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ASCOT ROTARY CLUB BULLETIN: 2023-2024: Volume 55, Number 14: 27 February 2024

Dates to remember in March

11 March: Board Meeting
12 March: Breakfast club meeting
19 March: 5.30 pm—Satellite Club Meeting
26 March: Breakfast Club Meeting

DATES TO REMEMBER IN APRIL

2 April —Breakfast meeting
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

Find someone to talk to about Rotary, bring them to breakfast and introduce them.

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 8 meetings left in the year: \$40

◇ 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 3 (1 person still needed); 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

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.

FOUNDATION GRANT SEMINAR

To be eligible for a club to access grants, someone from the club must have attended the recently held seminar. I am please to report that we had several members of the club attend, so we are now in the box seat for asking for more grant money for next year.

OUR CLUB CELEBRATES 55 YEARS YOUNG

Roma wanted to be part of our celebrations today, but she had covid so decided to stay away, but did send her best wishes.

Here are some snippets from the very first year's Bulletins from 1969:

- Our club was located in District 245
- Membership that first year was 28
- Norm Bell was announced as the incoming DGN for 1970-71
- Gren Courtland was Community Services Director
- Widge Wyatt was the first Club President
- Norm Bell and Duggan Anderson were the programme coordinators that year.
- The annual subscription for the Bulletin was 20c
- They met weekly at lunchtimes at the Rendezvous Room, Rivervale Hotel.
- Half yearly subs were \$10.00
- They enjoyed a number of guest speakers at their meetings
- The annual conference was held in March and opened by Gough Whitlam MP
- At one meeting in May they had 22 visitors attend
- Some 317 Rotarians and guests attended the Charter Night which was held at the Subiaco Civic Centre—formal attire requested.



DISTRICT BUDGET

The District's proposed budget was raised and discussed at the meeting. Some questions were raised by Jodie was able to help us make light of the situation.

All present were happy for Jodie to vote for the Budget to be ratified at the PETs Seminar. District dues are likely to be similar to last year.

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

BIRTHDAY MEMORIES

Members present were asked to reminisce about one thing that was a great memory for them during their time with our Club.

Ron: started his Rotary association whilst in Cunderdin. When he moved to Scarborough he was approached by none other than Hugh Langridge to join our club—despite Ron living in Scarborough! His highlight is the work we have done due to Sue's visit to Bakhita on a scholarship to investigate vaccinations there. She visited there 9 times. He also has enjoyed hosting exchange students and continues to be in touch with a number of them.

Peter—he couldn't stop at one so mentioned the rotary exchange programme, the GSE programmes as well as some trips he has no doubt been involved in organizing—namely the Birthday Mystery Tour one year; as well as the Winocerus bus trip to Busselton for a wine tasting weekend.

Hugh—his greatest memories revolved around the people he has met and the fellowship he has been involved in as a member of our club.

Ros—recalled the early days when women were just starting to become members back in the 1990s. There were some hilarious times as some of the men adjusted to having women in the club.

Mike—recalled Norm Bell bringing some day old chicks in so he could show how he 'sexed' them. He also recalled his involvement at the District level of the Group Study Exchange; as well as his involvement in the Australian Golfing Federation of Rotarians. The fellowship is key, and the opportunity to give back to the community is important too.

Jodie—moved through Rotaract to become a Rotarian. She has a great memory of the mentoring and support provided by Rotarians throughout her journey. The Kids in the Kitchen was a fun project that she particularly recalls.

Gerry—like Jodie came to Rotary through Rotaract. He's learned lots, and met lots of wonderful people during that time.

I forgot to write down what I said—but I'm sure GSE would have featured, as well as the opportunity to go to the World Conferences. The fellowship and ability to 'do good' in our community is also a key feature for me.

LAST MEETING'S INTERNATIONAL TOAST—THE LETTER 'E'

Last week we toasted the Rotary Club of Edmonton in Canada, part of District 5370.

We got a lovely email back from them saying how wonderful it was to hear that we had 'toasted' them. Rod Karius, their president, was currently in Belize City (Central America) working with Belizean Rotarians to bring 'play' to schools in Belize. They also work on a literacy programme there.

Back in Edmonton their club focuses on the needs of the underprivileged people in the inner city, with a lunch programme being one of a number of projects they have on the go.

ROTARY COMMUNITY GROUPS:

Find out more about how this is going to happen, and what is going to happen. There will be a zoom meeting on 10 March
Registrations close on Wednesday 6 March so if you want to find out first hand what is going on, please use this link to register

...<https://www.trybooking.com/CPLCO>

The meeting will be on March 10, at 9.00 am Perth time.
Once you have registered, you will receive a link to the zoom session.

Who is doing what on 12 March

On Welcoming: Peter Richardson

Host Chair: Hugh Langridge

Guest Speaker: tbc

Rotary Toast: (Letter F) Di Reed

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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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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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>