**Kenmore Rotary- Activity Guide No A13**

**Rotary Youth Driver Awareness Program –RYDA**

**(New Title - Rotary Road Safety Education Program )**

**Event Revision—Brian Becconsall & Ian Hutcheson 8-11-2015**

Kenmore Rotary became involved in RYDA in 2010 by organising KSHS to participate for the first time, and to date no other Western Suburb schools have been convinced to join the program .Brigidine and St Peters have been approached, and Brigidine appears to be a more promising lead for the future..

RYDA is a road safety education program aimed at 16-17 aged students, mostly yr 11’s just prior to them reaching the age of obtaining driving learners permits, and focuses on attitude and awareness for drivers and passengers. It is a 1 day seminar held on a school day at Nathan Sports Centre at Chandler in East Brisbane, with a preferred minimum 120 and maximum of 180 students, over 6 sessions conducted by professional speakers. RYDA organises the seminar day, and the Club provides 7 volunteers as helpers for the day to set up, and move groups around between sessions. The school must provide transport and supervising teachers, and control the costs and fees charged to the students.

In recent years, the preferred date for KSHS has been in October near the start of Term 4.

**Planning-**

**School Commitment** It is imperative that the school principal and yr 11 coordinator are fully committed to support the program, and make school timetable arrangements to allow yr 11 students a full day to attend. This means arranging a meeting at the school to explain the program, and show the 5 min promotional DVD. Support from the school P&C is important for sponsorship and promotion, so contact is made with P&C President.

**Club Coordinator**.

A specific club member is assigned to coordinate the program with a particular school, and arranges early in the year (say Feb)with the yr. 11 school coordinator for a particular day to be booked for the program at least 3-4 months ahead. The school submits the day booking direct to the RYDA manager , and the current location used is the Nathan Sports centre at Chandler. Club coordinator arranges roster for members to attend on the day to help with supervision ( 7 preferred, 1 overall and 6 to stay with each group).

**School Contacts & Assembly presentation**

The first contact with the Yr. 11’s is via a Rotary letter from our Club President which is sent out in mid-June by the School with the yr. 11 students results to parents, and registration form. The second contact is at a yr. 11 assembly, with a short introduction to the RYDA program, a promotional RYDA 5 min. DVD , a presentation by a Police Officer, and a summary by either a visiting Rotarian or Dep Principal. The yr. 11 coordinator hands out registration forms for the students to arrange registration

**Budget**

RYDA charges the school directly a site charge for attending (as at 2015, $18/student) and normally the school sets the student fee about this level to fully recover this cost. However Bus transport increases the cost, so sponsorship is sought from our club and the KSHS P&C and other community groups. Kenmore Club has always contributed up to $500 for these costs. In 2014, 2 other Rotary Clubs contributed $500 each (Brookfield and Karana Downs), which was not needed in 2014, so has been preserved and ring-fenced in Club Assets for future major expenses when the program is expanded. Sponsorship by local motoring groups and other community organisations have not been forthcoming

For 2014 and 2015, the cost of 2 buses/year has been covered by the P&C contribution of $500 and the balance by Kenmore Rotary as it has been under $500 in each year due to only 2 buses being required. If larger numbers attend and 3 buses are needed, bus costs will exceed $1000—as well if the P&C pull out in future, then access will be needed to this Trust amount to share the cost between the 3 western clubs, and they have all agreed to this

**Sponsors**

For 2012, sponsors were Kenmore Rotary, West Daybreak Rotary, KSHS P&C, & QT Mutual Bank . Sponsors will be sought over the wider community business enterprises in future as the program extends.

In 2014 & 2015, Kenmore Rotary and KSHS P&C were the only sponsors.

**Publicity**

Use is made of the Local Bulletin for articles on RYDA, as well as visits to local community groups. Sponsors are recognised, and presentations of sponsor cheques are made at School assemblies. A RYDA video is available for promotion, as well as shown at yr 11 school assemblies.

**Operations**

**- Day Program** Club members (7) provide support during the day, and are to arrive at 8.30 am to be briefed by RYDA manager for set up- School buses to arrive 9.15am for briefing and grouping into 6 groups, and start of sessions at 9.30am. M/Tea & Lunch is provided for the staff and club volunteers, and students provide their own- there is no canteen on site, but a cold water bubbler is available. Finish expected by 2.10pm.

**Post Event**

Coordinator submits report/news article by 15th of month to Club Bulletin editor for submission to local news media, and Board, with copy to school Yr. 11 coordinator. Write thank-you letters to contributors.

**Contacts.**

RYDA Web site- [www.ryda.org.au](http://www.ryda.org.au)

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KSHS P&C- Contact through School office for latest office bearers.

**Attachments**

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