

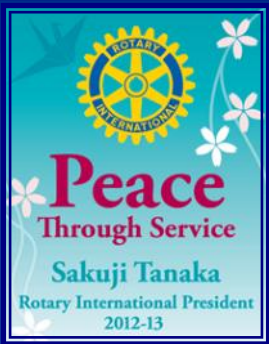
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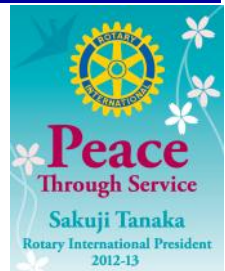
Club Information



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
 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 29 January Youth Science night - Two amazing young scientists, Nancy Liu (YSF) and Lisha Lobo (NYSF) will present their recent experiences from attending the Youth Science Forum.

Tonight's Roster

Welcomers	Allen Horrell, David James
Loyal Toast by	Ross Rocca
Introduce Guest Speaker	Charles Kilby
Guest Speaker thanked by	Duncan Taylor

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 Rotarians and Rotary friends.

We seem to be starting the New Year, with looking after the young people in our community. Last week we had two RYLA attendees giving their report to us, and also the visit of a previous exchange student.

This week we hear from Lisha Lobo and Nancy Liu. These two young ladies and prospective scientist were sponsored by us to attend two Youth Science Forums. Also thanks to some excellent groundwork from Nora, Artin and Stefan, we are almost ready to start a new Interact Club at the Ryde Secondary College.

Burkhart

Don't give the Serjeant-at-Arms an excuse to fine you, **your semi-annual membership fees of \$125 are now due!**

See the Treasurer, or you may write a cheque,
give cash or pay by direct credit to —

Rotary Club of Ryde, Inc.



Last Meeting . . . as recalled by Jan Cutler



President **Burkhart** opened the meeting followed by the usual welcome to guests and apologies from members, many of whom were visiting district rotary clubs (a follow up after their initial promotional visit), to encourage their attendance to our fast approaching District Conference in March.

Burkhart reported on the Trees of Joy. Disappointingly, 150 cards were left on Eastwood's tree, 30 at West Ryde and 20 at East Ryde. On the positive side however, 1600 presents were distributed overall. Burkhart thanked Ron Taffa, Charles Kilby and Tony Abboud for their assistance and also James Candrick, Manager of Westpac who stored some of the gifts.

Members were also advised that Board Meetings for this year will be held after meetings on Tuesday 12 February, 23 April and 4 June.

Treasurer Maureen Mulheron reminded members of their \$125 Rotary subscription now due. She also asked for member's financial consideration to a research program called 'Destiny Rescue' for 5-15 year old girls in Cambodia. Burkhart commented that it would be placed on the agenda for the next Board Meeting.

Patrick Longfield reminded members that recruiting new members is a constant, but our approach should be 'gentle' in our coercion. He had been pleasantly surprised that evening to receive two potential new member names.

Nora Etmekdjian reported on the 2012 Christmas wrapping - \$5,468.95 was raised! The majority of the volunteer workers were youths who were happy to gift wrap for many hours. Nora commented that it is not easy to stand for hours wrapping gifts, and thanked those members who had volunteered their time. Nora also commented that at the end of 2012, she and Stefan Sojka had set up an Interact Club at Ryde Secondary College which will, in 2013, be an Interact club in full swing. Nora also asked for volunteers to join her Easter Parade and Fair committee which would entail 4 meetings before Easter.

Rob Mitchell regretted that his proposed film presentation of the 2nd school in Afghanistan 'failed to proceed'. However he was able to report that the opening of the school is being held off until some official can attend which should be in April. The Project manager is coming to Australia around middle of the year and Rob is delighted we can get together. Glenhaven Rotary club is helping in this project and now Epping Rotary Club is interested – Rob will be following up on this shortly.

Ryde Rotary supports students and teachers and Rob informed us that Gemma Sissia founder of the School of St Jude, is coming to Australia and will be speaking at the North Sydney Leagues Club on 28 March.

Charles Kilby thanked members for their compassion and prayers after the recent attack and vicious bashing of his son's best friend. Luke has recovered from his injuries however, Liam remains in an induced coma with suspected brain damage.

Ron Thomson once again reminded members that the annual Rotary Golf Day is Friday 15 February. Currently there are 13 sponsors but are looking for more sponsors to bring the total to 18 which is a viable number for expenses on the day.

It was then **Onni Kivimaa's** turn for to give his weekly report. Onni reported that he is having an amazing holiday - it was his first Christmas and birthday celebration without snow!

... last meeting (cont'd)

Onni is pleased he is experiencing the extreme heat of Australia after hearing that last year's exchange students suffered wet and cooler temperatures – a little disappointed not to be able to witness the fireworks on Sydney Harbour on New Year's eve. His time has been spent visiting Canberra, socialising with his friends and farewelling John Goris before he left on his exchange trip to Finland. John left Sydney in 45°C heat and Finland was experiencing - 26°C cold - 60°C difference!!

Next we heard from **Anna Gosweiler**, our 2010-11 exchange student holidaying back in Australia. In Switzerland Anna is studying, Psychology and Social Anthropology. She has been travelling a great deal and found the exchange has made her more self assured, able to try new things. Anna recalled her weekly reports helped her to become more confident and she is now not afraid to give speeches. She feels she is more generous due to her experience of host families opening up their homes to her, she is more open minded and will talk to people on the bus, unlike most Swiss people.



Charles Jnr and Dominic with Anna, Onni, Victoria & Charles Kilby Snr

Sargent Duncan then took over and Anna took back her old job of collecting the fines, assisted by Patrick Longfield.

Geoff Nix introduced our guest speakers for the night, Charles Kilby Jnr and Dominic ... who had completed RYLA only last Saturday. These 2 boys gave a fantastic presentation, really gave us an insight into their week at RYLA and how their personalities were brought out, their skills honed and their weaknesses identified. Many life long friends were made. At question time they handled themselves well, answering honestly and openly.

Noel Dunn thanked both of them for their excellent presentation .

President Burkhart closed the meeting thanking everyone for their attendance.

Jan



Marriage Humour



Wife: "What are you doing?"

Husband: "Nothing!"

Wife: "Nothing ...? You've been reading our marriage certificate for an hour."

Husband: "I was looking for the expiration date."

Wife : "Do you want dinner?"

Husband: "Sure! What are my choices?"

Wife: "Yes or no."

A wife asked her husband: "What do you like most in me, my pretty face or my sexy body?"

He looked at her from head to toe and replied: "I like your sense of humor!"

Rotarians team up with students to provide clean water

Growing up in an affluent community near Lake Michigan, Connor Kenehan never had to worry about a lack of clean water. But when a class assignment opened his eyes to global disparities in water access, he decided to help those who don't have the benefit of proximity.

Kenehan founded an organization called 'Well Being' while researching water and sanitation issues for an eighth-grade project at Deer Path Middle School in Lake Forest, Illinois, USA. Four years later, he has turned the assignment into a platform to raise funds for clean water efforts. "Living in an area with great access to fresh water, we take it for granted," he says.

Early on, Kenehan realized that Rotarians could be powerful allies in the fight for safe water. "My friend and I were in Lake Forest with a poster, talking to people and asking for donations, and a Rotarian stopped by," he recalls. "He asked if we'd want to come to a Rotary club meeting." After the Rotary Club of Lake Forest-Lake Bluff voted to match the funds Kenehan had already raised, he gave \$3,000 to a Rotarian initiative in Minorca, Spain, that sends LifeStraws to villages in Africa.

Each inexpensive and lightweight personal water filter can remove more than 99 percent of waterborne bacteria and parasites from up to 264 gallons of water.

As Kenehan further explored global health issues and established contacts in the field, 'Well Being' gained credibility. Rotarians are helping Kenehan direct funds to where they're most needed. In his search for water projects, he has relied on the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group, which screens service efforts and connects donors to Rotarians and projects around the world, such as freshwater wells in Guatemala and Zambia and rainwater harvesting initiatives in India and Kenya.

"When I went to the middle school," Kenehan says, "I took one of those big orange buckets, and I asked the kids, 'How long do you think 5 gallons would last in the shower? How many toilet flushes?'" That visual aid caught the students' attention. When they voted on walkathon beneficiaries, the Lake Forest-Lake Bluff club took second place.

Ken Smith, a fifth-grade teacher and a student council supervisor at Deer Path, says the kids were attracted to Rotary's water and sanitation efforts because a single well project would yield tangible results. "What I liked about Rotary was that we wanted to see pictures, see something built, so that next year we'd be able to show the kids what their efforts accomplished," Smith says. "We want kids to see that they're making a difference, and why it's important."

When Rotary entered the picture, the kids got excited because there were actual projects available for their funding," says club president Tim Newman. "Now we're trying to take that \$2,500 and see how big we can make it." The club has already matched the students' donation, and corporate sponsorship from Rotarian Action Group partners could quadruple the sum.



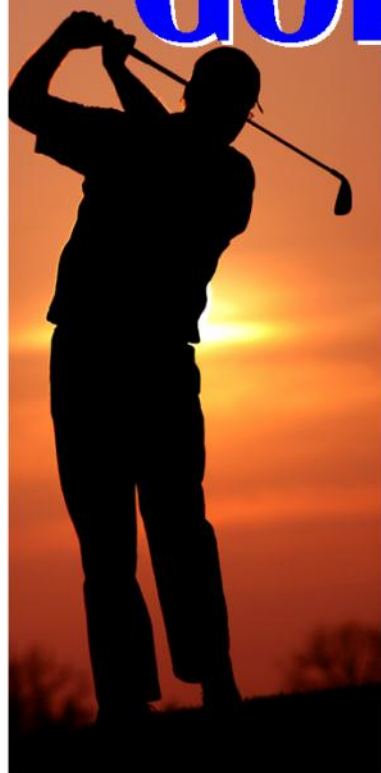
How long do you think 5 gallons would last in the shower?



ROTARY CLUB OF RYDE

2013 CHARITY

GOLF DAY



**Ryde-Parramatta
Golf Club**

1156 Victoria Road, West Ryde

**Friday
15th February 2013**

**4-ball Ambrose
Complimentary Bunker Clinic
Registration 7am + breakfast
Shotgun start 8am
Lunch approx 1pm**

PROUDLY SUPPORTING



**Prostate Cancer
Foundation
of Australia**

Proceeds will assist The Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia and community projects of the Rotary Club of Ryde. The Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia will receive \$50 from this registration which will be a tax deductible donation for you.

Christmas Treasure Trove 2012

3 lucky winners of the Holroyd Rotary Christmas Treasure Trove, drawn 7 pm on Monday the 21st January 2013 at the Merrylands Bowling Club in Oxford Street, Merrylands

1st Prize Toyota Yaris Car or \$16,000 Cash – R 116 701 – J Sachs, Gordon
 2nd Prize \$1,000 worth of Jewellery - HR 037 760 – M Murtha , Condon
 3rd Prize Netbook Computer – HR 099 964 – A Browne

Tickets are now available in the current raffle, the Rotary Community Chest 2013

- To order FREE raffle tickets; send email to the address below.
- You retain 75% of your sales and return 25% with the butts for the draw.
- The minimum order is one bundle of 25 books of 10 tickets at \$2 each. The great draw card is the car OR CASH as the First Prize and the unbeatable 75% margin for your organization.
- There is no better good-priced raffle and no easier way to raise funds that we know of.

What distinguishes this Rotary raffle is that from small Kindergartens to large charities your 75% net gain is better than if you organized your own. Simple arithmetic shows that a good-priced raffle needs to sell \$140,000 to clear 75% of sales. Only by economy of scale, combining many groups can this 75% net rate of return be achieved.

That's what makes this raffle better then you setting up your own. Order now by post, fax or email . See further details on: www.rotarnet.com.au/Holroyd

***Walter Bock, Central Coordinator of the Rotary Community Chest
 and Christmas Treasure Trove Projects
 Phone: 9630 7440 Fax: 9630 5943***

A Message from our Webmaster

<http://ryderotary.org.au/about-members> – Please go to the member listing on our Website to check your own listing and information. If you have anything to add, such as a new photo, or updated information – or you would like to change

2013 RYDA Program — Sydney Metropolitan Area

YOUNG PEOPLE AGED 17-25 REPRESENT 15% OF THE POPULATION BUT COUNT FOR AROUND A QUARTER OF DEATHS AND INJURIES ON OUR ROADS

During the RYDA Program, students take part in six interactive sessions on a broad range of road safety topics. RYDA is conducted at an out of school venue, chosen to highlight the road safety messages and is targeted at 17-18 year olds as they begin to drive or ride in cars driven by their peers.

Under the theme 'My Life : My Choices', the empowering messages are designed to give the young participants cause to stop, reflect and consider their decisions as a passenger or a driver.



Crash Profile of New Drivers



Getting behind the wheel of a car as a young driver is said to be the most dangerous thing that a person will do in their entire life. The RYDA Program equips young people with the tools and knowledge they need to stay safe on the roads.

“ I LEARNT THINGS THAT I’LL REMEMBER FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE! ”
(Student, Illawarra, NSW)



Aware that ill-informed messages to students can cause harm, a substantial investment has been made in developing a Program that consistently targets best practice road safety education standards.

In conjunction with research, Road Safety Education Limited, the providers of the RYDA Program also consults with road safety authorities, state departments of education and police so that the Program can complement and supplement the school curriculum and government road safety messages.

The international, award winning RYDA Program is delivered to over 50,000 students annually.

Volunteers required for the following dates:

- Thursday 7 March St Ives 9680 James Ruse Agricultural High School
- Thursday 6 June Sydney Olympic Park 9680 Riverside Girls High School

Please advise Charles Kilby (0412 401 664) if you can assist on these dates.

We'll be sad if we don't SEE YOU ON TUESDAY (2013) ..



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?**

Attendance last meeting

	Percentage Attendance Last Meeting: 88.64%
Apologies:	John Dodd, Les Whitcroft, Allen Horrell, Artin Etmekdjian, Geoffrey Brennan, Ken Allen, Adrian Hallett, John Mazlin, Kalma McLellan, Paul Burnett, Ron Taffa, Stefan Sojka
Makeups:	John Dodd, Allen Horrell, Geoffrey Brennan, Adrian Hallett, Kalma McLellan, Stefan Sojka
Guests:	Anna Gossweiler (Swiss Rotex), Onni Kivimaa
Other Guests:	Victoria Kilby, Kathleen Leonard, Ron Reese



Birthdays and Anniversaries



Afraid The Hub's celebratory list last edition contained a few discrepancies—humblest apologies. Below the correctly dated events:

January	22	Birthday Celebration for Faye Dunn
	24	37 year Wedding Anniversary for Janice and Geoff Brennan
	24	70 year Birthday Celebration for John Brown
	26	43 year Wedding Anniversary for Judy and Rob Mitchell
	28	46 year Wedding Anniversary for Carolyn and Graham Metcalfe
	28	57 year Wedding Anniversary for Faye and Noel Dunn
	29	Birthday Celebration for Sally James
	31	32 year Birthday Celebration for Siddharth Maheshwari
	February	4



Sound Familiar!

Grandparent's Answering Machine

"Good morning . . . at present we are not at home . . . please leave your message after you hear the beep . . . beeeeeeeep!

If you are one of our children, dial 1 and then select the option from 1 to 5 in order of 'arrival' so we know who it is:

If you need us to stay with the children, press 2

If you want to borrow the car, press 3

If you want us to wash your clothes and do the ironing, press 4

If you want the grandchildren to sleep here tonight, press 5

If you want us to pick up the kids from school, press 6

If you want us to prepare a meal for Sunday, or to have it delivered to your home, press 7

If you want to come to eat here, press 8

If you need money, press 9

If you are going to invite us to dinner, to take us to the theatre, start talking, we are listening!"

Rotary and Other Events ...

- ▶ **2013 Charity Golf Day - Ryde Parramatta Golf Club**
Date: Friday 15 February 2013
Details: Contact Ron Thomson

- ▶ **2012-13 MUNA— Knox Grammar School, Wahroonga**
Date: Saturday & Sunday 23-24 March
Time: Saturday, 8.30 am to 5 pm, Sunday 9 am to 4 pm
Details: Ian Paterson 9489 2855, MUNA Chair, Rotary Club of Wahroonga

- ▶ **2013 Sydney Metro RYDA Program (Volunteers required)**
Date: **Thursday, 7 March**
Where: St Ives — James Ruse Agricultural High School
Date: **Thursday, 6 June**
Where: Sydney Olympic Park — Riverside Girls High School
Details: Call Charles Kilby 0412 401 664

Friday Night Roster for Onni Kivimaa

Onni is presently hosted with **Malcolm & Kathleen Goris, 17 Pearl Avenue, Epping**
Phone: **9877 0852**

Who	When	Who	When
Bob Carroll	01/02/13	Jan Cutler	15/02/13
Peter Cooper	08/02/13	Kathryn Dodd	22/02/13

Looking Ahead

February	5	Space, Context & Design - Kate Dodd
	12	Membership & Club Brochure - Mark Anderson, D9680 Membership Chair
	19	Club Meeting - Club Forum

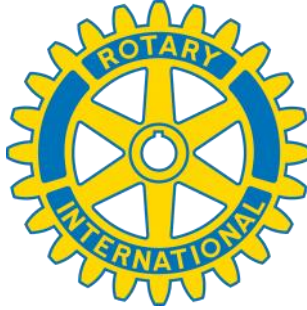


Meeting Night Duty Roster

Date	Welcomers		Loyal	Intro	Thanks
05/02/13	Charles Kilby	Kalma McLellan	Ron Thomson	Allen Horrell	Julie Thorp
12/02/13	Siddarth Maheshwari	John Mazlin	Ron Taffa	Patrick Longfield	Stephen Thorp
19/02/13	Graham Metcalfe	Rob Mitchell	Duncan Taylor	-	-

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

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!