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**ROTARY YOUTH LEADERSHIP AWARDS
ELANORA HEIGHTS 2015**



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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:

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PO BOX 90
Ryde NSW 1680

RSVP GUESTS OR ABSENCES TO JULIE THORP: 9871 1109

January 27th

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards 2015

TONIGHT'S ROSTER

Welcomers	Bill Payne
Toast to Rotary	Elisabeth Curcic-Daher Chartered Jan. 27 th 1959 : The Rotary Club of Rancho Cordova, USA
Introduction	Noel Dunn
Vote of Thanks	Charles Kilby

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,

It was great to have everyone back at Next Gen last week, and thank you for the many granny wishes – that was just lovely!

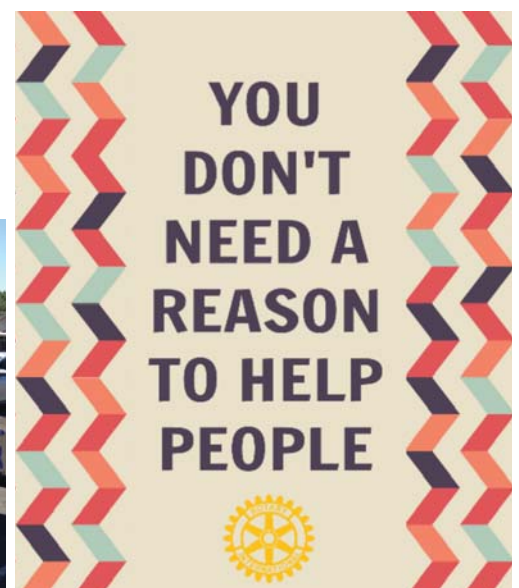
And I must apologise for not thanking the Dodd clan for hosting our very first meeting of the year in their usual stunning style, and providing a great fund-raising backdrop for Kathryn's major project for the year – thank you all so much!

This week we welcome many of our RYLA family to join us and get to know us. Please make yourself known to both candidates and their families so that they can be assured of the support available to them everywhere.

Kalma

A SNAPSHOT OF : THE ROTARY CLUB OF RANCHO CORDOVA

The Rotary Club of Rancho Cordova does a lot of great work, all posted on their Facebook page. This event in April caught my eye: *“Rotarians at Work Day at River Bend Park. Many Rotarians from several Rotary Clubs came out to work at the park today. We put in 75 posts and strung 1,200’ of cable to mark the Eastern side of the park. We also cleaned out the campfire sites, put down bark chips on the trails, and cut down a lot of grass and thistles. We were joined by many members of Drexel University.”* What a brilliant



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

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- Feb. 1st (Sun) Graffiti Removal (First Sunday every month!)**
Meet 8am West Ryde Car Park in Ryedale Rd
- Feb. 13th (Tues) Youth Exchange Welcome Home Dinner**
6:45 for 7pm / \$40pp / Muirfield Golf Club / **RSVP to John Brown by 23rd Jan**
- Feb. 25th (Wed) Australian Rotary Health Charity Golf Day**
Riverside Oaks / Player Teams & Marshalls Needed! - Terry Davies 0412 229 994
- March 1st (Sun) Graffiti Removal (First Sunday every month!)**
Meet 8am West Ryde Car Park in Ryedale Rd
- March 1st (Sun) St Ives Food & Wine Festival**
10am - 4pm / St Ives Village Green

Mar. 20-22 (Fri-Sun) District 9685 Conference

Contact Julie Thorp to register or for more information.

BOARD MEETING

Due to the difficulty in having a quorum present during January, the next board meeting will be held on **Tuesday 10th February**.

FOUNDATION POST-GRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

District 9685 now has a program for the Foundation to fund one Post Graduate Scholar for US\$30,000. This is at no cost to the sponsoring Club. Applications need to be in **by February**. The student cannot be a family member of a Rotarian.

If you know of any possible candidates, contact Foundation Director John Dodd.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2015 : ACCOMMODATION

The District Conference next year in the Hunter Valley to be held at the Crowne Plaza Resort on 20-22nd March 2015. We will be staying in the hotel that the conference is being held at so we won't have to go far. The discounted rates that we are entitled to are:

Hotel room	\$260 Per night/ Accommodation Only
King spa suite	\$340 Per night/ Accommodation Only
2 Bedroom villa	\$405 Per night/ Accommodation Only
3 Bedroom villa	\$500 Per night/ Accommodation Only

A discounted breakfast rate of \$25 per person, per morning can also be added to these rates. If this is too expensive please let me know and I will try to find something less expensive but we probably won't be all together. I will do the best I can. If you are not going to the conference please let me know.

Please email Julie at j.thorp@bigpond.net.au asap if you wish her to book a room.

The first official meeting for 2015 kicked off with reduced numbers as many Ryde Rotarians are still away on holidays, but **PP Duncan Taylor** toasted the **Rotary Club of Umina Beach**, and **President Kalma McLellan** welcomed guests including visitor **Grace Moyo**, exchange student **Felix**, and **Alexander Nilsen** our guest speaker.

For others rostered to toast various Rotary Clubs at future meetings, all that is necessary is to propose a toast to said club, and optionally to Rotary International: no need to read the entire history of the club; that is what the Hub article is for!

PP Ken Allen reported that **Rtn Surinder Joson** has moved into a nursing home in Gladesville, and can provide the address to members wishing to visit him.

Kalma read several replies to our past Rotary Club Birthday cards from clubs as far afield as Scotland and Korea. She sat down just in time to stand again with the winning spackle ticket, and, failing the Joker test, chose a Vin Blanc as consolation prize. **Serjeant Patrick** fined **me** for my Club Anniversary last Wednesday (actually my 26th Wedding Anniversary, but for Patrick a triumph of factual accuracy) and fined others for their anniversaries, having grandchildren, smiling in our meeting or even for being quiet: it was a reign of terror!

Alexander Nilsen was introduced by **Rtn David Johnston**: hailing from Norway, he wandered the world until he married a Kiwi and settled in Sydney, and is a fan of ancient Chinese culture, which is how he came to be promoting the Shen Yun performing Arts. His presentation covered 5000 years of Chinese culture based on Lao Tzu's Tao, the teachings of Confucius and Buddhism, all of which was laid waste by the Cultural Revolution under Chairman Mao. The presentation was thankfully light on the Falun Gong political material this year, and considered as dance rather than as political protest, Shen Yun performances look impressive.



Alexander played a video of Shen Yun dancers whose technical skill was exceeded only by their athleticism. It was a physically impressive display of dance and agility.

Another great night at Ryde Rotary!

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?**

I am reaching out to you as I feel like you and your local Rotarian community may be interested in Sunsuper's Dreams for a Better World program. Sunsuper Dreams for a Better World is all about taking dreams to help Australian-based charities, community groups or not-for-profit organisations and turning them into reality. Sunsuper Dreams for a Better World is giving away a total of \$150,000 in community grants this year alone.

If your community has a dream to make the world a better place, we want to help make it happen! Head to <https://dreamsforabetterworld.com.au/> and follow the simple steps. If you've got any questions, please head to the FAQs on our website or feel free to email me back at social@dreamsforabetterworld.com.au

Entries for our First Round of grants closes at the end of January, 2015.

BOWELCARE UPDATE

I am sure all members of our Club were saddened to hear of the death of Walter Leijten who died on the 10th December 2014.

Walter was the indefatigable co-ordinator of the Rotary District 9685 BowelCare (originally called Bowelscan) project and a member of the Rotary Club of East Gosford.

This programme I believe is a fine example of what can be achieved by one Rotary member with the assistance of their Club and then District. This simple test saved the lives of many people by early detection that had no indication of possible internal problems. This programme has been running for the past 25 years. I believe our Club has been involved every year since its inception.

Walter had tried on many occasions to try and obtain a simpler test and involving less Rotarians but I am pleased to announce this year the introduction a new bowel screening test (FIT).The Australian made (Immunochemical test) The test is a brush based test and is very easy to use, requires no faecal samples, and there no dietary or medication restrictions

When participants complete their test they will mail the sample card back to the pathology laboratory in the pre-addressed envelope provided with the kit. Results are received within 14 days. **The extension of the pharmacy sales has been extended to 8 weeks, From Saturday 2nd May to Saturday 27th June.**

Collection by Rotary members twice a week from the pharmacies (no collection pathology bin) will be necessary.

Unfortunately the cost of the new kit is now \$15.

Bowel cancer is one of the most common forms of cancer in Australia. Around 80 Australians die each week from the disease. Research shows a simple screening test can save up to 500 lives annually. If detected early bowel cancer can be treated successfully.

P.P. Bob Carroll is our co-ordinator this year. I will be assisting if necessary

PP Bill Payne

Percentage Attendance 20th January: 78.79%

Makeups: PDG John Dodd, Rtn John Brown.

Apologies: PDG Les Whitcroft, PDG John Dodd, PP Ashely Peake, PP Bob Carroll, PP David James, PP Jan Cutler, PP Martin Aston, PP Steve Thorp, PP Tony Abboud, Rtn Surinder Joson, Rtn Elisabeth Curcic-Daher, Rtn Erdem Toner, Rtn John Brown, Rtn Julie Thorp, Rtn Pat Mahony, Rtn Stefan Sojka, Rtn Victoria Gouel.

LOOKING AHEAD

- February 3rd** Rotary Youth Exchange - **Libbi Sham**
- February 10th** **Vocational Night**
- February 17th** National Youth Science Forum - **Joshua Maggiorli**

FELIX MORLOCK - FRIDAY NIGHT ROSTER

Felix is currently hosted by the Jenkins family

Felix: 0420 286 303

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

- January 30th** Patrick & Yvonne Longfield
- February 6th** Bob Kaye-Smith & Janis
- February 13th** Ron & Margaret Taffa

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

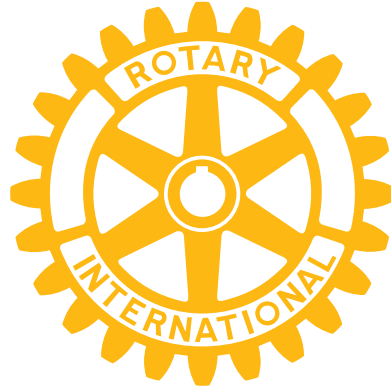
- January 27th** Birthday Celebration for **Janis (Bob Kaye-Smith)**
- January 28th** 48th Wedding Anniversary for **Graham & Carolyn Metcalfe**
- January 28th** 59th Wedding Anniversary for **Noel & Faye Dunn**
- January 29th** Birthday Celebration for **Sally (David James)**
- January 31st** Birthday Celebration for **Siddharth (Swati Maheshwari)**

CLUB MEETING DUTY ROSTER

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DATE	WELCOMERS	TOAST	INTRO	THANKS
03.02	Burkhart Foertsch & Charles Kilby	John Brown	Ian Henderson	Stefan Sojka
10.02	Allen Horrell & Rob Mitchell	Peter Cooper	Swati Maheshwari	Julie Thorp

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 over 34,000 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!
