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**JUNIOR SCHOOLS PUBLIC SPEAKING
COMPETTION FINALS 2016**



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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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Welcomers	Ken Allen & Ron Taffa
Toast to Rotary	Burkhart Foertsch
Introduction	Jan Cutler
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 Victoria of the change.

THE WHITE RHINO PROJECT

More than 5,000 rhinos have been poached in South Africa since 2010, and it's only escalating every year. At this rate, rhinos will be extinct within the next ten years. We need to act now to ensure that rhinos survive this epidemic.

At The Australian Rhino Project, our mission is to fly 80 African rhinos, 11,000 kms from South Africa to Australia, to establish an insurance population and ensure the survival of the species. They need your support before it's too late.

The Black and White rhinoceros of Africa are under severe threat and potentially on the verge of extinction in their wild habitat due to excessive poaching, driven by a burgeoning market for rhino horn in China and Vietnam.

Despite continued efforts from the South African government and other in situ conservation attempts in African nations, the situation continues to deteriorate. We have now reached the tipping point where more rhinos are killed each year than are born and extinction is a real possibility.

We have the primary objective to establish a breeding herd of rhinoceros in Australia - a place of relative safety and comparable ecology to their native home - as an "insurance population" in the event of extinction of the species in South Africa.

The first rhinos have been identified and we now need your help to relocate these rhinos to Australia.

Tonight's talk is by Ray Dearlove the founder of the Australia White Rhino Project.

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.

- March 30th (Wed) Soibada High School (Timor L'este) : Movie Night Fundraiser**
7pm / \$25pp / Warriewood Cinema / RSVP Tamara 0403 226 699
- April 3rd (Sun) Lindfield Rotary : Fun Run 5 & 10km**
8pm / www.lindfieldrotaryfunrun.org.au
- April 3rd (Sun) Days for Girls Ryde Team : Working Bee**
1-5pm / 2 York St Beecroft / RSVP Janelle 9980 7337
- May 7th (Sat) North Ryde Rotary : Trivia Night Fundraiser**
List to be circulated.
- May 10-19th Turramurra Rotary : Tour of Vietnam**
- May 30th (Mon) Ryde E-Club : Golf in Your Pyjamas FUNDRAISER**
All day online. Book at www.trybooking.com/KLTK

WHEN YOU HAVE A MAKEUP

Please remember to drop an email to both Treasurer Graham Metcalfe (who keeps the attendance records) and PE Julie Thorp to make sure it is recorded.

If you are visiting another Club and would like to submit a photo and a few words to The Hub as well, please CC the editor. Thanks!

LAST WEEK AS RECALLED BY PAT MAHONY

It was a full house this week: Rotarians, partners, school children, their families, and teachers. This could only mean one thing: Junior Schools Public Speaking Finals.

With the focus of the night squarely on the finalists of the competition, there wasn't much in the way of formalities. **David James** spoke about the upcoming Golf-In-Your-Pyjamas fundraiser being run by the e-club, and **John Dodd** naturally spoke about Youth Exchange.

Most significantly, there was a surprise for one of the partners. **Janelle Dodd** was recognised by the club with honorary membership. **President Victoria** read out just a tiny proportion of the projects and activities that Janelle has assisted with and often led. In fact, Janelle is so involved with the club that it took this reporter about five years to realise that she wasn't actually a Rotarian! **Congratulations Janelle – the club is truly grateful for all that you do.**



Now on to the Public Speaking Competition. The quality of entrants this year so high, that the judges at the preliminary round couldn't pick just three, so we had four finalists.

Each student had three minutes to speak on a topic of their choice, followed by a one minute impromptu speech, for which they were given only ten minutes to prepare. **Cooper Cossetini** took us on a trip around Australia, as he explained why he loves living in Australia. **Chloe Lewis** persuaded us on the merits of space exploration, and that we really should go. If **Isabel Dong** could live anywhere, she would choose Hogwarts, for a variety of magical reasons. And **Kyeton Reardon** showed us that best place to live might be right here.



For the impromptu speeches, they had to tell us about their favourite pastimes, which included soccer, art, pets and spending time with family.

The judges had a hard time choosing a winner, but they eventually decided that **Kyeton Reardon from Northcross Christian School** was the winner, with **Isabel Dong from Eastwood Public School** in second, **Chloe Lewis of St Michael's** in third, and **Cooper Cossetini from Holy Spirit** in the fourth place.



Photos by David James

All the finalists performed extremely well, and they entertained us tremendously. We closed the meeting with a rousing national anthem, proud of the effort these young people put in.

Thank you to PP Patrick Longfield and PP Kalma McLellan for organising a great event for 2016.

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PRIZES



Beneficiaries



Percentage Attendance 22nd March: 102.78%

Makeups: PP Allen Horrell, PP Bob Kaye-Smith, PP Charles Kilby (x2), PP Geoffrey Brennan (x2), PP Rob Mitchell, PP Tony Abboud, Rtn Dennise Herrick.

Apologies: PP Allen Horrell, PP Artin Etmekdjian, PP Bob Kaye-Smith, PP Burkhart Foertsch, PP Charles Kilby, PP Geoffrey Brennan, PP John Higgins, PP Noel Dunn, PP Rob Mitchell, PP Tony Abboud, Rtn Dennise Herrick.

LOOKING AHEAD

- April 5th** **Vocational Night**
April 12th **Graham Wilcox - Federation**
April 19th **Club Birthday Party** **PARTNERS NIGHT**
April 26th **Club Forum - Rotary's Future in the World**

VIOLETTE ROHART - FRIDAY NIGHT ROSTER

Violette is being hosted by David Jenkins & Judy Pryor

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

- April 22nd** Steve & Julie Thorp
April 29th Patrick & Yvonne Longfield

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

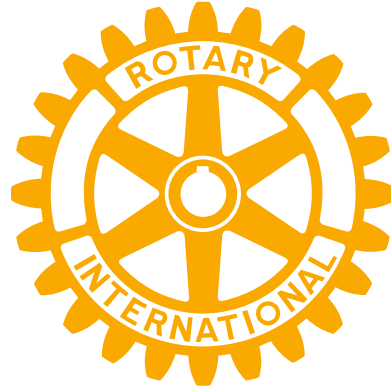
- March 30th** 65th Birthday for **Adrian Hallett**
April 1st Birthday Celebration for **Lorraine (Bob Carroll)**
April 2nd 14 Year Club Anniversary for **Geoff Brennan**
April 3rd 15 Year Club Anniversary for **Bob Carroll**
April 3rd 53rd Birthday for **Charles Kilby**
April 4th 49 Year Club Anniversary for **Les Whitcroft**
April 5th 22 Year Club Anniversary for **Jan Cutler**

CLUB MEETING DUTY ROSTER

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DATE	WELCOMERS	TOAST	INTRO	THANKS
Apr 5th	Ian Henderson & John Brown	Bob Kaye-Smith	David James	Steve Thorp
Apr 12th	Patrick Longfield & John Higgins	Patrick Mahony	Ross Rocca	Geoff Brennan

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

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?

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!
