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# **KOONGGA**



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www.kuringgairotary.org.au The club meets every Monday 6.30pm at West Pymble Bowling Club

Reach Within to Embrace Humanity

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#### **Meeting Apology**

Please use the club website **before 3 pm** on meeting day to apologise or add a guest, or you will be required to reimburse the club for your meal cost.

http://

www.kuringgairotary.org.au

#### This Week

Our Emyr, is a world recognised music examiner and as a consequence spends too much time away form our club.

This is our opportunity to catch up with what and where Emyr has been.

#### **Last Week**

Ross Lambert: social media

## **Michael Tyler Membership**

Michal has selected some of the Gordon/ Pymble list to post la letter of invitation to a Rotary meeting. We need phone volunteers for followup phoning We are targeting a meeting 30 April

#### Chris Hoch—Red Shield

Red Shield appeal 19 May, Chris needs 9 volunteer drivers

## **Peter Kipps—BHCC**

- Volunteers and Marshalls did an outstanding job on the day
- Sponsors were generally happy
- 8 Authorities are involved, and we don't know what they are thinking,
- The last category is the riders and we have had good feedback from our survey

## Attendance Sheet for up-coming Functions

Please see Caroline for the Attendance sheet to nominate for these functions:

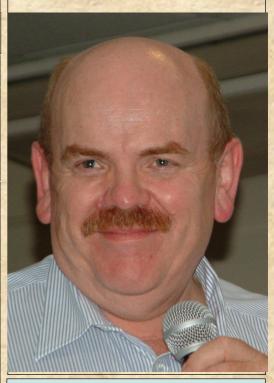
Sat 21 Apr - Trivia Night

Sat 26 May - Dinner for 8 (host or attend)

#### **Ross Lambert**

Ross spoke so well and covered a broad range of topics, and still had some topics to cover, a decision was made to invite him to complete his presentation on another date very soon.

A full report will be issued following the final presentation.



## **From Pat Skellet**

Did enjoy reading the latest KOONGGA. As it happens I worked with Tom Sweeney for many years at the RIDBC and you may recall that Tom and wife, Joy, sang at my Changeover Dinner at Avondale back in 2000. I also utilised his singing talents at a dinner I hosted for the wives of Club Presidents back in 1994 when Ivan was District Governor. I would like to have come over to hear him speak but such was not to be. I find it difficult to get out and about, particularly at night, so must content myself with reading about it all.

Congratulations to the Club on the splendid organisation for the Cycle Classic. Typical of Ku-ring-gai to do things so well. Looks like it will be on the Calendar for some years to come.

Cheers - PatS

## What is Rotary? A Video

AN interesting Video is available on lur WEB, you can look at it now.

Please select <a href="http://www.kuringgairotary.org.au/">http://www.kuringgairotary.org.au/</a> and then choose TAB "About us" and then "What is Rotary video", if you don't have Flash player installed you will be asked if you want to install.

## Computer bug—Linda Lam Rolfs

This can be a potential problems for PC owners. Please forward to our club members and families and friends. It's worth to check it out before it's too late. Linda

This relates to the DNS Changer Trojan.

Ten thousand Australian internet users are among four million worldwide who face a total internet blackout from July 9 thanks to a malicious piece of software that infected their computers without their knowledge.

That is the warning to Australian internet users from the Australian Communications and Media Authority, which today issued a statement appealing to internet users to check if they were infected.

http://www.smh.com.au/digital-life/consumer-security/ ten-thousand-australians-face-web-blackout-20120329-1w00g.html

To check your home PC: http://www.dns-ok.gov.au/

#### **MUNA**

"Two students from PLC, Christine Wang and Elissa Zhang, will be speaking briefly about their experience at MUNA at our meeting tonight, 2 April."

## **Splash for Cash**

Some of you will remember Koz Yamada, our sponsored candidate to RYLA this year, who came and talked to our Club recently. Koz is a keen member of the new Lower North Shore Rotaract Club and is helping to organise the Lower North Shore "Splash for Cash" event to be run on 22 April, from 1-4.30pm at Mosman Swim Centre. Splash for Cash is an annual swimathon run in various locations and raises funds for the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children. Koz and her club are seeking our support in several ways donating prizes for their raffle, sponsoring some of the participants or even swimming ourselves! Can you help? If so, please contact Koz directly on or email kozue.yamada@gmail.com or call 219 261 Joy Newling on 9487 2338."

## **From Graham Timms in Spain**

The internet connection remains as uncertain as everapparently about five families share one dedicated wifi which collapses if more than three are on it at any one time so I'm writing this at 8.30am Spanish time when everyone is still sleeping off the previous night.

We managed to retrieve Koongga - fantastic result and comments seconded by my son who said it was the best organised he had ever been on - took him 2h30 to do the 50k

The Spanish have just called a general strike so it looks like we could be here for some time - damn! Last night we went to the local bar (one of fifteen) and had tappas followed by a prawn paella and stewed oxtails and a local fruit ice cream for 10 Euros a head - no wonder bankrupt pms come here.

Cheers GT

## Rasma—Bobbin Head Cycle Classic

#### From Rasma

Congratulations and well done!

I had text messages starting at 0630 Adelaide time yesterday and photo's of the boys ready to ride.

Followed up by text, photo's and phone calls to say how much they enjoyed the BHCC.

It is officially on their calendar for next year and they feel others will follow.

Comments were:

- Really well organised
- good run
- good food
- very happy with marshals and directions
- they were even happy with the way police herded them together when needed.
- These boys did the 100km ride lunatics!
- I'm glad your headaches and hard work paid off.
- Hope you are all having a really big drink tonight you all deserve it.

amazing Ku ring gai and Turramurra team effort.

Let me know the final \$\$ tally.

absolutely brilliant everyone

keep smiling Rasma

## Remainder of 2011-2012 Calendar

DATE	Speaker (BM = Board meeting)	
Monday 2 April	Emyr Evans BM	
Monday 9 April	Easter Monday	
Monday 16 April	DVD on new ideas in Rotary plus open forum for members to speak their mind	
Saturday 21 April	Trivia night	
Monday 23 April	Robin Millar, Financial Information Service, Centrelink – Topic: Retirement Options	
Monday 30 April	Patrick Haynes: "Huskies in the Antarctic in the 60's"	
Monday 7 May	BM CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACTO	
Monday 14 May	Ivan Cribb, Member - Topic: Life Story	
Monday 19 May	Red Shield collection	
Monday 21 May	Hat day	
Saturday 26 May	dinners-for-eight	
Monday 4 June	BM	
Monday 11 June	Queen's birthday – no meeting	
Monday 18 June		
Monday 25 June	Changeover	

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### **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 <a href="http://www.kuringgairotary.org.au">http://www.kuringgairotary.org.au</a> before 3.00 pm 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.

## Rotary Foundation Thought of the week

38) This week's Rotary Foundation Thought is about assisting those in need.

Similar to the Matching Grant between the Rotary Clubs of Ryde and Maringa L'Este Brazil to teach sewing skills, Rotarians in Pakistan and the United States are using the centuries-old craft of carpet weaving to help inhabitants of a town in Afghanistan make better lives for themselves.

Spin Boldak, in southern Afghanistan near the Pakistani border, has certainly felt the effects of the war. Thousands face a daily struggle to survive or find work.

The Rotary Club of Abaysin Central in Peshawar, Pakistan with the Rotary Club of Central Chester County, Pennsylvania, USA, connected to establish a project, to teach residents the art – and marketable skill – of carpet weaving.

For centuries, experienced weavers in Afghanistan have painstakingly created a heritage of rugs, with families passing on their designs for generations. A 1 x 2 metre rug made by an amateur can sell for \$50 at a local bazaar – and overseas, the decorative carpets sell for far more.

The two Rotary clubs raised \$15,000 with the help of the Rotary Foundation Matching Grant, which was used to buy 10 looms, tools, and wool for the training center.

Despite continued unrest in the region, materials still flow to Spin Boldak, allowing more and more of its residents to learn to weave. As of March, 90 men and women, mostly in their 20s and 30s, had graduated from the two-month training program and have linked with another nonprofit to sell the rugs internationally. "It's a chance to be employed with a decent salary.", said one weaver.

Through contributions to The Rotary Foundation, Rotarians become partners in empowering those in need.

#### MARKET ROSTER Sun 8 Apr Sun 13 May Sun 10 June **BANNERS** Timms, Graham Timms, Graham Timms, Graham SIGNS Hungerford, Geoff Egan Ross Hungerford Geoff MORNING SET UP PR 1ST SHIFT 8.00 to 10.30 Aitken, John Forbes, Wally Ivey Bob Jackson, Tom Coenen, Lou Desmarchelier, Roger 2ND SHIFT 10.30 to 1.00 Tyler, Michael Lambert, Ross Evans, Emyr Kipps, Peter Bala Krishnan Forsythe, David 3RD SHIFT 1.00 to 3.30 Michael Midlam Tang, Peter Kennedy, Irene

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

Duty	April	May	June		
Greeter	Roger Desmarchelier	Bala Krishnan	Bob Ivey		
Team	Malcolm Braid	Ross Egan Chris Hoch			
Team	John Aitken	Ross lambert	Peter Tang		

**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 April 2012

Birthdays			
Roger	Desmarchelier	5-Apr	
Frank	White	5-Apr	
Emyr	Evans	7-Apr	
Laurel	Jackson	8-Apr	
Judy	Timms	9-Apr	
Geoff	Hungerford	18-Apr	
Malcolm	Braid	30-Apr	

Anniversaries					
Tom	Laurel	Jackson	6-Apr		
Greg	Joy	Newling	29-Apr		

#### **Rank Details**

From 1 July 2011 we have a new bank account at Westpac Turramurra.

Rotary Club of Ku ring gai Project account

BSB 032089 Account 253333

Rotary Club of Ku ring gai General account

BSB 032089 Account 253341 **Claims** must be presented with a completed remittance advice which you can download from the WEB.

All payments to you will be made electronically (I do not have a cheque book) so please include your BSB and account when you make a claim.

When you make a payment please ensure you include your name in the details