

CLUB BULLETIN



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ASCOT ROTARY: [Home of Bricktober](#)

FOCUS FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY:

VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Vocational service is about focusing on ethical business, recognising job worth, and using professional skills for community good. Ideas like career mentoring, vocational awards, skill-building workshops and promoting integrity are options to use to get involved in vocational service.

Clubs can explore “building a better world” through vocation, “Service Above Self” in professions, or local vocational needs.

Can't make it to our meeting?

Send apologies to Attendance Officer, Mike B prior to the meeting please.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR

JANUARY 2026

26 January: Annual Australia Day Breakfast—Adachi Park, Belmont. Breakfast and Satellite club members welcome

27 January: No meeting

FEBRUARY

February: Board meeting tbc

10 February: Breakfast meeting

17 February: Satellite meeting

24 February: Breakfast meeting



SNIPPETS FROM THIS WEEK'S MEETING

INTERNATIONAL TOAST

Ron was our Toast master this morning. He let us know that Brian Poole (past member) is unwell and currently in hospital. We wish him all the very best.

He let us know that some years ago they did a trip to Scandinavia and the UK together and so it got him thinking about places there.

Ron's toast today is for the [Rotary Club of Oldmeldrum](#) in Scotland. Their President is Mary Watt, and VP is David McClelland. They meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 6.15 pm. The location for their meetings is Redgarth Hotel in Aberdeenshire.

Oldmeldrum is an historic market town about 18 miles north west of Aberdeen. It is well known for its barley growing, the distillery (Glen Garioch—founded in 1797) and they host Highland Games.

The club undertakes projects in a number of areas—locally they hold youth competitions for musicians, photographers, as well as running quiz nights. They also plant trees and support children with special needs. Globally they have supported the End Polio Now campaign, as well as providing support to Ukraine. Annually they donate 2000 Pounds to each of 12 local charities.



Do you have ideas for a great guest speaker?

Let Ros know please so she can finalise our speakers list for the year.

The best preparation for tomorrow is to do your best today.

From President Jodie:

RAWCS has set up an appeal to support those impacted by the Bondi Tragedy, as well as for those who are also impacted by the bushfires in the east. Donations are encouraged.

RYLA Dinner—Serpentine—14th January

Camp Opportunity Dinner and Bingo — Bicton—15 January

Jodie attended the opening of Camp Opportunity—there are 19 campers and 11 buddies.

From Treasurer Mike:

Profits from Bricktober have been disbursed as per Board's instructions:

Two projects happening in Timor. They've had a lot of rain so it is taking longer to get supplies in place for building to occur.

From Kerry

Rules around our Indigenous scholarship have changed, but we will continue to provide support within the new guidelines.

From Ros

Instead of our next meeting, we will be having our annual BBQ—family and friends welcome. Just let us know how many are coming so catering can be adjusted accordingly.

Wine Raffle

Winner this morning was Pete. Enjoy.

WHO IS DOING WHAT AT OUR NEXT MEETING:

10 February

Host Chair: Kerry Smith

Guest Speaker: tbc

International toast: Letter P—Gerry McLernon

24 February

Host Chair:

Guest Speaker

International Toast: Letter Q

AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST

Monday 26 January

7.30 am at Adachi Park, Great Eastern Highway, Belmont

\$15 per person

Includes bacon and egg burger, juice, muffins, fruit

BYO Chairs and a hot drink if you want one.

RSVP by 22 January

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To: ascotrotarywa@gmail.com or 0412 329 859



You can pay the funds into the club account: 036-078 494404

OUR GUEST SPEAKER THIS MORNING

WAS ANTHEA FROM

LITTLE THINGS FOR TINY TOTS



Some ideas regarding how we might be able to help came from listening to Anthea:

- Source some new or second hand books that are in good condition for young children
- Help out at their Christmas wrapping events later in the year
- Source items for toilet bags for Mums
- Being involved in an event to help sort and pack items with them

These and more ideas could be discussed further.

OUR GUEST SPEAKER THIS MORNING: ANTHEA FROM LITTLE THINGS FOR TINY TOTS

Anthea, who is the Vic Chair of the organisation, says they are all about giving babies a better start to life by supplying essential items to families in need. This is their 10th year of doing just that. Their recently released report for 24/25 indicated that they had assisted over 7,000 families in need, and handed over almost \$2m worth of goods. Their statistics indicate that one child in 6 in WA are within the poverty zone. That is over 107,000 children.

Their target group for this year is with some 20,000 families with babies and to be able to do this they rely heavily on donations of goods, money and time. They are currently in talks with the City of Stirling to see if they can increase the size of storage space they currently have to be able to receive and store goods until they are needed.

They were delighted with the donation they received from the Royal Perth Golf Club as it doubled the funding for the Mums and Bubs programme. They are hoping to provide toiletry bags to new Mums in their One Mother to Another programme so that Mum's on Mother's Day can receive something for themselves, not just for their babies. According to their research a major cause of hospitalisation is poor hygiene and infection and they are hoping to reduce those numbers.

They would love to put a book into every box of goodies they send out so they will be having a book drive later this year to get that going.

They work with a number of agencies in any way they can to help support families in need, and help develop trust in those agencies who are supporting families. It is their belief that there is a huge gap in this kind of support.

She was delighted that we were offering them a gift of \$1000 to help with their resourcing issues as currently their resourcing doesn't stretch far enough.

Check out their [Facebook page](#) if you want to know more.

RYLA DINNER 2026

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE ANOTHER YEAR OF THE
RYLA PROGRAM WITH OUR 2026 PARTICIPANTS.

14 JANUARY 2026

5:30PM ARRIVAL, FOR 6:00PM DINNER

**SERPENTINE
CAMPING CENTRE**
22 TRANSIT ROAD, JARRAHDALE
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RSVP BY 5 JANUARY 2026
SCAN THE QR CODE OR VISIT:
www.trybooking.com/DHYDU



If you want to go to the RYLA Dinner on 14 January, please use the QR code to book in.



Rotary
Western Australia



JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF FUN,
FELLOWSHIP AND...

WESTERN BINGO!



This year we are changing things up!

Our usual Camp Opportunity Rotary Dinner is turning into a
Western BINGO night!

Come along, play some bingo, and get to know the campers and
buddies in a low social pressure environment!



THURS. 15 JAN 2026



Point Walter Recreation Centre

1 Stock Road, Bicton

BOOK AND PAY
THROUGH THE QR CODE



DINNER FROM 5.15PM - \$35
Dinner and 2 Games of BINGO

OR join us after dinner for
BINGO FROM 7PM - 9PM - \$15
2 Games of BINGO



DRESS UP IS
ENCOURAGED
BUT NOT
REQUIRED

If you are interested in going, please use the QR code to book in.

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD IN TAIPEI THIS YEAR—WHO'S GOING?

