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LIGHT UP ROTARY



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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

June 9th **Fragile X**
Robyn Iredale & Wendy Bruce

TONIGHT'S ROSTER

Welcomers Allen Horrell & Stefan Sojka

Toast to Rotary Patrick Longfield
Chartered June 10th 1952 : The Rotary Club of Dee Why Warringah

Introduction Swati Maheshwari

Vote of Thanks David Johnston

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 is not until we get everyone in the same room that you realise just how many community groups are operating so successfully in our area, and applying their skills and resources to improving the lot of so many people and organisations. Our Combined Services Dinner was a resounding success, and thanks go in particular to Bob Kaye-Smith and Julie Thorp for herding all the sheep together so well, and to Geoff Brennan for his illustrious vocals.

And have you got your social calendars in order? Our own changeover is on June 30th, and District Changeover on June 27th, hosted by the best club in the District – Ryde of course! Please let Julie know you are attending and get you money into David ASAP.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - DUES

Fast approaching is the time where our club will be expected to pay outgoings to RI and District for semi-annual dues. The club is expected to pay a fixed sum per member (calculated as at 30th June) to RI and District.

If you are planning to change anything about your membership – e.g. not continue, transfer to another club, it would be helpful if this is advised the Secretary, in writing, by 29th June so that he can update the membership system.

\$125 for 1st July - 31st December 2015

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.

June 27th (Sat) District 9685 Changeover
 6 for 6:30pm / \$50pp / Hornsby RSL / <http://changeover.rotarydistrict9685.org.au>

June 30th (Tues) Ryde Rotary Changeover
 6:30 for 7pm / \$40pp / North Ryde RSL / RSVP to Julie Thorp



70th Changeover

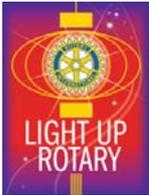
Please join us in celebrating the past and introducing the future

When: 6.30pm for 7.00pm Tuesday June 30th 2015

Where: Grandview Pittwater Room, North Ryde RSL

Cost: \$40 per person **EFT:** BSB 112-879 Account 000589388

RSVP: Julie Thorp **9871 1109** j.thorp@bigpond.net.au




Be a gift to the world

ESAT RYDE : JOIN US FOR A MAKEUP!



Our satellite E-Club meets via teleconference at **8:30am each Wednesday**, and members may participate at any time (alternatively or additionally) via the on-line forum accessible by clicking the “Forum” link on the E-Club webpage.

Meeting participation involves a small “participation fee” of \$10, all of which will be directed to projects supported by the E-Club. Payment is via direct transfer to “Rotary Club of Ryde Inc ESATRYDE”, BSB 112 879 A/C 432369151.

The simplest way to visit, “make-up” or participate via our E-Club is through audio participation in the regular Wednesday teleconferences. Just dial-in to (02) 91916319 a few minutes before 08:30, and enter conference code 949175097# when asked.

To see the visual component of meetings, click the meeting link on the E-Club webpage.

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?**

GRAFFITI REMOVAL DAY

Rotary's signature event is scheduled to be held on SUNDAY 18th OCTOBER 2015.
Please pencil the date to your diary now so you can assist on this special day.
More details to follow closer to the event.

YOUTH EXCHANGE

Our Club will be hosting another exchange student from July 2015 for twelve months.
We are expecting a young lady from France.
Have you considered the opportunities that HOSTING a student can bring?

If you would like to be part of the Youth Exchange experience please talk to John Brown, Pat Mahony or Adrian Hallett.

LAST WEEK AS RECALLED BY ALLEN HORRELL

The Combined Services Dinner gives Ryde, Gladesville, Macquarie Park and North Ryde Rotary Clubs the chance to share a meeting with CWA, Lions, St Johns, the Lantern Club, St George's Guild and Inner Wheel, hosted this year by Ryde Rotary at Next Generations.

MC **Geoff Brennan** introduced **President Kalma McLellan** who welcomed all the Service Clubs' members, as dinner was served – lamb shanks and mashed potatoes seemed to go down very well.

After dinner each club President spoke for 3 minutes each, give or take ten, watched over by MC Geoff. We sat and heard of the good works done by fellow Rotarians and non-Rotarians alike, and I was struck by how familiar many of the projects sounded. **Rose Rocca** spoke on the **Lantern Club**, "A guide to the deaf, and a light to the blind!" Formed 49 years ago the club exists solely to aid the work of the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children (RIDBC), especially the Institute's schools. Last year their Church St Op Shop raised \$50,000 for RIDBC. I didn't know that: what a great effort!

As the speakers enumerated their various projects I realised how similar Rotary and Lions are, involved in community events, youth and international aid projects. Meals on Wheels, BBQ's, Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal, Youth exchange and membership drives were common to both. There were some differences, Lions has no vocational focus, meets only once per month, and only Lions sell Lion mince!

I would have thought in this day and age that Lions would be a protected species, but I wonder what Lion mince tastes like!

Volunteer of the year **Nora Etmekdjian** spoke on **CWA**, then took the opportunity as zone organiser for the Red Shield appeal to thank all the Service clubs in the room at one time for their help the previous weekend.

PP Rob Mitchell spoke on what is virtually his favourite subject, the **Satellite e-Club of Ryde**. Finally **President Kalma McLellan** spoke, and while much of her thunder had been stolen by earlier speakers she was able to brief the room with projects unique to Ryde: The Ryde Signature Dinner, our anti paint vandalism crusade, and the Junior School Public Speaking Competition. She also praised Rotarians Kathryn and John Dodd and Pat Mahony for raising so much money for Can Too by running marathons!

PP Rob Mitchell introduced **Fiona Carr** from **Brighter Futures**, an organisation which carries out early intervention with the disadvantaged child of parents with domestic violence, mental health and substance abuse issues. Without their efforts these kids would be doomed from the start. Fiona ended by thanking Ryde Rotary for our ongoing support over the last 8 years.

Lion President Warren Latham thanked Fiona and finished with the words "Service is what we in this room all do!" That summed up the evening, the best Combined Services dinner I can recall.

President Kalma McLellan closed the meeting by announcing that Macquarie Park Rotary will host this event next year, then leading us in singing our National Anthem. What a night!

NEWS FROM THE SCHOOL OF ST JUDE

Hi Everyone,



The School of St Jude
FIGHTING POVERTY THROUGH EDUCATION

Wow ... what an amazing week!

Seeing our Form 6 graduates share their special day with loving families, loyal sponsors, wonderful supporters and everyone at St Jude's, was an experience I'll never forget.

I'm just writing to say a huge, heartfelt thank you to everyone who made our first Form 6 Graduation so special. And that includes all our supporters and well-wishers around the world.

I know many of you couldn't make it to Arusha for the ceremony, so the team here has put together a short video for you to share in many of the highlights of the Graduation day fun and excitement, available on our website.

Our website also has a video page, which is packed with highlights from the week's activities - including one where Kim gets hit in the face by a wet sponge!

Our Graduation 2015 webpage also has blog posts and photos and we'll add more in the coming days, so keep an eye out.

Thank you,
Gemma

PS: We couldn't have done this without all of your support! Thank you, thank you, thank you!

June 16th	Parkinson’s Disease - Owen Streatfeild
June 23rd	My Year in Australia - Felix Morlock
June 30th	Club Changeover PARTNERS NIGHT!
July 7th	Club Evening
July 14th	Tinnitus or Hearing Problems? - Rafaele Joundry
July 21st	Living Treasures of the Snowy Mountains - Mick Joffe

How does the moon cut his hair?
Eclipse it!

VIOLETTE ROHART - FRIDAY NIGHT ROSTER

**Violette will be hosted first by the Thorp family
Please confirm your plans with Steve & Julie in advance**

July 24th	Geoff & Janice Brennan
July 31st	Nora & Artin Etmekdjian
August 7th	Victoria Gouel
August 14th	Jan Cutler
August 21st	Ron & Margaret Taffa
August 28th	Ken & Danielle Allen
Sept 4th	Peter & Margaret Cooper
Sept 11th	Ross & Rose Rocca

The Friday Night Roster is an important part of Ryde’s Youth Exchange program. You can organise a dinner or event, or just spend some time with Violette on a walk or over tea. It can be at any time over the weekend (but please make sure to check with the host family).

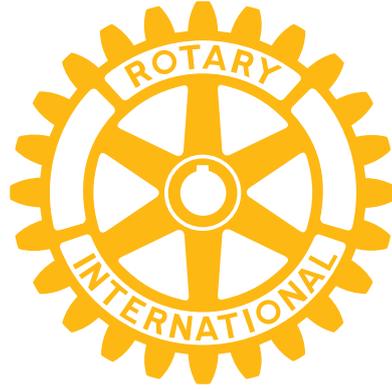
It is important for our Club members to get to know our students, and for the students to learn about multicultural Australia, and the family of Ryde Rotary!

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
June 16th	Ross Rocca & Duncan Taylor	Ron Taffa	Ken Allen	Erdem Toner
June 23rd	Charles Kilby & Julie Thorp	Bob Kaye-Smith	Victoria Gouel	Nora Etmekdjian

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!
