



# BRICKTOBER

## ASCOT ROTARY - HOME OF BRICKTOBER

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### Dates to remember in March

19 March: 5.30 pm—Satellite Club Meeting  
26 March: Breakfast Club Meeting

### DATES TO REMEMBER IN APRIL

2 April —Breakfast meeting  
8 April—Board Meeting  
13 April—Rotary Day of Action  
14—19 April—AGFR Tournament, Busselton  
16 April —Satellite meeting  
23 April —Breakfast meeting

### BIRTHDAYS IN MARCH

Ros McLernon	March 3
Ron Alexander	March 9
Jeanne Motteram	March 17

### YEARS IN ROTARY

Kelly Hanson	2 years	24 March
Stewart Bermann	2 years	24 March
Donna Stephenson	2 years	24 March
Robyn Metcalf	2 years	24 March

### PARTNER'S BIRTHDAYS—MARCH

Sue Richardson	March 16
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### ANNIVERSARIES

None

### PUT APRIL 13 IN YOUR DIARY

April 13 is our district's Rotary Action Day  
There will be a variety of things happening throughout the day with a fundraising dinner in the evening.  
More details to follow—but consider the dinner—funds raised will go towards The Rotary Foundation

### DID YOU KNOW:

RI has a channel on YouTube—check it out and see what is on offer: <https://www.youtube.com/user/>

**We are:**

## PEOPLE OF ACTION

Let the Board know of your ideas for increasing our membership.

### ROTARY THEME FOR MARCH:

**Water and Sanitation**  
**MONTH**

### WANT TO PAY YOUR MEETING COSTS AS A LUMP SUM?

If you prefer to do a bank transfer into our club account, instead of paying \$5 each week—there are 7 meetings left in the year: \$35

◇ Club account: 036-078 494404

Please let Jodie know you have done that so she doesn't hound you for more.



The Satellite Club is asking for assistance to help staff the gates at the Belmont Rotarmart for these dates: March 17—(2 people still needed); March 24; April 7 and April 28. It is at the Belmont Shopping Centre from 6.30 am until 10.30 am.

If anyone can help on any of the dates, please contact Stewart, using the satellite club's email address: [ascotsatelliterotary@gmail.com](mailto:ascotsatelliterotary@gmail.com)

### AGFR UPDATE

#### Australian Golfing Fellowship of Rotarians

Planning is going ahead, if you know of anyone who might be interested in joining in as a golfer—get them to apply quickly as there are still a few spaces available.

If you know of a group or organisation that might be interested in helping to sponsor the event—let Mike know—remember we want to raise as much as we can to help get a new van for OzHarvest.

Mike let us know that Gren Courtland is hoping to attend some of the AGFR golf tournament events. Great to hear that he is able to be out and about.

### ROTARY DAY OF ACTION

**APRIL 13**

Want to join the walk? Please register so they know how many will be coming:

<https://www.liftthelidwalk.com.au/maylands>

If you can't or don't want to walk, but would like to help out during the walk, please contact Warwick Smith from ARHWA (Australian Rotary Health WA) at [ARHWAteam@gmail.com](mailto:ARHWAteam@gmail.com)

Want to go to the Dinner to raise funds for The Rotary Foundation? <https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1184898>? At The Rise, Maylands, 6.30 pm. \$55 per head for 2 course meal. Cash bar also available.

All funds raised on the night will be donated to The Rotary Foundation.

### PUT THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY:

**June 30—lunchtime**

We are planning on holding our Handover on this date. Watch this space for more information as details become clarified.

### Polio Update from Hugh:

From 1 January—5 March this year there have been no reported confirmed cases of the wild poliovirus anywhere in the world.

However: that is not to say we have finished the job. We still have work to do; particularly as we are seeing what they call "circulating vaccine derived polio" occurring in parts of the world. This has led to research into a new polio vaccine (Novel Oral Polio Vaccination Type 2) which has been found to reduce the number of cases with the circulating vaccine derived polio.

Making sure that sufficient numbers of people are immunized will assist in keeping occurrences low.

Well done Rotary.



If you can't make the meeting, can you please send apologies either to President Dianne or Attendance Officer Jodie prior to the meeting.

## INTERNATIONAL TOAST—THE LETTER ‘F’

This week we toasted the Rotary Club of Faversham. I picked this place because I know someone who lives in Faversham. The Rotary Club was chartered in 1948 and meets on Tuesday evenings at the Faversham Golf Club, in Belmont Park. Their first meeting each month focuses on committee meetings.

Their President, Doug Rogers, has happily inducted 4 new members recently.

Today their club is hosting a Music Quiz in aid of “Mary’s Meals” a charity dedicated to providing meals for children who live in the poorest countries—to encourage children to go to school, and giving them the energy and focus to learn and hope for a better future.

In May they will be hosting a Family bike Ride—to raise funds for charity.

In the lead up to Christmas they held a number of Christmas Carol Float nights which raised over 5000.00 pounds.

They have formal links with several Rotary Clubs in Europe and keep in touch through collaborating on projects, or having weekends for joint fellowship each year. Sometimes all clubs are involved.

### MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID WORKSHOP

We are going to go ahead with this workshop, but have decided at our meeting to defer it until after the new Rotary year as we have a lot happening at the moment.

### ROTARY COMMUNITY GROUPS:

Jodie and I both attended the zoom meeting for our Community Group. There are 17 clubs in our group and most were in attendance.

The focus of the meeting was to consider how we can work together; what we want from the Community Group Leader who will be elected from volunteers within our 17 clubs.

If you think you would like to take on this role, watch this space for how to apply. Or read the email you may have received from Rotary Zone 8 Pilot Team.

### Members in our Community Group:

Ascot	Ascot Satellite
Armada	Belmont
Belmont Rotaract	Byford and Districts
Canning River	Gosnells
Kalamunda	Maylands (previously Beaufort)
Midland Swan Valley	Morley
Mundaring	Southern Districts
Swan Districts	Swan Rotaract

### TAKING ACTION IN THE CITY OF BELMONT

I have regularly mentioned that we need to do more within the city of Belmont to raise our profile. We are now taking action on that. At our board meeting we agreed to go ahead with the opportunity to use Lego in a way where we can engage various members of the Belmont community in play and an opportunity to meet and chat with others.

We will have some Lego available in the coming days, and we will discuss the possible locations where Lego can be played. If you know of a senior citizens group or an aged care facility within the city of Belmont where we can start—let me know and we can get going.

We will be asking members and friends to help us run the sessions so watch this space, or let me know if you want to be a volunteer.



### Who is doing what

**on 26 March**

**On Welcoming:** Alan Thomson

**Host Chair:** Hugh Langridge

**Guest Speaker:** tbc

**Rotary Toast:** (Letter G) Peter Richardson

## WHO IS DOING WHAT THIS YEAR:

### Board members:

President: Dianne Reed

Secretary/President Elect: Jodie Sparks

Treasurer: Mike Bermann

Foundation/Executive Secretary: Hugh Langridge

Vice President: Alan Thomson

Club Wellness: Ros McLernon

Projects Chair: Kerry Smith

### Supported by:

Stewart Bermann: Satellite Club Chairman

Peter Richardson: Family Day Out Champion

Gerry McLernon: Youth Activities

Jodie/Dianne: PR/Media/Bulletin

Dianne: Bricktober Chair and Play Tubs Coordinator

Mike: Bricktober Operations Manager

## CLUB CONTACT DETAILS

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### Facebook Pages:

**Ascot:** <https://www.facebook.com/AscotRotary>

**Ascot Satellite:** <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100081775278820>

**Bricktober:** <https://www.facebook.com/PerthBricktober>

**Ascot Webpage:** <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/7992/Page/ShowHomePage>

**Bricktober webpage:** <https://www.bricktober.info/about/>



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in the WORLD**

## ROTARY FOUNDATION CENTURION PROGRAMME



The Centurion Programme is an easy way for us to make a contribution to the Rotary Foundation. All contributions we make count towards our club's Annual Giving total.

All funds are used to support projects that fit under the umbrella of Areas of Focus—there are no admin fees. Fifty percent of the funds come back to our District to be used to support our District Grants. Your donation accrues Paul Harris Fellow points, and is tax deductible.

It is only \$100 AUD for the year.

- Our club has aimed to have all members be a Centurion— if you can afford it.
- Deposits can be made into our club account any time, please make sure you include your name and Centurian donation on the deposit.

Hugh will be sending out a reminder in about March so we can get the paperwork done before the end of the Rotary year.

## EVENTS REMEMBERED IN MARCH

1475 Michelangelo was born

1781—13 states became USA

1847—Alexander Graham Bell was born

1880—The Salvation Army was founded in USA

1904—Glenn Miller was born

1918—world impacted by Spanish flu which eventually killed 22 million by 1920

1961—President JF Kennedy established the Peace Corps, sending young US volunteers to help with health care, education and other basic needs in developing countries.

There are more but I chose these from them all.

Take a moment to check out both of these websites:

Ascot Rotary Club: <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/7992/Page/ShowHomePage>

Rotary International: <https://www.rotary.org/en>