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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

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September 23 Rotaract Today
 PDRR Brett Sham

TONIGHT'S ROSTER

Welcomers Tony Abboud & David Johnston

Toast to Rotary Victoria Gouel
 Chartered Sept 23rd,1958
 The Rotary Club of Lane Cove

Introduction Jan Cutler

Vote of Thanks Bob Kaye-Smith

Upcoming duty roster is on Page 7. If you are unable to fulfill any duty, please arrange your own swap and inform President Kalma of the change.

KALMA'S KORNER

Dear Rotarians and Friends of Rotary,

Last week Scott McGregor added to a prodigious collection of speakers with an insightful look at train travel both here and internationally. He is one of many great speakers organized by our Program Director PP Duncan Taylor whom I would like to thank for his ingenuity and inventiveness.

We are enjoying a wonderfully varied program and appreciate the time and effort it takes to source such entertainment and information.

A reminder about getting your hats designed for our Mental Health fundraising Hat Night on Oct 7th – make sure it is a wild one! And it is all for a good cause, so don't hold back!!!

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 as early as possible!**
 (10am Monday at the absolute latest)

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?**

Oct. 7th (Tues) Australian Rotary Health Hat Day!
Partners Night / Prizes! / Wear a hat for \$10 to support mental health reasearch!

Oct. 14th (Tues) 7th Annual Dural Community Golf Classic
Riverside Oaks Golf Resort / RSVP to Peter Dawson 0411 380 517

Oct. 26th (Sun) Graffiti Removal Day
Contact Adrian Hallett if you would like to nominate an area for us to cover!

Nov. 7-9 (Fri-Sun) Ryde Rotary Fellowship Weekend in Yass
Contact Peter Cooper for more information.

SEPTEMBER 16 - AS RECALLED BY ALLEN HORRELL

PP Bob Carroll led the Toast to RI and read the history of North Richmond Rotary Club, with some difficulty due to the microscopic font used in the Hub. This was followed by a dinner of chicken schnitzel, chips and more IGS.

President Kalma McLellan summarised a letter from outgoing Ryde Mayor Roy Maggio, read a letter of thanks for our donation from Ryde Hospital, and then conveyed the sad news that **PP Eric Bond's** grandson Alex had died in a base jumping accident in Switzerland. Funeral details will be circulated as they come to hand.



Swiss exchange student **Felix Morlock** bemoaned the fact that all last week at school was exams! He did manage to go ice skating with friends on Saturday, and **PP Jan Cutler and President Kalma** took him to an art exhibition and a Thai restaurant in Hunter's Hill, for which he thanked them both. Our weekly RYEP roster is something special, as it involves the whole club in the inbound student's life.

Kathryn announced a sewing bee at her parent's place for Days for Girls, making wahsable sanitary kits so girls can stay in school after puberty. All guests were asked to bring several pairs of girl's panties each! Don't Panic: it's all for a good cause.

Can Too cancer research charity runners **Kathryn Dodd and Pat Mahony** then appealed for sponsors for their 9km and Half Marathon races on Sunday.

PP Peter Cooper has been planning an itinerary for the Club weekend in Yass, and reminded us of how much fun we always have on these trips away. The list was circulated and is filling up.

We then had the induction of **Swati Mohta-Maheshwari**, sponsored by yours truly and welcomed by all. Hailing from Kolkata, Swati is a B.Com-qualified Certified Practising Accountant who works at TNT as a business analyst. Swati's first employment here in Sydney was with **Nora and Artin Etmekdjian's** accountancy practice. She was of course

already part of the Family of Rotary as **Siddharth Maheshwari's** wife, and is now a fully-fledged Rotarian in her own right. Welcome to Ryde Rotary!

Serjeant Patrick fined **Swati** to get her used to it, then introduced the inhumane practise of fining members who were not late, and fined **PP Bob Carroll** for something Patrick couldn't remember. In the cross-fines I helped him out by fining Kathryn for writing a massive amount of Rotary Toast text in a tiny type that many in our Club cannot read. "Print a quarter as much, four times as big!" I pleaded. **Rtn John Brown** then fined **Serjeant Patrick** for Dinner-Disk related short-sightedness, and **PP Tony Abboud** was fined by **PP Charles Kilby** for not turning up to a meeting, that **Charles** also failed to attend, so was counter-fined for.



Rtn Nora Etmekdjian introduced Actor, Presenter and 2010 Ryde Australia Day Ambassador **Scott McGregor**. He was born in Mudgee and has acted in 'Home and Away' and 'Water Rats' among other TV programs. Scott grew up in the tail end of the Steam era, when giant steam locomotives still rode Australian rails, and has been fascinated by trains ever since. He has nothing but pity for those who were born too late to experience such wonders.

He compared the development of Rail in the 18th Century with the development of Computers and the Internet in the late 20th Century, saying both were revolutionary and changed the World. The first Trains were invented in the 1670s, at the same time as the first computer was built by Gottfried Wilhelm von Leibniz, but initially Trains developed much faster. In 20 years they progressed from experimental models to the first passenger train. This compares to the 20 years between the first



mainframe in the 1960s to the first PC 20 years later. By 1855 rail lines covered Britain, Europe and America and were first used in warfare in the Crimean War. In the American Civil War, the North won because they moved troops and war materiel by train: the South used horses.

Scott has several restored coaches on his property at Mudgee available for rent, sadly not enough to house the club for a weekend away. **President Kalma** said his talk had her "all steamed up", but **PP John Higgins** thanked Scott more formally with a vote of thanks. As always, a speaker who knows his subject and is enthusiastic about it cannot fail to entertain.

INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS SEMINAR, 21ST SEPT 2014

I only went to the International Seminar to support my friend and great Rotarian Theo Glockemann, and was joined by Ryde Rotarians Artin and Nora Etmekdjian and Rtn Erdem Toner. Somewhat to my surprise I learned a lot about International Projects, and thought I would share them as bullet points:

- + Don't send containers to South East Asia. A container containing \$11,000 worth of dental supplies for a Rotary Project was held on the wharf, awaiting a \$40,000 bribe to officials to release it. This is not an isolated incident, it is standard practice throughout the region. RAWCS eventually abandoned the container rather than pay the bribes. Buy the supplies locally; that also helps local businesses.
- + I finally get RAWCS (Rotary Australia World Community Service) - it provides Tax deductibility for corporate and private donors to International projects through their Rotary Overseas Aid Foundation. They can also provide local contacts and advice for every country they have worked in.
- + RABS - Rotary Australia Benevolent Society does the same for projects within Australia. Both have criteria; which can be easily complied with.
- + RAWCS and the Rotary Foundation can work together for any International Project, to give Tax deductibility and matching Grants. We should use them both.
- + Each Zone in our District has a TRF Zone Coordinator whose role is to assist our Foundation Director to qualify for Matching Grants.
- + Clubs should update the District Website with our current Projects, otherwise Theo cannot know what clubs are doing.
- + Donations in Kind is run by DIK Head PDG Keith Roffey, who is more enthusiastic about their work than the acronym!
- + Grants from DFAT or TRF require that the correct forms are filled in correctly, that auditable records are kept and that required reports are submitted afterwards: in other words they require us to be good corporate NGO citizens. TRF Zone Coordinators can assist with the paperwork.

Percentage Attendance 16th September: 94.59%

Makeups: Rtn Julie Thorp, Rtn John Brown.

Apologies: PDG Les Whitcroft, PP Adrian Hallett, PP David James, PP Geoffrey Brennan, PP Martin Aston, PP Rob Mitchell, PP Ross Rocca, Rtn Surinder Joson, Rtn Geoff Nix, Rtn Elisabeth Curcic-Daher, Rtn Julie Thorp.

LOOKING AHEAD

Sept. 30th Peace Fellow & Ambassadorial Scholar - **Karla Castellanos**

October 7th Windsurfing the Murray - **Rod McEwin** **PARTNERS NIGHT!**

October 14th Apprentice of the Year Awards

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Sept. 24th 18 Year Club Anniversary for **Noel Dunn**

Sept. 25th 7 Year Club Anniversary for **Burkhart Foertsch**

Sept. 28th 10 Year Club Anniversary for **Artin Etmekdjian**

Sept. 30th 34 Year Club Anniversary for **Graham Metcalfe**

FELIX MORLOCK - FRIDAY NIGHT ROSTER

Felix is moving hosue to be hosted by Mal & Kathleen Goris

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

September 26th Charles & Victoria Kilby

October 3rd Long Weekend

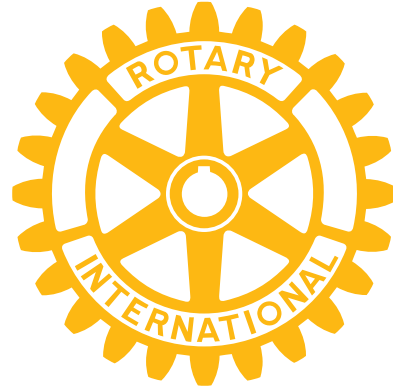
October 10th Geoff & Tui Nix

CLUB MEETING DUTY ROSTER

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DATE	WELCOMERS	TOAST	INTRO	THANKS
30.09	Charles Kilby & John Brown	Stefan Sojka	Victoria Gouel	Elisabeth Daher
07.10	Allen Horrell & Duncan Taylor	Ian Henderson	John Dodd	Ken Allen

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!
