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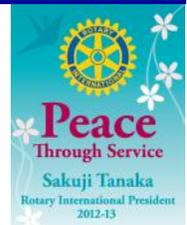
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Deadline for material in The HUB is Friday 5pm unless otherwise arranged.

This Week...

Tonight 21st August Murray Stone—Westmead Childrens' Hospital.
Murray is the Relationship Manager for the 'Kids Research Institute' at The Children's Hospital at Westmead. He is here tonight to tell us more about the work of the Institute and talk about some of the challenges in kids' health today.

Tonight's Roster

Welcomers	Steve Thorp and Tony Abboud
Loyal Toast by	Les Whitcroft
Guest Speaker introduced by	David James
Guest Speaker thanked by	Patrick Longfield



If you are unable to fulfill this duty, please arrange your own swap and inform President Burkhart of the change.

The "Meeting Night Roster" for the next 3 meetings appears on Page 11

Burkhart's Blog



Greetings to all Ryde Rotarians and Rotary friends.

Tonight's guest speaker is Murray Stone from the Children's Research Institute of the Westmead Children's Hospital.

Whilst talking about children and medical research, please do not forget to buy Janelle Dodd's red pins and the money boxes 'End Polio Now'. They are available now! No research required there, just a few more funds, because we are "this close".



There will be a board meeting after our regular meeting.

Next week we hear from Philip Smith, District Chairman of ROMAC, which means "Rotary Overseas Medical Aid for Children". Enjoy the evening.

Burkhart

We'll be sad if we don't SEE YOU ON TUESDAY ...



If you need to give a late apology for non-attendance at any meeting please ring Val Payne (9874 5787) **before 10am Monday**. Club policy is that you will be expected to pay for your meal if you are absent without timely apology. Isn't that **fair to all concerned**?

Last meeting ... as recalled by Allen Horrell



President Burkhart opened our meeting with the induction of **Kathryn Dodd** as our newest member. She was proposed by **Rtn Julie Thorp** with the classification of Architectural Design. Kate is a long-term member of the family of Rotary, a former Exchange Student to Switzerland, who has just raised over \$4000 for Polio Plus by her team's sponsored run in the City to Surf. Her father is nearly as well known for being our District Governor as he is for being Kathryn's Dad.

PP Geoff Brennan read the "Objects of Rotary" to the assembled crowd before our President began the induction.

In a special honour for Kathryn, we had arranged for our District Governor to present her with her pin. What an auspicious start to her Rotary career!

Dinner was swordfish steak with chat potatoes (so called because we chatted about how small they were) and my perennial favourite, string beans.

Reports began while we ate, with **PE Adrian Hallett** wanting more members to attend the Youth Exchange BBQ to show support for Onni Kivimaa; **PP Patrick Longfield** wanting to introduce a mentoring system for new Rotarians, and **Community Chair Nora** inviting members to attend the Interact information meeting at Friday's Ryde Secondary College assembly.

Rtn Julie Thorp called for more volunteers for present wrapping for Father's day next Wednesday. **International Chair Rob Mitchell** announced that a celebration of the second Borjegai School will be held on 9th October – more details closer to the day.

New **Rtn Kathryn Dodd** reported that her sponsored run/walk in the City to Surf has so far raised \$4116.50 for Polio Plus, and she showed us her team members' official places in the run - they appeared to have become somewhat separated during the run, coming in scattered across 20,000 places, the last coming in at 64,524th or thereabouts.

The First Family was next represented by **Janelle Dodd**, who told the club that rather than choosing a pet charity of her own for John's year, she had decided to support Rotary's main project, Polio Plus. Well done, Janelle!

Spackle ticket Blue A76 was drawn and its mate was found in **Rtn John Brown's** hand, but from the tiny remaining pack he drew the Queen of Hearts, not the Joker. Not satisfied with the Spackle cash flow, the Serjeant unleashed a veritable flood of fines, the most memorable being **DG John Dodd** having so terrified Onni with blood-curdling tales of the "Madmen across the Water" in Morisset that he slept in the lounge.

In the cross-fines **Rtn Siddarth Maheshwari** rebuked me for misrepresenting PP Patrick's position on Sustainability in my Hub article. Suitably chastised, I made a public apology to Patrick for any offence taken.

Then it was time for **Exchange Student Onni Kivimaa's** presentation on his family, his home town and Finland in general.

As I recall he told us that their capital Helsinki was old, and often cold. His hometown Valkeakoski is 30% water, and on the next slide, showed photos indicating a large paper producing city.



Last meeting cont'd ...



Valkeakoski is smaller than Sydney, but their family home is larger than average, it used to be a hotel before they converted it.

Another highlight was a boat with a sauna in it—if I ever win Lotto, I want one!

As the slides continued we all saw that Finland is pretty, especially in the snow, when the sea freezes, the trees are inverted icicles, and the landscape is white. We learned of his sibling's names, which Onni translated as Hope, Pearl and Present, and his own name means Happiness!

Curiously for a Finn he ended his presentation with "I don't like the cold!" That would explain why he came to Australia, our winter is like their summer! PP Charles Kilby gave the vote of thanks before Onni took back the microphone to market his chocolate bars to raise funds for the Exchange Program.

The Dodd family gave an impassioned plea for Ryde to continue its support of the Rotary Youth Exchange Program, Janelle Dodd asking all of us to consider being host parents, regardless of our age. All we need is a spare room and the will to open our home to a host child.

Kathryn Dodd spoke of her Swiss host family and that they are still her family now. As I listened to them speak I thought "Je suis d'accord avec vous!" Those of us who have hosted RYEP students can testify that the experience enriches both the host family and the student.

Allen Horrell

Weekly Report: Vocational



Planning for the 'Apprentice of the Year' is underway.

Ron Thomson who had the experience of this programme last year is heading it and has already been in contact with TAFE colleges. The Club event for this project will be in November and is dependant on final discussions with the TAFE organisation.

The Vocational committee is also looking at "factory visits". Whilst the committee is pursuing what is hopefully interesting organisations that will be of interest to our members, we would welcome any suggestions that club members may have—any ideas?

Graham Metcalfe

Next Week: Public Relations

New member induction



Rtn Julie Thorp introducing and proposing Kathryn Dodd as a member.



Elated Rtn Kathryn with President Burkhart



In addition to Rtn Kathryn's fund raising effort to 'End Polio Now', Janelle Dodd as First Lady of District 9680 endorsed this charity as her target for this Rotary Year and called on our support .

Exciting News from the School of St Jude

The School of St Jude

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July 2012 Newsletter

Thank you for passing this newsletter on to your family and friends.

WELCOME TO THE WORLD BABY LOUISA



Gemma, Richard, Nathaniel, Jacob and Isabella are very proud to welcome the newest member of the Sisia family—baby Louisa Ellen Sisia!

Louisa was born around 11am on Wednesday 25th July at the St Thomas Hospital in Arusha, weighing 3.7kg. Gemma and Louisa are doing very well and healthy. The family are enjoying getting to know their little baby girl!— with the three other children currently on school holidays, home life is busier than ever!

Gemma and Richard have been happily overwhelmed by all the St Jude's supporters who have sent messages of congratulations over the past weeks.



Also inside:

- Meet some of our amazing students and teachers
 - Find out what inspired Renee to become a St Jude's sponsor 10 years ago
 - Feeding the masses at St Jude's!
 - The Important Book
- And lots more!

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Email from a teacher we sponsor



The School of St Jude
FIGHTING POVERTY THROUGH EDUCATION

Sent: Monday, 13 August 2012 7:03 PM
To: Horrell, Allen J
Subject: Ms Christina in 2012!

Dear All at The Rotary Club of Ryde Inc, greetings from St Jude's!

Thank you so much for your continued support of our school through sponsorship of teacher **Ms Christina Gabriel!**

Your generosity towards Ms Christina, who is teaching Library to Standards 1 to 4 at our Moshono Lower Primary School, supports both her fellow St Jude's teachers and Ms Christina as they work hard to educate Tanzania's future leaders.

2012 celebrates our ten year anniversary and St Jude's continues to bloom. We now educate more than 1,500 students spread across three amazing schools and two boarding campuses, and we employ over 400 local Tanzanian teachers and other staff. All this would not be possible without big-hearted supporters like you!

We hope you will enjoy the attached 2012 Update about Ms Christina, with news including her present goals, interests and opinions. Also attached is a Teacher Sponsorship FAQs document, for all the details of supporting a teacher at The School of St Jude.

Thank you again for your **amazing** ongoing support of Ms Christina. Standing together, we are Fighting Poverty through Education!

Best wishes

Angela

Angela Eksteins
Sponsor Relations Coordinator

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Rotary International

The Rotary Club of Lagos-Palm Grove Estate, Lagos State, Nigeria, organises six health camps a year.

During these camps, patients line up beginning very early in the morning for free consultations.

Young women bring their children, and receive iron supplements, vitamin tablets, anti-malaria medication, and sometimes de-worming medicines. We see them smiling as they return home after their health checks, carrying their supplements and medicines.

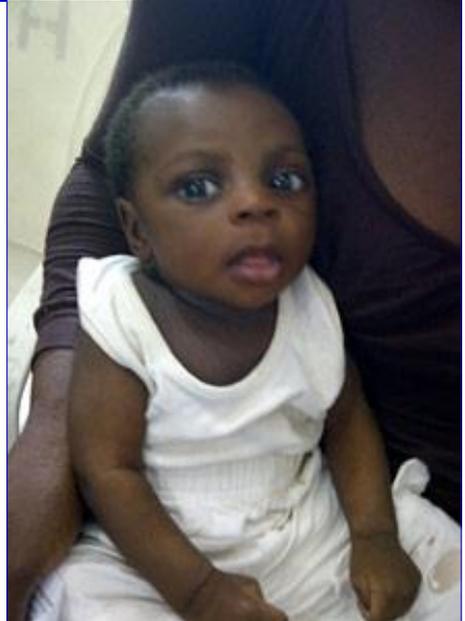
Quite a number of elderly patients also attend the camps, gaining access to blood pressure checks, random blood sugar checks, and general health advice they would not otherwise be able to afford.

We have assisted more than 5,500 patients over the years. Each year, we work on increasing our reach within the community.

Indian doctors, Nigerian doctors, pharmaceutical companies, leading hospitals, and volunteers from the community all join together at these Rotary health camps to increase the quality of care for young and old alike.

I am happy that through Rotary we are able to make a difference in so many lives and work toward a healthier community.

By Suman Ramesh, President of the Rotary Club of Lagos-Palm Grove Estate



Up-and-Coming Rotary Events

Saturday 25 August	Rotary Club of Beecroft Book Fair
Sunday 26 August	Rotary Club of West Pennant Hills & Cherrybrook Trivia Night at 6.30 pm
<u>Saturday 1 September</u>	Rotary Club of Ryde Club Saturday Graffiti Removal Patrol 8.00 am Ryde Bowling Club car park
Sunday 2 September	Fathers' Day gift distribution to Nursing Homes
Sunday 9 September	Ryde River Festival — be there to cheer on our own Club's Dragon Boat Crew !
Sunday 23 September	ROTARY'S GRAFFITI REMOVAL DAY



Attendance last meeting

Attendance Last Meeting: 87.80%

Makeups:	John Mazlin, Ron Taffa
Apologies:	Surinder Joson, Les Whitcroft, Artin Etmekdjian, Ken Allen, Peter Cooper, Ron Thomson, Erdem Toner, John Mazlin, Ron Taffa, Stefan Sojka
Guests:	Malcolm Goris, Kathleen Goris, John Goris (Outbound YE - Finland), Onni Kivimaa, Rob Senior
Rotarian Guest:	James Dodd, Janelle Dodd, Patricia Foertsch, Linda Hallett, Rose Rocca

Friday Night Roster for Onni Kivimaa

Onni is presently hosted with John & Janelle Dodd

Who	When	Who	When
Bob Kaye-Smith	24/08/12	Patrick Longfield	07/09/12
Charles Kilby	31/08/12	Siddarth Maheshwari	14/09/12

Looking Ahead...

28th August	ROMAC —Philip Smith
4th Sept	9/11 Retrospective - Toni Cavalenes, Social Worker, Staten Island, New York
11th	To be advised



Anniversaries



44 year Wedding Anniversary for Duncan Taylor and Marli
29 year Club Anniversary for Ed Berlage

Smile . . .



A mate of mine recently admitted to being addicted to brake fluid. When I quizzed him on it he reckoned he could stop any time . . .

Useful websites

- Rotary Club of Ryde www.ryderotary.org.au
- Rotary International www.rotary.org
- Rotary Down Under www.rotarydownunder.com.au
- ShelterBox Australia www.shelterboxaustralia.com.au
- School of St Jude www.schoolofstjude.co.tz

Other events ...

▶ Pirates of Penzance

Date: from 24 August to 1 September
Details: 9777 7547 or www.zeniththeatre.com.au



▶ Graffiti Removal Day

Date: Saturday 1st September (note the change from Sunday for this occasion only)
Contact: Charles Kilby

▶ Trivia Night - West Pennant Hills & Cherrybrook Rotary

Date: Saturday 25th August
Venue: Cherrybrook Community Centre
Details: 0468 330 667 (see page 9)

▶ City of Ryde Eisteddfod

Date: 1st September
Time: 2-5 pm (14 years and under)
3.30 pm (15 years and over)



▶ The Victory Ball

Date: Friday 21st September
Time: 7 pm
Details: 9438 7050 or www.victoryball.org



▶ Graffiti Removal Day

Date: Sunday 23 September
Details: 1300 665 310 or www.graffitiremovalday.com.au



▶ 2012 AIM Rebecca Gregory Indigenous Scholarship

Applications close: 12 October 2012
Details: www.aim-nsw-act.com.au



Too true!

The last time I was in the pub I heard a couple of plonkas saying that they wouldn't feel safe on an aircraft if they knew the pilot was a woman.

What a pair of sexists. I mean, it's not as if she'd have to reverse the bloody thing!

Meeting Night Duty Roster

Date	Welcomers	Loyal	Intro	Thanks
28/08/12	Les Whitcroft Ken Allen	John Brown	David James	Erdem Toner
04/09/12	Geoff Brennan Paul Burnett	Bob Carroll	Martin Aston	Kalma McLellan
11/09/12	Jan Cutler Noel Dunn	Peter Cooper	David James	Graham Metcalfe

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The Rotary Club of Ryde



The Rotary Vision

Rotary is a worldwide organisation of more than 1.2 million business, professional, and community leaders. Members of Rotary clubs, known as Rotarians, provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards in all vocations, and help build goodwill and peace in the world.

There are 33,000 Rotary clubs in more than 200 countries and geographical areas. Clubs are non-political, nonreligious, and open to all cultures, races, and creeds. As signified by the motto "Service above Self", Rotary's main objective is service — in the community, in the workplace, and throughout the world.

Rotary Grace

O Lord and giver of all good
 We thank you for our daily food
 May Rotary friends and Rotary ways
 Help us to serve you all our days.

The Four-Way Test

of the things we think, say & 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?

Advance Australia Fair

Australians all let us rejoice, for we are young and free;
 We've golden soil and wealth for toil;
 Our home is girt by sea;
 Our land abounds in nature's gifts,
 of beauty rich and rare;
 In history's page, let every stage, Advance Australia Fair.
 In joyful strains then let us sing, Advance Australia Fair!