

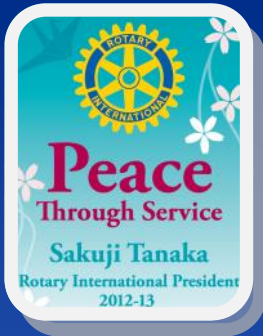
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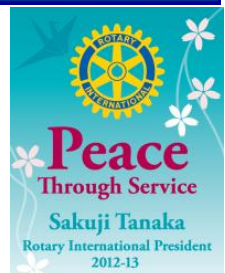
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 Meeting Place: Level 2, Next Generation Club, next to
 Ryde Aquatic Centre, 504 Victoria Road, Ryde
 Meeting Time: Every Tuesday — 6:00pm for 6:30pm
 Postal Address: Rotary Club of Ryde Inc.
 PO Box 90 Ryde, NSW 1680

**RSVP extras or absences to:
 Val Payne 9874 5787 (or as advised)**



This Week...

Tonight 20 November

Aboriginal Child Youth & Family
Sue Pinckham— Aboriginal HACC Access/
Development Officer, Community Services,
Hornsby Shire Council

Tonight's Roster

Welcomers	Tony Abboud and Ken Allen
Loyal Toast by	Maureen Mulheron
Guest Speaker introduced by	David James
Guest Speaker thanked by	Geoff Nix

If you are unable to fulfill this duty, please arrange your own swap and inform President Burkhart of the change.

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



Burkhart's Blog



Greetings to all Rotarians and Rotary friends.

Last week, thanks to Graham Metcalfe, Ron Thompson and the Vocational Services Committee, as well as the outstanding apprentices selected by them, we had a very enjoyable and uplifting 'Apprentice of the Year Awards' night.

Tonight, our guest speaker is Sue Pinckham, who is going to speak about the problems which confront our Aboriginal communities, especially children, youth and families. We look forward to an informative evening.

Don't forget the Opening Celebration of the Hunter's Hill Ryde Men's Shed on Saturday, 1st December, and the Graffiti Removal on Sunday 2nd December.

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Last meeting ... as recalled by Allen Horrell



Our meeting started without the Rotary Grace, but we still managed to toast the Queen, so there was an official start to our meeting before President Burkhart welcomed our Apprentice of the Year nominees and their entourages.

Dinner was served and consumed, and then a brief Rotary business session began. **President Burkhart** spoke on our 'Trees of Joy', **Rob Mitchell** on our second Co-ed High School now structurally complete in Borjagai, Hazarajat, Afghanistan, and **Charles Kilby** on several events including the next Graffiti eradication day on Sunday 2nd December. The spackle was drawn and a bottle of wine went to one of our guests.

Vocational Chair Graham Metcalfe introduced 'Apprentice of the Year' MC **Ron Thomson**, who then wisely stood down as the desserts were served.

Following dessert, **Ron introduced Sue-Anne Brady**, the Sydney Manager of the Australian Business Apprenticeships Centre. ABAC promotes apprenticeships to business encouraging them to take on fine young trainees such as the three contestants honoured at our meeting.

After Sue-Anne's address the awardees were called up in reverse order to the front by Ron and introduced by their TAFE teachers. The comments below from their teachers give an idea of the calibre of these young apprentices:

3rd Martin Campbell: "The best apprentice I've ever had!" (*David Harrison*)

2nd Harry Stacey: "I'm very proud of Harry's achievements!" (*Rod Jackson*)

Harry replied "I may not have come first – well done Cameron! But it is an achievement to have made it to the finals. Thanks Rotary!"

1st Cameron Dagger: "Both Marty and Cameron are fine young men. I don't know how Ron's team decided between them. Cameron has been an outstanding student all the way through!" (*David Harrison*)



Martin Campbell, Cameron Dagger & Harry Stacey

There were great acceptance speeches by all three young men, each acknowledging their employers, teachers, parents and of course Ryde Rotary.

Teachers and apprentices mentioned how important a service we offer to our community by providing a venue where excellence can be rewarded, and the value of Apprenticeships is publicly recognised.

We closed the meeting with the National Anthem, sung with gusto by members and visitors alike.



Sue-Anne Brady, David Harrison, Martin, Cameron, Harry and Rod Jackson

Hobart Inner Wheel



Val Payne photographed with the Hobart Inner Wheel ladies on Wednesday 7th November. Val & Bill recently visited Tasmania, attending a combined meeting with the Lindisfarne Club and Inner Wheel.

Notice Board

Can't attend a meeting?

Who do I call ... before 10.00 am Monday mornings?

Val Payne - 9874 5787





Did you order Christmas Cakes, Puddings or Cards?

 Treasurer Maureen would like to see you.

 Payment for these are now due!




Reminders for your Social Calendar



Youth Exchange Christmas Party — Spit Roast and Bush Dance
As our 'Inbound' exchange students prepare for their first Australian Christmas and our 'Outbounds' arrange to head off to adventures around the world.

Date: Friday 30 November

Time: 7.00 till 11.00 pm

Venue: Hunters Hill Sailing Club
 Merrington Place (off Clarke Road), Woolwich

Cost: \$50 pp—children under 15—\$25

Contact: Paul Wynn 0407 946 766 (Rotary Club of Gladesville)



Hunters Hill Ryde Men's Shed - Opening Celebration
Morning Tea and Refreshments!

Date: Saturday 1 December

Time: 10 for 10.30 start

Venue: Hunters Hill Ryde Men's Shed
 Located behind 3 Mary Street, Hunters Hill

Contact: Bernadine Wijeseklera 9817 0101 or outreach@hhrccs.org.au



Australia's campaign to
 stop violence against women

White Ribbon



Join us for breakfast to mark White Ribbon Day and the
 UN's International Day for the Elimination of Violence
 Against Women

White Ribbon Breakfast
 Thursday 22 November

7.30 - 9.00am, Next Generation Health & Racquet Club
 504a Victoria Road, Ryde

- I swear. Make an oath and show your support
- Learn what you can do in your own life and in your workplace
- Enjoy a gourmet breakfast
- Guests include: White Ribbon Ambassadors
 The Hon. Victor Dominello MP Member for Ryde,
 Mr John Alexander OAM MP Member for Bennelong
 and City of Ryde Mayor Clr Ivan Petch.

Tickets only \$10 payable at the door.

For more information and to reserve your ticket contact Angela
 Pink at Angela.Pink@facns.w.gov.au or call 9815 0727.



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**Ryde Macquarie Park
 Chamber of Commerce
 2012 Combined Chambers/RBF
 Christmas Party**

*The City of Ryde business
 community country-style
 hoe-down!*

Date: Friday 7 December

Time: 6.30 pm until late

Venue: 118 Culloden Road,
 Marsfield

Cost: \$60 pp includes hay
 rides, meals, spit roast
 pig, beef & lamb, salads
 plus much more.

Contact: Charles Kilby
 0412 401 664

Weekly Report - Community



Christmas gift wrapping is back again this year! Top Ryde City Shopping Centre Management is very appreciative of the service we provide for their shoppers. This year they have decided to give us a spot close to where most shoppers will pass by — on Level 1.

It is a location that is highly visible from any level. People on the travelators can watch us wrapping gifts, and hopefully the funds we raise will be much higher.



As every year the Centre Management will provide the paper, the tools, tables and chairs. We have a good number of Interactors from James Ruse Agricultural High School who are looking forward to the event. They usually cover well the weekdays. We will need Rotarians and wives/partners to help during the two weekends —



15 and 16 of December, 22 and 23 of December and also on **Christmas Eve, 24 December** - the busiest day.

Starting time each day is 10.00 am and finishes at 5.00 pm (except Thursday 20 December, Centre opens until 9.00 pm).

The duty roster will be passed around each week - have fun, add to the 'treasury' and enjoy the Christmas spirit!



Nora

Comedy Corner



- ◆ I start a new job in Seoul next week. I thought it was a good Korea move.
- ◆ Statistically, 6 out of 7 dwarves are not Happy.
- ◆ My neighbour knocked on my door at 2:30 am this morning, can you believe that, 2:30 am? Luckily for him I was still up playing my Bagpipes.
- ◆ The wife has been missing a week now. Police said to prepare for the worst. So I have been to the charity shop to get all her clothes back.
- ◆ Bought some 'rocket salad' yesterday but it went off before I could eat it!
- ◆ Murphy says to Paddy "What ya talkin to an envelope for?"
"I'm sending a voicemail ya thick sod!"



Dear Friend,

Right now, 150 of the brightest and poorest children in Arusha are being selected to start their education at St Jude's next year. Let me tell you about one of them – Adolfinia.

Adolfinia is seven and lives with her mother, father and two brothers in a mud house without electricity. She shares a mattress with her siblings and a bathroom with her neighbours. Her father sells vegetables from a wooden stall and her mother gathers water and washes clothes for people in the village.

At school, Adolfinia shares a classroom with 128 other students, limited resources and a poorly trained teacher. In spite of this Adolfinia is one of the top students in her class and her passion for learning continues at home where she often teaches her brothers. The few school notebooks she has are wrapped carefully in old newspapers to keep them clean since her house is always dusty. When asked what she wants to be when she grows up, she says, "I want to sell bananas."

Recently Adolfinia's mother heard about St Jude's from friends. After taking reading and writing tests with thousands of other hopeful children, Adolfinia received a place at St Jude's to start in 2013. Her and her family now have a chance to escape the poverty cycle.

By receiving a free, high-quality education at St Jude's Adolfinia can now DARE TO DREAM – a dream beyond selling bananas. No longer will she be bound by the cycle of poverty that her parents and grandparents have endured. Adolfinia is one of 150 new students who will start at St Jude's in 2013.

That's 150 new dreams. By investing in one of these children you will empower a young child to reach beyond their dreams and you will play an active role in the fight against poverty in one of the world's poorest nations.

Sponsor a dream today:

\$120 per month - Student and Boarding Room Sponsorship

\$110 per month - Student and Teacher Sponsorship

\$60 per month - Half Sponsorship of a Student

Thank you for your support,

Gemma.

PS: School starts on the 9th of January 2013, so please share this with your friends so our new 150 students have sponsors to share their journey.



Annual General Meeting



Rotary Club of Ryde

Notice of Annual General Meeting



**Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the
Rotary Club of Ryde, Incorporated, will be held
Tuesday 11th December 2012
at 6.30pm**

Next Generation Club, next to Ryde Aquatic Centre
504 Victoria Road, Ryde

The Minutes of the 2011 Annual General Meeting can be downloaded as a PDF (see the link below). If this proves unsuccessful, please ask the Secretary for a printed copy.

Nominations for board positions for the Rotary year 2013-2014 are encouraged.

Forms are available from the Secretary.

Bob Kaye-Smith

Up-and-Coming Rotary Events

Friday 30 November Rotary Club of Gladesville—Youth Exchange Bush Dance

Sunday 2 December Grafitti Removal Team

Saturday 15 December to Monday 24 December - Christmas Gift Wrapping 2012
Top Ryde City Shopping Centre

More details of the above and other events, see Page 11

Attendance last meeting

Percentage Attendance Last Meeting: 97.67%

Apologies:	Siddharth Maheshwari, Les Whitcroft, Artin Etmekdjian, Ashley Peake, Duncan Taylor, Tony Abboud, John Mazlin, Julie Thorp, Kalma McLellan, Nora Etmekdjian
Makeups:	Artin Etmekdjian, Duncan Taylor, Julie Thorp, Kalma McLellan, Steve Thorp, Julie Thorp
Other Guests:	Lou Camenzuli, Alistair Campbell, Emma Campbell, Martin Campbell, Megan Campbell, Karen Chew, Cameron Dagger, Melinda Dagger, Kathryn Dunn, David Harrison, Rod Jackson, Onni Kivimaa, Clair Loibner, Lawrence Ly, Harry Stacey, Nanette Stacey, Peter Stacey, Jocelyn Vickars, Ryan Vickars, Paul Webb
Guest of Member	Janice Brennan, Dee Brown, Lorraine Carroll, Margaret Cooper, Faye Dunn, Patricia Foertsch, Elinor Higgins, Carolyn Metcalfe, Rose Rocca

Friday Night Roster for Onni Kivimaa

Onni is presently hosted with Charles & Victoria Kilby

Who	When	Who	When
Ron Thomson	23/11/12	Erdom Toner	4/12/12
Julie & Stephen Thorp	30/11/12	Tony Abboud	11/12/12



Birthday Celebrations

November 18	<i>Belated wish to Bob Carroll — 76 year Birthday Celebration</i>
21	69 year Birthday Celebration for Ken Allen
24	69 year Birthday Celebration for Martin Aston
24	Birthday celebration for Deirdre Edmonds partner of Ron Thomson
25	68 year Birthday Celebration for Rob Mitchell

**Deadline for material in
The HUB is Friday 5pm unless otherwise arranged**

Rotary and Other Events ...

- ▶ **DRAMA—'Doubt'—Zenith Theatre Chatswood**
 Date: Saturday 16-24 November
 Time: Evening 8.00 pm (Matinee Sunday: 3.00 pm)
 Details: www.zeniththeatre.com.au
- ▶ **Youth Exchange Christmas Party—hosted by Rotary Club of Gladesville**
 Date: Friday 30 November
 Time: 7.00 to 11.00 pm
 Details: Paul Wynn 0407 770 669 or wynn@ozemail.com.au
- ▶ **Hunters Hill Ryde Men's Shed Opening Celebration**
 Date: Saturday 1 December
 Time: 10 am for a 10.30 start
 Details: 3 Mary Street, Hunters Hill
- ▶ **2012 Combined Chambers/RBF Children's Party**
 Date: Friday 7 December
 Time: 6.30 pm till late
 Details: Charles Kilby 0412 402 664 or charles.kilby@aussie.com.au
- ▶ **Celebration of the Festive Season - Rotary Club of Eastwood**
 Date: Saturday 8th December, 2012
 Place: PP Dr John and Noelene Berne
 408-412 Pennant Hills Road, Pennant Hills 2120
 Time: 6.30 pm for 7.00 pm
 Cost: \$30 per head - plus BYO
 Details: Patricia Keith 9808 1044 or email pakeith@dial1.net
- ▶ **2012 Rotary Christmas Gift Wrapping - Top Ryde Shopping Centre**
 Date: Saturday 15 December to Monday 24 December
 Details: Contact Nora Etmekdjian

Looking Ahead ...

November	27	Computers for PNG - Phil Isaacs
December	4	Japan - My Experience - PDG Les Whitcroft
	11	Circus Quirkus + Annual General Meeting

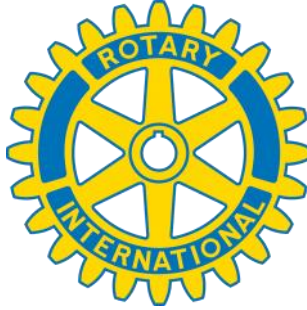


Meeting Night Duty Roster

Date	Welcomers	Loyal	Intro	Thanks
27/11/12	Martin Aston Kathryn Dodd	Paul Burnett	Rob Mitchell	John Higgins
4/12/12	Peter Cooper Jan Cutler	Rob Senior	-	-
11/12/12	David Johnston Adrian Hallett	Bill Payne	Graham Metcalfe	Patrick Longfield

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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!