

The HUB

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THE ROTARY FOUNDATION



YEARS OF DOING GOOD IN THE WORLD

On June 18, 1917, while the world was engaged in war, RI President Arch Klumph stepped to the podium at the Rotary International Convention in Atlanta, USA, and proposed the creation of an "endowment fund for Rotary . . . for the purpose of doing good in the world in charitable, educational, and other avenues of community service." At this meeting the Rotary Endowment Fund was born.

A few months later, the endowment received its first contribution of \$26.50 from the Rotary Club of Kansas City, Missouri, USA. In 1928 the endowment fund was renamed The Rotary Foundation, and it became a distinct entity within Rotary International.

Since that first \$26.50 donation in 1917, the Foundation has received contributions totalling more than US\$3.5 billion.

This 2016-17 Rotary Year marks the 100-year anniversary of The Rotary Foundation and that first \$26.50 donation. \$26.50 doesn't buy as much now as it did in 1917, but there are so many Rotarians around the world that working cohesively we can make a huge difference.

So now it's our turn to show our continuing support of our Rotary Foundation. This year we have the opportunity to each make a single once-off donation of \$26.50. Together with Rotarians around the globe, we can support the Rotary Foundation in making the world a better place, \$26.50 at a time.

\$26.50 – The Origin of The Rotary Foundation

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CLUB INFORMATION

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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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December 6th**Disease Prevention: Medical Mentoring – Grace Moyo****TONIGHT'S ROSTER**

Welcomers	Geoff Brennan & Bob Carroll
Toast to Rotary	Ross Rocca
Introduction	John Brown
Vote of Thanks	Stephen Thorp
5 Minute Talk	Ken Allen

JULES' JEMS

Fellows

I hope you learnt a bit about stroke recovery from last week.

This week we have our own Grace Moyo talking to us about Disease Prevention and Medical Mentoring. This is an extremely important topic and we all need to be kept up to date.

Don't forget we are still wanting volunteers to help us with the gift wrapping at Top Ryde shopping center. Any help you can give will be much appreciated.

The year has gone so quickly and Santa will be here in a few weeks. Don't forget only one present for each child as Santa only has a short time to spend with us.

President Julie

EDITOR'S RIDDLE

Two children, who were all tangled up in their reckoning of the days of the week, paused on their way to school to straighten matters out. "When the day after tomorrow is yesterday," said Priscilla, "then 'today' will be as far from Sunday as that day was which was 'today' when the day before yesterday was tomorrow!"

On which day of the week did this puzzling prattle occur?

It was a smaller crowd of the usual suspects on Tuesday evening, after many of our Club members attended the Rotary Foundation Million Dollar Dinner the previous night. **President Julie Thorp** welcomed Rotarians, and guests **Simen Øie**, **Kieran Joel**, Interact advisor **Jane** and our guest speaker, **Tom Crow**. Many birthdays and anniversaries were celebrated this week, but you'll have to forgive me for not listing them here; my writing couldn't keep up with the pace that Julie was announcing them! The all-time favourite dish (at least from the opinion of the recall writer) of fish n' chips were served as fellowship was enjoyed.

Nora Etmekdjian was invited to the floor to provide her five minute vocational talk. Born in Egypt and from a proud Armenian heritage, Nora attended a university in Cairo studying a Major in business and a Minor in Egyptology, followed by a Masters in anthropology. She then worked at the University for four years before moving to Australia, which she now calls home. Nora obtained a degree in public health and worked in this sector for twenty years. As a change from public health, she worked in accounting with her husband, **PP Artin Etmekdjian**, before establishing her own mortgage broker business, an accomplishment she is very proud of. When Nora isn't working for her business, you can guarantee that she'll be busy volunteering with one of many organisations that she supports. She can also now tick off the proud achievement of being one of only a few Rotarians to stick to the five minute time limit!



Jane from the Rotary Club of Woy Woy promoted the international video competition and the next Interact conference available to the seven Clubs in the District. Julie then reminded everyone of the upcoming Christmas gift wrapping, even offering members an opportunity you can't refuse, where "you can buy presents, wrap them and pay for them".

Simen then provided a "short and sweet" recap of his past week. In light of the blackout over the weekend, Simen had a BBQ with **PP Ross Rocca**, **Rose Rocca** and their family. In Simen's words, "it was better [than going out to a restaurant] because you get to talk more and I loved it". He was also able to see where his mother stayed just 27 years before. Simen then awed the crowd, testing out some new adjectives as he described his dinner in Belmont.

PP Bob Kaye-Smith ordered **PP Geoff Brennan** to stand so that he could be congratulated for his efforts on the Million Dollar Dinner. Geoff then highlighted some of the great parts of the evening, commenting that “everybody in the room supports the Foundation in one way or another”. **PP Kalma McLellan** enticed the room to purchase a Rotary work shirt and offered to size everyone up after the meeting. **PP Ken Allen** commented that he and **PP Stephen Thorp** have been busy bees behind the scenes, beginning the process to locate the Ryde Rotary Police Officer of the Year. So make sure you keep yourselves available for the month of May! **Dennise Herrick** then promoted the Days for Girls Christmas cards before **PP Patrick Longfield** made some inappropriate jokes about the blackout.

Dennise decided to give winning the raffle a break for a week, allowing **Grace Moyo** to have the lucky ticket but sadly drawing a card one off from the joker. Our esteemed Serjeant-at-Arms, **David Johnston**, collected a handful of pennies, fining the birthday and anniversary group, and everyone in the room for not being noisy (despite my table making a pretty good attempt at claiming noisiest table). If Dennise didn't claim so many wine bottles last week, we may have also made a small fortune from the raffle winners too. Geoff cross-fined **PP Peter Cooper** for his sensational taste in footwear whilst Patrick fined the Serj for not fining him on his “awful statement” before.

“It's 4am and your wife has just had a stroke, and your sitting in Royal North Shore wandering what happens next”. This was the case for Tom Crow, our guest speaker for the evening. Unlike the other anatomy in the body, understanding the brain and strokes is still in the research phase. And for those who have had family members who have just suffered from a stroke, finding out answers on what to do next week or next year is near impossible. Tom discovered that “it's all up to your own determination, commitment, caring and persistence” that determines the outcome of your loved one's rehabilitation. From his experiences and his daily diary entries, Tom wrote a 70 page book to assist people in understanding that stroke recovery involves a partnership between the family and the medical profession.

Julie ended the meeting with her thought for the week: “a friend of mine tried to annoy me with bird puns, but tou-can play at that game!”. Julie, you quacked me up with that joke, but probably didn't emu-se anyone else in the room!

Christmas Gift Wrapping starts on Thursday 8th December, and covers 9 days between then and Christmas Eve. We get busier toward Christmas, as would be expected.



We'll have the assistance of students from James Ruse, one or two from Marsden High and a few others. There are still wrapping/supervisor shifts available and Julie will hand around the roster sheet on Tuesday, so please fill in your name.

Start of the day is 10am and we finish by 9pm on all days (except Christmas Eve - 6pm). Shifts are 3 hours. Location is Top Ryde Shopping Centre, LG1.

DAYS FOR GIRLS CHRISTMAS CARDS

The Ryde Days for Girls team will be selling Christmas gift cards to spread goodwill and raise some extra funds towards the fantastic Days for Girls cause.

Standard Cards come in a wide variety of traditional and modern styles and can be bought in packs of 10. Each pack of cards will contribute towards the furthering of the good works of Days for Girls in the world.

Luxury Cards take this one step further. Able to be bought individually or in packs of 10, each card bought will ensure that a young girl in an underprivileged part of the world will stay in school up to three years longer than would otherwise be possible.

WHEN YOU HAVE A MAKEUP

Please remember to drop an email to both Graham Metcalfe and President Julie Thorp to make sure it is recorded.

If you are visiting another Rotary Club and would like to submit a photo and a few words to The Hub, please email editor@ryderotary.org.au

UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

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Dec. 8th (Thurs)	Ryde Rotary Gift Wrapping Begins! Don't forget to plan your weekends accordingly.
Dec. 13th (Tues)	Ryde Rotary Annual General Meeting
Dec. 20th (Tues)	Ryde Rotary Christmas Party Stay tuned for further details.

SIMEN ØIE – FRIDAY NIGHT ROSTER

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

December 9th	Julie & Stephen Thorp
December 16th	Tony Abboud
December 23rd	N/A – CHRISTMAS
December 30th	N/A – Still Christmas!

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

December 11th	John Higgins – 76 th Birthday
December 13th	Patricia Foertsch – Birthday

ATTENDANCE

Members	Make-Ups	Apologies	Guests	Percentage
24	8	17	4	89%

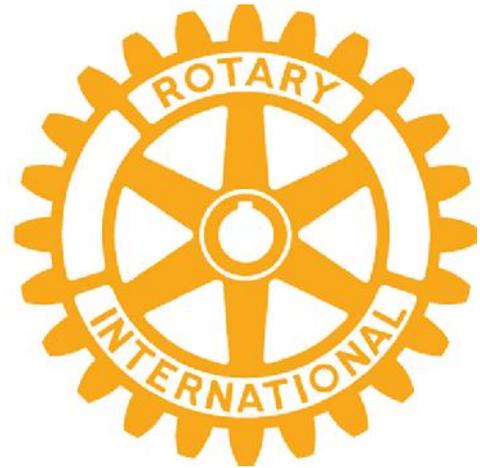
CLUB MEETING DUTY ROSTER

DATE	WELCOMERS	TOAST	INTRO	THANKS	5 MINUTES
Dec 6 th	G. Brennan & B. Carroll	Ross Rocca	John Brown	Stephen Thorp	Ken Allen
Dec 13 th	J. Brown & N. Dunn	Burkhart Foertsch	n/a	n/a	Noel Dunn
Dec 20 th	B. Payne & J. Dodd	Victoria Gouel	n/a	n/a	n/a

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

If everything seems to be going well, you have obviously overlooked something

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!