DISTRICT 9710 NEWS

April 2018

ROTARY YEAR 2017-2018



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DG STEVE HILL



2017-18 DG Steve Hill

I hope everyone had an enjoyable Easter and a well deserve break both from work and Rotary.

To those members and guests who attended the conference at Mittagong thank you. The feedback I have received from Rotarians attending is great. Good speakers, good food, venue and most importantly great fellowship. Can I again ask those that attended to think closely about supporting the programs put forward to you by our speakers such as Libby Weir, a Rotarian from Pambula club and her great project in Africa. For those clubs that have a PCYC in their midst remember we have a MOU with PCYC of which you have a copy of. As their CEO Dominic Teakle stated he is encouraging all the managers to join Rotary so perhaps it is time for use to reach out to them and invite them along.

District Assembly is being held at Batemans Bay High School, beach Road Batehaven on the 5th and 6th May. Registrations are on the District Web site and the only cost is the dinner on Saturday evening. As always, this is open to all Rotarians and I urge you to encourage your newest members to attend.

My congratulations to PP Michael Moore of the Rotary Club of Canberra on being selected to lead the new district in 2020-21 as Governor. Michael is just starting his journey and I know that you will all support him. Work is still going on behind the scenes in forming the new District and the decision has been made to have

six Area Governors and have the new District split into the six areas as shown on the map that has been distributed and is on our web site.

I have had a special request from the Rotary Action Group Food Plant Solutions They provide a self-sustainable solution that empowers people to make informed choices about what plants to grow and eat that will nutritionally feed their family. They rely solely on fundraising to sustain our activities. Detailed information available is on www.foodplantsolutions.org and you can donate via their website.

Funds are urgently needed to enable the continued development of information and resources to support programs being developed in countries throughout the world. They receive emails every week asking for assistance.

Remember "Every minute of every day, 5 children under the age of 5 die from malnutrition". Can you continue to let this happen?

A reminder to all clubs to record your service hours on the My Rotary web site under Rotary Club Central projects. There is only a small number of clubs doing this. Attached to this newsletter are the instructions on how to do this. All clubs have received this in the past and the President Elects have it on the USB stick they were given at PETS. There is no real excuse why it cannot be done.



MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

To: Club Presidents, Club Secretaries, Club Membership Chairs

CC: District Governors

Dear club leader.

Earning the <u>Rotary Citation</u> is an honor that RI President Ian H.S. Riseley hopes all clubs strive to achieve. To earn the citation, please complete all activities and report your accomplishments to Rotary by 30 June.

Where should I enter my club's accomplishments?

The <u>2017-18 Rotary Citation Achievement Guide</u> explains how and where to report each citation goal. If a club member who isn't an officer wants to record citation progress in Rotary Club Central, you can learn to <u>delegate your level of access</u> temporarily to allow the member to do so.

How can I see my club's progress?

Members who have My Rotary accounts can view their club's citation dashboard by signing in to My Rotary. Then, under Manage, in Club & District Administration, go to Reports and, in the Awards section, you'll see Rotary Citation. View the report for your type of club.

What about the citation for Rotaract and Interact clubs?

The <u>Rotary Citation for Rotaract Clubs</u> and the <u>Rotary Citation for Interact Clubs</u> include goals that will help clubs keep members energized and attract new ones. The <u>Rotaract Citation Achievement Guide</u> and <u>Interact Citation Achievement Guide</u> explain where these achievements can be reported and how to view progress.

Rotaract club presidents can view their dashboard report and make updates on My Rotary. In March, the online form that sponsor Rotary clubs use to report Interact clubs that qualify for the Rotary Citation will be available. Interact clubs cannot be nominated by email, mail, or phone. Nominate Interact clubs for the citation by 15 August.

This year's district governors will receive certificates by email in August and September to distribute to Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact clubs that have earned the citation. If you have questions about the citation or any of these resources, write us at rotary.org. Good luck achieving this year's goals!

Sincerely,

Brian King

Director of Membership Development

Rotary International

Brian King

P.S. The Rotary Citation is one of many opportunities to have your club's accomplishments recognized by Rotary. Recent changes to other awards give clubs and districts more flexibility to recognize achievements in more timely and culturally appropriate ways. Visit rotary.org/awards to learn more.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT YOUTH PROTECTION



ROTARY CLUBS CREATE OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG LEADERS TO DEVELOP THEIR SKILLS, MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES, AND PROMOTE PEACE AROUND THE WORLD.

Through Interact, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards, Rotary Youth Exchange, and other programs, a new generation is discovering the ideals of Service Above Self.

Whatever youth programs your club initiates, safeguarding the young people you interact with is critical.

EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

District leaders receive a variety of training on the topic, and have demonstrated a keen understanding of the provisions set out in the Rotary Youth Protection Guide. To make sure that knowledge extends down to the clubs, Rotary has developed an interactive online course that allows club leaders to learn what they need to know to keep young people safe and to help other club members do the same.

Register for PROTECTING YOUTH PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS in the Learning Center.

We encourage all club leaders who are involved with young people to take the course. You'll learn how to:

- Follow Rotary's Statement of Conduct for Working With Youth
- Respond to an allegation of abuse or harassment
- Create safe environments for program participants
- Screen and train program volunteers
- Organize youth travel









Rotary Rides Canberra

Five Peaks Challenge (With a bonus sixth peak) Sunday 29 April 2018

Climbs for you to conquer (you can bypass any of the climbs) Vertical Average height grade 1. Mt Stromlo 160 m 4.5% 2. Red Hill 100 m 8.5% 3. Mt Pleasant 80 m 3.0% 220 m 8.9% 4. Mt Ainslie 5. Black Mountain 9.2% 230 m 6. Dairy Farmers Hill 100 m 5.0% Grades within some climbs up to 12%

Presented by the Woden Rotary Club

All proceeds to charity

- 118 km or 83 km route options
- Starts and finishes at Stromlo Forest Park
- Good food and support on the course
- Great way to see Canberra from the saddle

Details and registration at www.rotaryrides.org.au

Trivia Night Fundraiser



Join us for a night of fun, trivia, raffles, a silent auction and much more!

Friday, 1 June





All funds raised will go to DreamCricket activities, providing Canberra region primary school students with a disability the opportunity to learn and practice the skills of cricket in a supportive and fun environment. The program has an enormously powerful and positive impact on the students' psychological wellbeing, building their self-confidence and improving their mood.

To learn more about DreamCricket, visit: http://www.dreamcricket.org.au/





Where: Olympus Room, The Hellenic Club, Matilda Street, Woden

When: Friday, 1 June 2018

Doors open at 7:00pm

Trivia Night will start at 7:30pm and finish around 11pm

Bookings Essential

Tickets: \$31.50* per person (book individual or group tickets, or a table of 10)

From: https://www.trybooking.com/353209

*including web site booking and credit card fees.

Note that meals are available from several restaurants in the Hellenic Club before the event (not included in the price).

For more information, please email: RCCSTrivia@gmail.com

Friday, 1 June

The Hellenic Club, Woden



How you can support the Canberra Sunrise Trivia Night



Thank you for your interest in supporting the 2018 Canberra Sunrise Trivia Night

Your support is important for the success of the evening. If you are unsure as to how you can support us the following list provides the variety of ways you can help us make a difference in Canberra children's lives:

. Book a table of 10, or even a couple of seats and we will fill the table https://www.trybooking.com/UCMZ to book your seats now!

. Donate cash so we can buy prizes for the Trivia Night on your

. **Provide items** for the raffle and/or silent auction. Not sure what would like to win on the night as it is likely that others would love that

Want to help Dream Cricket a bit more?

Canberra Sunrise is looking for sponsors for school clinics and the 2018 Gala Day. You could:

- . **Sponsor the 2018 Gala Day**. Become a Gold (\$1000+), Silver (\$500-\$999) or Bronze (\$100-\$499) sponsor and really make a difference for these special children.
- . **Sponsor a DreamCricket kit.** When Canberra Sunrise conducts a clinic we give the school with a DreamCricket kit so the children can keep playing for years to come. You can make a lasting difference by sponsoring a kit for \$670.

For further information about how you can help please contact:

Canberra Sunrise President:

Rosemary Everett, 0408 301 650 reverett@netspace.net.au

DreamCricket Coordinator:

Jonathan Lyall

jonathan.lyall@aspireld.com.au

Canberra Sunrise President: Rosemary Everett – 0408 301 650 – reverett@netspace.net.au



"Anniversary Celebration" ----70 Years-----





ROTARY CLUB OF MOSS VALE INC. N.S.W. AUSTRALIA – DISTRICT 9710

ABN 36 052 889 773

President: Chris Slade Phone: 0424016947

PO Box 159, Moss Vale NSW 2577 Secretary: Jim McAlpine Phone: 0411106267

Email: secretaryrcmv@gmail.com or kmcalpine@bigpond.com

70TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Our Rotary Club is having an event to celebrate 70 years of supporting the community and Rotary International. We would like you to join us to help in celebrating this major achievement. We are hoping that former members of the Club, other Rotarians as well as those who have supported our activities over the years will be able to be present, renew friendships and share anecdotes. Formalities will be important but kept to a minimum. I hope you can join us as we celebrate 70 wonderful years.

Chris Slade

President

DATE: Saturday, 19 May 2018 at 6.30pm

VENUE: Moss Vale Services Club, Argyle Street, Moss Vale

DRESS: Suitable attire

COST: \$65.00 (payable in advance). Those who pay before **5 May** will go into the draw for an early bird prize to be drawn on the night.

RAFFLE: There will be a major raffle drawn on the night. Proceeds will go to the **Queen Street Community Centre**, a project which was initiated by our Club. Tickets will only be sold on the night and will be \$5 each or five for \$20.

ENTERTAINMENT: The well-known and popular performer, Johnny Spitz. Graeme Day will be the MC.

TABLES: There will be circular tables for 8 or 10 people. Please indicate the names of the people you would like on your table when you make your booking

RSVP: By email to the Secretary Jim McAlpine <u>secretaryrcmv@gmail.com.</u>

Please respond no later than Friday 11 May. The guest information and payment details are on the following page.

ROTARY CLUB OF MOSS VALE

70TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER

Please complete the details below and either email to secretaryrcmv@gmail.com or post to The Secretary, Rotary Club of Moss Vale, PO Box 159, Moss Vale 2577.

Person making the booking: Phone number:

Names of guests in this bool	ng. Indicate any special dietary requirements next to the names:	
1	6	
2	7	
3	8	
4	9	
5	10	

Table requests: Round tables for 8 or 10 will be the setting. Please indicate here if you want to book a particular size table and the people you would like to share the table with:

Payment: The cost is \$65 per person and should be paid no later than 11 May. Please pay quickly and go into the
early bird prize draw for those who pay before 5 May.

- Cheques with this form can be mailed to The Treasurer, Rotary Club of Moss Vale, PO Box 159, Moss Vale 2577.
- Transfer of funds can be made to Rotary Club of Moss Vale, BSB 062-576, Ac 00800-229. Please
 ensure you include your name on the Description line.
- Credit card payments can be made by email as well. These should include the credit card number, the name, the ccv, and the expiry date.
- Locals can drop into Deborah Buchanan's office, Suite 3, 3-5 Clarence Street, Moss Vale 2577.

Rotarians invited to Australia New Zealand Conference

The Conference (formerly the Institute) will be held in Hobart on 14 – 16 September 2018 and Rotary International Director Noel Trevaskis invites all Rotarians to join us for this event. There will be a number of interesting presenters covering Rotary projects and issues of interest together with a variety of breakout sessions. What better way to keep up-to-date and enjoy mixing with Rotarians from all Australian states and the North and South Islands of New Zealand as well as visiting some of the many attractions on offer.

Further details can be found on the Conference website http://www.rotaryinstitute.org.au/ and additional information is available from the contacts listed on the site.

And there is more!

Rotaractors can attend the conference at a reduced fee and participants in the Youth Exchange Program in 2018-19 or in the past 5 years can attend with no fee to pay. We know of several Rotarians who intend to holiday in Tasmania in conjunction with the Conference – why not you? Why not assist Rotaractors and Youth Exchange participants/alumni to join you?

Regards
Peter Murfett
Co-Chair
Australia and New Zealand Rotary Conference 2018



District Calendar - WHAT'S LEFT OF THE YEAR

April – FOCUS: MATERNAL and CHILD HEALTH

1	NYSF applications open
2	Rotary District 9710 Global Grant Scholarship Selection Process starts
7	District Board Meeting
15	YEP – Applications for Outbound 2019 close with clubs

May - Youth Services Month

1	Bowelcare commences
5-6	District Assembly Batemans Bay
5-12	Rotary Adventures in Citizenship
18-20	RYPEN Camp at Mogo
31	MUNA 2018 applications close
31	NYSF 2019 applications close

June – Rotary Fellowship Month

9	District Board and Finance Committee meeting
23-27	Rotary International Convention Toronto
24	Bowelcare concludes
30	NYSF applications sponsored by clubs to NYSF District Chair
30	Closing date for Presidential Citations
July 1st	DISTRICT CHANGEOVER



Mr. Steve Hill GPO Box 1267 Canberra ACT 2601

Re: Thank you for your assistance!

Dear Mr Hill,

On behalf of UnitingCare Kippax and the Emergency Financial and Material Aid (EFMA) team, I want to thank you and Rotary Canberra (District 9710), for your generosity by assisting Mariama with \$1500. The financial assistance that you have provided has provided great relieved on her and her children. This has made her travels and stay to and fro Westmead Children's Hospital, Sydney, much easier especially in crucial times like these.

I cannot thank you enough for assisting Mariama. Again your generosity has proven to be a big relief to her and her children. I am honoured to have had the opportunity to connect with such wonderful organisation founded by great people.

Once again thank you!

Kind regards,

Alan Liah

Emergency Financial and Material Aid Counsellor (EFMA)

UnitingCare Kippax

02 6254 1733

ABN: 56 756 476 670

Kippax Uniting Community Centre Cnr Luke St & Hardwick Cres HOLT ACT 2615

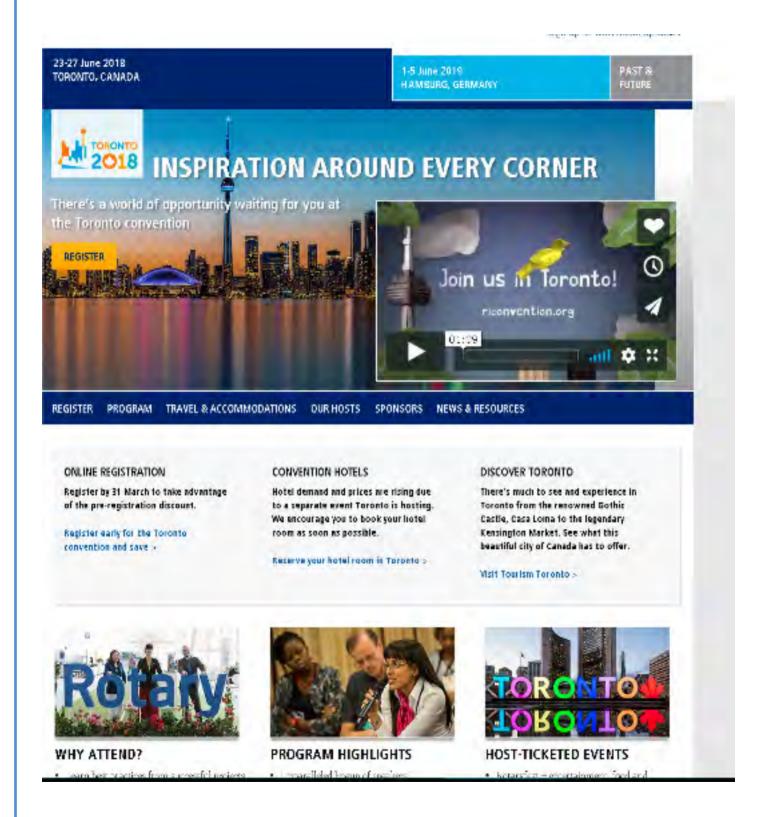
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Go to http://www.riconvention.org/en for full details





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Rotary International Zones 7B & 8

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Peace Conference was Outstanding



RI Director Noel Trevaskis OAM, and Sue

G'day,

The Presidential Peace Conference held in Sydney on March 17 was a brilliant success.

Over 500 people were present to hear some inspirational stories from local and internationally acclaimed speakers.

Congratulations to Chris McDiven and her team from Sydney Rotary Club who did a great job in pulling the day together. There were young students present (sponsored by a local Rotary Club) who said they wanted to know more about Rotary as a result of

the day. They were genuinely inspired to hear how Rotary is making a difference in the world.

Then, on the night of March 17, Rotaractors Bec Fry celebrated the fiftieth Anniversary of

the organisation. These young leaders celebrated in style by wearing something red and partying late into the night.

contribution to our world with their service and one of our great challenges is to ensure their transition into Rotary.

Currently only five per cent of Rotaractors go on to become

Rotarians.

We need to be more accommodating of young leaders, their lifestyles and how they want to meet. They must be encouraged to develop their own style of Roled by National President tary Club. We need to be more accepting of them - and learn from them. Rotaractors have so much to offer Rotary and we must seize every opportunity to engage with them.

Rotaractors will join us at the Aus-Rotaractors make such a valuable tralia New Zealand Rotary Confer-



Nobel Peace Prize Winner, Muhammad Yunus was a keynote speaker at the Sydney Peace Conference

ence in Hobart in September and will enjoy a special breakfast with then RI Past President Ian Riseley and Juliet on the Saturday morning.

Some exciting news!

The fund raising we initiated at the Darwin Institute last year to finance a vehicle for the use of administration staff at The Purple House Kidney Dialysis program in central Australia has been hugely successful. The Rotary Club of Gloucester, NSW, has provided \$28k in total sponsorship for the first vehicle.

This is an incredible gesture – much to the delight of my wife Sue who made The Purple House her special program of support during my two years as your RI Director.

And that's not all!

The other good news is that we have approximately half the funds for a second more expensive, heavy duty vehicle which is to be used by Purple House nurses to facilitate travel to some very remote areas of Central Australia. Many of us have enjoyed hearing Sarah Brown (Purple House CEO) at various conferences and meetings - and have been inspired by her selflessness.

Sue and I would like to achieve the target of providing the second vehicle by June 30 this year. So, if you, or your Rotary club, want to be part ry. of this incredible success story and

support indigenous people in Australia's outback, please send donations to District 9685 (BSB: 032-086; Account Number: 333071; Reference: PHVA) who are coordinating all the donations.

Both vehicles will carry appropriate signage for the ongoing recognition of Rotary support. We will strive for national media coverage at the presentation ceremony.

Sue would like to thank all those generous people who have supported this great cause so far. She

is overwhelmed by the generosity of people.

Most Districts are in District Conference 'mode' at this time of year. District Conferences are a great way for people, and in particular those new to Rotary, to learn more about Rotary and our great programmes. Unfortunately some District Conferences don't have sufficient emphasis on Rotary programmes or stories that relate to Rota-

I would like to in-

vite not just you but all Rotarians to attend the Australia New Zealand Rotary Conference in Hobart from September, 13-16, 2018. The Hotel Grand Chancellor in Davey Street, Hobart, is a wonderful venue and a top class program is taking shape.

Go to the web site for further details and registration – http://www.rotaryinstitute.org.au

Thank you for your Rotary service,

Noel







Celebrating 50 years of Rotaract

Rotary Peace Bell unveiled at Peace Park on the shores of Lake Burley Griffin



The new Canberra Rotary Peace Bell was unveiled on Friday, 23rd February with members of the public invited to ring it between 11.00am and 2.00pm on the following Saturday and Sunday.

The 350-kilo brass bell came from Japan. It is a replica of the peace bell at the United Nations HQ in New York.

Its design includes 103 coins from nations of the UN.

It is the 23rd peace bell in the world.

The bell will usually be rung on World Peace Day on the third Tuesday in September each year. That date also coincides with the opening day of the United Nations General Assembly, and national and international days of remembrance and celebration.

The Peace Bell project was initiated by Rotary in partnership with the World Peace Association. Rotary Canberra Burley Griffin took on the ambitious project of fundraising, coordinating the design with local firm Kasparek Architects and overseeing the building of the World Peace Bell Pavilion, by RAM Constructions. The peace bell was a fitting achievement to mark the 90th anniversary of Rotary in Canberra.

ROTARY CLUBS – ONE SIZE DOES NOT FIT ALL!

Some people would have you believe that the membership woes in Rotary in the western world are unique to Rotary.

This is not the case.

Organisations such as scouts, guides, golf clubs, bowling clubs and other service groups and sporting organisations are all going through challenges of membership. Probus, for so long held up as an example of growing membership, is now losing membership in significant numbers.

Then we have people saying that past members or leaders in Rotary are to blame for our current position of membership decline in the western world ...

Wrong. No specific group is to blame for where we are at with our membership. Lifestyles in the western world are changing and we need to accept that and move forward.

Some people have been adamant in saying our weekly meetings are causing people not to join or to leave Rotary. That is nonsense. Any Rotarian can attend Rotary as often as they like – weekly, fortnightly or monthly - it is up to the individual Rotarian. Yes, people want to do good in the world but do not blame weekly meetings for our drop off in membership. It is how we 'sell' conditions of membership to prospective members that has the greatest impact.

Two of the main reasons people join and leave Rotary are identical. People want to be involved in community service and they want to make new friends. What

actually happens is that we aren't providing the members with sufficient service opportunities and we aren't taking due care to be inclusive at our club meetings.

"I go to Rotary to sit with and enjoy fellowship with my friends – not to babysit strangers" is a common response when members are requested to seek out different company each meeting.

Clubs have individual characteristics and are ALL completely autonomous.

- If clubs want to meet weekly, fortnightly or even on line, it is up to their members to make that decision - and no-one else.
- If Clubs want to have a sergeant's session and they enjoy it, keep on doing it.
- If Clubs want to have an invocation that is also their decision. Such practice is a sign of respect and caring and there are plenty of non religious examples available.
- If clubs want to have a meal or not, make that decision. There are successful examples with both formats and even options where the decision is left up to individual members.

We should not try and dictate to clubs how they conduct their meetings. During my service as your Rotary International Director, I have visited dozens of outstanding Rotary clubs operating under a myriad of different conditions and systems.

There are new clubs that have chartered with different functions and guidelines in direct contrast to older, established clubs and that is great, but it does not give them license to proclaim their new format for meetings is the best and only way in the future.

However, if clubs are in obvious decline and struggling, they do need to undergo a genuine program of self appraisal.

The best way for a club to survive and prosper is to give members a voice in meeting procedure and project selection.

I think one of the best stories of a club 'reinvention' comes from the Rotary Club of Adelaide. The change this club went through is an incredible story of self appraisal and success - and a lead that every struggling club should follow.

The New Rotary Generation clubs in New Zealand provide another excellent example of clubs being different and achieving great results. Invercargill in New Zealand's deep south is one such club – focus on fellowship and service whilst controlling costs and ensuring that Rotary's goals and ethos remain the same.

If your club is struggling, I encourage you to talk to leaders within the Adelaide Club and judge for yourself if their changes 'fit' your club. Likewise, the NRG Clubs were featured in the last issue of 'Rotary on the Move'. This is a

great story of new vibrant clubs.

The Council of Legislation in 2016 gave new Rotary clubs - AND existing clubs - freedom to be different which was a genuine breakthrough for Rotary. However there will always be a place for traditional style clubs. Agree with their practices or not, whilst ever they enjoy success, they are still relevant and important to Rotary's future.

Who is to blame for our membership

woes? No single person or group. We all share the challenge of future growth and success.

Let's just get on with the job of making sure Rotary Clubs provide options for all current and prospective members, and continue to meet the needs of their communities - giving service and ensuring all members have some 'ownership'.

In the words of RI Immediate Past

President John Germ ... 'If you want to do something about membership of your Rotary Club – ask, ask, ask".



Registrations for the Hobart Conference are now open. Register Here







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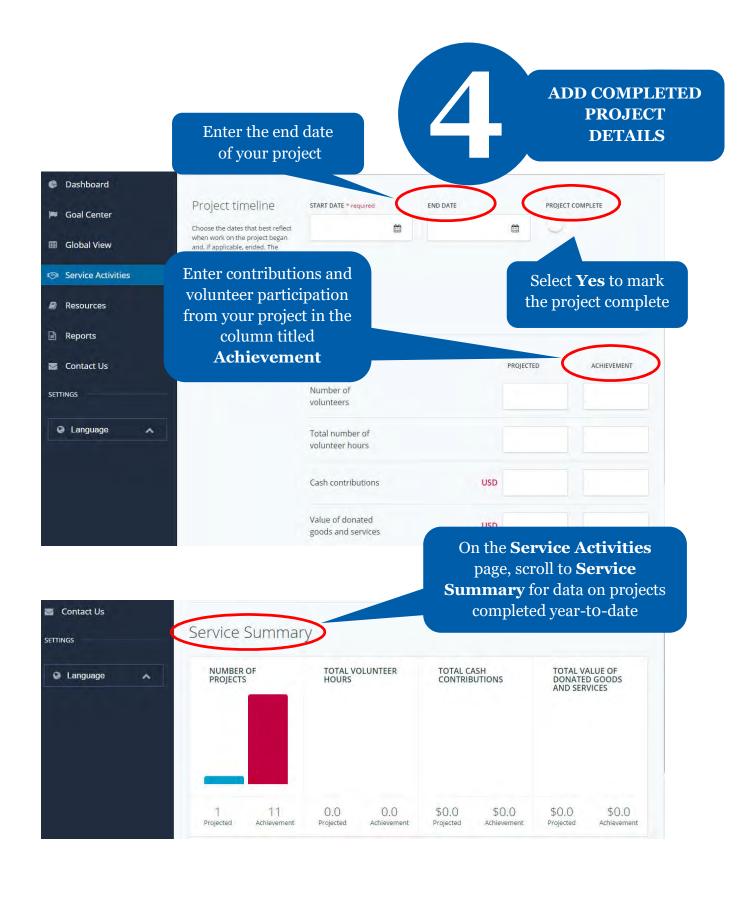


Project to enter a project that isn't in Rotary Club Central or Rotary Showcase

Select **Import From Rotary Showcase**to add a project
from that site

Project to copy details of a project that's already in Rotary Club Central





editor@rotaryd9710.org.au

I note that lately no clubs have highlighted anything they want other clubs to know via this newsletter.

There are about 50 clubs' bulletins I get each month – what would you like other clubs to know about your club?? -editor



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website, click here

OI - Ouite Interesting

Some parts of Tasmania are so fertile that the topsoil is 70 feet (21.3 metres) deep

QI 1,227 FACTS to Blow Your Socks Off, 2012, page 101



OTHER USEFUL INFO

I encourage
everyone to use
My Rotary and
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club can have its
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