DISTRICT GOVERNOR NEWS







SEPTEMBER 2019

Calendar

CONNECTS

From the District Governor...

September 2019 – NZ/AUS Conference in Christchurch and Other News

Judy and I have just returned from Christchurch, NZ, following our attendance at the NZ/AUS Annual Conference (20-22 September) and other lead up events.

Our DGE (Michael Moore) and DGN (Leo Farrelly), participated in an intensive training program designed to prepare them for their future responsibilities. I can assure you that the NZ/AUS leadership training is second to none, where you feel well prepared when your term as DG commences.

We were lucky to have Rotary International President (RIP) Mark Daniel Maloney and his wife Gay with us for most of the week. In addition, Past RIP Ian Riseley and Juliet were there to participate.

The Conference was held in the newly reconstructed (as a result of the 2011 earthquake) Christchurch Town Hall. As well as a wealth of Rotary topics, we took time to remember the devastating earthquake and the shocking terrorist attack, against the Christchurch Muslim community, in March 2019.

In 2021, Rotary in New Zealand and Australia is celebrating 100 years of service to our communities. There will be a range of events taking place, including a baton relay. Keep an eye on our District Newsletter for more news about this significant celebration.

My club visits are progressing well. Thank you to Club Presidents and their teams for making me feel so *Continued...*

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October

Focus: Economic and Community Development

Tue 1	RYLA early bird application closes		
1 - 7	Rotary Alumni Week		
Sun 20	District Board and Finance Meeting		
TBA	YEP Inbound Students Tumut Weeken		
Thur 24	World Polio Dav		

November

Focus: Rotary Foundation Month

- Mon 11 Final closing date for RYLA applications
- 16 17 RAWCS Eastern Region meeting hosted by D9700
- 22 24 YEP Inbound and Outbound students 2nd briefing - Greenhill's, Cotter ACT

December

TBA	District Team	Training fo	r 2020 - 2021
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- Sat 7 District Board and Finance Meeting
- Sat 7 District AGM
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If you have any events you would like added to this calendar please send them to jindeera@gmail.com



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welcome. Please keep an eye on the visit schedule in the District Contact Directory.

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. However, please do not forget the Children's Emergency Medical Fund as a source of financial assistance for young people requiring medical help. Our District is holding a balance of money available for an appropriate case. Judy is also managing this fund and her details are in the District Contact Directory.

You should be hearing more about the District Conference in the near future. Pending the opening of registrations, please mark up your calendars for 6 - 8 March 2020 in Ulladulla.

Looking forward to catching up with some of you in the coming weeks.

DG Pete



Some of the 2019 -2020 District Governors and family members with RIP Mark Daniel Maloney at the Australia New Zealand Conference in the Town Hall Christchurch. Looking very smart in the special Rotary Fitness T-Shirts designed for wearing in San Diego in January 2019.



Our study concludes that this is the percentage of our prospective members who will join our club without any effort on our part whatsoever.

NEWS FROM POLIOPLUS

On 21 August, Nigeria reached three years without a case of polio caused by the wild poliovirus. This means it's possible for the entire World Health Organization African region to be certified free of the wild poliovirus next year. We know, now more than ever, that we can and will eradicate polio.

These achievements are possible because of contributions from our members. We invite you to honor Rotary members who've performed extraordinary service to end polio by nominating them for one of the following PolioPlus awards. Nominations must be received by 1 October.

Regional or International Service Award for a Polio-Free World

Honor Rotarians who've made outstanding contributions to our polio eradication efforts since 1 November 1992. You can nominate a candidate for either their regional or international work. Review the eligibility criteria and complete an online nomination form.

PolioPlus Pioneer Award

Honor Rotarians who provided extraordinary service to our polio eradication efforts before 1 November 1992. Review the eligibility criteria and complete an online nomination form.

Each year, we receive nominations about incredible Rotarians. We encourage you to submit the strongest nomination possible by describing your nominee's years of service and highlighting their projects, participation in National Immunization Days, and leadership qualities.

If you need more information, write to polioplus@rotary.org.

Carol Pandak Director, PolioPlus

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CONFERENCE UPDATE





This is the last conference for District 9710. We are on the crest of a wave moving into a new and larger District. Come and celebrate the end of an era and reunite with old friends and make many new ones.

Venue: Dunn Lewis Centre Ulladulla

Friday: Mayoral Reception

Saturday Night: Roaring 20s dancing to the Royal Military Band from Duntroon

Keynote speakers include:

Sarah Brown from the Purple House

Mark Huddleston, International speaker and author of controversial book "Creatures of Habit"

Dr Issy Whirling - an American management consultant, thought leader and independent scholar from the White House. He is at the forefront of promoting President Donald Trump's revival of a sense of community in the United States.

Dr Ross Walker - eminent practising cardiologist with a passion for people and health. Considered one of the world's best keynote speakers and life coaches, he is the author of seven best-selling books, and Health presenter in the Australian Media, including regular appearances on the Nine Network's 'Today Show' and 'A Current Affair', and Sky News, plus many radio programs.

BOOK YOUR ACCOMMODATION NOW!

This is a long weekend for Canberra so it is suggested that you start booking accommodation as soon as possible because the coast in March is a very lovely place to be.

A wide range of accommodation choices for the District Conference on 6-8 March 2020 can be found at

www.shoalhaven.com/visitor-information

At the top of the screen on the website click on STAY and a list of options will appear which include

Retreats, Lodges and Farmstays Bed and Breakfast Hotels, Motels and Resorts Caravan and Camping Self Contained apartments

Should you require more information contact the Shoalhaven Visitor Information Services

on 02 4421 0778



Please **SAVE THE DATE** in your calendar!

Hall Rotary is proud to be celebrating 30 years since its charter on 30 October 1989.

The occasion will be marked at a formal dinner held at The Abbey Function Centre on Tuesday 29 October at 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start.

The club is delighted to announce the guest of honour will be His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia and Her Excellency, Mrs Linda Hurley.

Hall's President, Ms Fiona Hamer, extends a warm invitation to all Rotarians from District 9710 to join us for this important milestone in the club's history.

Please visit the Club's website for more information and registration links and contact details if you have any questions.

An Engineer or a Doctor?

An Engineer was unemployed for long time. He could not find a job so he opened a medical clinic and puts a sign up outside: "Get your treatment for \$500, if not succesful get back \$1,000."

One Doctor thinks this is a good opportunity to earn \$1,000 and goes to his clinic.

Doctor: "I have lost taste in my mouth."

Engineer: "Nurse, please bring medicine from box 22 and put 3 drops in the patient's mouth."

Doctor: "This is Gasoline!"

Engineer: "Congratulations! You've got your taste back. That will be \$500."

The Doctor gets annoyed and goes back after a couple of days later to recover his money.

Doctor: "I have lost my memory, I cannot remember anything."

Engineer: "Nurse, please bring medicine from box 22 and put 3 drops in the patient's mouth."

Doctor: "But that is Gasoline!"

Engineer: "Congratulations! You've got your memory back. That will be \$500."

The Doctor leaves angrily and comes back after several more days.

Doctor: "My eyesight has become weak."

Engineer: "Well, I don't have any medicine for this. Take this \$1,000."

Doctor: "But this is \$500..."

Engineer: "Congratulations! You got your vision back!

That will be \$500.

ROMAC

Gungahlin Club is hosting a mother and her baby from the Solomons, who is being treated for abdominal problems at the Canberra Hospital under the ROMAC program.

They arrived several weeks ago and baby Vincent was only a few weeks old and was not developed enough for his operation. Until now they have been living in Ronald MacDonald House at the Hospital.

Cosinta celebrated her 22nd birthday recently and had a wonderful birthday party organised by the Goldstraws in their home including the High Commissioner and his wife.

Baby Vincent is doing well, has had his operation and and he has been moved out of NICU and into a room of his own in the High Dependency Area, where Cosinta can now stay with him close to his bed.







The Rotary Club of Woden Daybreak is having a Mango Fundraiser again this year. The Club will donate the profits to a TEAR and Care and Share Nepal project which aims to prevent Human Trafficking and Modern Slavery.

You, and your family, friends, neighbours and colleagues, are invited to support this healthy fundraiser.

Each tray of mangoes costs \$24 and has approximately 7kg of excellent quality mangoes. The number varies according to the size of the mangoes and could be 12 large, 23 small or a mixture. It all depends on the crop and the weather. There isn't a choice of mango size.

Deliveries are expected early to mid-December. You will need to collect the mangoes from Holder, ACT. Details will be emailed to you mid-November.

The latest date we can accept orders and payment is Tuesday 22 October.

HOW TO ORDER

Payment is required when orders are placed.

1. Please deposit the correct money into the Club's Bank Account via Electronic Funds transfer (EFT). Please ensure you enter all of the details below when transferring funds.

BSB: 325 185

Account No.: 03753417

Account Holder Name: Rotary Club Woden Daybreak

Reference: surname and number of trays (example: Taylor x4)

2. Then email the Club at wodendaybreak@outlook.com with the subject line 'Mango Order' and include your name, phone number, the number of trays ordered and the amount and date deposited via EFT.

If you take orders for other people, you can use the order form below to keep track of your orders. You can also request an electronic version of the order form by emailing the club address.

Update on RYPEN

This year the camp will be held in the last weekend of October as part of a joint activity with District 9700. The location will be Borambola Sport and Recreation camp (outside Wagga).

Costs are currently being calculated but are expected to be in the vicinity of \$360 per student. We are also currently exploring the viability of bus transport for students from central localities within the District which we hope can be included in the student registration cost.

It is anticipated that application forms and final details will be finalised soon. Clubs will be notified as soon as this has occurred, and information will then be included on the District website.

Scott Bourke RYPEN – D9710 Point of Contact P: 0451062615 E: scott.bourke@sbconsult.com.au



World Mental Health Day is only 4 weeks away and that's when Australian Rotary Health will be celebrating Hat Day as part of its national Lift the Lid on Mental Illness fundraising campaign.

You can get involved with your friends, colleagues or Rotary Club this year by hosting a Hat Day on Thursday October 10 or anytime during Mental Health Month in October.

Your support will help the 1 in 5 Australians who suffer a mental illness every year. 100% of funds raised will go towards vital mental health research at universities across Australia.

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: Fri 18 October Fri 22 November Fri 20 December

YEP Inbounds

The weekend of the 23rd -25th August saw all the Inbound Youth Exchange students from both D9710 and D9700 come together for their first time in Australia. We have 14 Inbound students between the two Districts.



The weekend was opened by our District Governor Peter who took the time out of his weekend to support the program.

These students come from Brazil, Finland, Austria, Belgium, France, Netherlands, Germany, Taiwan, Japan, Italy, Denmark and Hungary. What a wonderful cultural mix that we can all learn from!

The Inbounds were also treated to a group activity called Crate Stacking on Saturday afternoon! Great team building and support under an umbrella of fun.

A full Orientation weekend saw all the students integrate and also interact with our newly selected Outbound students. We

have 12 Outbounds now training to begin their year on exchange in January 2020. This group will be flying out as one cohort under D9705. This weekend saw them beginning this journey, training and understanding their commitment and responsibilities.

What also was wonderful was the attendance of many of the Inbound Counsellors. This gave them a better insight into the Youth Exchange program and a great way of building that important relationship with their Inbound student.

Parents of the Outbounds also had their training - again understanding the Rotary program, the support

networks and learning how to support their young person without "helicoptering"!

Greenhills Conference Centre was the venue for this great weekend, providing marvellous facilities and accommodation and catering requirements.



The purpose of a Club Bulletin

- 1. To further the principles and ideals of Rotary;
- 2. To circulate notice of the meeting to the members, the details of the program, and to stimulate and improve attendance;
- 3. To keep members of the club advised of news of Rotary;
- 4. To increase acquaintance among members by its news and thus help stimulating fellowship;
- 5. To serve as a record of all the club's activities and thereby provide the basis for a permanent club history;
- 6. To inform clubs within the District and perhaps in other countries of the club's activities, etc. all of which tend to develop good will and better understanding;
- 7. To serve in a general way as a medium for the dissemination of Rotary information.

What material should be included?

- Resume of the program for the next meeting;
- Information about the principal speaker;
- Report on the last meeting and review of the main address;
- Who attended the meeting;
- Reports from committees;
- Finance information;
- Brief sketches of new members;
- Personal milestones e.g. birthdays, anniversaries;
- News from District and Rotary International;
- Publicity about events in other clubs;
- An occasional story or joke clever but clean!



DID YOU KNOW...

The first president of a Rotary Club was Silvester Schiele of Chicago in 1905

The first Rotary International President elected outside of the USA was F. Leslie Pidgeon from Canada (1917 - 1918)

The first president from the ANZSAO region was Angus Mitchell from Australia (1948 -1949)

MUNA 2019

The D9710 National MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly) was held this weekend at the Museum of Australian Democracy at Old Parliament House.

Coordinated by the Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise, MUNA provides a fantastic opportunity for student teams to represent countries around the world and debate various resolutions.

These were:

- Measures to prevent the proliferation of nuclear weapons in the Korean peninsula.
- Regulating International Migration
- International Cooperation in the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space
- Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind
- The Situation of Human Rights in Venezuela
- The protection of journalistic freedoms
- Congratulations to the following awardees:
- Country -- Rotary Sponsor --School
- 1st United Kingdom D9685 Penrith High School
- 2nd Japan RCs Berrima District Southern Highlands Christian School
- 3rd New Zealand RC Moruya Carroll College
- Highly Commended
- Colombia D9675 SCEGGS
 Darlinghurst
- Highly Commended
- Afghanistan RC Epping Epping Boys HS
- Totenhofer Peace Prize
- Egypt D9810 Box Hill High School

At the conclusion of the event, students were presented with their certificates by the Rotary District 9710 Governor, Peter Ford, and the President of the Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise, Lain Dare.







MANY MORE PHOTOS CAN BE SEEN ON THE MUNA FACEBOOK PAGE: D9710 National MUNA