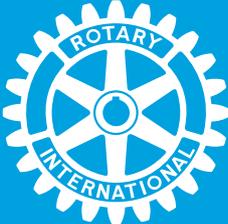




ANNUAL REPORT 2018-19

Rotary 
Club of Woy Woy



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The Rotary Club of Woy Woy Annual Report 2018-19 records the activities of the Club during the Rotary year, July 2018 to June 2019.

Our club is actively involved in projects large and small which focus on improving the wellbeing of local and international communities.

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PRESIDENT	Russell Grove Dec 2018 - June 2019 Jayne Mote - resigned
IMM PAST PRESIDENT	Russell Grove
VICE PRESIDENT	John Greenway July 2018 - Feb 2019 - deceased
SECRETARY	Jill Colwell Dec 2018 - June 2019 Mitch Gordon / Paola Liverani-Brooks - resigned
TREASURER	Marie Armstrong Jan - June 2019 Colin Pratt July - Dec 2019 - resigned

DIRECTORS

ADMIN/CLUB SERVICE	Susan Tee
MEMBERSHIP	Ted Crawley Dec 2018 - June 2019 Peter Mote - resigned
PUBLIC IMAGE	Vic Deeble
PROJECTS	Sue O'Neill July 2018 - May 2019 - resigned
ROTARY FOUNDATION	Ted Crawley Mar - June 2019 Gayle Lee - resigned

SERVICE CHAIRS

COMMUNITY SERVICE	Don Tee
INTERNATIONAL SERVICE	Joan Redmond Dec 2018 - June 2019 Jo Weston - resigned
VOCATIONAL SERVICE	Barry Freeman Jan - June 2019 Bobby Redman / Marylyn Whitwell - resigned
YOUTH SERVICE	Steve Weston



BE THE INSPIRATION

RI President Barry Rassin's theme for 2018-19, Be the Inspiration, asks Rotarians to inspire change in the world and in each other. "I ask all of you to Be the Inspiration to help Rotary move from reaction to action — to take a hard look at the environmental issues that affect health and welfare around the world and do what we can to help."

*Front cover - top photo
Congratulation to Mollie Murphy who received a Paul Harris Fellow for her service to the community.
Mollie is pictured with her nominee Bill Cook OAM*



A message from the PRESIDENT

The Rotary Club of Woy Woy has had, to say the least, an eventful year, with a change in the Presidency and various resignations from the Board up to December 2018. This report relates to Club activity since my election as President on 11 December 2018.

Self interest should never be the main motivating factor in any decisions as to whether to serve Rotary or not. Having said that I am pleased to report that the Rotary Club of Woy Woy is strong in its purpose and has during the second half of the 2018-19 Rotary year continued to function effectively along traditional well tried lines as agreed to in the survey undertaken by all members. This does not mean that we should be blind to innovation and change.

We also record with sadness and recognise the untimely and sudden death of our fellow Rotarians PP Alan Ford PHF OAM and PP John Greenway PHF. They will be remembered for their enthusiasm for their favourite causes and their broad interests. Let us say they were exemplary Rotarians. The Rotary Club of Woy Woy is poorer from their passing.

It has been a privilege and honour to have served as your President in the second half of 2018-19. The year has had its challenges and rewards but in the end newly learned skills and levels of understanding of others can only result in making one a better person and citizen and therefore a better Rotarian.

As leaders from our various vocations and professions it should go without saying that all Rotarians should be prepared to serve as President, if not on the Board of their Club, embracing the motto "Service Above Self".

Finance

The Club has had a solid year with medium fund raising apart from the profits from The Opera in the Arboretum. Serious consideration needs to be given to adopting projects and then planning fund raising for specific purposes. Our Treasurer Marie Armstrong, who took up the role half way through the year in very trying circumstances, is deserving of our praise for her vigilance in effectively putting into order our finances and then operating our bank accounts. The tireless receipt of monies for various sources and keeping track thereof is an unenviable task. Our thanks are also due to Figtree Moran, who are our Auditors, for their expertise in auditing our accounts.

Administration

In the area of governance our Club is well served with the experience and expertise of Sue Tee, Director-Administration and Public Officer. All legal requirements for Fair Trading, Charities Authorities, District and Rotary International have been complied with in an expeditious manner. Compliance with Child Protection legislation (WWCC) is well supervised by Sue Tee as our Verification Officer. All members are required to obtain a Working With Children Check when joining the Club. Since December 2018 Jill Colwell, after a series of Secretaries, has taken on the role of Secretary with enthusiasm and

OPERA IN THE ARBORETUM 2019





diligence sharing her experience in both the professional and business world.

Membership

Healthy membership in all its aspects leads to a healthy Club. While growth is important retention is more important. This is achieved through ensuring new members are made welcome, that new members feel useful and have projects and tasks to undertake. Could the Rotary Club of Woy Woy do better in this area? We need also to be conscious that membership is healthy if it is cross generational and gender balanced.

We have benefited from retirees to the area, club transferees and several members active in the recruitment activity. Membership has fluctuated with the induction of four new members, the death of two members and the resignation of eleven members. 2018-19 has been a year focusing on consolidation of membership and as we proceed into our 70th year it is hoped that the Rotary Club of Woy Woy will be rejuvenated and reinvigorated.

Public Image

It has been suggested by some that Rotary as an organisation and Rotary Clubs do not promote themselves sufficiently resulting in public awareness of Rotary is low in what it does in the community and internationally.

Our club bulletin "The Pinion" is important to members and is produced weekly and delivered electronically to members and friends of the Club. It is also available on the website. The role of Editor is unenviable and constant - thank you to Vic Deeble and Sue Tee. It is your Bulletin why not consider making a contribution occasionally rather than leaving it to "someone" else!!

The relationship between our Club and the local media is good and we feature regularly with press releases and photographs by virtue of Vic Deeble as Director, Public Image. This year again through the sterling efforts of Joan Redmond our Website was professionally maintained. Our Facebook is also managed by Joan Redmond who is always seeking material for posting - again I say it is your Club which is promoted through Facebook why not make a contribution and participate!

Overall under the worthy stewardship of Vic Deeble we are well placed to increase our public exposure with some new banners and possible exposure/participation at community fairs/markets.

Projects

Our significant project continues to be Opera in the Arboretum providing the Club with its major source of funds. John Greenway continued his excellent and untiring devotion as Coordinator, with a small team of expert helpers, for which we are very grateful. With the untimely death of John we owe a big thank you to those members who stepped up for the task to complete the project in difficult circumstances.

Graffiti Removal Day was again coordinated by the late John Greenway. This is a District wide partnership project with the NSW Government, paint manufacturers and hardware suppliers. Those members who continue this throughout the year - John Greenway, John Steinbeck and Neville Pickering deserve our admiration.

In the future it may be worthwhile for our Club to consider other major projects with a capacity to produce funding to continue providing service to the community near and far.



Rotary Foundation

The Rotary Foundation is a core element in the activity of Rotary at Club, District and International level. The Rotary Club of Woy Woy has a good record for donating and this year we have achieved similar good results. The 2018-19 year has seen a continuation, albeit reduced, in member personal giving in the Centurion scheme which is unique to Australia. Since December we have donated \$50 to the Foundation to recognise our Guest Speakers each week. Since December through the tireless and tenacious taunting of Ted Crawley, Director-Rotary Foundation, we can be rightly proud of ourselves for our donations-after all the Foundation is our very own charity and therefore worthy of our continuing support.

Club Service

Fundamental to the existence of Rotary is the Club and traditionally these Clubs are centred on Club Meetings which provide Members the opportunity for fellowship, being informed and learn from the experience of other members and guest speakers.

It is a big undertaking to arrange meetings with Everglades, for which we owe our eternal thanks to Sue Tee, and to plan and conduct interesting, informative and fun meetings which I hope has been achieved this year. We have been able to arrange a large range of guest speakers coordinated by Vic Deeble. The Three Amigos (Messrs Crawley, Thurlow and Cook) as Sergeants-at-Arms have had good fun and secured good income through brain teasing tests during the fine sessions during the last six months. To ensure smooth running we also owe thanks to Annette Karton and Ted Crawley for their assistance with set up.

Since December again an addition to our meeting format has been the return of the "Acknowledgement of

Country" at the commencement of each meeting which is a public statement of the diversity and inclusiveness of our organisation.

Community Service

The Rotary Club of Woy Woy has since its chartering in 1950 placed a strong emphasis on community service. Under the valued service of Don Tee as the Community Service Chair and the team many of these activities are undertaken at minimal cost to the Club and do not raise significant funds except of course for the sale of Christmas Trees. They do however provide assistance where it is needed as a community service and provides an opportunity to promote Rotary and the good works that the Rotary Club of Woy Woy carries out in our community. It would be worth considering developing a closer partnership with these community groups with input from both sides to help us grow together. This year after a suggestion from Vic Brown the Rotary Club of Woy Woy was instrumental in organising Central Coast Rotary Clubs to focus on fund raising for drought relief along with a District wide appeal.

International Service

Our Club is fortunate to have among its membership Joan Redmond, as Chair International Service since December, and Sue O'Neill who through their international activities remind us of the importance and value of the international aspects of Rotary. Our Foundation giving provides the opportunity for grants for overseas programs - education, health and the empowerment of women feature large in these activities. Having taken the decision to establish a Sister Club agreement with the Rotary Club of Njeru in Uganda we need to investigate developing that relationship further.





Vocational Service

Vocational service lies at the core of Rotary Areas of Service given the formation of Rotary was based on vocation and professions. Our Club this year continued its established practice holding an excellent Pride of Workmanship and Community Service Awards. We appreciate the efforts of Bobby Redman, coming to the rescue as Vocational Service Chair since December and the Committee in organising the event. Bobby also worked on nominations for District sponsored Awards events. While Vocational visits were limited this year they were interesting in their diversity and well attended.

Youth Service

Rotary programs involving young people are arguably the most important activity that any Club carries out. By providing assistance with education, mental health and socialisation programs we help develop good citizens with the ability to live well and take part in their community with the hope of reaching their potential with increased skills. The Rotary Club of Woy Woy has done well in this area under the valuable and diligent leadership of Steve Weston as Chair-Youth Service where we have developed a close association with the local secondary school-Brisbane Water Secondary College and hopefully in the future PCYC Umina Beach. We also are active participants in Central Coast and District Youth/Education programs.

The second half of the 2018-19 Rotary year will be memorable for me. Thank you to the rejuvenated Board and Members for their support. I trust that my leadership has been acceptable to Members. I have given the task my best effort with good intentions.



President Russell with guest speaker Danna Vale, former member of the House of Representatives, who gave a presentation – Australian Democracy, Ballot not Bullet

Most Presidents start their year with great plans and ambitions to move forward, build on past achievements and plan for the future. While not all these things happen or are totally achieved it is worth trying - all that is needed is a positive attitude and the support and participation by all members. The Club is only limited in what it achieves by the level of input and enthusiasm of its members.

With best wishes to incoming President Don and Board for 2019-20 and all future leadership teams as we head towards our 70th birthday in 2020.

We must always remember how important it is to enjoy Rotary and embrace all that it offers as we strive to achieve the goal of "Service Above Self".

Yours in Rotary
Russell D Grove
PRESIDENT 2018-19

DISTRICT 9685 ASSEMBLY 2019



DONATIONS 2019 - \$57,624.55

Donations distributed by 21 June 2019

Scholarship Central Coast Conservatorium	\$8,000.00
Grandparents Raising Grandchildren	\$5,000.00
Pearl Beach Crommelin	\$2,200.00
Pure Joy Uganda	\$2,000.00
Sydney Eye Hospital	\$1,703.55
Rotary Australia Health	\$1,000.00
Peg Community Centre	\$1,000.00
Vietnam Vets	\$1,000.00
Stand Tall - Youth	\$ 750.00
RYPEN Summer Camp	\$ 660.00
Homeless Appeal	\$ 500.00
Bagong Barrio, Philippines	\$ 500.00
Red Carpet Appeal, Ettalong	\$ 411.00
Colour Me Us Dance	\$ 250.00
MUNA Central Coast	\$ 250.00
Blue Suede Shoes	\$ 150.00
Science and Engineering Challenge	\$ 150.00
DISTRIBUTED TO DATE	\$25,524.55

Donations to be distributed

Rotary Foundation	\$7,000.00
Royal Flying Doctor Service	\$6,000.00
Fairhaven Central Coast	\$6,000.00
Youth and Women's' Refuge	\$3,500.00
Rotary Foundation Polio Plus	\$2,250.00
Mingaletta – musical instruments	\$1,000.00
Pearl Beach Progress Association	\$1,000.00
Rural Fire Service Pearl Beach	\$1,000.00
Guide Dogs	\$1,000.00
Sydney Eye Hospital Foundation	\$1,000.00
Umina Beach Men's Shed	\$ 750.00
Zimbabwe Pensioner Support Fund	\$ 500.00
Pearl Beach Tennis Club	\$ 100.00
TO BE DISTRIBUTED	\$32,100.00

The Rotary Year for Woy Woy has held fund raising activities much as they have done in the past including Opera in the Arboretum, Hat Day, Melbourne Cup Trifecta, the sale of Xmas trees and many other activities along the way such as a Soup Night to support the Rotary Foundation and a garage sale fundraiser for the Sydney Eye Hospital Foundation.

Listed left are donations that have already been distributed and more to be distributed by 30 June. We have distributed \$2,500 to help our farmers and in the coming weeks a further \$4,500 will be dispensed. By year end our club will have distributed \$57,624.55.

Well done to members for their efforts in raising these funds and helping our community to DO GOOD IN THE WORLD. A big thank you to the members who helped out on the door each week.

Having taken on the role of Treasurer for the third time I am very happy to hand over to Wayne Jennings for the next 12 months and wish him well.

Marie Armstrong
TREASURER





Membership

Sadly this year we have lost some of our members. However, all is not lost, as we have welcomed four new members to the Rotary Club of Woy Woy.

Experienced Rotarians Barry Freeman and John Hardin have joined our club. The ranks have also swelled with the arrival of two new female members, Julie Jones and Julie Allen. We now have two Julies, one Jan, one Joan and one Jill in our club. I know they will do a Jolly good Job in the coming year.

Ted Crawley
MEMBERSHIP DIRECTOR



Foundation

Having taken over the job during the year, I was not as boisterous in hunting Centurions this year.

There has been a good response from club members to donations to the Rotary Foundation. A big Thank You to Nick Wyatt who filled 4 Centurion coin tubes totalling \$400, for the Foundation. Thanks to those members who organised the "Soup Evening". Well done.

With the Foundation receiving around \$8,500 from our club, plus the proceeds from the soup event and Centurion donations we will have given quite a tidy sum to the "RI Bank" this year.

Ted Crawley
FOUNDATION DIRECTOR



RED SHIELD APPEAL VOLUNTEERS



Well, what a year it has been. Once again it has been a pleasure to serve as the Community Service Director for the Rotary Club of Woy Woy, with President Russell after the resignation of President Jayne.

Yes, what a year it has been. With the passing of our Opera Chairman PP John Greenway, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who stepped up under what could only be described as a very emotional time, especially those who served on the Opera Committee, who were able to put their emotions aside to ensure that the Opera continued and was a success after the sudden and tragic passing of John.

We have been busy also with community projects, although some not the most glamorous. Some of our projects have been

- Bowel care
- Kitchen cleaning at Mary Macs
- Moving chairs for the Vietnam Vets Long Tan Memorial Service
- Book Fair for the PCYC
- Drought relief fundraising for farmers
- A social trip to Bundanoon - the weekend raised funds for Bundanoon Bush Fire Brigade who provided us with a BBQ evening
- Open air movie night at Umina Precinct Park - we froze our butts off!
- BBQ for Girl Guides Information Night
- Sold Christmas trees over 2 weekends in aid of Grandparents Raising Grandchildren and Rotary projects
- Melbourne Cup Trifecta ticket sales
- Red Shield Appeal roadside collectors
- "BIG Change for small change" at Deepwater Plaza

Also this was our 25th year of attending the Anzac Dawn Service serving tea, coffee and the famous Jenny Brock



Anzac bikkies. This would bring our distribution of candles to around 25,000 and has become an integral part of the Community Service of Rotary Woy Woy.

Our most recent community project was to host the Children's Tumour Foundation BBQ at the NRMA Ocean Beach Holiday Resort.

A big thank you for the support of the members, some of whom turned up on a regular occasion and displayed "Service above Self" for our community projects.

Don Tee

COMMUNITY SERVICE CHAIR



SOCIAL WEEKEND IN BOWRAL



OPERA 2019

This year's Opera in the Arboretum was a true example of how Rotarians embody Service Above Self, especially in difficult times.

The Opera Committee unfortunately found itself without its main organiser and founder, John Greenway. The committee had to come together and continue working without his supervision and at times without all the required information.

Thanks to all its members we were able to do so, and although incredibly saddened and shocked by John's passing we delivered another amazing event, appreciated by all, and encouraged by John's family.

Special thanks go to Vic Brown, for his amazing organising skills; Nick Wyatt, for sorting out the day – with plenty of work before and after the event; Maggie Payne and the Motes for selling the tickets and organising the raffle; John Regan for bringing so many sponsors and Vic (or Vittorio) Deeble for co-hosting the Opera. Of course, everyone contributed – so thanks to all the Rotary Club of Woy Woy for their efforts – they were appreciated by all those who were fortunate enough to be there, not only to enjoy our amazing artists but also to honour and celebrate the life of John Greenway.

Paola Liverani-Brooks

ACTING CHAIR, OPERA IN THE ARBORETUM 2019



ROSARIO LA SPINA **MILIJANA NIKOLIC** **CHRISTOPHER TONKIN** **ANTOINETTE HALLORAN**
PEARL BEACH
Opera
IN THE Arboretum
GUITAR GIUSEPPE ZANGARI
PIANO FRANCIS GREEP
CENTRAL COAST CHAMBER ORCHESTRA
CONDUCTOR PATRICK BRENNAN
SATURDAY
16 MARCH 2019
3.00 – 5.30 pm
VENUE
 Crommelin Native Arboretum,
 Pearl Beach, Central Coast NSW
TICKETS
 Adult: \$70.00 / Senior: \$67.00
 10 or more tickets: \$63.00 each
 High school student: \$36.00
 Primary school student: Free
BYO
 Picnic, rug and chairs
BOOKINGS
 TEL (02) 4342 8183
 TEL (02) 4342 3593
 TEL (02) 4341 6004
 www.opera.pearl-beach.com
 This is a non-smoking venue
 Presented by **Rotary Club of Woy Woy Inc**



Projects

Service projects are at the heart of any Rotary Club and Rotary Club of Woy Woy is no exception. Our service projects give us all the opportunity to serve. Our club continues to be very active over all avenues of service.

Opera in the Arboretum continues to be our signature project. For over 14 years, PP John Greenway has been the man behind this incredibly successful event. John acquired the talents of top Australian and international stars to entertain audiences in his local community at Pearl Beach. Sadly, John passed away after a bicycle accident and the Club had to rally to put on the event without its founder. John was the inspiration behind our annual fundraising event. Opera in the Arboretum will be a lasting tribute to a committed humanitarian who gave so much of his time to help others.

Rotary International gave us a new and powerful vision statement to guide us as we serve as Rotarians, “Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change — across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.”

During the last year we have demonstrated through our many service projects how we unite to “Do good in the world”. Our club greatly supports our wonderful local community. We live in such a beautiful part of Australia and through many of our local service projects we support, respect, entertain and educate people in our local area. We have spread our wings and several of our members are actively involved in International service projects. At the forefront is our work in Uganda.

As the Service Projects Director it has been a hugely rewarding year to be a part of an active club with passionate members.

Sue O’Neill

SERVICE PROJECTS DIRECTOR



Public Image

This year we continued our activities in social media and had significant success with our Facebook page. Our club now has a strong following with 718 ‘likes’. We recorded our highest audience reaches for posts related to Opera in the Arboretum and our Garage Sale fundraiser.

During the year we were entertained and informed on a wide range of topics covered by speakers at our club meetings. We continued to promote ourselves to the hard copy public media, by submitting weekly articles for inclusion in our local newspaper, Peninsula News, and on average were successful in achieving an article published in every edition. In one edition alone, we even managed to have five articles published.

During the year we had a presentation from PDG Gina Growden on the topic of Public Image, which was well received by the club members and encouraged us to maintain the corporate RI image in all our publications.

A weekly newsletter, The Pinion, was published and circulated to club members and to some one hundred members of the local community.

I thank Joan Redmond for her invaluable assistance with social media. I also thank Sue Tee and Peter Mote for standing in when I was away and taking over the publication of the Pinion. Finally, I thank the Club members for their support that made the task more easy.

Vic Deeble

PUBLIC IMAGE DIRECTOR





This Rotary year has been a particularly difficult one for the Rotary Club of Woy Woy, for a variety of reasons. I would like to thank all the dedicated, hard working, loyal Woy Woy Rotarians that have followed the 4-Way Test and kept the Club running as smoothly as possible under the circumstances.

Vic Deeble has done a wonderful job on The Pinion each week. His talent at turning an ordinary article into a great story is second to none, and all the photos have made for interesting viewing. We have been fortunate to get quite a lot of our articles picked up from The Pinion and into the Peninsula News, so well done Vic. I had the opportunity to fill Vic's shoes recently when he had a well earned break overseas, and whilst I thoroughly enjoyed the challenge, there is definitely a challenge in the production of this to make it both interesting and informative. So thank you to all those who sent articles and photos as well.

Ted Crawley, Adrian Thurlow and Bill Cook rounded the second half of the year off with running the Sergeant at Arms fine sessions. Thank you to Ted, as the bulk of the work fell to him, but he is also up for a challenge, and extracted as much money from our members as possible. I believe he is having a wee rest from this job next year.

Vic Deeble and Bobby Redman picked up the Guest Speaker roster, and some terrific guest speakers came along to our weekly meetings. Never an easy task, to entice someone to come - for a free meal though - to speak to a group of anywhere between 15 and 35 on a topic that may or may not interest some of the members.

We had some of our own members talk about their life experiences and work, it is always interesting to find out a little more about members than you have time to discover on a Tuesday evening. Thank you to those who participated already and the rest of you who are on standby for next year!

A person's most useful **asset** is not a head full of knowledge, but a **heart** full of **love**, an ear ready to **listen** and a hand willing to **help** others.



Joan Redmond kept the Facebook page and website up to her usual excellent standard. I suggest you have a look at both of these if you have not done so for a while.

We are fortunate in that the Everglades and our club came to an agreement whereby we now order our meals from the Bistro. A few teething problems with the ordering and timing to begin with, but our members have got into the swing of things, and the kitchen and wait staff have been tremendous in keeping things running as smoothly as possible, for us and for them.

I wish Jan Steele all the best as the incoming Admin/Club Service Director, I know she will spend many an hour chasing members for rsvps, numbers and reminding members what is on and when.

Congratulations to President Russel on steering the Club through to the end of a successful year. It has been a pleasure to be a part of your Board.

[Susan Tee](#)

CLUB ADMIN DIRECTOR / PUBLIC OFFICER

MELBOURNE CUP TRIFECTA



Our club has been very active again this year in the area of Youth with involvement in RYPEN, MUNA, INTERACT and RYDA, as well as supporting community projects like Graffiti removal, with students from Penrith Selective High School.

We had another successful year with Interact at our local school, Brisbane Water Secondary College, the Club growing every week, with students creating their own projects and doing a fantastic job raising funds for Divine Mercy Primary School in Uganda as well as supporting local charities like Mary Macs.

Our RYPEN (Rotary Youth Performance of Enrichment) attendees this year were members of Interact and had a wonderful experience, taking away confidence and a true sense of team work. RYPEN is described as 'a weekend residential experience for youth aged 14-16 years designed to develop skills that will assist them in the transition to adulthood.'

A big thank you to all the Club members who have supported Youth by attending and helping at many events. Also a special thanks to Annette Karton for her support and involvement with all things Youth.

We are looking forward next year to participating in the above events as well as RYLA, Paint for Freedom, Central Coast Secondary Schools Mentoring and to reigniting the Youth Exchange program.

Steve Weston
YOUTH SERVICE CHAIR



GRAFFITI REMOVAL





UGANDA

RAWCS Project 24/2011-12 - Project Mgr Sue O'Neill

A year of planning delivered a well run 3-day Medical Outreach in Buwampa on 14-16 June 2018 which saw 4,002 people in this poor, remote community receive free healthcare services. We are grateful to the medical team that volunteered their time and for assistance from members of the Rotary Clubs of Njeru and Jinja and the community. A video of this event is on our website.

In July, an 85 meter bore was drilled to pump water from Lake Victoria to Divine Mercy Primary School. In December, Sue attended the school's first Graduation Day. By February numbers had swelled to 480 students who now have the opportunity to receive an education. It is due to Sue's dedication to education and community empowerment that has led to new hope and a bright future for the children of Buwampa.

Pure Joy Women Empowerment Uganda

RAWCS Project 91/2017-18

Project Mgr Joan Redmond - Deputy Mgr Di Schwarzl

Pure Joy helps disadvantaged women to gain skills and the confidence to move their lives forward. The project has been operating for 2.5 years and is growing steadily.

Pure Joy supported the Medical Outreach by giving health information sessions and distributing 225 free sanitary kits to encourage women to attend the family planning clinic. They also catered for the medical team, and supported Divine Mercy PS by making uniforms and graduation gowns and catering at Graduation Day - a good example of two projects working together.

Pure Joy craft products continue to be very popular - people love the unique African designs. Products were displayed at Cafe DMR Deepwater Plaza, Empire Bay Fair and at the District 9685 Conference in March. In June, Di and I presented Pure Joy at Rotary Padstow.



RYLA attendees were delighted with their Pure Joy compendiums and RYPEN Winter Camp attendees appreciated their A4 conference bags, made on my visit to the project in March when I held training sessions over 10 days. We also made 12/24 bags, lined zipped purses, which are sold to raise funds to make sanitary kits (12 represents AUS\$12, the cost of a full kit - 24 the months the kit should last).

It was truly heart-warming to be there to congratulate 5 women who graduated and received a Certificate of Attainment. Thanks go to trainer Helen and supervisor Suzanne for hugely improving the standard of tailoring and to Grace and Okello (Co-Founders) for ensuring Pure Joy continues to survive and thrive.

Better together ... our club matched a generous donation from the Rotary Club of Traralgon Centre in Victoria to purchase an industrial overlocker (*pictured above right*).

PHILIPPINES

Bagong Barrio Student program - we provide school fee funding for a student from a poor area and during the year we receive progress reports and letters.

NEPAL

Members supported a raffle for the Didi Foundation that runs programs for disadvantaged women.

I thank our club for its continued support of the project. I'm indebted to Sue O'Neill for her personal mentorship and her support of Pure Joy and I wish her every success and happiness in her future endeavours. Thanks also goes to the Pink Umbrella Foundation, Rotary Padstow, Ted Crawley, all who have donated or purchased products and, last but not least, Di for her solid support.

For all the latest news and to help spread the joy, take a look and 'like' and share our Pure Joy Facebook page.

Joan Redmond

INTERNATIONAL CHAIR





Many of the Aims and Objectives of Vocational Service were met this Rotary year, and I thank my predecessors Bobby Redman and Marylyn Whitwell for their efforts.

Aims / Objectives

- Identify individuals whose exemplary contributions to their chosen vocations are worthy of public acknowledgement and present them with the Pride of Workmanship Awards
- Member talks at meetings on a subject of their own choosing such as vocation, holiday, hobbies, special interest, etc
- Integrate the 4-way test into meetings to highlight its importance
- Implement vocational service activities and visits

Vocational visits

Vocational visits included an interesting trip to Fairhaven for lunch followed by a tour of their facilities. In January we visited Marine Rescue Central Coast at Point Clare. What an afternoon and night it was, with a terrific attendance by club members. The visit consisted of a really great meal at their facility with some innovative dishes. This was preceded by a talk at the "radio shack" control centre and a close "on board" look at the newest boat. Actually a boat might be too small a description. It was quite a large vessel.

Pride of Workmanship Awards

Our annual Pride of Workmanship Awards Night recognised 4 recipients, all equally deserving and each one from a different area of activity as well as a diverse age range from the young to the very experienced. We gave 2 Pride of Workmanship Awards, 1 Apprentice Award and 1 Community Service Award. What a great night it was too.

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INTERNATIONAL	Joan Redmond
	Di Schwarzl
VOCATION	Barry Freeman
YOUTH	Steve Weston

All in all, we have had another very interesting and informative year on the Vocational side of our club and we look forward to a new year of great work and interest in Vocation.

Barry Freeman

VOCATIONAL SERVICE CHAIR

Pride of Workmanship Awards 2019 l/r: Bobby Redman, Vocational Chair (part year), Priya Johnson - Nathan's Cutting Shop, Suzanne Packer - TAFE, Robert Godfrey - Brisbane Waters Private Hospital, Madeleine McDonald - Seaspray Fine Jewellery, Claudia Uribe - Integrated Living Australia and Acting Pres. Dr Vic Deeble

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