

THE ROTARY CLUB OF RYDE DISTRICT 9685 CHARTERED 1946

The HUB

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THE GREAT DEBATE 2016

Topic: Parents should spend their childrens' inheritance

Winners: The Affirmative Team!



The speakers of The Great Debate with President Julie!

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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

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November 15th **Saving on Electricity Accounts – Carolyn Lee**

TONIGHT'S ROSTER

Welcomers	Ken Allen & Geoff Brennan
Toast to Rotary	Bill Payne
Introduction	Kalma McLellan
Vote of Thanks	Jan Cutler
5 Minute Talk	Victoria Gouel

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Nov. 20th (Sun)	Casual Members & Partners Dinner 6:30 pm at Hunters Hill Hotel. Speak to John Dodd for further details.
Nov. 28th (Mon)	RYDA Hunters Hill High School Speak to Adrian to offer your assistance.
Dec. 13th (Tues)	Ryde Rotary Annual General Meeting
Dec. 20th (Tues)	Ryde Rotary Christmas Party Stay tuned for further details.

SPECIAL NOTICE FOR CLUB MEMBERS

Tuesday November 22nd will be the night to vote on proposed amendments to the Club's constitution and by-laws. Please have read the proposals and are familiar with the amendments.

EDITOR'S RIDDLE



Take away my first letter and I still sound the same. Take away my last letter and I still sound the same. Even take away my letter in the middle, I will still sound the same. I am a five letter word.

What am I?

Many Rotarians and partners attended this week's meeting, for fellowship and for the chance to see **Kathryn Dodd** take on her father, **PDG John Dodd**, in the Great Debate. **President Julie Thorp** had also arranged a special surprise for everyone: **Raffaella Tiscar**, her partner and their four-month old baby. A couple of milestone celebrations of Club members were announced, including a club anniversary for **PP Ross Rocca** of 40 years, wow! John Dodd was then invited to the floor to give a very brief word on everyone's favourite topic, constitution, as a new menu item of stir fry was served.



PP Patrick Longfield sought volunteers for RYDA and announced that students from James Ruse will be attending the Science & Engineering Challenge, Science Experience and NYSF. Julie took to the stage again to announce the upcoming Epping Rotary Club trivia night, just in case we had all forgotten how to trivia in the past few weeks since the last dozen trivia nights. **PP Kalma McLellan** then called for last orders on the puddings for this Christmas, so I hope no one is reading this now and remembering the need to place an order!

Julie called forward our Serjeant-at-Arms **David Johnston**, or as she chose to call him "our favourite man of the night". Lucky lady **Dennise Herrick** drew the winning ticket again, but sadly missed out on the Joker. She was fined by the Serj for her wine. **PP Geoff Brennan, Christopher** and **PE John Brown** were then made to give up their pocket money for the week, for their recent win and loss at the races. Julie was fined for doubling her number of grandchildren whilst the three youngest Rotarians of the Club were fined for making it to the recent HUB, simply for standing around and enjoying fellowship in Orange. The noisy table of "Kalma, **Stefan** and co" was fined for well, being noisy. Table camaraderie appeared strong, as "Stefan's fault, Stefan's fault" was chanted by people around his table. Unlike previous evenings, **PP Allen Horrell** chose to stand out tonight. I'm starting to feel it is what colour the tablecloths are as to whether we can spot Allen, not what outfit he chooses to wear.

Raffaello then introduced everyone to her beautiful family, commenting: “some things are better than others, I brought the best two things with me”. There was no doubt, some delighted Rotarians in the room, happy for this young trio. To allow the debaters time to mentally prepare themselves, Geoff and Stefan pressed play on a short commercial to promote the commemorative 100 years of Rotary Foundation bank note. Be sure to grab yours for a fair price of \$26.50.



David Johnston stepped in, stopping the commercial content from running overtime, as the debaters stepped forward and the judging panel took their place at the back of the room. The topic for the night was “parents should spend their kids’ inheritance”. Despite the fact that most of the room was full of Rotarians with children, it didn’t stop Rotarians Allen, **Rachael Ings** and Kathryn from trying their hardest to argue why parents should not spend their kid’s inheritance. Even with a well presented collection of outstanding and well-justified arguments from the negative team, it was no match for the affirmative team of **Grace “African Princess” Moyo, Alan “Babyface” Oertel** and **John “constitution” Dodd**, who took out the 2016 Ryde Great Debate.



Julie ended the meeting with her thought for the week: “today is the oldest you’ve ever been and the youngest you’ll ever be, so enjoy this whole day while it lasts”.

Fellows

Such an interesting meeting last week.

Thank you to all those who competed in the great debate with the topic being "Should parents spend their kids inheritance" with the affirmative winning. I think we all think the same way.

This week we have Carolyn Lee talking about saving on electricity accounts a subject of great interest to all of us. I hope we all learn something.

Don't forget to read the new constitution which has been sent to you and we will be voting on next week. If you have any questions about it please email PDG John Dodd so we can clarify any issues before the meeting.

The Apprentice of the year will also be next week and it is a partner night.

Don't forget to put aside the 20th December as this is our Xmas night and Santa will be attending, so be on your best behaviour as Santa is always watching.

PP Patrick Longfield and I visited Marsden High school on Friday and they have shown interest in helping us with our activities and possibly starting up an Interact club, so we will be keeping in close contact with them.

President Julie

SERJEANT'S FINE OF THE WEEK

"Generation Why (Y) Award"

This goes out to Kate, Alan & Rach who were spotted & photographed by a little birdie (Ayesha). They were caught in the act of either texting or checking for messages on their mobile phones instead of taking in the beautiful surroundings that Orange has to offer. I'm sure they claimed during the sergeants session that they were accessing their camera (in the phone)*

***Editor's Note:** we were not simply texting, and nor did we claim to be using our cameras! There was a public landmark that needed some digital conquering.

It's a Gen "Why" thing.

"Noisy Table & Over Time Award"

This one will be going out to all that competed in the last week's great debate you will be fined at tonight's meeting. During the debate the top table was very noisy chirping back at each other with a lot of banter, Allen Horrell received the bonus over-time award going past the allotted time & the Sargent having to remind him with constantly ringing the bell.

LOOKING AHEAD

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November 15 th	Saving on Electricity Accounts – Carolyn Lee
November 22 nd	Apprentice of the Year – Peter Hay
November 29 th	The 4 Game Changers of Stroke Recovery – Tom Crow
December 6 th	Disease Prevention: Medical Mentoring – Grace Moyo

SIMEN ØIE – FRIDAY NIGHT ROSTER

Simen is being hosted by Judy Pryor & David Jenkins – confirm your plans in advance

November 18 th	TBD
November 25 th	Ross Rocca
December 2 nd	Ron Taffa
December 9 th	Julie & Stephen Thorp
December 16 th	Tony Abboud
December 23 rd	N/A – CHRISTMAS (wow that came up quickly!)

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

November 18 th	Bob Carroll – 80 th Birthday!
November 21 st	Ken Allen – 73 rd Birthday!

ATTENDANCE

Members	Make-Ups	Apologies	Guests	Percentage
30	7	10	2	100%

CLUB MEETING DUTY ROSTER

DATE	WELCOMERS	TOAST	INTRO	THANKS	5 MINUTES
Nov 15 th	J. Brown & B. Carroll	Ross Rocca	Grace Moyo	John Dodd	Burkhart Foertsch
Nov 22 nd	P. Cooper & J. Cutler	Ron Taffa	Alan Oertel	Kathryn Dodd	Nora Etmekdjian
Nov 29 th	J. Dodd & N. Dunn	Duncan Taylor	Bill Payne	Noel Dunn	Artin Etmekdjian
Dec 6 th	V. Gouel & A. Hallett	Stephen Thorp	Ross Rocca	Nora Etmekdjian	Ian Henderson

SIMEN'S SPOTLIGHT

After further testing, Simen has confirmed that two desserts are still better than one.

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.

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?
2. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

ROTARY GRACE

Oh 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

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!