



# The Rotary Club of Kwinana

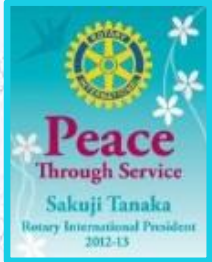
District 9465 Western Australia  
Chartered: 22 April 1971



**President Edd**

## Bulletin

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**Team 2012-13**

- President**  
**Edd Samut**
- Secretary**  
**Genevieve Carr**
- Treasurer**  
**John Iriks**

- Attendance this week**
- Total Members** 24
  - Exempt**
  - Apologies** 1
  - Make-up** 7
  - Attended** 14
  - Honorary Member**
  - Guests** 1
  - Visitors**
  - Partners**
- 87.5%

- Facts & Figures**
- Raffle**  
none
  - Heads & Tails**  
Bob T

- Birthdays:**
- Trish S** 31st

- Anniversary:**
- Harry & Julie** 25<sup>th</sup>
  - Greg & Marge** 26<sup>th</sup>
  - Norm & Karen** 1<sup>st</sup>

**Club Anniversary:**

If you had any we hope you had a good day



**April 2013 Magazine Month**

Meets Monday  
6 for 6.30pm  
At Rotary Hall  
Brownell Crescent, Medina

Visitors always welcome

Members are still talking and saying how good the Busselton Conference was, telling those that didn't attend that they missed out something rather special.

VP Brian Mc chaired the meeting tonight, he had some very kind things to say about last week's bulletin, mainly praising the report I did on the conference. Thanks Brian appreciation is always warmly received.

Congratulations to Violet Burton who celebrated her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday last week, Vi was one of our special ladies who always came along to our meetings on special occasions such as changeover night and Christmas meetings. A widow, Vi was married to a former member Harry Burton Sr. a member from 1973 to 1980. Harry Sr. moved the family from South Fremantle and founded Burton's Butchers in Medina, upon Harry's death the business passed to Harry Jr. and Max Burton. Max ran the very successful business until he retired just a few years ago. Another piece of trivia is that the home Harry Sr. built overlooking the golf course in Calista is now owned and occupied by our own Norm M.

A pleasure to welcome along PDG Sylvia Byres to our meeting tonight, literacy has always been very close to Sylvia's heart and she continues to work tirelessly in the field.

**Have a safe and happy Easter break**

	<p><b>Rotary International President</b> <b>Sakuji Tanaka</b></p> <p>Rotary Club of Yashio, Japan</p>	<p><b>District Governor 9465</b></p> <p><b>Bob Cooper</b> Rotary Club of Kwinana</p>
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**Up Coming Events April 2013 Magazine Month**

<b>April 2013</b>	
<b>Mon 1<sup>st</sup></b>	Easter Monday (No meeting)
<b>Mon 8<sup>th</sup></b>	Club Meeting
<b>Sun 14<sup>th</sup></b>	Wellard Village Markets
<b>Mon 15<sup>th</sup></b>	Club Meeting
<b>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	Club Meeting
<b>Thu 25<sup>th</sup></b>	Anzac Day Breakfast
<b>Mon 29<sup>th</sup></b>	Club Meeting
<b>Attendance Officer PP Greg Williams 9419 5834</b>	
<b>Apologies by Saturday pm please</b>	

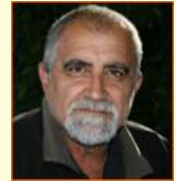
**Spud Shed Roster**  
7<sup>th</sup> April 2013

**Matt W, John I, Eric**

**The Four-Way Test**  
Of things we think, say or do.

1. Is it the TRUTH?
2. Is it FAIR to all concerned?
3. Will it build GOODWILL? and BETTER FRIENDSHIPS
4. Will it be BENEFICIAL to all concerned?

## *President Edd Samut*



### **The President's Pen**

President Edd is still laying back having a few beers somewhere to the South of us.

The meeting tonight was chaired by VP Brian McCallum.

Brian welcomed everyone to our meeting with a special welcome to PDG Sylvia Byres who came along to talk about 'literacy'

Brian commented on our latest bulletin edition and how he was impressed with the coverage given to the conference recently held in Busselton, he suggested that any members who did not attend the conference to read the report as it gives a very good account of the weekend.

Last week we attended a meeting in Rockingham for the outgoing GSE team to Brazil, they are an all-female team. What a fine group of young ladies we are sending off to Brazil to represent our district they will no doubt do a great job.

Board meeting this Wednesday at 7pm.

The only limits we have are those we impose on ourselves

It's not what you get that makes you valuable,  
It's what you become along the way

Be loyal to those not in your presence

Become the kind of person you're proud of



**Secretary: PP Genevieve Carr**



Inward Correspondence:

- Weekly District News
- Rotary Out West
- Bendigo Bank statement
- Invoices for newspapers, RDU merchandise
- Term Deposit certificate from Bendigo Bank
- Invitation to meeting at Rotary Club of Fremantle Port
- Sealanes Account



**Treasurer: PDG John Iriks**



Bills paid, money in the bank.

## April is Magazine Month

As a magazine man from way back I enjoy the printed word, but it is a fact that many Rotarians seem to be too busy to read and communication then becomes a problem. Most of these Rotarians are computer literate and use the Web regularly, and a website that is well designed and which gives the required information is attractive to them. This website will provide such a service to the family of Rotary and I commend it to you.



<http://www.rotarynews.info/>

Better informed Rotarians are better Rotarians, and the world needs all the good Rotarians it can get.

Past RI President  
Bill Boyd



## President Elect James Sharkey



### Club Service Report

#### Dates for the diary

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March; Board Meeting 7pm @ Rotary Hall

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April: Easter Monday (no meeting)

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April: Incoming Board Meeting

Sat 27th April: Progressive Dinner (The date has been changed to suit the first volunteer host) Two more hosts required.

**James Sharkey**  
**Club Service Director**

A few facts you may not be aware of.

Heroin is the brand name of morphine once marketed by 'Bayer'.

Tourists visiting Iceland should know that tipping at a restaurant is considered an insult!

Albert Einstein was offered the presidency of Israel in 1952, but he declined.

The Mona Lisa has no eyebrows. In the Renaissance era, it was fashion to shave them off!

Because of the speed at which Earth moves around the Sun, it is impossible for a solar eclipse to last more than 7 minutes and 58 seconds.



Club Projects Director  
PP Roger Hamilton



Sam Cuplovic  
Foundation Dir.



PP Brian McCallum  
Vice President, PR  
Membership



PP Harry Tebbutt  
Vocational P/M

### Project Director's Report.

The next Wellard Village Markets will be held on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April.



PP John Brennan  
International P/M

Applications are open for GSE team leader and 4 team members to go to Denmark in September. Information and application forms are available on the website link below.

<http://www.rotary.org/en/ServiceAndFellowship/Fellowship/GroupStudyExchange/Pages/ridefault.aspx>

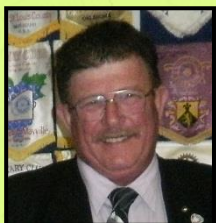


PP Matt White  
Community P/M

Applications open for NYSF (National Youth Science Forum) on 1<sup>st</sup> April.

NYSF will be held in January 2014

A Forum for Year 11 students held in Canberra each January providing hands on experiments in laboratories and visits to a range of research and industry facilities. It provides students with information on a wide range of career opportunities in various science and engineering fields. Applications for the 2014 Forum will open 1<sup>st</sup> April 2013.



Michael Nella  
New Gen. P/M  
Rotaract

RYPEN 2013 applications close on 26<sup>th</sup> April.

Open to 14 to 17 year olds

The Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment is a three day seminar for participants aged between 14 - 17 years of age. Awardees are sponsored and paid for by Rotary Clubs.

RYPEN targets everyday young adults who have not yet experienced leadership positions. We are not looking for either high achievers or teenagers with behavioural problems.

**Visit our club webpage.**

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx?accountid=8106>



## General Business

PP Genevieve:  
Swimathon, don't forget the 'My Cause' page is still open." Great to be No1 in the world"



Tickets for the Mandurah Duck Race available, takes place next weekend.

Max Bird: Plans well advanced for our 'clean water' trip to Timor, budget in place \$15k, leave 29th April.

Sam C: Need to contact Foodbank WA, I have a contact where they can obtain free wooden pallets for their use.

Bob T: The 'Tree Project' put forward by PP Harry for an Arts Grant is progressing, but looks a little shaky at present.

Invite to Fremantle Port RC to attend an evening with 'Robert Thomas' presenting his sailing adventures during the 2012 Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race.

Date: 29<sup>th</sup> April, at the Flying Angel Club.

Suggested that we attend and cancel our meeting here, agreed.



Speaking on "Literacy" PDG Sylvia Byers with VP Brian McCallum



## Fine Session

## Sergeant Garry Bassett



Eagles fans had to 'pay up'

Chris O fined for being the 'best dressed'

Matt W fined for sitting with his friends, that is on his lonesome.

Norm and Garry fined because they didn't turn on the power to the caravan when they returned after a Spud Shed session.

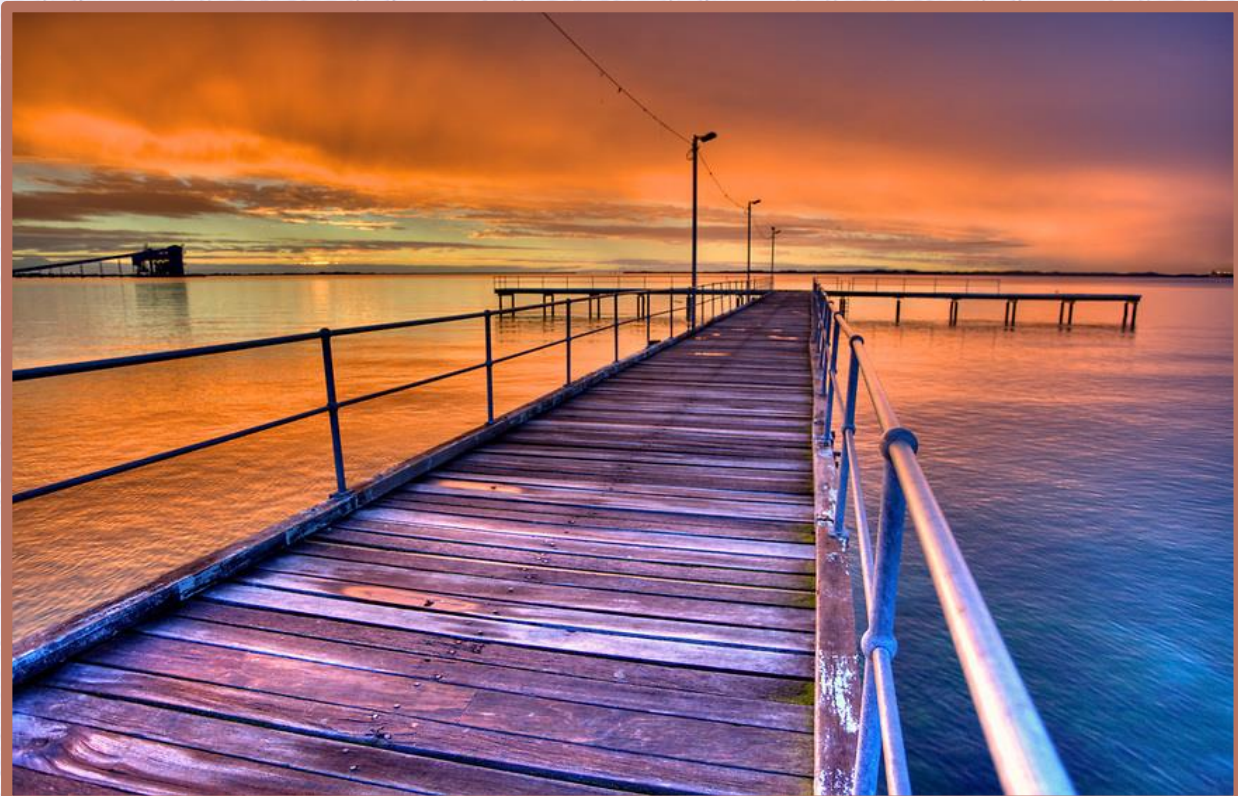
PDG Sylvia fined for the 'brain teaser' sheet put around. (only because sergeant Garry couldn't read it, type too small!

Brian Mc, Max and Wendy fined because they all went to the caravan show.

Brian, Matt and Garry all fined because they had a 'senior moment tonight'

Eric fined because he could only 'half remember' something

Norm M, hand up for 'no children' then hand up for having 'grandchildren' how does that work?

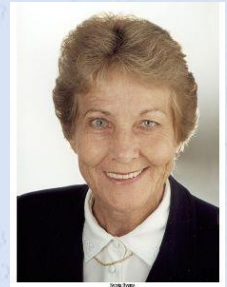


What a great picture, Kwinana Beach Jetty

(hope it's not breaching copyright)



## PDG Sylvia Byres      Literacy



Children have been her passion since she began as a teacher in 1955. But it has been children with learning difficulties - “bright kids not achieving to their potential” - who have become her most constant focus.

Her canvas has been Western Australia where she first taught in a range of rural and isolated schools and identified the need to provide bush children and their parents with the same sort of help in overcoming learning difficulties as are available in the city.

“As a result of living and working in many country areas of Western Australia, I saw a service that was available to city kids but not to those in the country.” “So I pursued teaching in the area of special education and in 1980 won a Rotary Scholarship, which enabled me to study for a year as an ambassadorial scholar, at Bloomington, Indiana, in the USA.

“The study experience enabled me to win the position of principal at a residential school in the city which catered specifically for country children with learning difficulties.

“But I realised as we moved into the 1990’s the school was working to a 1980s model - it was not appropriate that children at a young age be away from their home school and family environment to be educated. We were able to change the service so that, instead of bringing children away, we trained people in order to provide that service closer to home.”

Sylvia became an active Rotary member and the first female District Governor of Rotary District 9460.

She is also a registered volunteer with Rotary World Community Service and has completed an assignment in India, working with teachers to improve literacy. Community literacy programs through her local Rotary club and private consultancy work allow her to continue the work she loves

### **Why I Am A Rotarian**

“I was an Ambassadorial Scholar in 1980 – ‘81 and determined to give back something to Rotary, therefore became a founding member of the Foundation Alumni in Western Australia in 1983.

I later willingly accepted an invitation to work on a District Literacy committee as a non-Rotarian and enjoyed the productive meetings and associated project work for many years. In 1992 I approached local Rotarians and received their advice and assistance for a work related literacy research project but resisted invitations to become a Rotarian due to work and time commitments.

Thanks to one persistent Rotarian who did not know the meaning of “Thank you, but no!” I am now a member of the Rotary family and look forward to meetings and enjoy a supportive group of Rotarians, their partners and others who contribute new ideas and support local, district and international projects.

I had no idea until I became a Rotarian that there would be at least twenty-six club members for projects and that collectively we could make a difference for many.

The power of Rotary through Rotarians and partners who know the meaning of Service Above Self tells why I am a Rotarian.”

Sylvia gave us a number of examples of why ‘being literate’ is so important to our development.

Quite a lively question time ensured that Sylvia’s presentation was well acknowledged  
VP Brian Mc Callum thanked PDG Sylvia for her presentation

Information on PDG Sylvia’s career was obtained from various internet sources. Ed.

Six Irish men were playing poker when one of them played a bad hand and died.

The rest drew straws to see who would tell his wife. Mick draws the shortest straw and goes to his friend's house to tell the wife.

Mick says to her, "Your husband lost some money in the poker game and is afraid to come home."

The wife says, "Tell him to drop dead!" Mick responds, "I'll go tell him."

As soon as she had finished parochial school, a bright young girl named Lena shook the dust of Ireland off her shoes and made her way to New York where before long, she became a successful performer in show business.

Eventually she returned to her home town for a visit and on a Saturday night went to confession in the church which she had always attended as a child. In the confessional Father Sullivan recognized her and began asking her about her work. She explained that she was an acrobatic dancer, and he wanted to know what that meant.

She said she would be happy to show him the kind of thing she did on stage.

She stepped out of the confessional and within sight of Father Sullivan, she went into a series of cartwheels, leaping splits, handsprings and backflips.

Kneeling near the confessional, waiting their turn, were two middle-aged ladies. They witnessed Lena's acrobatics with wide eyes, and one said to the other:

"Will you just look at the penance Father Sullivan is givin' out this night, and me without me bloomers on!"

#### Makeup opportunities

<b>Rockingham:</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>6pm for 6.30</b>	<b>Ocean Clipper Inn</b>
<b>Palm beach:</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6pm for 6.30</b>	<b>Ocean Clipper Inn</b>
<b>Cockburn</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7.15am for 7.30</b>	<b>Cockburn Seniors Centre</b>
<b>Fremantle</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6pm for 6.30</b>	<b>Royal Fremantle Golf Club</b>
<b>Fremantle Port</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>6pm for 6.30</b>	<b>Mission for Seaman</b>

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