per person and Rotary will donate \$10 from each person to
 Mental Health Research. Included in this cost is pre-dinner nibble platters, silver service
 main meal, followed by a yummy desert, and then tea / coffee.

Wine, beer, and soft drinks available at the bar on a cash only basis.
 Dinner payable on the night by cash or cheque.

* This will be a **fun night wearing a hat, any hat, pretty hat, formal hat, make your own
 hat, or a crazy hat.** Prizes will be given for the best hats.

R.S.V.P before Tuesday 8th May by contacting Nora Etmekdjian.

norartin@hotmail.com Mobile: 0417 699 955

Below are a few suggestions to make this night a success:



Can't attend next week's meeting? — Ring Val

Mothers Day Gift Wrapping

Mothers' Day is on Sunday 13th of May. Our club has the tradition of visiting nursing homes and wishing the ladies a happy day and present them a gift from the members of our Club.

Past President Geoff Brennan kindly provides us with gifts that we need. This year we are visiting six nursing homes and the total number of gifts we need to prepare is 286.

Artin Etmekdjian, Mayor of City of Ryde kindly made the Mayor's meeting room available for us to use to prepare the gifts. We will get together to prepare the gifts on Thursday 3rd of May from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. The venue is level 6, Civic Centre. Please bring your own drinks and I will provide the nibbles.

The room can accommodate up to 30 people comfortably. There will three tables to work on.



Each table will be assigned a task to do:

Table 1: sticking and folding

Table 2: knotting and treading

Table 3: making a bow and curling

If you are interested in curling ribbons, please bring a pair of scissors with you.

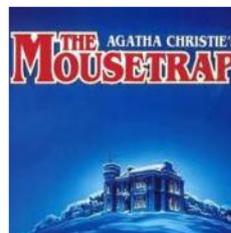
If you would like to join in for a fun evening please contact Nora Etmekdjian.

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.



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Attendance last meeting

Attendance Last Meeting: 88.64%

Makeups: John Dodd, Artin Etmekdjian

Apologies: Les Whitcroft, Artin Etmekdjian, John Dodd, Mick Nelson, Noel Dunn,
Ron Thomson, Geoff Nix, Stefan Sojka, Terry Kerim

Guest: Victoria Blichfeldt

Guest Speaker: Wendy Farrow

Looking Ahead...



May 1: **Social Media** — Sam Lambert

May 8: **Not a Poor Man's Field** - Michael Waterhouse talks about his new book which tells the story of the PNG Goldfields prior to WWII.

May 15: **Hat Day for Mental Health:** Speaker Phillip Boyle, Professor of Psychiatry, Sydney University.
An initiative of Ryde Council to promote Mental Health Awareness - members and guests must wear hats (provided) and bring partners!

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

Birthdays and Anniversaries



April 22: Rotary Club of Ryde's 66th Birthday

April 29: Birthday Celebration for Ruth Henderson

Friday Night Roster for Victoria

Victoria is presently hosted with Charles & Victoria Kilby

Who	When	Who	When
Geoff Brennan	27/4/2012	Geoff Nix	11/5/2012
John Brown	4/5/2012	Safari until 2 June	

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



▶ **Mothers Day Gift Wrapping**

Date: Thursday 3rd May
 Time: 6.30—8.30pm
 Venue: Ryde Civic Centre, Level 6, Mayor's meeting room



▶ **Paint Vandalism (Graffiti) Removal**

Date: Saturday 5th May (first Saturday in the month)
 Time: 8am—10am
 Details: Charles Kilby



▶ **Ryde Rotary Friday Night Dinner**

Date: Friday 11th May
 Venue: Ryde-Parramatta Golf Club, Victoria Road
 Time: 7 for 7.30pm
 Details: Peter Cooper



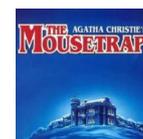
▶ **Salvation Army's Red Shield Appeal**

Dates: Saturday and Sunday 19th & 20th May
 Requirements: Rotarians as drivers



▶ **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 p9)

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
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
15/05/12	Geoff Brennan	Paul Burnett	Bill Payne	Kalma McLellan	Rob Mitchell

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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!