

The HUB

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A monumental feat of human endurance was achieved when exchange students Simen and Matias joined Rotarians Alan, Rachael and young Patrick along with the rest of Sydney in the City2Surf. Our powerwalking prowess was truly put to the test over the gruelling 14km strength from Hyde Park to Bondi. In the end, only those brave enough to take on the challenge of heartbreak hill made it out the other side. Blood, sweat and tears were shed as we, along with 89,000 other runners and power walkers, crossed the finish line at Bondi Beach, champions.

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CLUB INFORMATION

Chartered 22nd April 1946

District 9685

RI Club No. 18039

MEETINGS EVERY TUESDAY 6:00 PM FOR 6:30 PM START

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

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August 16th

Interviewing Ryde Rotarian – Geoff & Stefan

TONIGHT'S ROSTER

Welcomers	Duncan Taylor & Stephen Thorp
Toast to Rotary	Adrian Hallett
Introduction	Allen Horrell
Vote of Thanks	Kalma McLellan
5 Minute Talk	Ross Rocca

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Aug. 19th (Fri)	Soup For Soibada: Maria Regina Church Hall 6:30pm start. Includes food, live music and raffles. Entry by donation.
Sept. 1-4th (Thurs-Sun)	Rotary Zone Institute Penrith Panthers / Contact John Dodd to express interest.
Sept 10th (Sat)	Rotary Club of St. Ives: Comedy For A Cause Roseville Golf Club 7:30pm. \$30 per person.
Sept 24th (Sat)	Days For Girls Ryde Team: Musical Afternoon Tea Eastwood Uniting Church 2:30-5:00 pm. \$35 per person.
Oct. 7th (Fri)	Ryde Rotary: Community Day Details TBC.
Oct. 11th (Tues)	Ryde Rotary: Hat Day for Mental Health Awareness Regular club meeting & partners night.
Oct. 30th (Sun)	Ryde Rotary: Graffiti Removal Speak to Adrian .

EDITOR'S RIDDLE



A little brain-bender to warm up your week.
Email editor@ryderotary.org.au with the answer, or discuss
the puzzle with the editor on Tuesday!

What object has keys that open no locks, space but no room,
and you can enter but not go in?



*Dignity -
It's in the bag*

Ryde Area Team

Invites you to join us for a fundraising event to support our team providing dignity & education.

Days for Girls Ryde makes washable sanitary kits for girls & women in Australia and in partnership with Rotary, around the world.

Every Girl • Everywhere • Period •

High Tea

With musical accompaniment by Caroline King
of the Sydney Conservatorium of Music

Saturday 24th September 2016

2:30 - 5pm

Eastwood Uniting Church Hall

14 Lakeside Road, Eastwood

www.trybooking.com/220215

\$35 per person / \$350 for a table of 10
plus a small booking fee

Join our team!

A lively social group, we currently hold sewing workshops twice per month, and we are always on the lookout for sponsorship.

Contact Dennise & Janelle at
rydensw@daysforgirls.org

 **trybooking.com**
EVENT TICKETING MADE EASY

Before **President Julie Thorp** even had the chance to open the meeting, trouble stirred at the top table. **PP Bob Kaye-Smith** fearlessly offered up Julie's seat to a latecomer, as she was standing at the lectern. Luckily, with a game of musical chairs (sans music) we didn't need to resort to seat-sharing, and the meeting was able to be opened.

Following the announcements of guests (what a list it was for partner's night) and the birthdays and anniversaries, bangers and mash was served. **Stefan Sojka** was welcomed to the front of the room to give his three minute talk. His opening statement of "I've never really had a job" possibly left people in the room confused as to what his vocation was. Stefan then went on to explain roles he has taken on, from seven years in a band to then a one man band, a columnist and an event coordinator. He summarised these varied positions to the vocation of "creative director" and finished his talk in a timely manner of 2 minutes and 59 seconds.

Simen Øie recalled his busy past week which included farewelling school holidays and starting school. There wasn't much of a chance for rest after the school week though, with a movie with exchange students, riding on a Segway at Olympic Park with **PP Allen Horrell** and **PDG John Dodd**, an exchange student briefing, and a Days for Girls working bee filling up his weekend. Julie returned to the mic, excitedly declaring that the Next Gen Club's liquor licence had been renewed! A photo was taken of Rotarians holding their glasses high, in honour of **Val Payne** who couldn't be present at the meeting that night.



PP Adrian Hallett asked those able, to consider gardening at the four Taldumande Ryde-area houses either on a Monday or Friday (TBC) and to remember to cast your vote for the naming of the six new Sydney ferries. The deadline has now ended, so hopefully you didn't miss the boat on that one! **Dennise Herrick** proudly announced the completion of 1600 liners from the Sunday working bee for Days for Girls. What a mammoth effort that was by everyone, not just for consuming all of the delicious desserts, but for the cutting and sewing too.

PE John Brown asked everyone to keep their diaries free to assist at the North Ryde fun run, while John Dodd reminded us of the Rotary Institute District dinner and **PP Tony Abboud** invited everyone to the Signature Dinner in October. **PP Kalma McLellan** suspiciously held up a Priceline pharmacy bag. Guesses of the mystery contents were thrown around the room, before Centurion tubes revealed themselves. Everyone's dogs, cats and combi vans must be overloaded with \$2 coins as all of the tubes vanished before the end of the night.

Linda Hallett won the spackle. She rightfully justified her choice of red wine over white as "he [Adrian] doesn't drink red, so I'll take that". Serjeant-at-Arms **David Johnston** opened the fine session with a three-way fine to John Dodd, Bob Kaye-Smith and myself for the error of the Jag-Lexus car upgrade in last week's Hub. Perhaps our Serjeant should pay a fine next week, however, as John Dodd has indeed upgraded his car too. Adrian was fined for enjoying fellowship, sharing both a breakfast and a dinner at the Dodd's on the same day. The pennies then piled, as those embracing the renewed liquor licence and those who were prompt in their census completion paid up. I hope the same minority who completed the census early won't have to pay again this week for still remaining ahead of the pack.

John Dodd (host grandparent and parent) introduced Simen as the guest speaker for the evening. Simen showed photos of his family of five, including his mother **Mette** who had been an exchange student to Ryde in 1989. We were also shown beautiful scenery photos of Norway that could have easily been mistaken for picturesque paintings. Simen then shared his favourite activities and pastimes: mountain biking, science, soccer, sports and simply being active with friends. He concluded his talk on sharing the four key things he wishes to take from this exchange: experience, language, people and memories. When it came to question time, Simen was asked "when did you decide to go on an exchange"; "when **Kathryn Dodd** sent me a message asking 'when are you coming?'". **Patrick Mahony** thanked Simen for his talk.

Julie ended the meeting with her Olympics-inspired thought for the week: "make new friends but keep old ones, for one is silver, but the other is definitely gold".



Fellows such a fantastic meeting last week. We were all impressed with SIMEN he is so confident and his command of the English language is awe inspiring he can only get better. We look forward to seeing his progress throughout the year.

It was quite sobering to arrive at Next Gen last week for our meeting to find we were able to have a wine with dinner. We made up for missing this in the last few weeks and we thank Next Gen for providing the free soft drink during this harrowing time.

This week we have Geoff and Stefan explaining to us how they will be conducting the Ryde Rotarian interviews. This could be quite fun as when you get the two of them together they spark off each other.

SERJEANT'S FINE OF THE WEEK

Amusingly Inappropriate

Stefan was fined this week for his Facebook commentary on the opening ceremony of the Rio Olympics. Hopefully it was a gold coin fine.

Fellowship Award

Adrian Hallett received his fine this week for his thorough attitude towards fellowship between Rotarians. He arrived at John Dodd's place for breakfast and stayed for dinner.

Tip of the Week: Please help the Serjeant at the end of the meeting fellows, "it could be "fine"-ancially beneficial to you

SPONSORED BY NORTH RYDE ROTARY CLUB



North Ryde "Dress Up" Fun Run for Youth Mental Health

9am-2pm Sunday 28 August 2016

Macquarie University Sport Fields,
corner of Culloden & Talavera Roads,
Macquarie Park

Enter online now:

www.northrydefunrun.com.au

Late entries on the day \$5 more



LOOKING AHEAD

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August 16th	Interviewing Ryde Rotarians – Geoff & Stefan
August 23rd	Rotary International Constitution – John Dodd
August 30th	Interplast – Di Gillies
September 6th	Rotarians Against Malaria
September 13th	Outbound Exchange Talk – Maggie Miller

SIMEN OIE – FRIDAY NIGHT ROSTER

Simen is being hosted by John & Janelle Dodd – please confirm your plans in advance

August 26th	Patrick & Yvonne Longfield
September 2nd	John & Elinor Higgins
September 9th	Peter & Margaret Cooper
September 16th	Alan Oertel & Rachael Ings
September 23rd	Ross & Ros Rocca

ATTENDANCE

Members	Make-Ups	Apologies	Guests	Percentage
25	2	16	11	82%

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

August 16th	Bernadette Horrell – Birthday
August 21st	Duncan & Marli Taylor – 48th Anniversary

CLUB MEETING DUTY ROSTER

DATE	WELCOMERS	TOAST	INTRO	THANKS	5 MINUTES
August 23rd	T. Abboud & K. Allen	Ian Henderson	Rachael Ings	Alan Oertel	Grace Moyo
August 30th	G. Brennan & J. Brown	Dennise Herrick	Ayesha Jadhvani	Ross Rocca	Bill Payne
Sept. 6th	B. Carroll & J. Cutler	John Higgins	David Johnston	Stefan Sojka	Rob Mitchell
Sept. 13th	J. Dodd & N. Dunn	Rachael Ings	Bob Kaye-Smith	Ron Taffa	Ayesha Jadhvani

EDITOR'S WORD

Steak puns are a medium where anything well done is rare.

Down the Rabbit Hole

**Black
Tie
Ball**



**7pm, Saturday September 3rd
The Epping Club, Epping**

Includes 3 hour drink package

Proceeds to subsidise the cost of RYLA 2016

For bookings email Rylaball@gmail.com

**\$99
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head**

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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.

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THE FOUR-WAY TEST

of the things we think, say or 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!