



[www.kuringgairotary.org.au](http://www.kuringgairotary.org.au) The club meets every Monday 6.30pm at West Pymble Bowling Club

## This Week

. Ross Lambert: social media

## Last Week

Tom Sweeney Macquarie Park

## Geoff Hungerford

Many riders spoke and or commented as they rode past and or waited for the lights and some car drivers stopped with interest

Comments from riders (of which there were many) whilst standing on the road side

Thank you for organising the ride

A well organised ride

A great ride

A fun ride

I did not hear any negative comments

Regards Geoff Hungerford

## Bobbin Head Cycle Classic

A rough estimate of the profit to be shared by Lifeline and Bo Hospital is \$20,000 to \$30,000. Costs are still to finalized and income form Every Day Hero closes next Friday

## 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)

## Bobbin Head Cycle Classic

Sunday, the day of the Classic, the weather emerged as most satisfactory after travelling through a downpour at Lindfield at 5am.

The 100k ride with approx. 450 cyclists, started by Darryn Capes-Davis, ride leader, Bike North at 7am, had a queue of riders from Turramurra Ave to Eastern Road. The 50k and 15k rides followed with 500 riders.

The event was safe and very well organised and was a credit to the joint venture with Turramurra and Ku ring gai Rotary clubs.

One email I received immediately after the 100k ride follows

### Hi Tony

It's me again, just to let you know how much I enjoyed the ride and how extremely well organised it was

Riders were well spaced, race officials helpful and pleasant and refreshments in most appropriate areas. (even the pothole at the bottom of the hill had been repaired after claiming a few cyclists on Saturday morning)

A thoroughly enjoyable morning, next year I shall do the 100km and recommend the cycle to fellow cyclists. I hope the charity did well out of this event.

See you next year.

Thanks and regards Jane

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## Meeting Apology

Please use the club web-site **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>



## Bobbin Head Cycle Classic

### Some of the many comments reported to me.

- The best organized ride I have entered. (many, many times)
- The volunteer Marshals were well located and added to the safety of the ride.
- You even did road maintenance at the bottom of Bobbin Head
- Blackmans service van was beneficial and repaired over 20 punctures and repairs.
- The route was pretty.
- The WEB page was well organized and useful.
- A ride that starts and finishes at the same location is handy.
- See you next year.
- Drink stops with bananas were well located.
- The 100k was a good ride but hard.
- The focus on rider safety was exception, especially for the first year.

### From our President Caroline

Hi guys,

I second Geoff's comments. I marshalled the 100km and 50km at the end of Bobbin Head Road this morning and had the cheeriest of replies from just about everyone - a couple of nervous ones were too worried to answer probably before their first big ride.

After that I marshalled the 15km and received many positive comments—especially thank-you's from parents for our patience. The group was an interesting one - 50% families and 50% inexperienced adult riders who relished the chance to succeed in something away from the experienced ones. The experienced Mums and Dads were keen to get their littlies started on bike riding and one group had even put their youngest into a yellow jersey!

I have nothing but praise for all of you.

Kind regards

Caroline

## Bobbin Head Cycle Classic

Waiting for the start of the 100k ride



Graham Creed and Linda



Some of 15 of the largest Team— Rode Duivels





## Bobbin Head Cycle Classic

A family trailer



Blackmans Cycles - a Sponsor



Our Peter Kipps and Turramurra President Paul Rickard Lady Davidson Hospital Sponsors in center



## District Conference

How to win friends and influence people through Rotary

On the Sunday before the District Conference, Michael and Louise Tyler entertained PDG Keith Lape of D6460 (Western Illinois, USA), his wife Phyllis and their long time friends (or, as Keith described them, 'potential Rotarians') Dwayne and Ruth Rankin, also from Illinois. The 4 of them were in Sydney for the weekend before setting off on a week's tour to Uluru and Cairns. So that they would see something other than just the city of Sydney, Michael took them on a tour of the northern beaches, Pittwater and out to West Head. Pictured are Keith, Phyllis, Ruth and Dwayne at a viewing point overlooking Newport Beach and back home for lunch with Richard Tyler and Louise. Keith Lape contacted Michael through Rotary's International Travel and Hosting Fellowship to organise the meeting. Why not give the ITHF a go yourself?

Louise Tyler and guests



Roger and Kerrie





## District Conference

He arrived 7 years ago, speaking no English, with a background of terror which saw his mother killed, and his family fleeing the Taliban.

He now has a degree and is working in a government department. In his spare time he runs a charity providing education in Afghanistan.

Ali Yonsepour credits the self-development from his RYLA course for much of his success.

His was only one of many stories which were inspiring, and engendered pride in belonging to Rotary, at our District Conference.

There is not space in this edition for more detail, but talk to those who were there: Caroline, Linda, Roger, Kerry, Michael, Louise, Malcolm, Margaret, Joy & Greg.

They will tell you it was not only inspiring. It was also Fun!

Why not plan to come next year? Joy Newling

**Our President Caroline**



**A masked group**



## District Conference

Malcolm and Margaret



Margaret and Linda



Greg and Joy Newling





## Tom Sweeney Guest Speaker

Tom has been with Macquarie Park Cemetery and Crematorium for over 4 years now and during that time has come to understand the pressure that a bereavement places on families and how Macquarie Park can help.

104,000 people buried at Macquarie Park

Tom came up with the idea of night time tours of the cemetery and he takes 40 people for a trip around the area.

The first site is Prime Minister **Billy Hughes**, he left England in 1886 and he moved to Sydney and into to a boarding house in More Park. He started a de facto relationship with the landlords daughter and he had 6 children. He went to University to obtain a Law Degree, than he went into Politics and later into Federal Parliament in Melbourne.

In 1915 he became Prime Minister and was not at the beck and call of England. He purchased ships from around the world and sold produce to England. He called a referendum on conscription and when it failed he resigned.

He was the only Prime Minister of both the Labor and Liberal Party.

**Lottie Lilse**, she had a house in Balmain, and they rented rooms, and an actor Mr Raymond Logford became a tenant. Lottie and Ray found true love. Lottie was an excellent actress. She made 19 films, she was Australia's first big movie star.

**Graham Frederick Thorn**, the kidnapper and murderer

**Adela Pankhurst** women's rights, daughter of Emmy

(from Wikipedia)

(1885–1961) was a British-Australian suffragette, political organizer, and co-founder of both the Communist Party of Australia and the Australia First Movement.

Adela was born on 19 June 1885 in Manchester, England, into a politicized family: her father, Richard Pankhurst was a socialist and candidate for Parliament, and her mother Emmeline Pankhurst and sisters Sylvia and Christabel were leaders of the British suffragette movement. Adela attended the all-woman Studley Horticultural College in Warwickshire, and Manchester High School for Girls. As a teenager, Adela became involved in the militant Women's Social and Political Union founded by her mother and sisters.

## Tom Sweeney Guest Speaker

Following estrangement from her family, Adela emigrated to Australia in 1914. She was recruited during World War I as an organiser for the Women's Peace Army in Melbourne by Vida Goldstein. Pankhurst wrote a book called Put Up the Sword and addressed public meetings on her opposition to the war and conscription. She married Tom Walsh of the Federated Seamens Union of Australasia in 1917. In 1920, Pankhurst became a founding member of the Communist Party of Australia, from which she was later expelled.

She became disillusioned with communism and founded the anti-communist Australian Women's Guild of Empire in 1928. In 1941 Adela became one of the founding members of the right wing and nationalistic Australia First Movement. She visited Japan in 1939 and was arrested and interned in 1942 for her advocacy of peace with Japan.

Tom Sweeney





## Remainder of 2011-2012 Calendar

<b>DATE</b>	<b>Speaker (BM = Board meeting)</b>
Monday 26 March	Ross Lambert: social media
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
Monday 14 May	Ivan Cribb, Member - Topic: Life Story
Monday 21 May	Hat day
Saturday 26 May	dinners-for-eight
Monday 28 May	Red Shield collection
Monday 4 June	BM
Monday 11 June	Queen's birthday – no meeting
Monday 18 June	
Monday 25 June	Changeover

