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Please use the club website facility before 3pm to apologise on meeting day or you will be required to reimburse the club for your meal cost. Please also use the website facility to advise of your guests before 3pm.

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Rotary Club of Ku-ring-gai Annual Sporting Team Challenge (Bowls Night)

What a great night. 7 teams competed for the Team Challenge Trophy in most 'trying' conditions (chooks crossing the line of sight, members seeking to be coached by opposition team members, wind upsetting the oar-derves and blowing serviettes and the score sheet over the field - oops was that an hors-d'oeuvre that went past the green?)



Judy Timms and guest Graham



Irene Kennedy—style and determination



Lindsay LeCompte and Wally Forbes — an unsuccessful protest!



In the end it came down to the wire and the winning team comprising Michael Tyler, Michael Midlam, Dilys Geddes and Rasma Andrejewskis was presented with the trophy.

Tribute to Tim Philips

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Tim was inducted as a member of the Rotary Club of Ku-ring-gai in November 1998. His membership classification was 'Hospital Administration'. Part of our club's induction ceremony reads as follows: "Whilst we can make you a member of our Rotary club, we cannot make you a Rotarian.

That is an honour which you must gain for yourself. The community will know you, and will judge Rotary, by your commitment to the ideal of "Service Above Self".

Well, Tim became an exemplary Rotarian. Looking back, the extent and range of his involvement in our club's activities is extraordinary.

He served on the following committees:

- Club Service, which is concerned with administration of the club;
- Community Service – carrying out projects for the benefit of the local community;
- Vocational Service – promoting high standards in all areas of work;
- International Service – supporting projects in the developing world;
- New initiatives – a special committee set up to develop new projects for the club after our previous major annual project ceased to be viable; and
- The Ku-ring-gai Garden Festival – our club's current major annual project.

Tim also took responsibility for, amongst other things:

- Arranging guest speakers, which is a vital part of successful club meetings and a very demanding role; and
- Publicity – how the club presents itself to and communicates with the community.

Tim joined the club board in 2000 and was very active as a director in charge of some of the areas I've just mentioned.

In 2005 the club revived the role of Vice President, which had fallen into disuse. Tim was elected to the position and served with distinction from 2005 – 08, setting the standard for others to follow.

Much of the time Tim was a quiet achiever, beavering away in the background, getting things done. He was always willing to do whatever he could. And when he undertook a task, you knew that he would complete it and do it thoroughly.

He is particularly remembered for his major contribution towards the establishment of the Ku-ring-gai Garden Festival. Past President Ross Egan, who was chairman of the organizing committee, described Tim as "a mainstay of the start of the Festival". He was our principal liaison with Ku-ring-gai Council and negotiated many of the arrangements which are fundamental to the success of the Festival. In addition, he personally secured a lot of the stallholders, without whom the Festival could not have been held.

But Tim didn't just hide in the background. He was always an active participant in discussions at club and board meetings. He had strong views and he made them known. And we appreciated his commercial common sense, derived from his years of experience as chief executive officer. Our presidents in particular valued his assistance as a sounding board for ideas.

One part of the object of Rotary is 'the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service'. Rotarians call this 'fellowship' and it's at the foundation of everything we do. Tim was always good company, a good listener and a thoughtful contributor to discussion.

We particularly admired him for the way that, in recent years, he determinedly maintained his attendance at – and his participation in – our club meetings. Despite his illness (about which he never complained) he'd always be there, listening carefully to debate or to the guest speaker and contributing with apposite comments and searching questions.

In summary, our club is proud to have had Tim as a member and as an outstanding Rotarian. He richly deserved the recognition as a Paul Harris Fellow which was awarded to him in 2007.

I'd also like to pay tribute to Sharna for her dedicated care of Tim, especially during the past year, when she went out of her way to drive him to and from club meetings. I know that Tim really appreciated being able to attend and we were very glad that he could still join us. Sharna, as you know, Rotarians' partners are all part of the Rotary family. We've enjoyed your participation and hope that you'll maintain your association with the club in years to come.

ABC Gardening Magazines

Well done to John Thompson who secured about 500kg of magazines donated by ABC Gardening. Last Saturday morning unloading at our store room in Wades Lane was assisted by Frank White, Geoff Hungerford and Bob Ivey.

"**Why?**" you may ask — a start on the creation of 'sample bags' to provide to visitors to the Ku-ring-gai Garden Festival. Watch this space as preparations continue.

90 Seconds with ...Wally



My earliest memory is*starting school*

My most memorable school event or achievement is *Best footballer outside the 1st XV from a school of 1200 boys*

I don't like to talk about*privacy*

My most treasured possessions are*my wife and family*

My mother's favourite exhortation was*where's Wally*

I wish I had*studied more at school and attended University.*

I wish I hadn't*been so lazy at school*

My most humiliating moment was*when one of our drivers demolished a shop*

The happiest time in my life was*the birth of our 3 children*

My guiltiest pleasure is*I'd rather not say*

My last meal would be *steak and chips followed by strawberries and ice cream*

If I could change one moment or event in my life it would be*play professional football*

When I was a child I wanted to be*an adult*

Even though it's not fashionable I love*driving*

If I could live anywhere and afford it I would live*where I am now*

My best trait is*loyalty*

My worst trait is*no tact*

If only I could *be more sympathetic*

The hardest thing I have ever done is *Attend court following a business dispute*

I relax by*watching TV and sport*

What I don't find amusing is *People behaving badly*

My worst job was*an office boy at age 16*

Rotarian Action Groups

This email was received from RI General Secretary Ed Futa about Rotarian Action Groups.

In 2005 the RI Board of Directors created a new type of Rotary entity called Rotarian Action Groups. Rotarian Action Groups are groups of Rotarians, Rotarian spouses, and Rotaractors who join together to conduct projects in a particular area of service. Each Rotarian Action Group is officially recognized by the Board, but functions independently of Rotary International, with its own governance and administrative structure. There are currently 14 recognized Rotarian Action Groups, which have a combined membership of over 27,000 people in more than 100 countries worldwide. These 14 groups address the following issues:

- AIDS
- Blindness Prevention
- Blood Donation
- Dental Volunteers
- Diabetes
- Disaster Relief
- Health Fairs
- Hunger and Malnutrition
- Malaria
- Microcredit
- Multiple Sclerosis
- Polio Survivors
- Population and Development
- Water and Sanitation

To learn more about these groups and the projects that they have been undertaking recently, please download the [2009-10 Rotarian Action Groups Annual Report](#).

Recognizing that Rotarian Action Groups possess valuable expertise in their areas of specialty and capacity to help clubs and districts plan and implement effective service projects, the Board encourages these groups to contact district governors and offer their assistance to Rotary clubs. Rotarian Action Groups may only contact clubs when the district governor grants express permission to do so. If approached by a Rotarian Action Group, you are free to use your discretion in deciding whether to allow the group to make contact with your clubs. If permission is granted, it will be incumbent on the group to renew its communication privileges with the incoming governor for the next Rotary year, and so on thereafter.

By collaborating with Rotarian Action Groups, clubs and districts can enhance the scope and impact of their humanitarian service projects, improve Rotary's public image and awareness, and attract and retain members who are motivated by involvement in service. I hope that you will favourably consider opportunities to collaborate with these groups and benefit from their talents and enthusiasm.

For more information on Rotarian Action Groups, I invite you to visit www.rotary.org/actiongroups. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact RI staff at actiongroups@rotary.org.



ROTARY BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

This year the RI Birthday is on Wednesday the 23rd February, and as a special treat to celebrate this anniversary the Ryde Rotary Club have chartered a boat for a Harbour cruise on **Tuesday 22nd February 2011** in lieu of their normal meeting.

As an added bonus the Tuesday evening will also see two big Cunard liners in our fabulous Harbour. Queen Mary 2's

visit to Sydney on February 22, 2011 will form part of a memorable Royal Rendezvous on Sydney Harbour with Queen Elizabeth, which is sure to draw thousands of spectators to the foreshore. Queen Elizabeth and Queen Mary 2 will parade up the middle of Sydney Harbour on both sides of Fort Denison. Our wonderful evening will commence from Birkenhead Point Ferry Wharf at 6pm when we board our transport for the evening. Dinner has will be served and our Rotary meeting will be followed by a special Rotary Birthday Cake to mark the occasion.

The evening will cost \$55.00 per person with a cash bar operating. We have decided to open this opportunity up to all Rotarians and their families who wish to attend, and since it is an official club meeting, it will count as a make-up for your own club meeting. To enjoy this opportunity for fun and fellowship cruising with Ryde Rotary Club members on Sydney Harbour, please book early: First Come, First Served!

Please send your club's names and numbers and one cheque per club to Rotary Club Of Ryde, Inc. PO Box 90, Ryde, NSW 1680. Please also CC: allen.horrell@bluescopesteel.com

Member History now on Club Website

You club website has a new page in the Members Only menu Tab: **Member History**

It provides a handy source of info about your fellow members:

- When was ... inducted?
- Who might know something about Bowel Scan, or Rotary cakes and puddings?
- Who has served on the Pride of Workmanship Committee?

BUT we need more **input from YOU** to complete the list.

PLEASE email Bob with more info about yourself to add to it. (Don't be shy!)

HAITI EARTHQUAKE APPEAL

From the District Governor:

My friends,

A number of you have asked just what has happened to funds contributed to The Foundation's Haiti Recovery Fund. As you would be aware, these funds are held to support a wide range of recovery programs instigated by Rotary clubs around the world and progress has been good. While it is not possible to specifically indicate what has been done with individual contributions, I believe the website link below will bring people up to date on progress and give some comfort in the knowledge that Rotary has once again risen to the challenge.

The report below will also add further emphasis on the great things our organization is doing to help people in need.

The website link is <http://haiti-task-force.blogspot.com/>

Report: HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF DONOR ADVISED FUND (DAF)

Summary of Projects Funded by the DAF

Summary – 7 January 2011

111 Projects have been considered

53 have been approved with funding

10 have been approved without funding

5 were rejected

6 have been withdrawn

37 are pending further information

4 are complete

The DAF may have approved and agreed to funding but would still greatly appreciate partner clubs or districts assisting in any of the projects. In that way our money can be spread further to help more people.

Paul Harris Friendship Trees

Paul Harris the founder of Rotary, with his wife Jean, toured all cities of Australia in 1935. He planted a tree in Melbourne, saying:

"..Many good will trees have been planted by Rotarians, including myself, in other cities in other countries, and many more doubtless will be planted, but the first of them all was Walter's tree." Paul P. Harris.

He was referring to Australian Walter Drummond who, after a visit to the Rotary Club of Chicago in December 1913, twice visited the Harrises at their home in Comely Bank to find out about starting Rotary in his own country, but it was not until the end of the war in Europe that this was done. Drummond later became the second secretary of the Melbourne Club. He died young and it was to his memory that Paul Harris planted the first tree in his goodwill garden at Comely Bank.

Paul Harris planted trees in many other cities around the world.



These photos appeared in the Editor's inbox last week.

Anyone know 'How' 'When' 'what' ???

Hobart Tree, 1935

Paul Harris planted a tree in St. David's Park in Hobart on 27 March 1935. The tree was severely damaged by winds in 2004 and had to be cut down. The Hobart City Council replaced it around September 2004.



“Let the good times roll ...again!”



Any Rotary convention is a great experience when you can really understand the International part of our name. The people of New Orleans are just waiting to welcome all visitors because this helps them continue to get back on their feet after Katrina. It

is also a unique city that displays the American South like no other.

United airlines and Amtrak are offering Rotarians some discounts (see below). And even better, our Aussie dollar buys a lot more than usual in the USA. So it is a good year to travel.

Get those Registrations in now, as pre-registration closes on 31st March 2011. The best way to register is online, however Convention registration forms can be downloaded and faxed, mailed, or emailed to Registration Services as follows:

Download form: <http://www.rotary.org/convention>

Fax: +1 847 866 3064

Mail: Rotary International, 14244 Collections Center Dr., Chicago, IL USA 60693

E-mail: ri.registration@rotary.org

Hope to see you there - Barry and Jenifer Philips

Amtrak offers a 10% discount off the best available rail fare to New Orleans between May 15, 2011 – May 31, 2011. Fare Code Number: X90D-911

Valid For Travel: May 15, 2011 – May 31, 2011

To book your reservation call Amtrak at 1 (800) 872-7245 or contact your local travel agent.

Please refer to Convention Fare Code X90D-911 when making your reservation. Convention travel cannot be booked via Internet.

... Rotary International Convention

United Airlines and Star Alliance airline discounts

For the 2011 RI Convention, United Airlines and its the Star Alliance partners are offering travel discounts to New Orleans for Rotarians and one companion traveling on the same itinerary.

The participating airlines are United Airlines and the following Star Alliance partners Adria Airways, Air Canada, Air China, ANA, Asiana Airlines, Austrian Airlines, Blue 1, bmi, Brussels Airlines, Continental Airlines, Croatia Airlines, EgyptAir, LOT Polish Airlines, Lufthansa, Scandinavian Airlines, South African Airways, Spanair, SWISS International Airlines, TAP Portugal, THAI, Turkish Airlines, US Airways.

To access these discounts, contact the Group Travel department of the participating Star Alliance partner or consult www.Staralliance.com/conventionsplus for contact information and use event code UA02S11. These discounts cannot be booked online at the Star Alliance or any partner websites.

Discounts can't be taken on senior citizen or youth fares, Web fares, industry discounts, or round the world fares.

The following discounts are offered (exceptions as per applicable fare rules):

Business class
20 percent for "C" class (Continental "J" class)
10 percent all other business classes

Economy class
* 15 percent for "Y/B" class
* 10 percent for all other economy classes

Special discounts on travel from Japan and New Zealand contact United Airlines.

CLUB HATS AND SHIRTS

From Ross Egan: Dear Fellow Member of Rotary

In response to recent enquires, I am updating the shirt/hat stock, and ask that you confirm your needs (including partners) based on the options described below. Our club strategy is to display a club standard shirt applicable/comfortable for working activities, such as the garden festival, Clarke rd projects etc.

The option of the Chambray cotton shirt needs to be considered for those who find the style more appropriate to their usage. Some of our lady members are expressing an opinion in favour of the more tailored Chambray shirt – short or long sleeve is available. I wish to meet the needs of recent new members and keep in mind the idea of an identifiable club shirt at the District conference in March this year.

In terms of cost, we are requesting that each member fund their needs, with the option in future, that new members could have the cost included in their membership fee.
(see next page...)

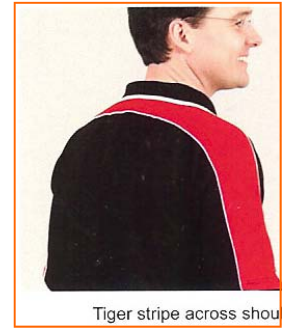
We now have two models of Club shirt in member circulation;
the original Navy Polo with red (or white) piping/gold (Photo attached) and
• the Chambray business shirt (photo attached).

Each with the embroidered club logo and title on the LH front. Cost is slightly more for the Chambray.

1. As previously supplied the **Navy Polo panel sleeve shirts** only come in men's sizes.

Size chart

PS38	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL
Chest cm	107	112	117	122	127	132	137
Length cm	72	74	76	78	80	82	84



Tiger stripe across shou

The quote as previous: #PS38 Men's Tiger stripe panel sleeve polo shirts Navy/white piping/gold with embroidered Rotary logo (without the "inc") at \$ 27.00 each + GST.

2. In terms of the **Chambray shirts**, please see on www.theembroideryguys.com.au

Description:- Cool Dry Chambray Shirt (Item # S2013, S2023, S2113, S2123)

Short and long sleeve
Matching blue stitching
Tortoiseshell buttons
Button down collar
Yarn treated moisture wicking
Quick dry
Breathable
Easy care



Ladies: Single breast pocket
Mens: Pen slot
Two breast pockets
Fabric Type:- 65% Cotton 35% Polyester
Gender:- Adult
Colours:- Chambray
Sizes:- Ladies - 8 - 10 - 12 - 14 - 16 - 18 - 20 - 22
Mens - S - M - L - XL - 2XL - 3XL - 4XL - 5XL

Please email / phone your requirements for hats & shirts (including 'none required') to Ross Egan

Rotary Foundation Thought for The Week

(... you have read enough for one day—but don't ignore the next page!)

Rotary Acronyms

Apologies & Guests

Members are booked in to attend every regular meeting of the Club, if you cannot attend a meeting or wish to book in a guest / partner please access the WEB at <http://www.kuringgairotary.org.au> before 3.00pm on the day of the meeting. An apology for future meetings may also be entered. If you do not apologise for non-attendance the Club must pay for your meal and you will be asked to reimburse the Club.

Guest Speakers

24 Jan	Club forum
31 Jan	Restaurant night
7 Feb	Cheryl Szatow
14 Feb	Club Strategy

Market roster

Time			
Signs & Banners			
Morning Set up			
0800 – 1030			
1030 – 1300			
1300 – 1530			

MARKET DUTIES: You must initiate changes & advise Geoff Hungerford. Third Shift returns signs & bins to St George Bank

Door team

Duty	January	
Greeter	Tom Jackson	
Team	Judy Houghton	

NOTE: The door team is responsible for welcoming visitors and guests, recording payments and issuing copies of the record to the President, Secretary and Bulletin Editor. Please arrange your own replacement.

Happy days January 2011

Birthdays

Ivan SKELLET*	1-Jan
Howard FLETCHER	4-Jan
Joy NEWLING	6-Jan
John AITKEN	7-Jan
Lindsay LeCOMPTE	7-Jan
Rasma ANDREJEWSKIS	12-Jan
Norris DUNN	13-Jan
Dilshad KRISHNAN	24-Jan
Margaret BRAID	27-Jan

Anniversaries

FORBES Wally & Pam	3-Jan
DUNN Norris & Suzanna	11-Jan
PHILIPS Tim & Sharna	20-Jan
CRIBB Ivan & Joyce	28-Jan
FLETCHER Howard & Caroline	29-Jan