

- The EHGTHS Students have given great feedback on RYDA most saying it should be compulsory

**Julie Harris**

- We have received a cheque for \$5000 from Revesby Workers Club for Padstow on Parade



Lauren (right) and our new exchange student Laurence from Belgium

**Jack & Jill Stories**

Jack & Jill jogged up the hill,  
 Their breath came faster and faster,  
 Before the top, they made a stop,  
 Narrowly averting a myocardial disaster.

Jack tried to be nimble; he tried to be quick,  
 He shot hoops with young guys  
 And ruptured a disc.

I wrinkle, I crinkle ,I no longer twinkle,  
 How did this come so soon?  
 Just yesterday I was thirty one  
 I'm fifty –four next June

***Rotary Grace***

*O lord and giver of all good  
 We praise Thee for our daily food  
 May Rotary friends and rotary Ways  
 Help us to serve Thee all our days*

# The FULCRUM

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D.G.Paul, and Suzanne and President Mike

**PROGRAMME**

**Tonight Club Assembly**

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| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sept.  | Vocational Talks                     |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept   | Relay for Life                       |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Sept . | BBQ at Bunnings                      |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> Sept.  | Club Assembly                        |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> Sept. | RYDA at Homebush Sir Joseph Banks HS |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept. | Panania Markets                      |

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## Club Notes for 26 August 2008

### Mike Kenny – President

- Welcome to District Governor Paul Erickson and Suzanne, and to our brand new exchange student Laurence Sirjacobs.
- At Judy Kell's son's funeral, Judy asked for donations to be sent to the trust in her son's name for a Scholarship at Blue Mountains Grammar School
- Past President Eric Robinson of The Rotary Club of Liverpool died last week.
- I have received a report about Shelterbox activities in Burma. In 5 trips, more than 2,000 shelter boxes have been delivered to provide 3½ miles of tents housing 25,000 people. The rough cost per person is \$96.
- Robert Sharp is organising a trade night on Tuesday 28th October, and needs a barbecue. It would qualify as a makeup. Are the members interested in doing this? [Yes]

### Glenda Murray – Secretary

- We have responded to the invitation to the Talent Advancement Program Annual Concert [on Thursday 11th September, 7:00pm for 7:30pm, at the Revesby Workers Club] by booking for 18 people.
- We have received a receipt from the John Fawcett Foundation for a donation of \$200.
- An application has been received for assistance from the Youth Trust.
- Milne Insurance has sent a receipt for our public liability insurance.
- The family of Bob Owens have sent a letter of thanks for Bob's recognition in the Community Service Officers Awards [17 June 2008], as well as a receipt from the Cancer Council for the Club's \$500 donation.

### Allan Sweet – Treasurer

- Quite detailed accounts are available for perusal, with a copy being provided for the District Governor. The Club is in a very healthy position. A discrepancy of \$2,500 is due to a teller error which is in the process of being reversed.

### Directors Reports

- All Directors gave comprehensive reports to D.G.Paul and all can be read on the web

### District Governor Paul Erickson Guest Speaker

- It has been helpful to hear all that you are doing, even if it makes some of what I say redundant.
- At the District Changeover, Barry Thompson mentioned 5 very important words:
  - **Service** – I'm asking all clubs to think about service, not just fund-raising.
  - **Leadership** – I want clubs to think about leadership and succession planning.
  - **Fellowship** - It's a major part of this club, as it should be, and shows that Rotary can be fun and interesting while being relevant.
  - **Integrity** – we need to keep to the guidelines for operations, and to look after child protection and risk management.
  - **Diversity** – In both ethnicity and gender of members.
- RI President DK Lee has identified areas of focus:
  - Polio –Water, hunger, and health – Literacy
- There are 2 new areas:
  - **Membership** – crucial for the District as well as each club. And
  - **Public Relations** – DK Lee has asked us to be proactive in PR.
- I am a big fan of Shelterbox, ARHRF, and TRF. The Centurion program is excellent; we have one club with a 100% Centurion membership. I would like to see all at the conference next year – it is an important part of Rotary. We have a lot of good speakers, good in quality and quantity.
- The Presidents meetings are important. We are pleased to have Directors to come along to those. It is important for you to know the District faces and for them to know you.
- Consistency is important in supporting Rotary and meeting the goals set down by DK Lee.
- It used to be a 100% attendance was the norm; now it is 50%. Some of the ways Clubs are trying to get and retain members is by marking them present at meetings based on their service to the Club and also paying fees for some members.

A complete report of DG Paul's speech can be read on the web

### President Mike

- There is a quick Board meeting after to transfer signatories.

### Alan Sweet

- Fees for *Relay for Life* need to be with me before next week

### GENERAL BUSINESS

#### Keith Roffey

- The new pull-up banners are not available as yet.

#### Veronica Necyporuk

- 2 students have been selected to go to RYPEN.