ROTARY DISTRICT 9680
CLUB SEVICE SYMPOSIUM 11th SEPTEMBER 2011

PROGRAM

<u>Symposium</u> (among the Ancient Greeks) - a convivial meeting, usu. following a dinner, for drinking, conversation, and intellectual discussion

9.00 – 9.15	**WELCOME and INTODUCTION**	DG David Rands
9.15 – 9.35	**DYNAMIC MEETINGS**	AG Mike Hallen
9.35 – 9.45	**MEMBERSHIP**	PP Ross Pearse
9.45 – 9.55	**PUBLIC RELATIONS**	PP Mark Wallace
9.55 – 10.25	**ROLE OF THE SERGEANT**	AG Mark Anderson
10.25 – 10.40	**THE ESSENTIAL CLUB PROJECT***	PP Mitch Cowan (DGN Graeme Davies)
10.40 – 11.10	**MORNING TEA**	
11.10 – 11.40	**CONFLICT RESOLUTION**	PP Robyn Gaspari PP Trish Wetton
11.40 – 12.00	**Z FACTOR SCORE**	DGN Graeme Davies
12.00 – June 2012	**On-line SYMPOSIUM**	

- A copy of the blank "Activity Planner" used by the Rotary Club Northlakes Toukley as part of the "Essential Club Project" will be posted on the web. A copy will also be available for your information at the Registration Desk during Morning Tea.

The Rotary Club of Queen's Park is located in a city of 300,000 and has 65 members. The rapidly growing city is expanding into the surrounding countryside, which serves as a habitat for several indigenous, endangered plants and animals. Though parts of the city are prosperous, about 20 percent of residents are economically and educationally disadvantaged.

The club's weekly meetings are well attended by club members, who participate in a variety of fellowship activities. Nevertheless, membership has declined over the past 5 years. During this time the club has lost 25% of its members and has had difficulty keeping newer ones. On the Resigning Member Questionnaire most complained that their expectations of hands-on community service projects had not been met.

The club's recent service projects were limited in effectiveness and scope. The two most successful ones consisted of contributing money to an organisation that renovated benches in a city park and making an unsolicited donation of playground equipment to a school in the neighbourhood near where several club members live.