

5 September 2022

Quote

"Love begins at home." Mother Teresa.

Bruce's Banter

PDG Kalma chaired a special meeting on Regionalisation and was impressive in her presentation and in answering the many questions. The meeting voted 19-3 in favour of agreeing to a pilot program for Regionalisation.

The decision will have no effect on our Club, as it is a pilot program which will take several years to determine a more concrete proposal.

Two key arguments forwarded by Kalma were the need to avoid duplication in many areas especially compliance areas such as insurance and to have a central body responsible for liaising with Governments, the Corporation world etc and for promotion and marketing.

I've long had strong views that Rotary needs one person in Australia who Governments, media and the business communities can readily contact and visa versa. Thanks, Kalma, for your time and expertise.

Narelle gave a lovely introduction for Kalma; see below. Anne also gave a wonderful and passionate vote of thanks.

Kalma McLellan

I met our guest speaker, Kalma McLellan several years ago when as part of a Rotary project, Eastwood and Ryde Rotary Clubs wrapped Christmas presents for a donation at Top Ryde. That was indicative of Kalma's approach. She is a 'doer'.

Kalma was a former Mosman Rotaractor and joined the Rotary Club of Ryde in 2010, serving on the Board in various positions and as President in 2014-15.

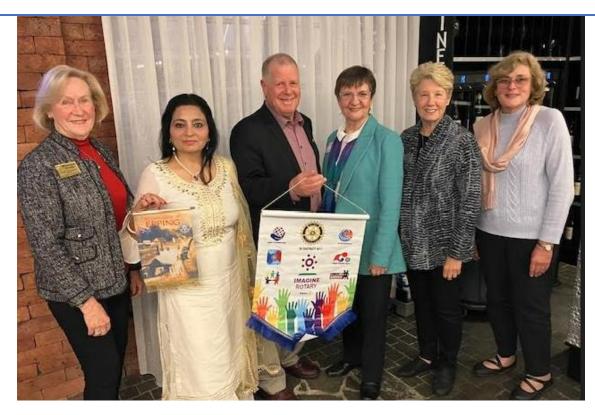
Kalma served as District Governor in 2019-20. She has been a member of the Paul Harris Society since 2014 and a Major Donor since 2019. She has a heritage in Rotary, following in the footsteps of her father (Blacktown City Club) and grandfather (Manly Club).

Professionally, Kalma worked in the vocational education sector, overseeing leadership and management training to corporate clients.

With this experience she is the most appropriate person to be our Regionalisation District Representative. She has been coordinating the distribution of information regarding potential regionalisation across our District, which is what brings her here tonight.

Please make her welcome. Thank you, Kalma.

Narelle



Vinisha again visited us and Monica and her exchanged banners, although her banner was the more impressive.



Next week is the official visit of DG, Mina Howard. There will also be 3 inductions which is a very positive sign for our Club. See below for next Monday details

From Thursday September 15, I'll be away for 3 weeks and details are below.

Bruce

Next Monday

DG Mina Howard's Visit and 3 Inductions.

The DG visits each of the 70 Clubs in our District, 9685. It is out turn next month. Mina is a member of the Blackheath Club and had breakfast with those who went to Leura last year. She is a lovely lady who is doing a wonderful job as DG. She'll have a very interesting report to present.

I'm thrilled that we expect to induct Ravi Veerakathy, Nervin Kaur and Johanna Johns next Monday. Ravi and Nervin have attended about 5 and 4 meetings respectively and are keen to join Epping Rotary. Johanna has been a member of the Beecroft Club but due to work commitments, Beecroft changing their venue and the fact she lives close to The Epping Club prompted her to request a transfer which we readily agreed to.

Ravi, Nervin and Johanna will be great assets to Epping Rotary.

Bruce on Holiday

I'll be away from September 15 until October 4. Lou and I are going with another couple to Darwin, an APT trip to the Kimberley region and Broome.

We are lucky.

Peter will be the President on September 12 and Justin September 19.

Narelle will be the President as the point of contact for District and our members on other occasions, although unlikely she'll be needed

Thanks Peter, Justin, and Narelle.

Bruce

Club Calendar

Date	Speaker/Topic Mondays	Venue
12 September	D.G.visit	Epping Club
19 September	Theresa Collignon. CEO Macquarie College and Chair Gateway Community College. PG	Epping Club
26 September	Penny Wilkinson who is the CEO/founder of The Overcomers Place Ltd a charity which runs programs for people struggling with addition (e.g. alcohol, drugs, gambling)	Justin Kang Epping Club
3 October	Holiday	
10 October	Anthony Stavrinos, Journalist from TWT.	Epping Club
17 October	Club Forum / 3 on me	Epping Club
24 October	Primary Schools Debate	Epping Club
31 October	Epping Community Bank (BB) Community Awards	Epping Club
7 November	Langston Awards	Epping Club
14 November	Pride of Workmanship	Epping Club

21 November	International Night	Epping Club
28 November	Trevor – Book Launch Monica – Foundation	Epping Club
5 December	AGM	Epping Club
12 or 19 Dec	Xmas Party	
Date	Other Events	Venue
24 October	Polio train ride in Sydney	Epping Station
4 November	Carlingford 50 th Anniversary	
12 November	Golden Oldies Ferry Cruise ???	Meadowbank
13 November	Mito Walk	
17 March	District Conference	Cowra
27 May	Rotary International Conference	Melbourne

Rotary District Regionalisation – THANK YOU!!

Dear Bruce

We have now shared the message about Regionalisation with all clubs in our District. **Thank you all so much** for providing that opportunity, and for sharing your great questions with the delivery teams.

The vote of Club Presidents opens in a couple of weeks, potentially allowing us to open the conversation about how Rotary could operate in our Region to match modern technology and business practices. And there are still many conversations to be had and many options to be resolved!

As a reminder, consider the **attached summary**.

More information, including extensive FAQs, are available at www.creatingtoorrowrotary.org and if you have any questions, the rollout team are always available.

If you or your club members are unsure about what the future holds, have a look at this video which captures the thoughts of many of our regional leaders on the notion off Regionalisation: https://vimeo.com/737422555

For Club Public Image Directors, there is also a great tool kit link <u>PI Tool Kit</u> for Facebook and other updates over the next 3 weeks as we approach the mid-set vote. One asset says "We're voting yes" for any club who wants to use it.

Thank you all again for being part of this great journey – and we look forward to everyone being involved.

Sent on behalf of PDG Kalma McLellan. Any questions and comments should be sent to PDG Kalma.

Regionalisation From (now): Rotary (To (opportunity): Project Zone 8 Multi district collaboration. Large scale projects. Small local projects connecting Large scale noticeable and measurable impact. Partnerships. Collaboration through personal contacts for local impact. External audience. Large scale campaigns. Local and/or internal audience with limited reach. National media. Wide reach So, people don't know who we are, what we do. One voice Partnerships. Clubs at the heart. Elected, motivating leadership. Local support that's geographically based. Connect clubs through affinity and commonality. Support for Specialist expertise is difficult to access and not readily visible. Club support new membership models. Access to specialist support and partners. Automation of common processes. Common technology and better use. Duplication of processes. Efficiency and technology Ready access to information making information difficult to find. Support for small clubs. Reduced costs. More support for new ideas Traditional ways of operating. Too dependent on individuals. More leadership than management/administration. Adapt to new trends of volunteering. Innovation and adaptation Annual turnover of leaders. Longer term planning and roles.

Meaning behind this year's Rotary Logo



Meaning of logo

The logo for the theme was designed by Riki Salam, an Australian artist and graphic designer specializing in contemporary Indigenous art, design, and communications. He also created the 2023 Rotary International Convention logo which will be held in Melbourne, Australia, thus connecting the two by a shared visual language.

The Circle – connections to one another

The Dots – Our people. Seven dots for 7 areas of focus.

The Circle plus dots – a navigation star, our guiding light.

The Green solid line - digging stick used when doing hard work. For us its People of Action.

The colours have many representations: Purple, green and white celebrate diversity, equity and inclusion - the freedom to express ourselves differently but with a special connection.

Purple is also for polio, green for the environment and white for peace.

The colours were utilised for the women's movement representing empowerment and newness and reminding us to grow our female membership.

Meaning behind the painting (scarf/tie) by JJ's brother, artist Darren Jones

A mixed media contemporary abstract piece on a wood panel.

Layers: beach sand from the family's cottage in Ontario, plaster, industrial staples, and shredded paper extracted from the IR websites using the Objects of Rotary and the 4-Way test.

The paper lines form formal grids at the top then as they go down become more random and abstract. This represents 'life' from the planned to the unexpected.

From Carlingford's newsletter



Balwyn Rotary Centenary Grants

o celebrate the 100th anniversary of Rotary in Australia in 2021, Balwyn Rotary is donating a significant portion of its annual income—generated from its Camberwell Sunday Market—to assist other Rotary Clubs in Australia to fulfill their dreams of making the world a better place. Balwyn Rotary has committed approximately \$1,000,000 over the next 5 years to assist funding of Rotary Clubs in Australia projects. Grants of between \$10,000 and \$50,000 are being awarded.

FIRST ROUND —Applications close 31-Mar with outcomes notified by 31-May

SECOND ROUND - Applications close 30-Sep with outcomes notified by 30-Nov

In November last year Balwyn Rotary provided \$45,000 to Warrnambool Rotary for their PNG Water Provision Project and \$25,000 to Sandy Bay Rotary to support their SouthernTasmania Kitchen Project.

Warrnambool Rotary's fifty pumps for fifty villages project delivers water bores in remote villages



The next round provided \$25,000 towards Rotary Inner Melbourne Emergency Relief Network (RIMERN) towards the purchase of a truck and granting of \$24,000 to the

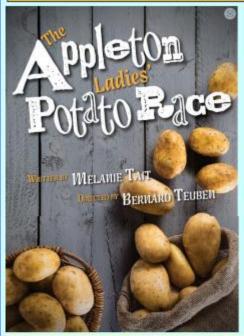
The Rotary Club of Sandy Bay embarked on a project to fund the purchase of a commercial kitchen and cooking equipment for Loaves and Fishes Tasmania which feed Tasmanians experiencing food insecurity.



Rotary Clubs of Central and South Launceston towards their water bore project in Tanzania.

READ MORE

Fund-raising event for Days for Girls - Wed 21st September



The Appleton Ladies' Potato Race
By Melanie Tait
Directed by Bernard Teuben

Appleton – a quintessential Australian country town where men are real men, women are real women … and vegetables are not used in cake. But things are changing.
City slickers, tree changers and refugees are moving in. Appleton might just have to face the new century but simmering tensions are about to boil over.

Prodigal daughter Penny has returned from the big smoke. Appleton's annual Potato Race has never been something she cared about, until she discovers that the men's prize is five times more than the women's. Now she does care! The townsfolk are about to get a lesson in gender parity ... and Penny is going to get a lesson in history.

Excellent news! We will be serving cheese and wine in the foyer before the play, as approved by the Board of the **Pavilion Theatre**.

The doors will be open from 7:30pm, with the play starting at 8:00pm. As those who have attended previously will know, parking is extremely easy. For those who are uncertain about directions, the theatre is in the Castle Hill Showground precinct, off Showground Road at Castle Hill.

Can you please let us know how many of you and your friends are coming by Thursday 15th Sep 2022?

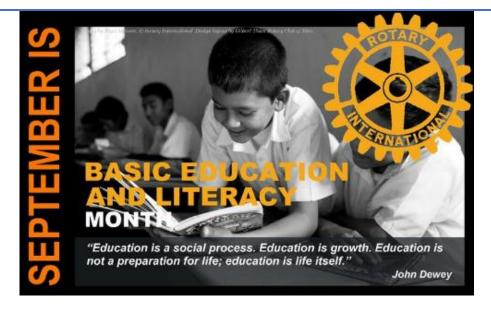
Kind regards,

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Rotary Club of North Rocks

For those of you who like to plan ahead, the last theatre nights scheduled for 2022: Wednesday 16 November

September is Basic Educations and Literacy Month



When Rotary Clubs, around the world focus on this theme.

Rotary supports activities and training to improve education for all children and literacy for children and adults.

The Rotary Foundation enables Rotarians to ensure that all people have sustainable access to basic education and literacy by:

- 1. Involving the community to support programs that strengthen the capacity of communities to provide basic education and literacy to all;
- 2. Increasing adult literacy in communities;
- 3. Working to reduce gender disparity in education;
- 4. Supporting studies for career-minded professionals related to basic education and literacy.

RIM ARTICLES

Please send RIM articles to Alan at alan.baker.om@gmail.com or rob@tosswill.com

Articles should be submitted by Thursday afternoon

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