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It was a fun night on Tuesday with the lads from RYLA!

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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

RSVP GUESTS OR ABSENCES TO JULIE THORP 9871 1109

February 28th**Bike Trip Around Australia – Richard Bushell****TONIGHT'S ROSTER**

Welcomers	Dennise Herrick & Allen Horrell
Toast to Rotary	Ian Henderson
Introduction	Stephen Thorp
Vote of Thanks	Bob Kaye-Smith
5 Minute Talk	Adrian Hallett

JULES' JEMS

Last week was so great. To see three of our RYLArrians return to let us in on their week they spent at RYLA was so interesting. This is such a worthwhile project we continue to do each year.



Last Saturday a few of us went to old Gladesville Hospital to BBQ for the Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children (North Rocks) where our own Jan Cutler worked for many years. We had been invited to assist at this event which was to celebrate International Cochlear Implant Day and they were also having an information day on cochlear implants. Our costs were covered but we ran this for the community. Thank you to those Rotarians who again gave up their time for this worthwhile cause.

This week we have Richard and Ros Bushell here to give us a talk about their trip around Australia on their motor bike. I have heard this story before and I look forward to hearing it again.

EDITOR'S RIDDLE

You will always find me in the past. I can be created in the present, But the future can never taint me.
What am I?

Rotarians and guests filled the room on Tuesday night, for a rather special evening. A delicious serving of fish on vegetable stew was served as **Kieran Joel** and **Simen Øie** recounted to the table their past weekend of mischief. They did thankfully ease the concerns of worried faces by saying “don’t worry, we didn’t get arrested”.

President Julie Thorp then welcomed **Mark Anderson** (Rotary Club of Beecroft) to the front of the room for the big surprise of the evening. From Lane Cove and Artarmon, to Mt Kuring-gai and Katoomba, there isn’t much of the Sydney landscape that the Rotary iron lung hasn’t seen, thanks to **PP Geoff Brennan**. For this outstanding dedication, Mark presented Geoff with a ruby to add to his Paul Harris Fellow. Geoff, wanting to leave a lasting impression of this moment, recounted the journey that he had with the iron lung, not sparing a single detail.



Simen then spoke to the room about what he had been up to for the past fortnight. Simen and Kieran were both absent from the meeting last week on the account of their father’s/host father’s birthday and of course, both missed us terribly. After going sometime without biking, Simen joined Kieran on a bike ride around Parramatta River. He was most appreciative to Kieran for the numerous activities that he has been able to enjoy, including resuming guitar and learning new dancing style, ceroc. Ceroc. *noun*. 1. a type of modern social dance having elements of rock and roll, jive and salsa.

Our relaxed Serj. had returned to us, after cruising to both Hobart and a primitive land bereft of electricity. **PP Peter Cooper** drew the winning ticket and claimed the wine. **PP Ron Taffa** and the immediate past and current HUB editors were fined for collectively not knowing whether a birthday or anniversary was to be celebrated. The Club paid for **Nora Etmekdjian's** fantastic ten year anniversary at Ryde Rotary Club whilst the whereabouts of **PP John Higgin's** badge was announced as being under the bar.

PN Kathryn Dodd directed a fine at the Serj. for decreasing the chance of winning the spackle; Peter had drawn a twelve of clubs and the question of the spackle draw deck was raised. I wonder if Monopoly chance cards will reveal themselves too over the course of the draw. **PP Patrick Longfield** fined the Serj. for everything happening at Channel 7 at the moment, on the basis that "I'm sure it's going on at Channel 10".

"Scenarios turned RYLA from a great conference into that life changing event which people know it to be."

Alan Oertel was then called to the floor to invite up not one, but three sponsored 2017 RYLarians. **Damian**, who is an industrial designer and a **Rocca**, found the RYLA program to be an immensely valuable experience that "fast tracks" maturity. For Damian, the most challenging activity was the flood evacuation scenario; it taught him control in times of urgency and helped him practice how to approach a problem from numerous angles.

Nicholas Hairs, who didn't walk into RYLA with many expectations, learnt that "I am a leader and I've got this". Even with more than 16 years in Scouts including some as a Venturer Leader, he considers RYLA to be a whole new experience which extends all of the comfort zones. Kieran "Mr Plumber" Joel was our final speaker for the evening and the third RYLA participant whom the Club sponsored. Since RYLA, Kieran has learnt that you can't always lead from there front as there are some situations where it is important to let others lead, and to remember that our lives have not been written for us; we write them ourselves. Patrick thanked the three leaders on behalf of the Club.

Julie ended the meeting with her very appropriate thought for the week: "believe you can and you're half way there."

March 4th

David Johnston – 53rd Birthday

SPECIAL NOTICE FROM THE TREASURER

A quick reminder to a few club members that Subs are due for the first half of 2017. A handful of members have yet to pay up, so if you are unsure please speak to the treasurer.

CLEAN-UP AUSTRALIA DAY

Would those people interested in being involved in this event please take action as necessary as indicated below.

Date: 5th March.

Time: 10.30 to 2pm. (max.)

Meeting point: Kissing Point Park Corner of Charles & Waterview Street.

Clean Up Area: From Kissing Point Bay Side to Ryde Bridge.

Dress: Take good shoes/boots. Remember a hat or umbrella!

All participants are required to register. This can be done at the site on the 5th or on-line at:

<https://www.cleanupaustaliaday.org.au/register/?CleanUp+KissingPoint+Ryde>

SERJEANT'S FINES OF THE WEEK

“The Voice with the Iron Lung”

We found out that Geoff Brennan has it all, but he no longer has an iron lung. A huge thank you to Geoff for his always generous service to Rotary and the community.

Congratulations to Geoff for receiving a Ruby PHF in recognition of his efforts.

“Traveller’s Fee”

The Serj lost a few pennies on Tuesday night in honour of his recent cruise around the southern coast. Judging from the pictures, he deserves a couple more!



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR

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March 5th (Sunday)	St Ives Food & Wine Festival St Ives Village Green. 10am-4pm.
March 11th (Saturday)	Rotary District Conference Be there or be square!
March 12th (Sunday)	Home Care Heroes 1 Year Anniversary Blenheim Park, North Ryde. 12pm-3pm.
March 18th (Saturday)	Days for Girls Movie Night – Featuring Moana Dodd HQ. 2 York Street, Beecroft. 6.30pm – 10.00pm.

CLUB MEETINGS

February 28th	Bike Trip Around Australia – Richard Bushell
March 7th	Policing in the Ryde Area
March 14th	My Favourite Convict – Bob Selinger
March 21st	St Patrick’s Night

SIMEN ØIE – FRIDAY NIGHT ROSTER

Simen is being hosted by the Joel family – confirm your plans in advance

March 3rd	Ayesha Jadhvani
March 10th	DISTRICT CONFERENCE
March 17th	Bob & Lorraine Carroll

ATTENDANCE

Members	Make-Ups	Apologies	Guests	Percentage
-	-	-	-	-

CLUB MEETING DUTY ROSTER

DATE	WELCOMERS	TOAST	INTRO	THANKS	5 MINUTES
Feb 28th	D. Herrick & A. Horrell	Ian Henderson	Stephen Thorp	Bob Kaye-Smith	Adrian Hallett
Mar 7th	G. Brennan & B. Carroll	Julie Thorp	Ken Allen	Kalma McLellan	Stefan Sojka
Mar 14th	A. Oertel & V. Gouel	Bill Payne	Nil	Nil	Allen Horrell
Mar 21st	J. Cutler & K. Allen	Patrick Longfield	Nil	Nil	Nil

IT'S TIME FOR A FUNDRAISER BBQ & MOVIE NIGHT



Days for Girls helps girls gain access to quality sustainable feminine hygiene, vital health knowledge, and income-generation opportunities. So far they've reached 200,000+ girls in 100 nations. Days for Girls Ryde Team has contributed over 1200 kits to date!

SATURDAY 18TH MARCH

6:30 FOR 7PM

2 York Street, Beecroft

\$30 PER PERSON / \$15 FOR KIDS UNDER 12

for a BBQ feast followed by a showing of "Moana" on the tennis court.

BYO drinks, warm clothes & a rug/chair/beanbag
to ensure your comfort for the movie.

BOOKING ESSENTIAL BY 15TH MARCH

www.trybooking.com/ORRB

If you can't come but would like to support Days for Girls Ryde Team, you can donate online at:
<https://donations.rawcs.com.au> "Click to Donate" Project No: 9, Year: 2014-15

In the Requests box, note "Direct to Ryde Area Team"

DAYS FOR
GIRLS

www.daysforgirls.org

Every Girl • Everywhere • Period •

Ryde Days for Girls : Empowering Women in Cambodia



The Rotary Club of Ryde, Days for Girls Ryde Team and SewAID combine to empower girls and women in Cambodia.

SewAID is a program which offers selected women in very poor countries the opportunity to not only learn to sew, but to also provide them with the machines, equipment and skills they need to start a small home business in dressmaking or alterations and repair.

The program is run by founder Tony Castley, and closely supported by his family business Sewgroup International. Additionally most programs are run in conjunction with Rotary International as Tony is very involved with Rotary and has found that the Rotary connection is vital to the success of the programs in Third World countries.

Earlier this month SewAID sent a team to Cambodia. The team included Rotarians and 2 members of Days for Girls Ryde Team.

Their objective was twofold, firstly to teach the sewers there how to make Days for Girls kits, and start them on their way to making an order of 500 DFG kits being financed by the Rotary Club of Ryde and Rotary District 9685, secondly to show the sewers how to make market goods that can be sold in the top tourist shops and to also assist them to establish a sales outlet in Siem Reap.

DAYS FOR GIRLS RYDE TEAM CALLING ALL TRAVELLERS!

Seeking all travel makers, past, present and future!

Days for Girls Ryde Area team is seeking support in collecting small travel soaps for use in the kits. If you have any soap stashed away in a suitcase or can collect some on your next trip away, please pass it along to either Dennise or the nearest Dodd.



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!