

International Projects and Programs

We support international projects and programs, including:

- The Club sponsors young people 15–18 years old to spend a year in another country as a Youth Exchange student. We also host students coming from other countries to stay in the ACT for a year. Both 'outbound' and 'inbound' students learn much about themselves, their host country and their values. They grow considerably in self-confidence, tolerance and self-reliance.
- We send books and school supplies to schools in Papua New Guinea.
- We raise funds for the Rotary International big projects including the eradication of polio from the world. With polio recently being eliminated in Africa, polio remains in just two countries-- Afghanistan and Pakistan. We work to ensure that not one person ever again suffers from this disease.
- We support the Rotary Foundation Peace Fellowship Program which allow scholars to gain a Master's Degree in International Relations or a professional development certificate in peace and conflict studies.
- We support the Rotary Club of Canberra's project to help rebuild a paediatric hospital in Beirut destroyed by the devastating explosion this year.
- We support projects for the eradication of malaria, the provision of clean water, improving education and growing local economies through projects in eastern Indonesia.

Why should you become a member?

We have fun and enjoy the fellowship and community spirit that comes from giving something back and placing service above self. We mix business with social activities. We have interesting speakers at our meetings. If you feel that you want to give back to the community, please consider joining Rotary.

What types of Membership do we have?

Personal Member

You can be invited to become a full personal member after attending a few meetings, so come along and see what we do.

Corporate membership

We now offer Corporate membership for businesses wishing to engage with Rotary.

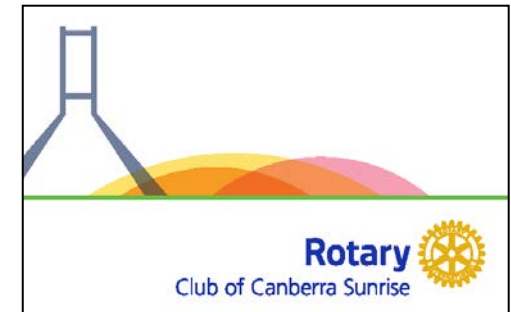
Friends of the Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise

If you do not want to be a full member you can be a Friend of Rotary and support the Club in our community service activities.



Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise

Information for prospective members



We meet every Thursday at 7:30 am at the Commonwealth Club:
25 Forster Crescent
Yarralumla ACT 2600

You can write to us at
PO Box 9155 Deakin ACT 2600

Learn more about our Club at
rotaryclubofcanberrasunrise.org.au/

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Who are we?

Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise

The Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise has over 30 men and women committed to the ideals of Rotary in building a better local, national and international community. The Club was chartered in 1993 as the first breakfast club in the ACT. We continue to provide services to the community. We meet for breakfast, most Thursday mornings at The Commonwealth Club in Yarralumla which offers plenty of free parking. Club meetings are 7.15am for a 7.30am start and finish promptly at 8.30am. Typically, Club meetings involve some fellowship, a little club business and a short presentation by a guest speaker.

Rotary Clubs and Rotary International

We are part of the world-wide Rotary International (RI) organisation. The RI motto is **Service above Self** which represents the humanitarian spirit among the 1.2 million members in RI. Strong fellowship among Rotarians and meaningful community and international service projects characterise Rotary worldwide. In the spirit of Rotary, the key drivers of the Rotary Club of Canberra Sunrise are 'fun, fellowship and service'. We work with local, national and international organisations to assist those in need through a variety of community service projects and development opportunities.

What do we do?

Youth Service

We have a focus on Youth service and current projects include:

- Providing financial and volunteer support for local high schools
- Sponsoring participants in the youth programs of Rotary in Australia including the annual National Youth Science Forum in Canberra.
- Conducting annually since 1997 a national **Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)** at the Museum of Australian Democracy (Old Parliament House). This event brings secondary students from all around Australia to engage in a weekend of lively debate on current world issues in a simulated United Nations chamber. We will run the 24th National MUNA at the Museum of Australian Democracy in August 2021.



2019 National MUNA

- Sponsoring students to attend the **Rotary Youth Leadership Awards**, a week-long residential course for young people aged 18–25 to learn about themselves and leadership.
- Conducting the **Dream Cricket** program which gives primary school children with special needs within the ACT region to have 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' self-confidence and wellbeing.



2019 Dream Cricket Gala Day

Service to the Local Community

We raise funds for community groups giving many thousands of dollars to a range of charities. We currently support:

- **Community Services Hub** operating a food pantry in Narrabundah providing groceries to disadvantaged people.
- **St John's Care Christmas Presents** room.
- **Share the Dignity** program providing toiletries and other essential items to women in difficult circumstances.