



# K O O N G G A

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## Club Membership Growing By One Per Month

### Induction of 2 new Rotarians

Last week President Tony McClelland inducted 2 new members of the club.

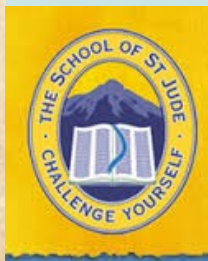
**Jack McCartney** has the classification 'Financial Services' and joins the Community Service Committee. Jack is a keen cyclist, who told us that he had been looking for a way to put something back into the community. He looks forward to assisting with the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic in particular.

**Greg Goodman** has the classification 'Human Resource Services'. He joins the New Generations (Youth) Committee. Greg said that he already has a connection with Lifeline through his wife, who is a volunteer with that organization. Consequently he had been thinking about joining Rotary when he was invited to join our club.

Welcome aboard Jack and Greg! With the induction of Loïc Lacombe in July, the club has made a great start to achieving President Tony's aim of inducting 12 new members during his year as president. Members: keep up the good work of inviting your family, friends and business associates to our meetings.



### Thanks To The Club



#### School of St Jude, Tanzania

Greg Newling read out a touching letter of thanks from a student at The School of St Jude, thanking our club for its contributions, which include funds for construction of dormitories and to support individual students' attendance at the school.

### Bobbin Head Cycle Classic

At Vice President John Aitken's request, Ross Egan, Chris Hoch and Jack McCartney volunteered to undertake the task of contacting cycle clubs and teams that participated in the Sydney to Gong Ride, to invite their participation in the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic. Well done, fellows!

John said that the BHCC committee would be encouraging entrants to seek sponsors to raise additional funds.

### Inaugural District 9685 Conference

The first District 9685

Conference

will be held at Chatswood Concourse for a single day on Rotary's birthday - 23rd February 2014. Don't miss this unique event. Put it in your diary and book now! Early bird pricing applies until 30 November 2013.



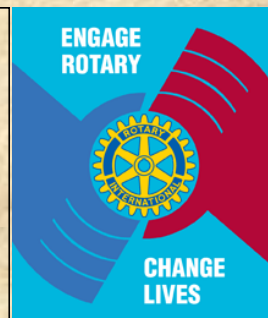
### Rotary Against Malaria

Greg also announced receipt of a certificate of thanks from Rotary Against Malaria, listing the villages in Papua New Guinea which have been provided with mosquito-repellant bed nets with funds provided by our club.



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The club meets every Monday 6.30pm at West Pymble Bowling Club, 2 Prince of Wales Drive, West Pymble. Visitors welcome. [www.kuringgairotary.org.au](http://www.kuringgairotary.org.au)

Rotary International  
Theme 2013-2014

## This Week's Speaker

### Annabelle Chauncy Update on Katuso School



Annabelle is the co-founder of The School For Life Foundation, which established Katuso School in Uganda with the support of our club. She will bring us up to date on progress at the school, future plans and the benefits of the solar power unit we helped to fund with the Rotary Foundation. Come along and hear about the extraordinarily rapid progress that the Foundation is making with this school.

## Rotary Youth Leadership Award Call For Nominees



*An inspiring personal  
development seminar for  
young people  
aged 18 - 25 years*

RYLA is a one-week leadership training program for young adults 18-26. Next year it will be held at Vision Valley, Arcadia from Sunday 12 to Saturday 18 January 2014.

RYLA commenced in Queensland in 1959 and has spread throughout the Rotary world.

It started in our District in 1970. Many young people who have attended RYLA have described it as a life-changing experience. It has benefited them as leaders in their local community, volunteer activities and in their careers and business dealings. It is a powerful and valuable program.

Our District 9685 is looking for 85 participants and our club will be sponsoring one. The cost of each sponsorship is \$815, which includes 6 days accommodation, meals, presentations, workshops and activities in behavioural analysis, negotiation and conflict resolution, public speaking, self-motivation and goal setting, group dynamics and team building and community service.

We are looking for applicants! Would you like to nominate someone who meets the following criteria?

- Between the ages of 18 and under 27 at 1.1.2014, and has left school for at least one year.
- Currently involved, or anticipates being involved, in some form of local community youth leadership – in groups such as scouting, guiding, sporting clubs, church groups, government agencies, local business and emergency services.

**To date we have not received any nominations, so your Youth Committee needs help from club members and others to nominate potential RYLA participants. We need to receive nominations and conduct interviews this month!**

If you would like more information or would like to put forward a nomination, please contact me.

Joy Newling

## Love Food Hate Waste

Want to know how to reduce your waist-line and your household waste at the same time?



Ku-ring-gai Council is promoting a series of four free 2 hour workshops hosted by a registered nutritionist and sponsored by the Environmental Protection Authority. Find out more about healthy eating and food sustainability, including:

- Planning healthy seasonally-based menus
- Serve sizes
- Shopping to a list
- Using leftovers
- Storing food correctly
- Getting to know food labels

**Date & Time:** Tue 10 Sept 6.30-8.30pm

**Venue:** Gordon Library, meeting room 2

## Last Week's Speaker



### Sara Mehrabi Coal Seam Gas Mining And Its Expected Impacts

President Tony's daughter-in-law, Sara Mehrabi, a groundwater engineer with over 10 years industry and research experience, gave a fascinating talk, focusing on the basic facts on coal seam gas (CSG) mining in NSW.

CSG is methane, which is non-toxic and occurs naturally in the air we breathe. Underground, it is trapped in cracks in coal and kept in place by water pressure. 'Fracking' (hydraulic fracturing by injection of high pressure water) is only required when a coal seam does not have enough interconnected cracks. The 'footprint' of CSG mining is small by comparison with other types of mining.

Fracking does not use toxic chemicals in NSW. The mixture used is 99.5% sand and water. Chemicals are used to lubricate drill heads. NSW has strong regulations to prevent contamination of good quality water aquifers.

Water pumped out of coal seams is very saline (but not as much as sea water). Use or disposal of it is one of the biggest issues facing the industry. Reinjection to the coal seam is the best method of disposal.

Sink holes are not caused by CSG mining because no solid material is removed. Some slight subsidence might be caused. Longwall mining presents a much greater hazard.

CSG mining only occurs at depths at which coal extraction is uneconomic. If the community rejects CSG mining, energy costs will increase. On the other hand, CSG mining will be unnecessary if more effective batteries are developed to store electricity generated by solar or wind power.

## Calendar of Events

September	16	Ethics classes in schools
	23	NO MEETING AT WEST PYMBLE BOWLING CLUB
	24	(Tuesday) District Governor's official visit - venue: Hornsby RSL
	30	TBA
October	7	Labour Day public holiday. No meeting.
	14	Hat Day in support of Mental Health - Australian Rotary Health
November	4	International Night (NO MEETING AT WEST PYMBLE BOWLING CLUB)
February	23	(Sunday) Inaugural District 9685 Conference - venue: the Concourse, Chatswood
May 28 - June 4		Rotary International Convention - venue: Olympic Park, Homebush

## News About Members

Welcome back from your respective travels, President Tony and Malcolm Braid.

President Tony announced that Ted Price has gone into hospital for an operation and will be away recuperating for several weeks. Get well soon, Ted!

Koonga invites reports on the whereabouts and activities of our absent members. Please email the editor, with photographic evidence if you have it.

## Anniversaries - September

### Birthdays

4 Sept	Bob Ivey	18 Sept	Amanda Hoch
15 Sept	Rita Coenen	23 Sept	Susan Aitken
16 Sept	Helen Egan	26 Sept	Michael Midlam

### Wedding Anniversaries

## Meeting Guests & Apologies

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 **2.55 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.**

## Door Teams - 3 months

September	October	November
Michael Midlam	Malcolm Braid	Chris Hoch
Graham Timms	Peter Kipps	Ross Lambert

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 if you are unavailable.**

## Last Week's Guests

Sara Mehrabi      Rob Hall      Joyce Cribb      Laurel Jackson      Anne Maslen

## Gordon Market Roster

MARKET ROSTER	13-Oct	10-Nov	08-Dec
<b>BANNERS</b>	White, Frank	White, Frank	White, Frank
<b>SIGNS</b>	Timms, Graham Hungerford, G	Timms, Graham Hungerford, G	Timms, Graham Hungerford, G
<b>MORNING SET UP</b>	White, Frank	White, Frank	White, Frank
<b>PUBLIC RELATIONS</b>			
<b>1ST SHIFT 8.00 to 10.30</b>	Evans, Emyr	Jackson, Tom	Jones, Caroline
<b>2ND SHIFT 10.30 to 1.00</b>	Newling, Greg Newling, Joy	Desmarchelier, R Kenyon Nick	Dawson, Gary Ivey, Bob
<b>3RD SHIFT 1.00 to 3.30</b>	Egan, Ross Forsythe, David	Braid, Malcolm Kipps, Peter	Lambert, Ross Tang, Peter

Second shift collects payment from stallholders. Third shift returns signs and bins to St George Bank storage.  
**Please arrange your own swap and notify Geoff Hungerford if you will be unavailable.**

## Club Officers and Committee Chairmen 2013-14

### Board of directors

<b>President</b>	Tony McClelland
<b>Vice President</b>	John Aitken
<b>President Elect</b>	(Vacant)
<b>Secretary</b>	Geoff Hungerford
<b>Treasurer</b>	Graham Maslen
<b>Director - Membership</b>	Roger Desmarchelier
<b>Director - Public Relations</b>	Michael Midlam
<b>Director - Club Administration</b>	(Vacant)
<b>Director - Service Projects</b>	John Aitken
<b>Director - Rotary Foundation</b>	Graham Timms

### Service committee chairmen

<b>Club Service</b>	(Vacant)
<b>Vocational Service</b>	Michael Midlam
<b>Community Service</b>	Ross Lambert
<b>International Service</b>	Greg Newling
<b>Youth Service</b>	Joy Newling
<b>Bobbin Head Cycle Classic</b>	Peter Kipps
<b>Sergeant-at-Arms</b>	Greg Newling

## Club Committees 2013-14

**Bobbin Head Cycle Classic:** John Aitken, Ross Egan, Peter Kipps, Tony McClelland, Michael Midlam, Adele Mitchell, Graham Timms

**Club History:** Malcolm Braid, Tom Jackson

**Club Service/Club Administration:** Geoff Hungerford, Graham Maslen, Michael Tyler (Koongga Editor)

**Community Service:** Lou Coenen, Gary Dawson, Roger Desmarchelier, Ross Egan (Daffodil Day), Chris Hoch (Red Shield Appeal), Geoff Hungerford (Markets) Caroline Jones, Nick Kenyon, Ross Lambert, Loïc Lacombe, Linda Lam-Rohlf, Jack McCartney, Michael Midlam (Bowel Scan), Frank White (Markets)

**International Service:** David Forsythe, Graham Maslen, Adele Mitchell, Greg Newling, Peter Tang

**Membership:** Roger Desmarchelier, Dilys Geddes, Linda Lam-Rohlf

**Public Relations:** Michael Midlam

**Rotary Foundation:** Graham Timms

**Vocational Service:** Michael Midlam

**Youth Service:** Malcolm Braid, Emyr Evans, Greg Goodman, Bob Ivey, Tom Jackson, Joy Newling, Ted Price

## Club Bank Details

Rotary Club of Ku ring gai **General** account  
 BSB: 032 089 Account no.: 253341

Rotary Club of Ku ring gai **Project** account  
 BSB: 032 089 Account no.: 253333

**Please include your name in the details of all deposits to the club accounts**

**Expense reimbursement claims** must be presented with a completed remittance advice which you can download from the club website. Please include your BSB and account number.