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Signature Dinner
RYDE BUSINESS COMMUNITY **2014**

Rotary
Club of Ryde

Success!

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CLUB INFORMATION

Chartered 22nd April 1946 District 9685 RI Club #18039

MEETINGS EVERY TUESDAY 6PM FOR 6:30PM

MEETING LOCATION:

Next Generation Club (Level 2)
Ryde Aquatic Centre
504 Victoria Rd, Ryde

POSTAL ADDRESS:

Rotary Club of Ryde Inc.
PO BOX 90
Ryde NSW 1680

RSVP GUESTS OR ABSENCES TO JULIE THORP: 9871 1109

July 29

City of Ryde Mayoral Official Visit
Mayor Roy Maggio

TONIGHT'S ROSTER

Welcomers

Noel Dunn & Jan Cutler

Toast to Rotary

Jan Cutler

Chartered July 29th, 1948: The Rotary Club of Chatswood, Australia

The Rotary Club of Chatswood Inc was chartered on 29 July, 1948 and has been continuously active in its communities ever since. Among the significant projects of the Rotary Club of Chatswood are: the Golden Jubilee History; the Bourke children's visit to the Paralymics; the Ken Ewen Grandstand at the Rotary Athletic Field; the January 2002 Bushfire Appeal; the Royal North Shore Hospital Children's Treasure Chest; the January 2005 Tsunami Appeal; the Mens Shed; and the Gordon Waterhouse Memorial Scholarship for Music Students. The Club has ongoing success with the annual Charity Golf Day (having raised in excess of \$150,000 over the years), and the Tree of Joy.

Introduction

Stefan Sojka

Vote of Thanks

Duncan Taylor

KALMA'S KORNER

Dear Rotarians and Friends of Rotary,

Wow what a night! So much smiling and interacting and exchange of possibilities and potential. The Signature Dinner was a raging success on Friday and we have Rob Mitchell and his dedicated team to thank. The confluence of local businesses and community organisations opened everyone's eyes to need and generosity and giving and opportunity. We had offers of future sponsorship and pleas for a repeat event next year, and that is great feedback on the evening – well done team!!

The excitement tonight is the visit of the Ryde City Mayor, Roy Maggio, and the chance to discuss the progress both Council and Rotary are making with the eradication of graffiti in our local area.

Kalma

WE'LL BE SAD IF WE DON'T SEE YOU NEXT TUESDAY!



If you need to give a late apology for non-attendance at any meeting, please contact **Julie Thorp before 10am Monday**.

9871 1109 0416 208 332 j.thorp@bigpond.net.au

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?**

President Kalma McLellan opened the meeting welcoming Rotarians and...friends, as she realised there were no guests, and our speakers were our own newest members, not guests!

Patrick Mahony (the o is silent) circulated an IQ tests about crash-landing on the moon, as **President Kalma McLellan** acknowledged the birthdays and anniversaries for the week, and announced that Swiss inbound student **Felix Morlock** arrives during our Ryde Signature dinner this Friday.

Treasurer David James presented his budget, adorned with multi-coloured pie-graphs: Joe Hockey might have got his through the Senate with David doing the formatting!

Kathryn Dodd told us that prospective member Arash Menhaji sends his greetings and plans to visit our club again soon. **PP Peter Cooper** spruiked his fellowship dinner before **PP Patrick Longfield** told us that “Arti chokes two for a dollar at Woolworths!” was a joke. We remained unconvinced.

As a tiny birthday cake was placed in front of **PP Steve Thorp**, resplendent in his black shirt, we sang “Happy Birthday” to him, as the Serjeant drew **Bob Kaye-Smith**’s ticket, and the Joker being unfound, rewarded him with the customary bottle of wine.

All the usual suspects were fined, including **Victoria Gouel** and **Bob Kaye-Smith** for being late, smokers, **David James** and **John Dodd**. Then the Eisteddfod tickets were raffled, slowly and painfully, but eventually successfully.

I introduced our two newest members, **Elisabeth Cucic-Daher** and **Patrick Mahony**, congratulating **Kathryn Dodd** on having inducted them, thereby improving our age and gender demographics. They were of course inducted because they are people of good character, not merely for their youth or gender!

Elisabeth’s family came here from Serbia in 1970, and had a distinguished career of almost 30 years in ceramics as a research chemist, which she showed us was a very interesting one, working with a wide range of dangerous materials and inventing sensors for the Defence Force. On leaving Thales, Elisabeth embarked on a second career as owner of Melrose Family Daycare, which runs on Montessori principles.

Pat comes from the Southern Highlands and studied Chemistry and Sydney University. He used to be a RYLA facilitator, and explained that the Moon survival test was a teaching tool. Each table used different rules to decide on the priorities for our survival equipment, permitted to discuss the merits of various objects and make a group decision in various restricted ways. We discovered that we generally got better results as a group than we had as individuals, and that the more democratic we were, the longer it took to decide anything. Another lesson was that many of us made assumptions about the conditions on the Moon, and about the materials available, without asking Commander Pat, who had a backstory and reasoning for each item, which could have helped!

Peter Cooper thanked them both for enlightening us. We then sang the Anthem, and departed into the night: another good meeting, and one where we got to know our new friends better.

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

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August 1st (Fri) Ryde Rotary Social Dinner
Ryde-Parramatta Golf Club / RSVP to Peter Cooper

August 3rd (Sun) Graffiti Removal (First Sunday every month!)
Meet 8am West Ryde Car Park in Ryedale Rd

August 24th (Sun) **Australian Choral Grand Prix**
2:30pm / \$44 / The Concourse, Chatswood / www.sydneyeisteddfod.com.au

Sept. 5th (Fri) **Kincumber Jugalug Fundraising Night**
7:30pm / \$32.50pp / 69 Avoca Dr, Avoca Beach / 4382 1777

Oct 26th (Sun) **Graffiti Removal Day**
Details TBC

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - DUES

It's semi-annual dues time! Please pay by TODAY at the latest.

\$125 for 1st July - 31st December 2014

You can pay by EFT direct to our General Account:

BSB 112-879

Account #: 589388

or

Cheque or cash paid to the Treasurer on Tuesday.

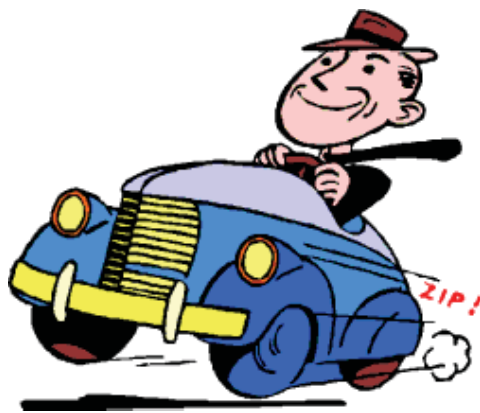
David James

POLITICS

The Budget should be balanced, the Treasury should be refilled, public debt should be reduced, the arrogance of officialdom should be tempered and controlled, and the assistance to foreign lands should be curtailed, lest Rome will become bankrupt. People must again learn to work instead of living on public assistance.

- Cicero, 55BC

Are you over the age of 65?
Do you drive a car?
**Would you like to earn \$15 by
contributing to research?**



We are interested in how adults respond to road signs.

Participants will test drive a driving simulator at **Macquarie University**, as well as answer a few short questionnaires including a brief cognitive test.

The study will take approximately **60 minutes** and you will be reimbursed **\$15** for your contribution!

If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please contact **Michelle Edwards** via:

Email: **michelle.edwards@mq.edu.au** or

Phone: **0403 834 256**

Percentage Attendance 22nd July: 91.67%

Makeups: PP Artin Etmekdjian.

Apologies: PDG Les Whitcroft, PP Artin Etmekdjian, PP Bob Carroll, PP Burkhardt Foertsch, PP Geoffrey Brennan, PP Noel Dunn, PP Tony Abboud, Rtn Surinder Joson, Rtn John Brown.

LOOKING AHEAD

August 5th District Governor's Visit - **Combined Zone Club Night**
August 12th Wesley Mission - **Dr Panos Marlassi**
August 19th Careflight: Now and into the Future - **John Ebbott**
August 26th Engaging the Next Generation in Rotary - **Michael McQueen**

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

July 29th 85th Birthday for **Ross Rocca**
July 29th 6 Year Club Anniversary for **Ed Berlage**

FELIX MORLOCK - FRIDAY NIGHT ROSTER

Felix is currently hosted by John & Janelle Dodd
9980 7337 / 2 York Street, Beecroft

Please confirm your plans in advance with both Felix and the Dodd family!

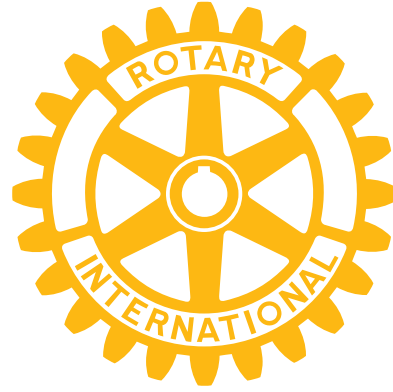
August 8th Kathryn Dodd
August 15th Adrian & Linda Hallett
August 22nd Ian & Ruth Henderson

CLUB MEETING DUTY ROSTER

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

DATE	WELCOMERS	TOAST	INTRO	THANKS
05.08	Pat Mahony & David Johnston	Bob Kaye-Smith	Ian Henderson	Julie Thorp
12.08	Kathryn Dodd & Burkhardt Foertsch	Geoff Brennan	Ken Allen	Ross Rocca

Rotary



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, non-religious, 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 THANKS

For good food,
For good fellowship, and the
opportunity to serve through Rotary,
We give thanks.

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we say, think & do

1. Is it the Truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill & 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!
