

K O O N G G A

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This week

Tony Castley
The Rotary
Foundation



The Rotary Foundation is 'Rotary's charity' - one of the largest charitable foundations in the world. It exists to raise and apply funds for charitable purposes. It focuses on promoting peace, fighting disease, providing clean water, saving mothers and children, supporting education and growing local economies.

Best known for supporting the Polio Plus campaign to eradicate polio, the Foundation also provides a number of scholarships (e.g., the Rotary Peace Fellowship) and contributes funds for projects initiated by Rotary clubs around the world.

Past District Governor Tony Castley of the E-Club of Greater Sydney is the District Foundation Director and Central Coast Coordinator. His main role is to oversee District 9685's relationship with and support of the Rotary Foundation. A major part of this involves working with Rotary clubs to raise funds for the Foundation and to obtain grants from the Foundation.

Tony will give an overview of the Foundation and how our club can contribute to and draw from it.

Last week's guests & announcements

President Tony:

- Welcomed Sarah, Leah and William Sackville and Amy Rogers;
- Welcomed Peter Kipps, taking a break from his travels in the north of Australia;
- Thanked Chris Hoch and Bob Elsworth for assisting him handing out flyers for the Bobbin Head Cycle Classic at the 'Gong Ride;
- Said he would donate the sausages for the club's barbeque for Lifeline's opening of its new shop and accepted offers of donations of other food required;
- Invited nominations for officers' and directors' positions on the board;

Rotary monthly theme: November: Rotary Foundation

- Thanked David Forsythe for his work as auditor of the club's annual accounts; and
- Proposed another Rotary interest meeting in April 2015, to be advertised in the Gordon area.

Michael Midlam announced:

- That the club will present Pride of Workmanship awards at its third meeting in February 2015;
- That 3 would be given to local police officers; and
- That he is seeking nominations for community-based awardees.



Notice of Annual General Meeting

THE ROTARY CLUB OF KU-RING-GAI INC. NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

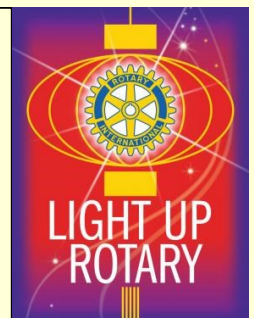
In accordance with the bylaws of the club, the annual general meeting of the Rotary Club of Ku-ring-gai Inc will be held at 7 pm on Monday, 1 December 2014 at the Killara Golf Club, 556 Pacific Highway, Killara.

AGENDA

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Apologies.
3. Confirmation of the minutes of the annual general meeting held on 2 December 2013.
4. Reports and statements to be considered:
 - (a) Directors' reports.
 - (b) Financial statements for the year ending 30 June 2014.
 - (c) Auditor's report.
5. Election of directors for 2015 - 2016.
 - (a) President-Elect 2016-17
 - (b) Vice-president
 - (c) Secretary
 - (d) Treasurer
 - (e) 2 other directors
6. Appointment of auditor.
7. Adoption of new constitution

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The club meets every Monday 6.30pm at Killara Golf Club, 556 Pacific Highway, Killara. Visitors welcome (Tel: 9498 2700). www.kuringgairotary.org.au

Rotary International
Theme 2014-2015

Motion to be proposed as a special resolution:

"That the constitution, a draft of which was circulated to the members of the club on 8 November 2014, be adopted in place of the existing constitution of the club with immediate effect."

8. General business.

Dated 8 November 2014

Geoffrey Hungerford, Secretary

Rotary Inspirational Women 2015

NSW Rotary Districts, in partnership with Inner Wheel are holding a significant event to identify and honour outstanding women for their service to the community.

AWARDS AND CELEBRATION DINNER

Nominations are now being sought for the Rotary Inspirational Women of 2015, with awards being presented at a gala lunch at Doltone House, Jones Bay in Sydney on 8 March 2015.

SELECTION PROCESS

Each Rotary District and participating organization will select for the award suitably qualified women who have shown exemplary service and dedication in one or more areas of community service including vocational service, the support of youth and meeting the needs of international and local communities.

ELIGIBILITY

- Women from any age group, ethnicity or religion
- Women who are quiet achievers/unsung heroes
- Women of high ethical standard
- Women who have demonstrated either a significant contribution to the community, (local, nationally or internationally) either within or outside their vocation,
- Women who have given "Service Above Self" in their field of endeavour
- Women who are inspirational role models
- Women must live or work in the nominating District and be Australian Citizens or Permanent Residents
- Rotarians if the nomination is based solely on community service outside of Rotary

SELECTION CRITERIA

- Demonstrated leadership, innovation and creativity
- Personal contribution and community involvement
- Contribution to the Australian community, vocational service either nationally or internationally
- Voluntary work above and beyond paid employment
- Nature and length of activity or service
- Achievements as an individual or as part of a group/organization/in their own field of endeavor

PLEASE NOMINATE

Please take the time to nominate suitably qualified women in your community to be considered for these awards. We have provided a nomination form to be completed by your club. Please email the completed nomination form(s) to either Pia Mylan or Paul Wynn whose details are listed below. Please contact either

Pia or Paul if you require any further clarification.

Pia Mylan

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NOMINATIONS CLOSE ON 1 DECEMBER 2014

International Travel & Hosting Fellowship

Rotary Fellowships offer Rotarians and partners the opportunity to make friends with others in Rotary who share common interests. The International Travel and Hosting Fellowship ('ITHF') is one of more than 60 officially sanctioned and recognized recreational fellowships. They range in interests from golf to wine to fishing to travel and hosting, and more. For a complete list, see Rotary.org.

ITHF exists to promote and facilitate regional, national and international "connections" between its members. ITHF members travel to all different parts of the world and host members from all other parts. Members' lives are enriched by these connections and cross cultural exchanges.

Members planning travel refer to the annual Directory of Members to identify other ITHF members living in the area. Prospective hosts are contacted 30+ days in advance. They consent to a "connection" subject to their own convenience. "Connection" details are worked out between the members.

ITHF "connections" are self-paced, subject to individual preferences and can coincide with business or pleasure travel. Membership in the ITHF implies a desire and intent to accommodate other ITHF visitors; however, such "connections" are always subject to the convenience of the hosts.

As an enrichment, the ITHF frequently offers "tours" led by dedicated and experienced Rotarians, and packaged at the lowest cost possible. These tours most often coincide with Rotary International Conventions and are limited to ITHF members and partners only. (Bookings are being taken for a Brazil 2015 tour now.)

The ITHF is NOT a bed and breakfast organization. It is not a home hotel association. There is no obligation to accommodate visitors in the home - the "connection" will be richer for it, but some members do not have space for visitors.

If you would like to hear one member's experience with ITHF, talk to Michael Tyler.



Hats off to Rotary Clubs

When it comes to shining a light on mental illness in Australia, Rotary clubs have done it again. Thank you to all the clubs across the nation who hosted a Hat Day event, and invited their local community to get involved as well.

Since Hat Day on Friday October 10, Australian Rotary Health has been inundated with event success stories, colourful photos and generous cheque presentations

from club supporters. Some of you held trivia nights, novelty auctions, hat competitions or simply passed the hat around at a partner's night – thank you for your vital support of mental health research.

Steff Fenton

Hat Day Head Honcho



Last week's speaker



Ken Sackville Around the track

Ken's talk was divided into 3 sections;

- His experiences with horse racing;
- His experiences with the Melbourne Cup; and
- The Melbourne Cup field for 2014, with some betting tips.

Ken's interest in racing began at a young age when as a family they would go to watch his aunty and uncle's horses racing. This continued throughout school and university and was primarily driven by the enjoyment of a great day out, the possibility of making money and the overall excitement. Over the years Ken has part-owned many horses and he related some humorous stories about many of them.



His first horse was Hanover Victory, who won a few minor races in Perth, and his next was Lochi who actually had a start on a Melbourne Cup day. His third horse was Lord Altamont, who was unfortunately killed when hit by a BMW in Perth.

Pants on Fire was well named in Ken's view and Ken spoke about other good horses such as Body Corporate and The Wingman.

Ken is currently involved with two new horses, Captain Planet and an unnamed two year old filly whose mother is In in Three.

These last two are trained in Sydney by Joe Pride and he shares ownership with some good friends, all of whom Ken was to be with in Melbourne at Emirates Stakes Day on the Saturday before the Cup.

Ken also mentioned how he was lucky enough to have visited racecourses in the USA, Great Britain, New Zealand and in all Australian States. He has also enjoyed entertaining in a corporate role at the races in Perth, Kalgoorlie, Melbourne and Sydney while with Telstra and as a consultant with Yellow Pages (now Sensis).

Ken then moved onto one of his favourite topics, the Melbourne Cup, relating some facts and figures about the race:

- First run in 1861;
- Always on the first Tuesday in November since 1875;

- Run over 2 miles or now 3200 metres;
- Usually with 24 runners; and
- This year it was worth over \$3.6 million to the winner.

Ken's favourite trainer is Bart Cummings, the Cups King, who has trained the winner of 12 Melbourne Cups. A few stories were related about Bart including that he is a Scorpio, whose favourite day is Tuesdays!!



Ken also pointed out the changes over the years:

- Now attended by over 100,000 each year;
- The growing popularity of Fashions on the Field;
- Some outrageous hats;
- The arrival of more international horses and overseas betting agencies each year; and
- The fact that it is now celebrated as a public holiday in Victoria.



Ken discussed 'ways to back the winner', as 80% of all Australian adults have a bet on the Cup. Various methods were mentioned including colours, names, numbers, age, form, picking a name out of a hat, the sweep horse, etc. Ken then commented on each horse in the Cup, saying that he had a soft spot for Who Shot The Barman, as he had seen it run and win at its first race start at Trentham, New Zealand in April 2013 whilst Ken was travelling with his son William.

Ken then introduced us to some punting options such as quinellas, trifectas and even picking the first four. Ken suggested to take 5 horses in a trifecta, but unfortunately Who Shot The Barman was his only tip to run a place in the Cup, although he did mention that two good German horses were in the field.

Ken was cheered to the finish post by his three children William, Sarah and Leah and William's partner Amy.



Dreams are made of this

Calendar of events

November	17	Suzy Ogelsby - Fitness for cyclists and golfers
	24	Nikki Allan - Helping children with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder
December	1	Annual General Meeting
	8	Phil Morley - Preparing rally cars
	15	Christmas party chez Tyler (last meeting in 2014)
	22	No meeting
	29	No meeting
January	5	No meeting
	12	TBA
February	16	Pride of Workmanship
March	16	Bobbin Head Cycle Classic club briefing
	29	(Sunday) Bobbin Head Cycle Classic
May	14	(Thursday) Fundraising night: Pymble Players: a Hercule Poirot whodunit
	17	Meeting postponed 3 days
	20	(Wednesday) Bobbin Head Cycle Classic presentation to charities

Club officers and committee chairmen 2014-15

Board of directors

President	Tony McClelland
Vice President	John Aitken
President Elect	Graham Timms
Secretary	Geoff Hungerford
Treasurer	Graham Maslen
Director - Membership	Greg Newling
Director - Public Relations	Michael Midlam
Director - Club Administration	Joy Newling
Director - Service Projects	John Aitken
Director - Rotary Foundation	Graham Timms

Service committee chairmen

Club Service	Joy Newling
Vocational Service	Michael Midlam
Community Service	Ross Lambert
International Service	Roger Desmarchelier
Youth Service	[Vacant]
Bobbin Head Cycle Classic	Bob Elsworth
Sergeant-at-Arms	Malcolm Braid

Club committees 2014-15

Bobbin Head Cycle Classic: Bob Elsworth, John Aitken, Ross Egan, Peter Kipps, Tony McClelland, Michael Midlam, Graham Timms

Club History: Malcolm Braid, Tom Jackson

Club Service/Club Administration: Joy Newling, Geoff Hungerford, Graham Maslen, Michael Tyler

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

International Service: Roger Desmarchelier, David Forsythe, Graham Maslen, Greg Newling, Peter Tang

Membership: Greg Newling, Dilys Geddes, Linda Lam-Rohlf

Public Relations: Michael Midlam

Program: Rob Hall, Ross Egan

Rotary Foundation: Graham Timms

Vocational Service: Michael Midlam

Youth Service: Greg Goodman, Malcolm Braid, Joyce Enos, Emyr Evans, Bob Ivey, Tom Jackson, Linda Lam-Rohlf, Joy Newling, Ted Price