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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
Postal Address: Rotary Club of Ryde Inc.
PO Box 90 Ryde 1680 NSW

This Week... Helen England—Meadowbank TAFE

Our speaker tonight is **Helen England** from **Meadowbank TAFE** and we'll hear about School Partnerships and TVET.

Last Week — as recalled by Allen Horrell



This week the Loyal Toast was proposed by PP **Bob Kaye-Smith**, and then the rostered talk was a Vocational talk by PE **Ken Allen**: his retirement job at Anglicare sounds busy and fulfilling.

We had several apologies including PDG **Les Whitcroft** who was attending a family function for his grandson who is leaving for the USA, he also has a new great grandchild, Kirsty's daughter Eugenie. Because PP Patrick was away at a Mental Health Forum, we had **David James** back as acting Serjeant.

After a chicken dinner our reports commenced, **Burkhart** speaking on this weekend's Father's Day visits, the Eco Day BBQ, and the Pakistan Flood appeal at Top Ryde this weekend.

Once again I was reminded that it's unwise to actually do Rotary business at a Rotary meeting. We failed to get volunteers for the Pakistan Flood appeal when we sprung it on the meeting, but other members came forward later to try to put it back on track. I'm pleased to report that we collected \$1276.50 for ShelterBox. Thank you to all who helped and particularly to JB HiFi, Top Ryde for the loan of an LCD TV.

Our next Exchange Student, **Anna Gossweiler** arrives on Monday at 6.05am.

Our spackle was drawn by guest speaker **Simone Schwarz** from Ryde Council, and when **David James** asked her to draw his ticket, she obliged, in the most blatant game fixing to ever horrify our members! Fortunately Secretary **Bob Kaye-Smith** was no such push-over, and the Joker remained unfound. After a few more fines and an auction of chocolate bars won by a consortium headed by PR Director **Stefan Sojka**, it was time for **Simone Schwarz** to be introduced by PP **Rob Mitchell**. She proceeded to give us the Ryde Council view of our local community with lots of Ryde trivia:

- In Ryde both rich and poor are over-represented, with average earners at less than the average number for the Sydney basin.
- 25% of Ryde residents live alone – that is sad.
- 91% are happy with garbage and recycling services. That probably means that 23% of Residents both live alone and like Garbos...
- Everybody hates the state of roads in Ryde, but the state of the major roads is the responsibility of the NSW State Government.



Simone Schwarz

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Last Week (continued)

- She told us her daughters raved about the latest state-of-the-art children's swings in London, only to find exactly the same model in Eastwood and Ryde parks. This goes to show it is possible for Sydney to have state-of-the-art infrastructure – Can we have more, please?

The council is active in fox and rabbit baiting – I'm guessing she meant poisoning rather than teasing.

She said "I'm guessing most of you are residents of the Ryde LGA?" I thought "I'm not so sure..."

Graham Metcalfe gave the vote of thanks and I prepared to close the meeting with my own snippet of Trivia:

At the ADFA open day in Canberra I took my Cadet son to last Saturday I saw the Army Motto "Service before Self" - very similar to RI's "Service above Self": It's either a very small world, great minds think alike, or the ADF has had some exposure to Rotary.

This week, I will be in Queensland, President Elect **Ken Allen** will run the meeting, **Stefan** will be scribe for the Hub, and **Helen England** from Meadowbank TAFE will be our guest speaker.

Allen Horrell

Snap!



"I'm telling you now ... don't ring me! Ring Bob!" Patricia Foertsch, ready with the answers.



"My bucket's heavier than your bucket!"

Other events you can go to ...

- ▶ **Ryde Rivers Festival – Dragon Boat Regatta**
Date: Sunday 12th September, Parramatta River, Kissing Point/Bennelong Parks
Time: from 9am
Details: www.ryderiversfestival.com
- ▶ **Sustainable House Day**
Date: Sunday 12th September—10am to 4pm
37 Beswick Avenue, North Ryde [*see article P6*]
- ▶ **Eco-Day BBQ**
Date: 18th September
Lane Cove National Park
Details: Burkhardt Foertsch
- ▶ **Rotary Club of Rouse Hill Fundraising Dinner Dance**—"Sustain our Students"
Date: 24th September 2010, 6pm, Blue Elephant Function Centre, Pennant Hills
Cost: \$50 per head. Black tie.
RSVP to Tegan Pather 0422 164 499
- ▶ **Granny Smith Festival**
Date: Saturday 16 October, Eastwood Shopping Precinct and Eastwood Oval
- ▶ **Ryde Rotary Fellowship weekend**
Date: 5-7 November
All over and around Goulburn
Details will be revealed closer to the day by PP Peter Cooper

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

Martin Luther King

Friday Night Roster for Raffaella Tiscar

"Bosworth", 1/188 Balaclava Road, Marsfield. 2122. Mob. 0458 758 654

Allen, Ken	10 September 2010
Dodd, John	17 September 2010
Thorp, Steve	24 September 2010
Cutler, Jan	1 October 2010
Foertsch, Burkhardt	8 October 2010
Higgins, John	15 October 2010
Taylor, Duncan	22 October 2010
Carroll, Bob	29 October 2010
Kilby Charles	5 November 2010
Mitchell, Rob	12 November 2010



If you are unable to commit to the rostered day, please arrange a swap and, if time permits, advise the Hub editor so that it can be noted here.

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

Sustainable House Day—12th September

Sustainable House Day is in its 9th year. The aim is to showcase some of Australia's most environmentally sustainable homes.

There is nothing better than seeing something first-hand, it makes it real, and for most of us breaks the subject down into easily digestible chunks! That's why Sustainable House Day is such a success and really worth taking the opportunity to visit some of the over 200 houses opening around the country. It's like a personal invitation to see what owners of sustainable homes have done and how these ideas can apply to you!

The ninth annual Sustainable House Day on Sunday 12 September will showcase some of Australia's most environmentally sustainable homes to the public as millions of Australians continue to embrace renewable energy, recycling and other practices designed to lessen our impact on the environment.

NORTH RYDE

37 Beswick Avenue, North Ryde House - a "sustainable project home".

This is a two storey project home that has been modified to add sustainable features. It demonstrates that simple things can be done to improve the efficiency of such houses but also demonstrates that typical project home delivery does not easily allow sustainable features to be incorporated.



For more information explore the website at: <http://www.sustainablehouseday.com>

The 4 Stages in Life



- 1) You believe in Santa Claus.
- 2) You don't believe in Santa Claus.
- 3) You are Santa Claus.
- 4) You look like Santa Claus.

Ryde Rotary Charity Golf Day 2011



Here's an opportunity to spend half a day on the golf course for a good cause.

The Ryde Rotary Charity Golf Day will be held on Friday 25th February 2011 at Oatlands Golf Club. Shotgun start at 8am with registration from 7. Breakfast supplied for the early birds. Golf Day co-ordinator Mick Nelson invites you to -

- Play on the day (as an individual or in a group)
- Find a sponsor
- Source prizes for raffles, etc.
- Help with preparations and activity on the day.

Call Mick Nelson on **0428 645 128**

Attendance last meeting

Attendance Last Meeting: 88.37%

Makeups: PP Bob Carroll, PP Mick Nelson, PP Patrick Longfield

Apologies: Surinder Joson, Hameed Fazal, PDG Les Whitcroft, PP Bob Carroll, PP Graham Rushforth, PP Mick Nelson, PP Patrick Longfield, PP Tony Abboud, James Candrick.

Guest speaker: Simone Schwarz, Group Manager, Community Life, Ryde City Council.

Guests: Raffaella Tiscar (Ambassadorial Scholar), Caroline Hawkins, Richard Henrickus, Gary Mazloumian (guests of PP Artin Etmekdjian)



Looking Ahead...

Sept 14: Exchange Student—Anna Gossweiler ** Partners' Night **

Sept 21: Club Forum—Planning Meeting Stage 2—Rob Mitchell

Sept 28: Growing Health—Fiona Plant

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



Sunday 31st October 2010
Sunday 30th January 2011, Sunday 29th May 2011
Sunday 31st July 2011, Sunday 30th October 2011
PLEASE keep these dates free

Absentee Advice — RING BOB (or else!)

If no apology is received the Rotarian is obliged to pay for their meal. Please phone or email apologies to Secretary **Bob Kaye-Smith** no later than 10:00am Monday, the day prior to meeting.
Phone **0411 263 294** or email kayesmithr@syntechtron.com



Birthdays and Anniversaries

August 31: Sue Nelson's Birthday

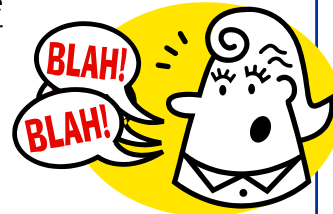
September 10: PE Ken Allen's 14th Club Anniversary

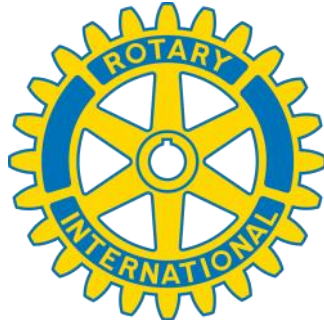
Rostered Talk

The rostered Rotarian can choose to give either a Vocational 4 minute talk on their career or the Four Way Test, or give a two minute Elevator Talk, designed to describe Rotary in general, or Ryde Rotary in particular, to a stranger in a lift.

Upcoming speakers:

Tony Abboud 7/09/2010
Martin Aston 14/09/2010
Eric Bond 21/09/2010
Geoff Brennan 28/09/2010





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!