



# DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

Rotary International  
District 9500

South Australia &  
Northern Territory

RI World President ~ K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran

Be a Gift to the World

July 2015 ~ Theme ~ Be a Gift to the World

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Hello and welcome to the first issue for this Rotary year.

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> of June was a wonderful day. Inducted as Governor for District 9500 for this new Rotary Year, I stood proudly before 140 Rotarians and friends. What a privilege! I enter this year with enthusiasm and will give my very best to help you achieve your very best.

IPDG John Campbell realised his goals for his year, some over and above his expectations, and I offer my wholehearted congratulations to him and his team.

To begin the year, I would like to share (in part) a message from Rotary International World President, K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran:

*"Our time on this earth is finite, and it's always shorter than we think. How do we want to spend it? Will we give of ourselves to others, so that the world will be richer because we passed through it?"*

*If we ask ourselves what characteristics we value most in our friends, most of us would answer similarly: integrity, trustworthiness, caring, compatibility. Our friends are not necessarily the people who are most like us but the ones who compliment us, who bring out the best in us. That, to me, is precisely what we can find in Rotary."*

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## My Goals for the year ahead

Briefly, here is my vision for the 2015/2016 Rotary Year. When I come to visit your club we can talk about this in broader detail. Meeting with your Board will allow me to ensure that we're all heading in the same direction. The following is realistically achievable:

At Club level:

- Membership: Attract new members ~ increase current membership by 4% and retain current members
- The Rotary Brand ~ Actively promote the Rotary Brand and our successes. We have been the quiet achievers for too long. Time to tell the world how we can make it better
- Use Social Media ~ Clubs to have up-to-date websites and Facebook pages. Use Twitter, Instagram and others. Seek publicity through press and electronic media
- RI and District Websites ~ Enter Club details/goals on the District website. Members to create their own My Rotary Account
- Introduction of the Rotary Community Corp to our District
- All clubs to actively participate in applying for District and Global Grants
- Focus on our existing Interact and Rotaract Clubs ~ Charter four new clubs in our District

At District level I hope to achieve the targets for

Polio Eradication: (\$ 66K) \$1,500.00 AUD per Club and  
The Rotary Foundation: (\$184K) for a total of \$250,00 AUD

Together, I believe we can achieve great things.

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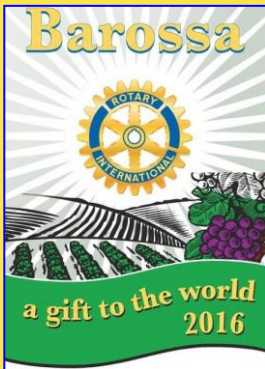
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Please submit any articles and photos by the for publication in the following month's issue.

**Rotary District 9500  
Conference  
17th - 20th March 2016**



To be held in the beautiful Barossa

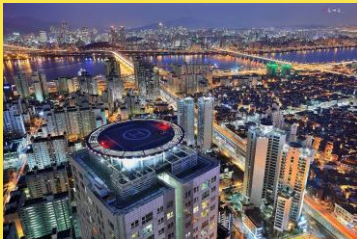
All Conference Sessions at The Barossa Arts & Convention Centre

Celebration Dinner at Chateau Tanunda

To book, log onto [www.d9500conference.org.au](http://www.d9500conference.org.au)

**2016 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION SEOUL KOREA**

**DISCOVER THE REAL KOREA**



The 2016 Rotary International Seoul Convention will offer Rotarians from around the world the perfect opportunity to celebrate the achievements of Rotary International in local communities and abroad.

See you in Seoul  
May 28th to June 1st  
2016

**Change Over Day**

Brunch at Kooyonga Golf Club. What a terrific day. Our bookings were to close on 19<sup>th</sup> June, but by 14<sup>th</sup> we were full! So we asked Catering Manager, Robert, if we could have more tables. We went from 120 to 140 and request were still coming in. Apologies to those who missed out. We just couldn't fit any more table in.

I had such a good time meeting old friends and new. There was at least one Past District Governor to a table.

We heard IPDG John Campbell talk about his year, and how proud he was of his team for 2014-2015 year. My wholehearted congratulations to John. Great work!

Thank you to Catering Manager, Robert Taylor and his staff at the Kooyonga Golf Club for a great day. The room looked beautiful.

Thank you also to Mary Purbrick, who made the very appropriate globe centre pieces for each table. They are available "on loan" from the District Governor when your Club is holding a special function and would like to use them.



IPDG John Campbell and District Governor Doug Layng



David and Trina Sabine (Adel. West), with Suren Krishnan (Prospect).



PE Rod Bish (Prospect) proudly holds the "Home of the DG" Banner.



DG Doug talked about his vision for the year ahead.

**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 and better Friendships?
4. Will it be Beneficial to all concerned?

- See more at:

<http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50056/SitePage/four-way-test>

## District Governor's Club Visits

Gawler Light  
Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July

Walkerville  
Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July

Salisbury  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July

Largs Bay  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July

Playford  
Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July

Adelaide West  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Adelaide South  
Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July

Regency Park  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> July

Prospect Sunrise  
Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> July

Chas Sturt Grange  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August

Golden Grove  
Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August

Adelaide  
Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> August

Adelaide Light  
Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> August

Barossa District  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August

Adelaide Parks  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> August

Alice Springs Mbantua  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August

Alice Springs &  
Stuart Alice Springs  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> August

Modbury  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> August

Prospect  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August

Roxby Districts  
Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August

September visits in next  
month's issue

## What has the District Governor been up to?

Lynne and I have had a busy few weeks attending Club Change Over functions. It was wonderful to hear of the challenges met and the goals achieved by so many Clubs this past Rotary Year. Thanks to IPPs, Presidents and Members of the Rotary Clubs of **Clare, Salisbury, Adelaide, Adelaide Parks, Adelaide West, Mawson Lakes, Modbury, Regency Park** and our own Club, **Prospect**.



At Salisbury City  
Rotaract Hand Over



IPP Chris Marks and  
brand new President,  
Ashlee Evans

We also attended the Hand Over and very happy First Birthday celebrations of the Rotaract Club of Salisbury City. These young people do great work; we could learn a lot from them. If you know any suitable young people between the ages of 18 and 30, please encourage them to join Rotaract. It will be one of the best decisions of their lives.

I encourage every Rotarian in our District to attend at least two Rotaract meetings this year. There are four Rotaract Clubs in our District. The other two are Rotaract Club of Adelaide Uni and The Rotaract Club of Global Peace. See page 56 of your District Directory for details.

## Rotary ~ What's in it for Me?

President Ravi says one message that has consistently come forth is that there is a need to add value to Membership. We must answer the question, "What's in it for me?"

With this in mind, RI has launched a new benefit card to which every member will automatically be entitled. It's not a physical membership card, but a mobile phone APP, supported by Android and Apple, bringing our members discounts and offers from reputed services, establishments and organisations from around the world.

The Rotary Global Rewards program offers Rotary club members discounts on products and services for travel, entertainment, and merchandise.

[Read More](#)

## My Rotary

Have you created your My Rotary account yet?  
Why Create An Account?

Signing in to My Rotary gives you a customised experience and easier access to tools and information that are relevant to you.

This is a really great way to access information about your Club, your fellow Club Members, your District. Connect with other Rotary members by joining a discussion group or starting a new one.

Find others who share your interests and activities, connect with project partners, and tap into the diversity of global perspectives that is Rotary. You could even find a winning project on which you could partner with a club in your District, in Australia, or somewhere else in the world.

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## Voice of Rotary

Presented by  
Chris Hughes (Burnside) &  
John Cox (North Adelaide)  
Technical Assistance by  
Antony Craven  
and Richard Parkes  
Listen to 5RPH, AM1197,  
7.30pm ~ 8.00pm Tuesdays  
The program can also be  
heard On-line on  
Wednesdays at  
[www.rphadelaide.org.au](http://www.rphadelaide.org.au)

July 7th  
PDG Dick Cuttle  
(R.C. of Onkaparinga)  
"Camp Calperum"

July 14th  
IPDG John Campbell  
(R.C. of Adelaide Light) "  
The Year 2014/2015 ~  
D9500

July 21st  
IPDG Jerry Casburn  
(R.C. of Unley) "  
The Year 2014/2015 ~  
D9520

July 28th  
PDG Malcolm Lindquist  
(R.C. of Brownhill Creek) "  
The David Rusk  
Memorial Orphanage  
School



## There's a new Club in town.

Well, not quite in town. This Club has no boundaries. It's open to the world! Read this explanation by Inaugural President, Eric Russell.

*"The Rotary e-club of Greater South Oz 9500 is geographically based in the city and the state of South Australia; however as our Rotary International location is worldwide our members can live anywhere in the world. While our members meet regularly on-line through this website, there is an opportunity for working together on projects to meet community needs in any country or locality.*

*We select who will be our leadership team and which projects we will support; members are encouraged to be involved and engaged in the club's activities. The Rotary E-Club of Greater South Oz 9500 was chartered on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June 2015..*

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## Having Fun Whilst Raising Funds Corolla Capers

Great fun, happens in a desert somewhere every July for a week with the Rotary Club of Regency Park (SA). We're all petrol heads, and we actually raise money for charity with this event, even though entry cost is ridiculously low, (just \$450 per person with all meals supplied for the week). We had pre-1983 corollas in it with approximately six 4WD support vehicles.

A lot of the same cars repeat every year, but there's usually a few vacancies if you get in early. Over the years, they've done Birdsville and Strezlecki tracks, Simpson Desert crossing, Cameron's corner, Moomba desert/Arkaroola, Victorian Deserts/Border Track, Ceduna Googs Track/Kingonya, Mt.Ives station/Lake Gairdner Circuit and more.

DG Doug and his good mate, Pete Rogers have been on a few of these fabulous fun events.

You don't have to be a car nut to enjoy this event, but it does help.

Find out where this trip took them this time and check out some photos. There's a video from last year of some great driving by Trevor King. Certainly well worth a look!

[Read More](#)

## Membership Matters

Membership of Rotary provides:

- Opportunities to network with like minded professionals
- Opportunities to be involved in local community activities
- Opportunities to be involved in global activities
- Opportunities to be an agent of change
- Opportunities to lead projects in personal specialties
- Opportunities to become a leader in your own club
- Opportunities to be involved at district level
- Opportunities to become a leader of a world-wide organisation

All clubs should ensure current members and new members have access to a program of interesting topics as well as providing a wide variety of Rotary's projects, on-going and new.

For more information relating to Rotary Membership, check out the RI Website: [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org)



**Discuss**  
your decision with family  
and friends

**Decide**  
and register on the  
Australian Organ Donor  
Registry

The  
**Rotary**  
Foundation



Our six areas of focus



Peace and Conflict  
Prevention/Resolution



Disease Prevention  
and Treatment



Water and Sanitation



Maternal and  
Child Health

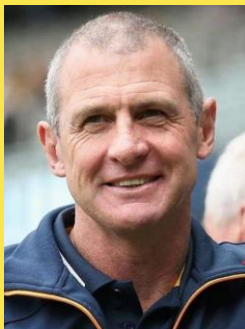


Basic Education  
and Literacy



Economic and  
Community Development

...to do good in the world



**VALE**  
**Phil Walsh**

## Donate Life Week

2<sup>nd</sup> ~9<sup>th</sup> August

In deciding to become an organ and tissue donor, you are expressing your willingness to save and transform the lives of others.

Tell your family of your decision so that your wishes will be fulfilled.

**This is your GIFT of LIFE.**

While your age and medical history will be considered, you shouldn't assume you're too young, too old or not healthy enough to become a donor.

**You may save the life of a stranger or someone you love.**

Get on Board ~ Give the gift of life. Find out more at:

<http://www.donatelife.gov.au>

## Rotary International District 9500 2015-2016 District & RI Dues Information

**District Dues per Rotarian are as follows and includes GST:**

District Dues	\$44.50
Conference Levy	\$ 8.50
Insurance	\$22.00
Total	\$75.00 Includes GST

*Please note that the Insurance component may be paid from your project account.*

**Rotary International SARs per Rotarian excluding GST:  
(current exchange rate = 1.28)**

Semi Annual	USD 27.50 x 2	= USD55.00	@ 1.28 = \$70.40
CoL Levy	USD 1.50	@ 1.28 = \$1.92	
Total	USD56.50	@ 1.28 = \$72.32	+ GST = \$79.55
Rotarian	USD24.00	@ 1.28 = \$30.72	+ GST = \$33.79

**Rotary Down Under per Rotarian  
(unless opt out for Rotarian) and includes GST:**

RDU \$20.00 x 2 = \$40.00 Includes GST

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact  
District 9500 Treasurer 2015-16.

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Adelaide Oval patrons light up the stadium as a tribute to the late Phil Walsh. Adelaide ~ a great city with fabulous, caring people.