

District Team acknowledged ...

DG Margaret Hassall has received the following email (in part) from Rotary International:

On behalf of the Trustees, thank you for participating in The Rotary Foundation (TRF) grants programs to serve communities in need. I am writing to update you on the world reporting analysis conducted in October 2018. The analysis is performed on a quarterly basis to track each district's compliance with reporting requirements for Rotary Foundation grant projects.

*I am happy to inform you that District 9710 was **100%** up-to-date with reporting requirements for grants sponsored by the district and its clubs as of October 2018 analysis.*

The Trustees rely on district leaders to ensure that stewardship guidelines are being upheld worldwide and they thank you for your efforts. We recognize the hard work involved to maintain this level of compliance and encourage your district and its clubs to continue your good work.

The Board of Rotary International District 9710 Inc. thanked Foundation Chair Rob Woolley and District Treasurer Rosemary Everett for their diligent work to ensure the District is compliant with reporting. Rob passed on the thanks to his District Team.

Centurion Program

How can you become a Rotary Foundation Centurion?

All it takes is a commitment to donate \$100 to the Foundation each year. You know, that's less than a cup of coffee a week!

To make it easy to be a Centurion, the District makes available Centurion money collectors at no cost; each collector will hold exactly \$100 in \$2 coins. If you add a coin each week you go to Rotary, you will be a Centurion in 50 weeks. If you add the odd extra coin, the time will be even shorter. Take the completed collector to your Club Treasurer ... it's that simple! Then you can start a new collector.

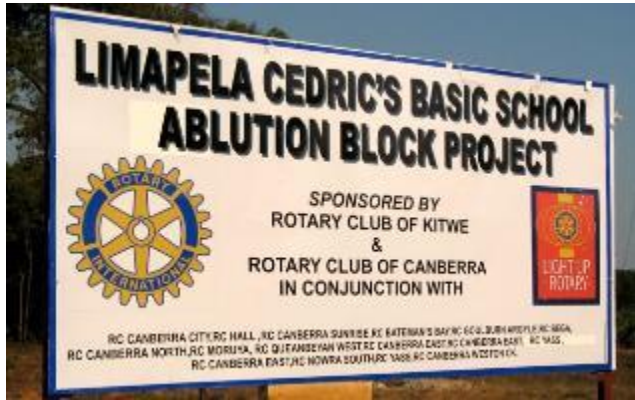


Centurions for 2018-19 are:

Batlow	8
Bowral-Mittagong	1
Canberra North	1
Canberra Weston Creek	3
Gerrongong Sunrise	4

**For more information, see your Club's Foundation Director.
Global grant assists Limapela ...**

New Zealanders Matthew and Alison Raymond and the Limapela Foundation they founded are committed to providing basic education to rural Zambian children who have no primary schooling provided from the state. Two schools are run by the New Zealand based foundation – Cedric's Basic School and Luyando Primary School.



Rotary D 9710 working with other Districts and clubs provided toilets to Cedric's School five years ago through a Matching Grant.



A new toilet block rises

Students speak ...

My name is Aaron Zakeyo doing Grade 9. I came to Cedric's school in 2011 while in Grade 5. When I came, I found pit latrines, which were not permanent and were dangerous for young pupils. That was because young pupils might fall in.

The sponsors decided to construct the ablution block, which is permanent. It has toilet pans, showers and urinals for boys.

The construction of the ablution block has made my life better because I can now wash my hands after using the toilet. I can take a shower after PE and I can use toilet tissues and soap.

My name is Emma Katongo. I am in Grade 8. I came to Limapela Cedric's School in 2014 in Grade 6.

When I came to this school, we were using temporary toilets. These toilets were very dangerous for small pupils. But now we have the ablution block. It was constructed in 2014. Inside the toilet block we have toilet pans, showers and urinals for boys. My life is better now than before. We can now take a shower if it is hot in October, and we can wash our hands after using the toilets. This has made teachers and pupils happy. And those pit latrines were not easy to use, for we were not able to shower and wash our hands. We were using taps behind the school.

We are all very happy at our school, and we are safe from diseases.



Existing toilet block at Luyando School

Now through a Global Grant the same facilities are being provided to Luyando School which currently only has two pit latrines for 400 plus children.

The building work is going well, with oversight by the RC of Kitwe, and we look forward to seeing the local Rotary District Governor opening the new facilities soon.

Foundation Seminars

Learn about the Foundation. Attend one of two seminars programmed for the year:

- 9 February in Canberra at the Hellenic Club, 13 Moore Street, Canberra, commencing at 10.00 am. Morning tea and lunch will be provided.
- 2 March in Ulladulla, Dunn Lewis Centre, 141 St Vincent St, Ulladulla, commencing at 10.00 am. Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

Clubs intending to apply for grants will need to have at least one Rotarian attend to qualify the Club.

Other important Foundation dates

1 February	Global Grant Scholarships open
30-31 March	PETS/Assembly @ Yass
2 April	Global Grant selection begins

Wild Polio Cases as of 18 December 2018

Country	2017	2018	Last case
Afghanistan	14	21	6 Nov 18
Pakistan	8	8	7 Oct 18
Total	22	29*	

How close will we get to zero this year?

Funding is as important as ever so consider donating to PolioPlus and the Gates Foundation will match your dollar 2:1

The children of the world thank you!

* 1 January – 18 December 2018



Our giving to the Foundation – our charity – has fallen well below our last year's achievement. We're at the half way point of the Rotary year and here is the comparison:

	Dec 17	Dec 18
Annual Fund	\$60,429	\$39,844
PolioPlus	\$35,083	\$19,979

So far, we're only 28.7% towards achieving last year's Annual Fund contribution, and 25.5% towards achieving last year's PolioPlus contribution.

Come on Clubs, let's see if we can turn this around and at least equal last year's result.

Club Officer Foundation support

Officer	2017-2018	Jul	Aug	Oct	Dec
President	44%	4%	13%	16%	22%
Secretary	29%	4%	7%	7%	13%
Treasurer	49%	2%	9%	13%	18%
Foundation Director	33%	4%	11%	18%	20%

Good progress, but room for improvement. Have your Club officers contributed yet? Ask them!



We've dropped the ball ...



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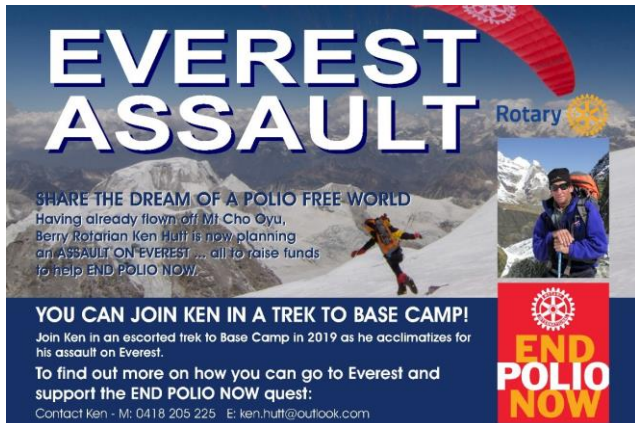
The Everest Assault Trek is all organised!

Ken Hutt of the Rotary Club of Berry is going to lead a contingent of twenty Rotarians and friends to Mt Everest Base Camp in March/April next year, and you have the opportunity to support them.

The focus of the trek is to raise awareness and funding for the eradication of Polio, with each of Ken's trekking supporters to raise at least \$2000 for the PolioPlus campaign. Their GoFundMe pages are designed to help them raise this commitment.

Ken describes the trip as being a fantastic experience. "The country is very safe, the people are very friendly, and the mountain and valley scenery is nothing short of breathtaking. This trip will not involve camping as we will be staying in Tea Houses, providing comfortable accommodation with good quality food".

"The trek will involve acclimatisation walks and rest days to allow our bodies to catch up with our ascent. You will need to be fit and healthy, but you won't need to be a world class athlete," Ken added.



EVEREST ASSAULT Rotary

SHARE THE DREAM OF A POLIO FREE WORLD
Having already flown off Mt Cho Oyu, Berry Rotarian Ken Hutt is now planning an ASSAULT ON EVEREST ... all to raise funds to help END POLIO NOW.

YOU CAN JOIN KEN IN A TREK TO BASE CAMP!
Join Ken in an escorted trek to Base Camp in 2019 as he acclimatizes for his assault on Everest.
To find out more on how you can go to Everest and support the END POLIO NOW quest:
Contact Ken - M: 0418 205 225 E: ken.hutt@outlook.com

END POLIO NOW

For Ken, there is more to this venture than just leading a team to Everest Base Camp. He is taking on a bigger challenge for PolioPlus ... by attempting a World Record paraglide assault from the summit of Everest. He currently holds the Australasian Record for the highest paraglide when he flew off the World's sixth highest mountain in 2014.

To find out more, contact Ken Hutt on 0418 205 225.

From the Rotary International Annual Report 2017-2018 ...

In 2017-2018, our Foundation raised \$414.7 million, spending \$277 million on program awards, including: 503 District Grants

- 1306 Global Grants
- 63 Polio Grants
- 94 Peace Fellow applicants

The power of light

About 16,000 Navajo homes in remote areas of New Mexico, Utah, and Arizona, USA, don't have access to electricity.



In 2012, the Rotary Club of Durango Daybreak, Colorado, began to bring solar lights to these isolated homes.

The club has supplied more than 200 solar lights to elders, people with disabilities, and other at-risk individuals and families. With the additional light, they can now create jewellery for their small businesses, work on puzzles or play cards. Their grandchildren can do homework. And because they no longer need to rely on kerosene for electricity, which can cause upper respiratory infections, many residents' health has improved.

Working with the Navajo Nation, the Durango Daybreak club is pursuing additional grant funding to install more solar units and train young Navajo tribal members to serve as installation and repair technicians.

This project was funded by a district grant, which enables clubs and districts to address immediate needs in their own communities and abroad.

Revisiting the reef



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In the blue waters of the Philippines Lamon Bay lies a source of local pride and a submerged salute to Rotary: an artificial reef in the shape of a Rotary wheel.



Fishing is considered the lifeblood of the area's coastal villages, and community members fought for years to protect the waters that fed their families. In 2005, they turned to the Rotary Club of Atimonan, Quezon Province, Philippines, for help. They decided to build an artificial reef.

The club partnered with the Rotary Club of Madera, California, USA, on a Rotary Foundation grant to help fund the project, which would cost more than \$1 million.

Today, the wheel is covered in coral and attracts many species of fish. Fishermen report catching almost twice as many fish as before.

The reef also has become a tourist attraction, boosting the economy. Locals build bamboo rafts and rent them to visitors who visit the reef to eat, rest, dive, and even feed

This project was funded by a Matching Grant in 2008. Matching Grants have evolved into global grants, which align with one of Rotary's six areas of focus.

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CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE ROTARY FOUNDATION - AUSTRALIA



Website

Rotary's strong preference is that you make donations by logging in to rotary.org/donate. Rotarians should use the same email address as they regularly use in their communications with Rotary. Australians who wish to receive a tax-deductible receipt should specify AUD as the currency. Website transactions are by credit card, which may not be suitable for some Rotary Clubs.

Electronic Funds Transfer

NON-TAX-DEDUCTIBLE donations from clubs & districts, as well as contributions to the Endowment Fund, should be paid into the TRF ACCOUNT:

St. George Bank

Acct Name: The Rotary Foundation

Acct No: 100345225

BSB No: 332 084

Reference: **Club number + club name** (without "Rotary Club of") eg: "18010CastleHill".

TAX-DEDUCTIBLE donations from (or on behalf of) individuals and businesses (and from tax-registered clubs) should be paid into the TARFT ACCOUNT:

St. George Bank

Acct Name: The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust

Acct No: 551038195

BSB No: 332 084

Reference: **Donor name + ID number**. For multiple donors, use: **M + club number + club name** eg: "M18010CastleHill" – and email the list of donors.

Contributions to TARFT will generate a TAX RECEIPT for Australian tax deductibility.

When paying by EFT, please send a copy of the bank receipt and/or TRF Contribution Form.

When we don't receive this information and must run a trace, it is time-consuming and expensive. Always copy RISPPPO, even when you have already sent an email to your District / Club Officer.

Emails should be sent to risppo@rotary.org – for enquiries, call +61 2 8894 9800.

Credit Card

Credit card contributions can be:

phoned through to the RISPPPO Office (+61 2 8894 9800)

mailed to the RISPPPO Office using the Contribution Form (PO Box 1415, Parramatta, NSW, 2124).

For security reasons, credit card payments should NOT be emailed.

Cheque

Cheques should be mailed to the RISPPPO Office using the Contribution Form (PO Box 1415, Parramatta, NSW, 2124).

For all payment methods, don't forget to let us know to which fund the donation should be directed – Polio Fund, Annual Fund, Endowment Fund, etc.

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Ways to give – club can use My Rotary

The Rotary Foundation > Foundation Reports >



- club sends form and one payment (cheque or EFT),
- each member receives a tax receipt.

Ways to give – club uses Multiple Donor Form


- club lists members + member IDs on form
- members give \$ to club
- indicate fund
- club sends form and one payment (cheque or EFT)
- each member receives a tax receipt.



Ways to give – member gives directly online


Online is now best option!

- go to rotary.org/donate
- choose fund
- choose one-time or recurring and an amount (in AUD if you want tax deductibility)
- pay by credit card.



Ways to give – member uses form

- complete *The Rotary Foundation Contribution Form*
Google: "Rotary 123-EN-518"
- select frequency (optional) (monthly / quarterly / annual)
- currency should be \$AUD
- credit card, cheque or EFT.



PHF Medallion

The purchase of Paul Harris Fellow Medallions can only be handled through the Rotary Shop – cost US\$15.00. Go to:

<https://shop.rotary.org/paul-harris-fellow-medallion>

While these online orders go to Rotary International, fulfillment is handled by the South Pacific and Philippines Office in Parramatta.



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Your annual gifts to The Rotary Foundation help people around the globe live better lives today.

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