



ASCOT ROTARY - HOME OF BRICKTOBER

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THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER IS WORLD POLIO DAY

Rotary has been working to eradicate polio for over 35 years. Polio attacks the nervous system and most commonly affects children under the age of 5.

We have reduced polio cases by 99.9% since 1979, when 6 million children were vaccinated in the Philippines. In 1988 there were estimated to be about 350,000 polio cases in 125 countries, since then work has reduced that to only a few cases in two countries.

Rotarians have contributed more than \$2.1 billion and many volunteer hours to combat this disease.

CALENDAR—DATES TO REMEMBER

- 5 November—Melbourne Cup lunch \$96 per person
- 8 November—PP Mark Maloney is in town for a Foundation Dinner 6.45 pm \$100 per head
- 12 November—Breakfast meeting
- 14 November—Invite to meet Cassie Rowe at Parliament with Welshpool and Belmont Clubs
- 19 November—Satellite Club meeting
- 24 November—Jacaranda Festival—helpers please to assist Applecross Club
- 26 November—Breakfast—meeting—AGM/possible Board meeting
- 8 December (3 pm—7 pm) assisting at sausage sizzle at Ascot Racecourse with Welshpool club
- 10 December—Christmas Breakfast meeting

Club Dues are now Due

Well done, we are all paid up.

2025 Dates:

- 21-23 March 2025—District Conference
- June 2025—International Conference— Calgary

WHO IS DOING WHAT AT THE NEXT MEETING

Date: 12 November

International Toast: Hugh Langridge—T

Chair: Jodie

To be confirmed if a Board meeting

WHO IS DOING WHAT AT THE MEETING AFTER

Date: 26 November: AGM/Board meeting

International Toast: Letter U— Gerry McLernon

Chair: Jodie and Hugh

WHO IS DOING WHAT THIS YEAR:

Board members:

President: Jodie Sparks

Secretary: Di Reed

Treasurer/President Elect: Mike Bermann

Foundation/Executive Secretary: Hugh Langridge

Vice President: Di Reed

Club Wellness: Ros McLernon

Projects Chair: Kerry Smith

Supported by:

Chris Merton: Satellite Club Chairman

Ron Alexander: Youth Activities

Jodie/Dianne: PR/Media/Bulletin

Dianne: Play Tubs Coordinator

Jodie: Bricktober Chair

Mike: Bricktober Operations Manager

WANT TO PAY YOUR MEETING COSTS AS A LUMP SUM?

Watch this space to see how many meetings we will have this Rotary year—so you can decide to pay up front or on a meeting by meeting basis.

There are 15 possible meetings so you could pay \$75 and not have to worry about bringing \$5 each week.

◇ Club account: 036-078 494404

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



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>

Websites:

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

Bricktober webpage: <https://www.bricktober.au/>

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 aim is 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.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES THIS MONTH

OCTOBER

BIRTHDAYS

Kerry Smith 5 October

PARTNER BIRTHDAYS

Karon Langridge 24 October

ANNIVERSARIES

Hugh and Karon Langridge 48 years 9 October

JACARANDA FESTIVAL WILL BE HERE SOON

As Applecross Rotary Club supported us at Bricktober, we want to reciprocate and help them at Jacaranda Festival as we have done in the past.

Check your diaries and mark Sunday 24 November as a day, half a day where you can help. We have one gate to control between 8.30 am and 3.30 pm. We need 4 people at a time.

If you can help please add yourself to the roster or let Jodie know if and when you can assist: <https://bit.ly/4elzISF>



MARK YOUR DIARIES

Melbourne Cup Luncheon **Tuesday 5 November**

Tickets \$96 per person

Commencing at 11.00 am with drinks and canapes on arrival.

See Ros if you are interested in going.

MARK YOUR DIARIES

Dinner with Trustee Chair PRIP Mark Maloney

Friday 8 November at 6.45 pm

\$100.00 per head. [Bookings essential](#)

Register by 31 October 2024

MARK YOUR DIARIES

We've been offered the opportunity to cook a Sausage Sizzle for the WA Police Social Club

Christmas Party

Sunday 8 December 2024

3pm—7pm

Ascot Racecourse

More details to follow

Thanks to polio vaccines,
20 million people can walk today, and 1.5 million lives have been saved —

A polio-free world is within our reach.



Rotary
Club of Port Perry

**END
POLIO
NOW**

FROM THIS MORNING'S MEETING

OUR INTERNATIONAL TOAST THIS WEEK:

"The" Nepean Rotary Club

As the person designated to do our "T" toast was an apology, Pete kindly stepped in and created a new name for the Nepean Rotary Club.

They meet on Fridays for breakfast in Penrith, NSW and are very busy with a number of projects, including "Get a Duck" fundraiser along the whitewater rafting course; and bringing young people into the city from the country for about a week so they experience life in the city. Thanks Pete for stepping in and keeping us informed about what another club is doing.



WINNERS ARE GRINNERS

Just like last meeting—the person who was asked to pick the winning card—picked their own card! Congratulations Jessica. Enjoy your winnings.

I wonder if we can do it again?



WE LOVE DOING THIS

This morning we had the privilege of handing out 2 tubs of Lego bricks (over 16,000 bricks) to Jessica from Floreat Park Primary School.

She was delighted to receive them and is going to put them to good use with her students.



BRICKTOBER HAS BEEN AND GONE

A big thank you to everyone who helped support our amazing weekend.

What an amazing weekend, with a profit of over \$70,000. This is what we do with some of our profits—we buy Lego so others can 'play well'. Our club loves this even more than the weekend.



WELL DONE ASCOT ROTARY

With some more of the profits from Bricktober going towards ending Polio around the world, we were delighted to receive this banner from our District—saying we were the Number 2 Club in the District for contributing funds to The Rotary Foundation—and we designated those funds to Ending Polio around the world. We are almost there.



OUR GUEST SPEAKER THIS MORNING WAS CLUB MEMBER KERRY

Kerry joined our club about 18 months ago and so we were all keen to find out what her life story was all about. Now we know . . .

Kerry . . .

Was born in Wagga Wagga

Learned to swim in the Murrumbidge River

Has two younger brothers

Played in the Botanic gardens which were near home

Was a born teacher as she practiced her teaching skills on her 2 brothers

Was one of many to see the changeover from pounds, shillings and pence to decimal currency

Was the first Junior Mayor of Wagga Wagga

Enjoyed sports —enjoying swimming, netball, hockey, kayaking and dragon boat racing.

Once did a 180o turn in a single lane in her Mini which had a Cooper S gearbox

Spent time in Albury as a teacher, Principal and consultant with her own business

Loves to travel, sing and play the ukelele

Has 3 daughters—who at various times in their lives moved to Western Australia so Kerry decided to take the leap too

Now has 6 grandchildren who keep her very busy—so much so that she doesn't have time for the ukelele any more.

Does have time to sing in a choir now that she is settled in Perth.



I hope I captured the essence of her talk this morning. Thank you Kerry. As Hugh said, “we love hearing about ‘the life and times’ of our members”. ED.

**Roma said to
say hello**



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:

Just 2 drops—makes the world of difference

END POLIO NOW