



# KIWANIS CLUB OF RIDGEWOOD, NY 3-2-1

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## The Triple Crown Newsletter

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**Race One:** The meet began with a lite attendance of about 45 members as President Liz was on hand to open her final regular meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. There was a nice mix of folks who heard Diane Cusimano offer an invocation and grace. Great job Diane, your resume keeps building in the Ridgewood 3-2-1.

**Race Two:** Liz opened with a few announcements and reminded the club that there is lots of work still to do before her year officially ends on September 30, the day after our outing at Belmont Park on the 29<sup>th</sup>. Put that into your phone calendars and plan to show Liz what a phenomenal year (and change) that she had. Our sheriff was Danielle who tried to go undercover today skipping most of the official sheriff's garb, but that hat kinda gave her away. Danielle did an awesome job getting around the room to collect all of the happy dollars. Most of those bucks were happy for the job that Liz did this year under extreme circumstances. Great way to celebrate her year as our leader.

**Race Three:** Gino and Liz, (G-Liz) called for everyone to come up to eat their lunch. It was a feast of finger foods, wraps, salads and more that was provided by our member George, owner of TASTY on Myrtle. Seems JR was out at the IRI/AKTION Club picnic this past weekend and told Diane (our vegetarian) that he had to cook some veggie burgers and it was almost impossible to get those little suckers to stay together on the grill. Diane offered a class to those that wanted to learn the Art of Cooking Veggie Style, or something like that. Bob held back and didn't remind JR that when he cooked for the barbecue a few weeks ago, Diane stated that his cooked veggie burgers were the best that she'd had since she was on the commune back in 1976 or so. Sorry JR, it slipped out. LOL

**Race Four:** Hop-along Hank gave a happy \$100 for the year that Liz had and for the great accomplishments of the 3-2-1 club in its first full year of operation. Lucian had some bucks to echo that sentiment and so did a whole mess of others sitting around the room. Soon to be President Elect Janine had to run over to the UPK at Fairview because the Department of Health decided to show up, but left happy dollars to say it was an honor and privilege to work with Liz for her term. Michael Addeo was back at the ranch, all duded up and sporting an awesome and very, very expensive tie. How do you spell "Hyperventilate" when Bob mentioned the word scissors!! Jayne and Alex were back at the ranch from Valley National Bank. Jayne had spent a bunch of days down in Florida watching her grandchildren and working at branches down there. Everyone from the GRYC asked if we had a satellite location in Florida for them to work at for a week or two or three. The answer is NO WE DO NOT!!

**Race Five:** Alan Bellone was at the meet and sat in the back with Carlos "Papi Chulo" and then decided to ditch him and move seats to Bob and Hank and JR and Lucian. Bob got up and moved to sit with Carlos, who was visibly saddened by Alan's ditching him. Alan returned to that table and Bob got up and moved again. Carlos then moved to let Alan know that he was not happy. Saga to continue at the next meet. Bill Rennison was in attendance and brought a bunch of wipes for the blessing bags. EVERY MEETING, Bill brings something to donate and help the cause. Thank you Bill, you are a true Kiwanian and we are happy to welcome you to the Board of Directors for inspiration.

**Race Six:** Happy Dollars were given for the Interclubs that occurred last week. The 3-2-1 Club went with four members to both, Corona-East Elmhurst and Sunnyside and only had East River to go to on Thursday. That was accomplished and the Ridgewood 3-2-1 Club has completed the Round Robin, attending all 17 Clubs in the Queens West Division to get their first patch for the banner. This was an outstanding accomplishment and if you have never gone to see another Kiwanis Club, you should try it out. Then you can see how awesome our club is and how much we have done in only one short year. Other clubs are amazed at the attendance numbers that we have at all of our meetings and the service projects completed. Congratulations to all those who made this happen. There were only a handful of clubs that actually visited with Ridgewood throughout the year, so, it will be hard for the rest of them to get the Round Robin patch. We did it the REAL way with 4 or more members at each interclub.

**Race Seven:** Diane Cusimano had happy dollars to save Michael Addeo's tie that cost more than my entire outfit times 5. Linda Monte had happy dollars to thank Club for their partnership with the Arbitration Rock Day at the Onderdonk House. It was a great event. Alan Bellone said that he would take the Miami Dolphins in the Football Pool because they lost 42-0 and he's a real cheap skate. Chris McDougall took the Jets, so he may not be paying anything into the pool this season. Joe the Plumber took the Jets, you know the drill and Rafal Ziolkowski took the Patriots, so he'll be forking over some bucks this year. The Football Fundraiser that Hank and JR have started on a weekly basis can raise a ton of money for the Club since there are over 20 members participating. Anyone else who wants "in" just need contact me with your team. Here's how it works, EACH week, if YOUR NFL team WINS, you contribute \$20 for the win. So, if you are a cheapskate, pick a team that really bites and you save money each week. IF you are a generous, caring and want to support kids kinda person, then you pick a promising team and donate on a weekly basis. The list of teams by 3-2-1 member is later in the bulletin. Yes, two people can have the same team. IF you didn't understand all of that, just call me or email me and say you want to be a generous human being and we will assign a team to you.

Maureen was at the meet without Kevin but Bernie Z was at the meet with wife Ann. BettyAnn Monahan was at the meet and guess what, so was her husband and member, ME. Joining BettyAnn was Michele Woerner who used to babysit for the Monahan kids. Yes, Michele is also the daughter of Bob and Janet Pullano. Tina went out with her daughter and couldn't make the meet, but Henrietta Maier was present and accounted for. A paltry number of GRYC Directors and staff were on hand at the Clubhouse. Sad showing for sure. Ricky was joined by Aunt and Uncle, AnneMarie and Richie Siemer who took applications for membership. Great stuff. Christine and Danielle were present and Gino, Ariel and Maricelis were handling the front table. Paul, Sabrina, and Jennifer shared in the festivities. Did I forget to mention that Beverly, Oscar and Edwing had a bite to eat along with Cat, Carmen and Shiv. Bernie donated a ton of dollars for his being a good sport last week.

**Race Eight:** Upcoming Events include:

**September 23<sup>rd</sup> – Queens West Division Mtg at 7 PM.**

**September 29<sup>th</sup> – Belmont Race Track Day and Liz's Celebration for Presidency. \$50 per ticket**

**September 26<sup>th</sup> – Ridgewood 3-2-1 Board Meeting at Zum Stammtisch at 6:30 PM All welcome**

**October 2<sup>nd</sup> – Gino's Installation along with his Board of Directors. This is at 7PM at the Clubhouse. \$20 pp**

**Race Nine:** Liz ended the meeting a few minutes tardy at 1:10 by hitting the gong. Happy Dollars and Food Money collected for this meet was \$ 610.

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**Sorry NO PICTURES taken this week and it's a bit of boring newsletter. We need a club photographer who can feed me some stuff. Volunteers??**



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**Please join us at Zum Stammtisch on Thursday evening, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM**

