

# The HUB

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**RYLA & RYPEN IN TIMOR-LESTE**



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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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Ryde NSW 1680

**RSVP GUESTS OR ABSENCES TO JULIE THORP: 9871 1109**

August 4<sup>th</sup>Who Today can be said to be Educated? - **Gerard Say**

### TONIGHT'S ROSTER

<b>Welcomers</b>	Peter Cooper & Bob Kaye-Smith
<b>Toast to Rotary</b>	John Dodd Chartered July 30 <sup>th</sup> 1925 : The Rotary Club of Bendigo (90th Birthday!)
<b>Introduction</b>	Stefan Sojka
<b>Vote of Thanks</b>	Ian Henderson

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

### VICTORIA'S VOCALITY

Hiya All!

A vote of thanks to Patrick Longfield our program director for organising another wonderful and inspiring speaker! This week we had the privilege of Theo Glockermann who spoke to us about the RYLA and RYPEN programs that he started about 5 years ago in East Timor and that are now operating almost self sufficient! A great speaker and a great program that Ryde Club would be happy to support!

Another reminder this week to get a group together to be Rotary Marshalls at the City to Surf fun run on 9th August. Remember every person that volunteers gets PAID \$75!!! Great way to make a bit of pocket money for the club and would be a great fellowship day. Our very own Kathryn, John and Violette are participating in the event so we can also serve as their cheering squad – John would like me to get pink pom poms or red? So please I encourage to get a group together and register – please contact me for more details.

We also farewell Martin Aston this week who is on a 2 month vacation to Canada and Charles Kilby who is having a well-deserved break in sunny Q now that he is semi retired! Hope you both have a safe and enjoyable trip!

That's all from this week folks – short and sweet! Hope you are all keeping well!

Victoria

**Happiness consists in giving and in serving others.**

- Henry Drummond



## 11<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST MEETING - PLEASE PRE-PAY!

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If you have signed up to attend the special meeting on 11th August at the Ryde TAFE Ambassador Restaurant:

**Please pre-pay \$35pp to the Treasurer this week!**

## UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

**August 29th (Sat) West Pennant Hills Rotary : Trivia Night Fundraiser**  
6:30 for 7pm / \$20pp / Tables of 8 / RSVP wphc.rotary@gmail.com 0468 330 667

**August 30th (Sun) Meals on Wheels**  
Contact Adrian Hallett to volunteer

**Sept 6th (Sun) Graffiti Removal (First Sunday every month!)**  
Meet 8am West Ryde Car Park in Ryedale Rd

**Sept 6th (Sun) Fathers Day Gift Giving**  
Contact Adrian Hallett to help organise the gifts & to volunteer

**Sept 12th (Sat) Epping Rotary & CCA : Trivia Night Fundraiser**  
7 for 7:30pm / \$25pp / Epping Boys High / RSVP brana.jovanovic@ccas.org.au

## 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**

As the Club must pay for meals provided, you are expected to pay for your meal if you are absent without apology by 10am Monday.

Royal Rehab have kindly invited Ryde Rotary to contribute 1-2 representatives to the Wall of Fame 2015 event to launch Brain Injury Awareness Week.

The presentation will be followed by a light lunch.

Please let President Victoria know if you are available to represent the Club on  
**Friday 14th August, 10:30 for 11am**  
**at Clive Austin Conference Centre, Royal Rehab**

### RACISM. IT STOPS WITH ME. EVENT BBQ

Ryde Council had invited us to help them with a BBQ for the signing of an anti-racism community document. The day was beautiful and sunny and we set up in an open space under the trees in Lion Parks at West Ryde.

Thanks to some extra assistance from Linda Hallett and John Brown we were ahead of my predicted start time so when our Club volunteers arrived there was little to do but enjoy some fine sunshine and fellowship. This was lengthened by Council running about 30 minutes late.

However we began cooking about 11.45 and had everything ready for lunch about 12.45. In excess of 90 people were in attendance for the event and everyone was well catered for.

Staff from City of Ryde Council expressed their gratitude for our catering and the wonderful rollup of Club members to show support for this event to bring the community together.

My thanks to those who assisted on Saturday – all 13 of us: Denise Herrick and Violette, Martin Aston, Bob Carroll, Jan Cutler, Ian Henderson, Allen Horrell, Kalma McLellan, Duncan Taylor, Stephen Thorp and Linda Hallett and John Dodd.

Apologies were received from Geoff Brennan and Bill Payne.

THANK YOU ALL.

PP Adrian Hallett

### LAST WEEK AS RECALLED BY PAT MAHONY

**President Victoria** opened the meeting with a warm and welcoming break from tradition: “G’day!” **Ken Allen** proposed the toast to Rotary International, and to the **Rotary Club of Bendigo**, which celebrated its 90th birthday on the 30 July. Guests this week included exchange student **Violette Rohart**, guest speaker **Theo Glockemann**, and President of Eastwood Rotary Club, **Narelle Barker**. Narelle gave us a little snapshot of their small but highly active and dedicated club.

**John Higgins** received his Centurion Pin from President Victoria, and **Adrian Hallett** filled us in on the ‘Racism: It Stops With Me’ barbecue the club put on for Ryde Council last weekend. There was an impressive turn up, with many Rotarians lending a hand. The Council was grateful for the contribution, and thanked the club for their support.

**John Brown** reminded everyone to pay for the dinner at the TAFE on 11 August, while **yours truly** announced that nominations for RYLA 2016 have opened. **If you know any young people aged 18-26 who might benefit from a week long leadership seminar, please nominate them!**

**Martin Aston** read out some correspondence from **Patrick Longfield**. Patrick's vision is slowly on the mend, and recent investigations by neurologists have revealed an arteriovenous malformation (abnormal blood vessels) that will require surgery. Hopefully Patrick's recovery will continue and he will be back with us soon.

**Violette** then gave her report. Despite being a little under the weather, she had managed to pack a lot into one week. She started school, and already seems to be settling into a very different school life to that she experienced back home in France.

**President Victoria** then read out some thank you letters she had received from **Brighter Futures** and **Riding for the Disabled**, two of the charities that the club has donated money to recently.

It was now time for Serjeant-at-Arms **Duncan Taylor** to take control of proceedings. In what many will perceive as a suspicious result, the winner of the raffle turned out to be... the serjeant himself! Thankfully the Joker was not drawn this week, as the pile grows smaller and smaller.

After another raucous fines session, **Burkhart Foertsch** introduced the guest speaker. **Theo Glockemann** has been a Rotarian for many years, and was instrumental in implementing the first RYLA program to run in East Timor. For a nation traumatised by war, the ability to train and develop young people into future leaders takes on an even greater level of importance.

Starting in 2007, the program now attracts over 700 applicants for only 100 places in the program. RYLA is only a beginning for many of these young people: after attending RYLA, alumni have started their own community projects as well as six Rotaract clubs. Already, 160 alumni have been able to secure full time jobs or scholarships for further education. The success of RYLA led to the development of RYPEN programs in East Timor as well, which have proved to be just as popular.

Theo thanked Ryde Rotary, and **PDG Les Whitcroft** in particular, for providing support to East Timor RYLA from its early days. After an engaging and inspiring talk (which due to technical difficulties was done without slides), **Nora Etmekdjian** led the Vote of Thanks.

With the singing of the national anthem, the meeting was closed.

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.

- Nelson Mandela

**Percentage Attendance 28<sup>th</sup> July: 91.18%**

**Makeups:** PP Geoffrey Brennan, PP Patrick Longfield, PP Rob Mitchell, Rtn Elisabeth Curcic\_Daher, Rtn Stefan Sojka.

**Apologies:** PP Artin Etmekdjian, PP Bob Carroll, PP David James, PP Geoffrey Brennan, PP Noel Dunn, PP Patrick Longfield, PP Rob Mitchell, Rtn Elisabeth Curcic-Daher, Rtn Ian Henderson, Rtn Kathryn Dodd, Rtn Stefan Sojka, Rtn Val Payne.

**LOOKING AHEAD**

**August 11<sup>th</sup>** Special Event - Ambassador Restaurant **RSVP ESSENTIAL**

**August 18<sup>th</sup>** Our e-Satellite Club - **PP Rob Mitchell**

**August 25<sup>th</sup>** A Little About Me - **Violette Rohart**  
**PARTNERS & HONORARY MEMBERS NIGHT**

**Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>** The Shack Youth Outreach - **Heather Pinto**

**Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>** Demystifying Sustainability - **Haydn Washington**

**Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>** The 70s were better than the Noughties **PARTNERS NIGHT**

**VIOLETTE ROHART - FRIDAY NIGHT ROSTER**

**Violette is being hosted by Steve & Julie Thorp**

Please confirm your plans in advance with both Violette and the Thorp family!

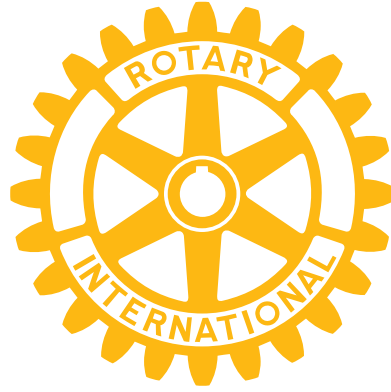
- August 7<sup>th</sup>** Kathryn Dodd
- August 14<sup>th</sup>** John & Dee Brown
- August 21<sup>st</sup>** Ron & Margaret Taffa
- August 28<sup>th</sup>** Charles & Victoria Kilby
- Sept 4<sup>th</sup>** Peter & Margaret Cooper
- Sept 11<sup>th</sup>** Ross & Rose Rocca
- Sept 18<sup>th</sup>** Linda & Adrian Hallett

**CLUB MEETING DUTY ROSTER**

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

DATE	WELCOMERS	TOAST	INTRO	THANKS
<b>Aug 11<sup>th</sup></b>	Allen Horrell & Bill Payne	Ross Rocca	-	-
<b>Aug 18<sup>th</sup></b>	Kalma McLellan & Ron Taffa	Kathryn Dodd	Adrian Hallett	Julie Thorp

# Rotary



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## 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.

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## ROTARY THANKS

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 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?

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## 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!

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