

Rotary Club of Kenwick Bulletin

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Report on Meeting 13th July 2011

Rotary Theme for 2011/2012
Reach Within to Embrace Rotary

Club Website: <http://www.rotarykenwick.org>

Welcome. **Pres Rob** welcomed fourteen other Kenwick Rotarians, Gosnells City Councillor Terry Brown, new “member in waiting” Lanny Benjamin, and Guest Speaker David Pankhurst and Partner Alison Merchant; a total of nineteen attendees.

Note Councillor Brown attended because of his interest in Traffic matters.

Charge from **Andrew**, grace from **Ron**.

Club Service; **Peter** advised apologies had been received from **Brian, Bob** and **Sam**. **Peter** also advised that the text message, system whereby KRC members can advise if they are attending each week, had worked very well – and he had received all but three replies within seven minutes.

With regards to District Conference in Kalgoorlie, 16th to 18th March 2012, **Peter** noted twenty one members/partners had indicated interest – we can only hope these numbers materialise. **Steve** is looking into the possibility of arranging some sort of travel deal for members.

Peter then reminded attendees of the DG’s visit, August 3rd, and asked members to suggest a theme for the evening. Any suggestions to **Peter** please. **Pres Rob** then reminded members he has “Notice of Conference” interest cards, which you can complete and lodge, with your email address, and so receive regular updates on Conference.

Reports

Secretary: Bob was an apology, but past Secretary **Ron** stepped in and reminded all Board Members that the first Board Meeting for this year will be on Monday evening at **Pres Rob’s** residence in Victoria Park. Please arrive early so meeting can commence at 1900.

International; Before donning his KRC International Director’s hat, **Ron** advised as D9465 New Generations Chairman RYDA was within his port folio.

Ron then advised that there will be two GSE teams proceeding overseas this year, one to Eastern Russia, and one to Texas.

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Nominations are needed for both teams, which usually comprise five, or so, members aged 18 to 40. So if you know of a candidate please advise Ron. Cost per nominee is \$150.00, and the club usually meets this payment.

Ron then updated all present on the progress of Malaria control in Mali, which gave him an opportunity to display his geographical nous. Noticed one member must have thought he said Bali – not Mali – because he thought it was in Asia. The Rotary club of Bamako-Amite, in Mali, and several USA Rotary Clubs' are undertaking project "Musso Ladamunen", to provide 21,000 malaria free beds, under the slogan "Bite Malaria Back". **Ron** then proposed a toast to the Rotary Club of Bamako-Amite in Rotary District 9000 in Mali.

Vocational: Murray confirmed that his committee had met, and discussed their program for this year. The will continue with Pride of Workmanship awards in October, concentrating this year on Metro Maddington employees.

The committee is also considering a Professional Excellence Award for professional persons in our area, as well as undertaking Mock Job Interviews for those leaving school later in this calendar year.

Murray asked all members who could assist with the actual interviews to contact him. At this stage it is considered that the

Interviews will be for Canning Vale College students.

Murray then advised the committee will continue on with their JCLA involvement, with their "New" student being Banksikumar Kathrotiya, a Chemical Engineering Student. The program calls for the student to attend five KRC Meetings in the year, as well as participate in one KRC Club project. Finally **Murray** advised that the committee propose to introduce a five minute segment whereby each KRC Member can present an update of his vocation.

RDU this month – **Murray** drew to member's attention page 10 of the July issue, very relevant to Membership.

New Generations. Andrew, in **Sam's** absence reported that the New Generations Committee had agreed to support Circus Quirkus with a \$500.00 donation, whilst a RYPEN nomination has been received from **Murray**.

Power Ball' Neal advised last week's winner was No. 7, Brian. Presently interstate Brian will make the big decision on his return as to what to do with the \$40.00.

Attendance. Neal advised fourteen of our twenty members in attendance, a percentage of 70. Note this was before Marguerite arrived.

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Chocolate Wheel. Neal then advised that last week with six spins, nine unsold tickets, Geoff, Sam, Sharron and Bob had made a profit of \$366.00.

Sergeant. Nigel stated that he intended to fine all those who did not perform their Club Weekly Duties. So **Steve** and **Paul** were the first to contribute. Other fines included

Murray ; Letter to the WAN Editor on Carbon Tax.

All other members; Not doing anything to stop the Carbon Tax.

Steve: Urgent call to **Nigel** – about **Murray's** letter.

Murray on Nigel: Telling his staff not to tell the truth

Neal on Andrew: Errors in Bulletin additions.

Guest Speaker.

Sandy introduced Davis Pankhurst, District RYDA Chairperson, who outlined that RYDA is a Program for High School year eleven students; to teach traffic awareness and seeks to encourage young people who are on the verge of driving, or who are actively thinking about it, to take a more responsible attitude to motoring. David has been involved with RYDA for four years, and explained his job was to arrange the RYDA sessions, and to assist clubs promoting RYDA concepts, and organising a RYDA session. David began his presentation with a video on Genevieve, who when

driving a car, was involved in an accident that killed her and her best friend. There was no speeding, alcohol or drugs involved in the accident, simply an error, or a misjudgement on Genevieve's part, caused the accident.

The aim of the RYDA program is to teach young drivers how to avoid making errors and misjudgements.

David pointed out that statistics show that a disproportionate number of young people are killed, or injured, in traffic accidents; almost one death and twenty injuries per day. There are many reasons for the accidents, and the course aims to make students aware of their obligations and the care and concentration needed to focus on their driving and to avoid distractions.

Each course is aimed at 150/180 students, in six classes of 25/30, who attend a one day course split into six different units of about 30/35 minutes duration.

The segments are Stopping Distances: Crash Survivors stories; Motor Vehicle safety; Police instruction; Having a Plan B and Hazards, Distractions and Risk.

Although RYDA began in Eastern Australia ten years ago it has only been available in WA for four years. The RYDA committee can supply many booklets and information pamphlets on their course, prepared by Educational Experts

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and by the Police. They also provide training for passengers. To date over 200,000 students have experienced the one day course, with annual costs now in excess of \$1.3 Million Dollars. The cost to each attendee is \$15.00 half of which goes to the organising Rotary Club and half to the RYDA committee to meet expenses. Each course cost about \$2,000.00. RYDA is growing at over 10 percent per annum. BOC is the major sponsor of the program. Each organising Rotary Club must supply an Event Manager and six group/session hosts, and should approach local High Schools and colleges to promote the scheme. If the school isn't interested then approach to the P and C, or to parents direct, may produce positive results. David commented that many schools now rebook for the following year at the end of the current year's session.

Sandy thanked David for his well presented presentation, and presented him with a KRC Mug.

Closure;

Pres **Rob** closed what was a very good meeting at 2005 hours, but before doing so asked all members to consider the best way to promote Rotary, in General, KRC in particular, and the programs we are undertaking.

WHAT THE FUTURE HOLDS

Club Meeting Duties

Wednesday July 20th

1800 for 1830

Club Plans and Objectives

Property –Nigel and Peter

Host – Sam

Chairman – Peter

Attendance – Neal

Wednesday July 27th

1800 for 1830

Bryn or Jamie - Aspects of a P.I.

Property –Sandy & Andrew

Host – Mark

Chairman – TBA

Attendance – Neal

Wednesday August 3rd

1830 for 1900

D.G. Jodie's Visit.

Property –Paul and Nigel

Host –Joe

Chairman – Rob

Attendance – Neal

Wednesday August 10th

1800 for 18300

TBA.

Property –Sam and Sandy

Host –Marguerite

Chairman – TBA

Attendance – Neal

We now have a program, and a list of duties for the next three/four weeks, so if, for any reason, you cannot meet your obligation then please arrange with another club member, who is not rostered, to exchange or substitute for you.

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Chocolate Wheel

Chocolate Wheel Roster

Saturday July 23rd

Ron; Cheryl; Murray; Sharron;
Sandy.

Saturday August 6th

Wendy; Andrew; Brian; Joe;
Peter; Ken.

Saturday August 20th

Neal; George; Geoff; Bob; Sam;
Paul.

If you agree with another member to change the date/s of your duties/roster please note this is an arrangement between yourselves

Club History of Hatches and Matches

July 25th Birthday Sheila Byl
July 25th Birthday Marie Guest

A Brief History of Rotary – Continued.

(With thanks to Rotary's Global History Fellowship)

Paul Harris was very interested in starting Rotary in other cities. The second Rotary Club was founded by Homer Wood in San Francisco in 1908. Wood then quickly organised Oakland, Seattle and Los Angeles. By the end of 1909 there were seven clubs, including New York City and Boston. So in 1907 Homer Wood actually started four clubs, whilst the rest

of the USA started only two.

Some early Rotarians credited San Francisco Club with starting the New York club.

The activity caused by the San Francisco Club created the first major conflict within the RC of Chicago. Too much of each meeting's time was taken up with reports on new clubs. Paul Harris had a vision of an "Around the World" Organization, but this view was opposed by many other members. It was not until he won the loyalty of Chesley Perry, who was to be appointed Rotary's first secretary that Rotary became truly organized and International. Paul Harris called Chesley Perry the "Builder of Rotary".

By August 1910 there were 16 Rotary Clubs, and the Association of Rotary Clubs was organised and held its first convention in Chicago in that year.

The following year's Convention, in Portland, introduced a Rotary Motto "Service- Not Self", (Note later changed to "Service above self"). This motto was introduced by Frank Collins of Minneapolis. The slogan "He profits most who serves best" was also read at the convention. It had been written by Arthur Sheldon, and presented to the first Convention in Chicago. Both Motto and Slogan were approved by RI, but not until 1950.

When clubs were formed in Canada and Great Britain in 1912

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the name was changed to the International Association of Rotary Clubs, shortened to Rotary International in 1922.

Paul Harris was the first President of the National Association of Rotary Clubs, serving two terms. He was named President Emeritus of the International Association in 1912, and served in this capacity until his death in 1947.

Paul Harris suffered a near fatal heart attack in 1912, and required a full year to recover. Yet over the next thirty five years Paul, and his wife Jean Thompson Harris, made numerous exhausting trips to nearly every continent, visiting hundreds of cities, planting friendship trees and attending Rotary Conferences.

As Rotary spanned the Globe RI branch offices were opened in Europe, South America, South Asia and Southwest Pacific. In the U.K. British Rotary has its own office.

When Rotary International Emeritus President Paul Harris died on January 27th 1947 his dream had grown from one group of four clubs to one of 6,000 clubs in 75 countries, with 300,000 members, brought together through the ideals of service and fellowship.

In Australia the first Rotary Club was opened in Melbourne in 1921, then Sydney that same year.

The first WA Rotary meeting in WA was in 1926, 1st September, with the holding of the inaugural luncheon of the Perth Rotary Club.

There are now over 31,000 clubs in 164 countries, with over 1.2 Million Members.

Until 1987 Rotary was only open to males, but this rule was amended in 1987.

My Mother taught me about

Doing a job well: "If you're going to kill each other then do it outside. I just finished the cleaning"

Religion: "You had better pray this stain comes out of the carpet."

Logic: because I said so – that's why.

Foresight: Make sure you are wearing clean underwear – in case you have an accident.

Irony: Keep crying and I will give you something to cry about.

Science of Osmosis: Shut your mouth and eat your dinner.

Contortionism: Will you look at the dirt on the back of your neck?

Genetics: You just like your father.