

DISTRICT GOVERNOR NEWS



DG Pete, RI Pres Mark and Judy



District 9710
District Governor
Peter Ford

NOVEMBER 2019

From the District Governor...

I had the great pleasure of attending the Annual Dream Cricket Gala Day which was held at Radford College on Tuesday 5 November 2019. The Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise and helpers organised a day to remember. Former Secretary of the Department of Defence, Ric Smith, was there to open proceedings. I must commend Youth Director, Jonathan Lyall and his team, for the wonderful experience they gave to young people from schools across the local area.



My Club Visits are progressing well. Thank you to Club Presidents and their teams for making me feel so welcome. Please keep an eye on the visit schedule in the District Contact Directory. I only have about five to go for the official visits. I am happy to attend other events if you care to invite me and they fit in with my schedule.

I have been pleased to see Clubs conducting joint activities. We should do more of this, as there is strength

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Calendar

December

TBA	District Team Training for 2020 - 2021
7	District Board and Finance Meeting
7	District AGM

2020 January

1	Semi Annual District Fees due
1 - 12	NYSF Session in Canberra
11 - 12	2019 Outbound students return
11 - 17	RYLA - Greenhill's, Cotter
15 - 26	NYSF Session in Canberra
18	2020 YEP Outbound students depart
19 - 25	International Assembly, San Diego
31 - 2/2	Rebounders' debrief

February

8	Foundation Seminar - Canberra
8-9	Membership Seminar (9710&9700) - Young
12 - 14	YEP Inbound Surf camp
14 - 16	YEP Inbound - South Nowra
15	District Finance and Board
17	YEP Applications open for 2021
22 - 23	RAWCS Eastern Region meeting - Berrima
23	Rotary International Anniversary

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If you have any events you would like added to this calendar please send them to jindeera@gmail.com



in numbers when conducting good work in our Community.

Just a reminder that my wife's chosen Charity for this year is St John's Care. I will be talking about this during my visits. Thank you to those Clubs that have already given financial support.

We have exhausted the Children's Medical Emergency Fund (CMEF), much to the delight of a number of needy families. I am so pleased that we have been able use the funds for such good purposes. Thank you to Judy Ford and District Treasurer Rosemary Everett for making the donation process so smooth.

Registrations have opened for next year's District Conference. Just go on to the D9710 website and you will find that registration is easy (and very well priced). Please mark up your calendars for 6 – 8 March 2020 in Ulladulla. You will find that the Conference Committee has put together an excellent selection of Keynote Speakers.

We suggest that you book accommodation in the near future as there is already an accelerated demand for available spaces.



Congratulations to the **Rotary Club of Canberra City**. They have just celebrated having all their members as Paul Harris Fellows. This is a fairly rare event and, to my knowledge, has only been achieved by one other Club in D9710 (Canberra North). I had the pleasure of presenting an impressive banner to President Helen Green.

Remember 'Community Service' and 'Friendship' are our cornerstones.



On Tuesday 26 November, I had the pleasure of attending the Chartering of a **new Rotaract Club in the Southern Highlands**. The Club has been sponsored by the Rotary Club of Bowral-Mittagong.

The Southern Highlands now has three Rotary Clubs, a Rotaract Club and an Interact Club. This is a very positive outcome for Rotary.

In the photograph with me are the District Rotaract Representative Caleb Fryar Lees, Rotaract President William Kopek and President of the RC of Bowral-Mittagong Robert De Jongh.



Pete

Celebrating World Polio Day

Rotary International asked Rotary clubs across the world to look at ways to celebrate World Polio Day.

The Rotary Club of Gungahlin took up the challenge and called on veteran Rotarians Brian and Sandra to come up with an event.

The Goldstraws outshone themselves when they hosted a fabulous night at their place to celebrate World Polio Day and to raise money for Polio Plus.

For an extra donation we had our fingernail painted purple!

Sandra put together a delicious three course meal including fabulous Pavlovas for dessert.

Then we all took part in a special game called Polio Dateline which Brian had cleverly devised and made.

He had spent hours collecting hundreds of facts about polio throughout the world and created Cards with the facts typed on to them. On one side was the fact and the other side the same fact but showing the year it happened.

Players were dealt four cards and then a card was placed in the middle as the starting card. Each player in turn chose a card from their pack and read the fact out then had to guess where in the time line it should be placed.

Once decided it was turned over and if the year was out of place it was returned to the pack and a new card given to the player. If it was in the right spot then that player was one card down. The winner was the first person to get rid of all the cards.

Great game, great food and great fun evening. This is what makes Rotary so special.



Brian Goldstraw standing in the centre is the author of Polio Dateline.



CONFERENCE UPDATE

REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!

Go to the District Website to register

Early Bird Full Registration Fee (\$150.00)

Includes morning and afternoon teas, lunch Saturday and dinner Saturday night
Offer expires 01/01/2020

From 1/1/20 cost is \$160

Interactor/Rotaractor/Youth Exchange Student Registration (\$80.00)

Includes morning and afternoon teas, lunch Saturday and dinner Saturday night

Saturday - Day registration only (\$100.00)

Includes morning and afternoon teas and lunch

Saturday - Roaring Twenties Dinner Magic Show and Dancing only (\$50.00)

Saturday 7th March 2020

Sunday - Day registration only (\$70.00)

Includes morning tea

Add-on - College of Governors meeting (\$15.00)

Friday 6th March 2020

Includes afternoon tea

Add-on - Rotary Foundation breakfast (\$15.00)

Sunday 8th March 2020

**This conference is
AMAZING value.
Come ride the wave
with us!**

NEW SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

Mark Tedeschi AM

Former State Prosecutor, Photographer & Author

Known as the prosecutor who put Ivan Milat in jail. Now an acclaimed photographer, having had exhibitions across the world. He has also written three books: Kidnapped (the Story of Graham Thorpe), Eugenia (the story of a woman who in 1920 was charged with the murder of her wife), and Murder at Myall Creek (one of the most shocking murder trials in Australia's legal history, and the tribulations of the prosecutor who conducted it.)



Dr Ross Walker MB. BS (hons), FRACP, FCSANZ

Eminent practising cardiologist and Media presenter

Dr Walker has over 35 years experience as a clinician. For the past 20 years he has been focusing on preventative cardiology and is one of Australia's leading preventative health experts. Considered one of the world's best keynote speakers and life coaches, he is the author of seven best-selling books, an Health presenter in the Australian Media, including regular appearances on the Nine Network's 'Today Show' and 'A Current Affair', and Sky News, Switzer Business. He has a weekly radio show on Sunday nights.





AN EVENING WITH PEGGY AND FRANKIE ANNIE'S ARMADILLOS CAFÉ DELIGHTFUL DECEMBER DUO

Supper and song evening to raise funds for Christmas Appeals of Salvos and Vinnies hosted by the Rotary Club of Aurora Gungahlin.

Date: Friday 6 December 2019
Time: 6 pm to 9 pm
Where: Annie's Armadillos Café, 7 O'Hanlon Place, Nicholls

The entertainment will begin at 6:30pm

- Annie Sloane
and
- Tony Hayley
backed by The Armadillos [John Black, Michael Lynch, and Ben Schumann]

Cost of the evening is \$50 per head. To book please deposit funds in BSB 112 908 Ac# 464 798 381 Rotary Club of Aurora Gungahlin Inc with reference "*Last Name Initial-Annies*" no later than 25 November.

Raffle prizes and Auction items on the night so please bring cash.

A light supper and dessert. BYOG and Glasses

As it will be held outside, it is important that you come dressed for the weather.



Rotary Club of Aurora Gungahlin

A relaxed and friendly service club working in partnership with the community, for the community

News from Youth Exchange Program

A new beginning.....

The weekend of 23rd – 24th November saw the completion of training for the new cohort of Australian students that will head out in January for their year abroad living their lives as a Rotary Exchange student. This will be the first time that the Outbounds go out under the new District 9705.

We have twelve amazing young people who have taken up this challenge and on Sunday received both their Certificate on the completion of their training and their blazer.



They now realize what the weight of a Rotary Blazer really means! It is not all the metal pins that they will add to it during their year....although yes, these are important too as each one will represent a memory of a person, and event or occasion... The real weight of their Rotary Blazer is the weight of the responsibility that they have agreed to take on. The responsibility of representing their family, their Rotary Club, their school, their state and their country. They have accepted this responsibility knowing that even they not wear their blazer 24/7, it will sit on their shoulders for the length of their exchange.

The District Youth Exchange Committee feels that this cohort of amazing young people have been well prepared to accept this task. They will leave Australia in January 2020.

TUMUT WEEKEND

Rotary Youth Exchange students from D9700 and D9710 joined together to experience the wonderful hospitality of the members of the Rotary Club of Tumut. Most were home hosted with the remainder having accommodation in the Riverglades Caravan Park cabins (with chaperones).

Tumut each year, extends this hospitality to the Inbound students, providing them with a wonderful program for the weekend.

First off, was an Aboriginal Cultural experience run by two Aboriginal National Park Rangers. They are exposed to some aboriginal history, what we know as the Digeridoo (not its right name under their mob), girls learning to play the clap sticks and putting a musical item together using these instruments. Then they are taught to weave the reeds into string, then to make a small basket. Then much hilarity as they attempted to throw their boomerangs and get them to return.

The Friday evening is held in the camp kitchen at the Caravan Park where they all get to meet the Tumut members and their partners as they feasted on Pizza!

Next morning, all met up and again jumped on the bus for the hour and half trip to Yarrangobilly Caves. Here they

went on a tour of the Jersey Cave with a National Park guide before having lunch in the grounds. Lunch was prepared by the Tumut Rotarians for all. Then we walked lunch off by walking down the mountain (about 1 ½ kms) to the Artesian Pool. Following their swim then the guide took us along the river and then up the mountain to rejoin the bus for the trip back to Tumut.



After a quick clean up we all headed to Brungil Hall where the Tumut Rotarians and partners put on an amazing feast before everyone was encouraged to get up and learn Australian bush dances!

Sunday again saw the Rotarians preparing a barbeque breakfast for everyone before taken to the Labyrinth in the park. This is a



lovely area designed for rest and reflection. The Tumut Labyrinth is in the shape of an Octagon with seven layers of path folded back and forth between the outer edge and the centre. A labyrinth aims for tranquility.

Then all had to say their goodbyes and head back to their homes scattered throughout the two Districts.

GUNGAHLIN COMMUNITY MARKET

AT WARWICK STREET CAR PARK
2ND SUNDAY IN THE MONTH
9.00 AM - 1.00 PM

A NEW SHOPPING
EXPERIENCE
PEOPLE FROM NEAR & FAR SELLING
FOOD, ART, CRAFTS,
GIFTS AND LOTS MORE

BROUGHT
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Doug lived all his life in the Florida Keys and is on his deathbed and knows the end is near. His wife, his daughter and two sons, and his Doctor, are with him. He asks for two witnesses to be present and a lawyer be in place to record his last wishes, and when all is ready he begins to speak:

"My son, Andy, you take the Ocean Reef houses."

"My daughter Sybil, take the apartments between mile markers 100 and Tavernier."

"My son, Jamie, I want you to take the offices over in the Marathon Government Center."

"Sarah, my dear wife, please take all the residential buildings on the bayside on Blackwater Sound."

The lawyer and witnesses are blown away as they didn't realize his extensive holdings.

Doug slips away, and the lawyer says, "Mrs. Pender, your husband must have been such a hard-working man to have accumulated all this property."

The wife replies, "The asshole had a paper route."



Support Our Christmas Crowd Funding Campaign

2020 VISION

EYES WIDE OPEN IN THE DISASTER ZONE

Next year marks the 20th anniversary of ShelterBox.

To celebrate this milestone, Mike Greenslade, ShelterBox Australia CEO and Photographer has produced a coffee table-style photography book, featuring 200 glossy full-colour pages of images captured during his deployments over the last 13 years.

This Christmas we are excited to provide you the opportunity to be one of the first to support our crowd-funding campaign.

Our goal is to raise **\$20,000**, which will cover the costs of the first print run, ensuring 100% of proceeds from future sales go directly to disaster relief.



PLEASE VISIT WWW.CHUFFED.ORG/PROJECT/SHELTERBOX2020VISION TO DONATE

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Would you like to promote a Club project at the 2020 Conference?

You have a special project that your club members are really proud of and you want to tell everyone about it. You can!

You can do this in two ways:

1. Make a video of no more than 3 minutes showing your project. It can include sound.
- OR
2. Create a PowerPoint with no more than 15 slides. You can include a script.

If you wish to make a slideshow but include a video in it the total length must not exceed 3 minutes. The first 10 projects received will be included in the Conference. Instructions on submitting these will be given when you put in an expression of interest by emailing Judy Ford on jindeera@gmail.com

COMBINED MEMBERSHIP SEMINAR 2020

DISTRICTS 9700 & 9710



WHY:

- TO EXPLORE NEW AND INNOVATIVE STRATEGIES AND IDEAS THAT WILL SUPPORT MEMBERSHIP GROWTH IN THE NEW COMBINED DISTRICT OF 9705
- TO DEVELOP NETWORKS OF SUPPORT ACROSS THE TWO DISTRICTS
- TO RECOGNISE THE SIGNIFICANCE OF YOUR ROLES IN PROMOTING AND ENHANCING MEMBERSHIP GROWTH

WHO: CLUB MEMBERSHIP CHAIRS

WHEN: 8 - 9 FEBRUARY 2020

WHERE: YOUNG NSW

AGENDA

Saturday 8th February

- 5.30 pm – Arrive Young
6.30pm – Dinner
- Getting to know you
 - Guest Speaker – Peter Frueh- Assistant Rotary Coordinator Districts 9700, 9710, 9780, 9790

Sunday 9th February

8.30 am – 9.00am	Intro	Mary Brell/ Judy Ford
	Purpose	Mary Brell
	Why?	Mary Brell
9.00am – 9.30 am	Ideas for change	Barbara Mifsud
9.30am – 10.30 am	Tried and True	Judy Ford
10.30 – 10.50am	BREAK	Continue networking
10.50 am – 11.45am	Plus/delta	Mary Brell
11.45 – 12.15pm	Planning	Mary/Judy/Barbara/ Peter
12.15 – 12.30pm	Where to from here	
12.30	Close/lunch/farewell	

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D9700 & D9710



The two boards of District 9700 and 9710 recognise the significance of this seminar and have agreed to sponsor the event. It will be held at the Young Servicemen's Club.

This funding may in some small way support travel, accommodation and meals for participants.

Accommodation has been arranged at the Cherry Blossom Motel in Young.

The proprietors have given us a very good rate of \$115 per room. Rooms are strictly limited at this venue and this rate. We would advise you book as soon possible.

Cherry Blossom Motel
19 Zouch Street, Young, 2594
E: cherryblossommotel@gmail.com

DISTRICT 9710 CONFERENCE ULLADULLA

6 - 8 MARCH 2020

On the Crest of a Wave

House of Friendship invitation

Dear Rotary District 9710 Chairs and Administrators.

District Governor Peter and the Conference Organising Committee invites all you to showcase your District projects and programs to the delegates at the last District 9710 Conference; being held in the Dunn Lewis Centre in Ulladulla.

The conference is working towards bringing together over 500 delegates from across our District, an estimated 20% of which will be Ulladulla region based, 60% from Canberra and the remainder from the Southern Highlands and rural NSW.

In the first instance, we request you contact conference organising committee member, **Kylie-Anne Rich** (RC Belconnen) at kylie-anne.rich@anu.edu.au to register your club's interest. In responding, please advise the name of the contact person to liaise with leading up to the conference your projects and programs you wish to showcase. Further information will be sent to you in the coming months regarding your requirements and booth sizes available.

House of Friendship organisers:-

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Yolanda Chalker
chalk51@bigpond.com
0414 493 302





Calling all Rotarian Golfers

On 19th - 24th April 2020, Highton Rotary Club is hosting the 42nd AGFR Tournament, to be held at the 13th Beach Golf Course, Barwon Heads, Victoria

A full program of activities for golfers and non golfers has been planned.

There will be a make up dinner held at the newly opened Dunes Restaurant, overlooking the stunning beach at Ocean Grove.

A Presentation Dinner at the renowned "The Pier" Restaurant, Waterfront Geelong with Chairman of Australian Rotary Health, Greg Ross, as our Guest Speaker.

Plus will be welcomed to a Civic Reception at Geelong City Hall

"Set on the stunning Bellarine Peninsula, 13th Beach Golf Links is famously known for its two award winning courses, with first class conditioning all year round"

Great activities for Non Golfers

Non Golfers can enjoy trips to Geelong Waterfront, local wineries, historic Queenscliff, travel down the Great Ocean Road and more



Visit our website www.gagfr.org.au to learn more, download the program, and of course you can register online as well. Plus book to stay at the beautiful 13th Beach Resort



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Have a great story for the DG News?

The DG News will be published in the third week of the month. A list of closing dates for articles is below.

If you have a story, article or advertisement that you would like included in the newsletter please send it to jindeera@gmail.com.

If you have photos to be included please attach these as separate files, not placed in the body of the email.

I will not be going through everyone's club bulletins looking for articles to use. It is up to you to decide what you would like published.

Closing dates for 2019/20:

Fri 22 November

Fri 20 December

Fri 21 February

Fri 20 March

Fri 17 April

Fri 22 May

Fri 19 June



Full Giro (130km)

early bird: \$120*
standard: \$150

Half Giro (86km)

early bird: \$80*
standard: \$100

Mini Giro (46km)

early bird: \$50*
standard: \$60

23 February 2020

Visit: GirodCanberra.gofundraise.com.au

Will you last the course?

*early bird offer ends on 31 December 2019

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Giro d'Canberra is on again in 2020 and Woden Daybreak Club is seeking volunteers to help on Sunday 23 February 2020.

If anyone is interested in helping please email girodcanberra@gmail.com and leave your name and contact details.

The Rotary Clubs of Australia Drought Appeal

Fighting for our farmers

Donate in branch or online today

All donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible and donors will be provided with a tax receipt. The Rotary Clubs of Australia Drought Appeal is a management account of Community Enterprise Foundation™ ABN 69 694 230 518, The Bendigo Bank Centre, PO Box 480, Bendigo, Vic 3552. The Foundation will make distributions for charitable projects by way of grants following receipt of applications from charities endorsed with item 1 Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) status or other eligible Not-For-Profit organisations. (1366805-1368724) (10/19)

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**1st. Prize
1 KG Silver.
Over Rs. 2 lakhs
Prizes for
all Finalists**



Bangalore, Saturday,
1st February, 2020

Sing for Rotary. Sing for Peace.

Open for Rotarians, Anns, Annettes, Rotaractors, Interactors & Innerwheel Members of any club.
Oversease Contestants will attend RI Dist. 3190 Dist. Conference on 1st & 2nd Feb, 2020.

Dance the evening away
at Rotary's biggest party
with the most popular bands.

To register email your name,
name of your Rotary, Rotaract, Interact,
Innerwheel Club to
rotaryidolinternational2020@gmail.com
with your WhatsApp no.

Hosting and hospitality for all International Singers

Contest rules will be mailed to registered contestants
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Registrations close on 16th Dec. 2019

