



ROTARY CLUB OF ASCOT

Chartered 26 February 1969

District 9465

We meet at **Belmont Tavern**

174 Wright Street, **Cloverdale**, Western Australia, 6105

On **Tuesday's** at **7:00 am** for **7:30 am** start and finished by 8:30 am.



BOARD MEMBERS 2017-18

President: Ron Alexander
Vice Pres.: Mike Bermann
Pres. Elect: Aidan Wood
Secretary: Roma Gehringer
Treasurer: Joanna Kendall
Foundation: Hugh Langridge
Exec Secretary: Hugh Langridge

Membership: Michael Evans
Club Service: Peter Richardson
International: Mike Bermann
Youth: Marg Fraser
Vocational: Max Morrell
Community: Stephen Kendall
Public Relations: Christine Goss
Attendance: Gren Courtland

WEB LINKS:

Club website: www.ascotrotary.org.au

Club Facebook page:

www.facebook.com/AscotRotary

Bricktober website:

www.bricktober.info

Bricktober Facebook:

www.facebook.com/Bricktober.Perth

District 9465: <http://rotary9465.org.au>

Rotary International:

<https://www.rotary.org>

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What's happening at Ascot:

The
Rotary 
Club of ASCOT (Inc.)

NO MEETING NEXT TUESDAY MORNING 16 January
instead we are attending ...

HANDICAMP's Mad Hatter's Tea Party on
Tuesday evening at 6:30pm for 7:00pm start
at Point Walter Rec Centre. See more Page 4
and don't forget to wear your silliest hat!



RYLA BEACH PARTY at Serpentine Camping Centre at 6:00pm
on Wednesday evening 17 January. If you can't make it along to
Handicamp, why not go along and party at Rotary Youth
Leadership Award's annual camp dinner.

CLUB ELECTIONS: OUR CLUB needs your help and commitment.
Incoming Pres Aidan is looking for willing hands to take up the
Club's roles for 2018/2019. Please contact him asap as Elections
will be held on 23 January 2018.





italktravel - Midland

Dave Ahlhauser

Many of us remember Dave from his years at Jetset Belmont and it was wonderful to have him along this morning to give us an update on his involvement in the travel industry and a reminder of the importance of good travel advice and the reassurance of a good agent looking after all aspects of your travels. Bev introduced Dave as her “knight in shining armour” and I dare say he has helped her on many of her jaunts around the world to various Rotary Conventions.

Dave has about 25 years of travel experience under his belt, having started at Jetset Kwinana where he rose to assistant manager. After a brief stint in ticketing at head office, Dave checked out the best of their agencies and joined our past member Ronnie Malthouse at Jetset Belmont for 8 or 9 years. Dave then took some time out to explore other opportunities but returned to the industry with Ronnie at Midland and after a few years, a merger, a few name changes, he bought the agency from Ronnie and in a turn-around, he now laughs that she works for him. But he really knows better! He now operates the agency as a franchise under **italktravel Midland** and Ronnie has stayed on as General Manager.

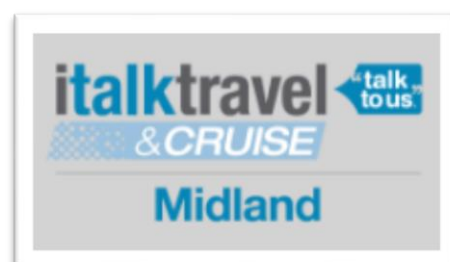
Dave said knowledge and experience count for everything when it comes to travel and they have over 100 years of experience at the agency and it's a great recommendation of the quality of their service as they go from strength to strength despite another six other travel agencies in Midland Gate alone and countless do-it-yourself websites at everyone's fingertips. But with so much information readily available online today, the internet can be a mindfield for the unwary.

Dave said it should be “Internet for looking – Travel Agent for Booking!” He warned that the internet is only as good as the user and it should be used as a guide only as many sites are full of reviews that are just paid advertisements and some sites are just plain fraudulent. Dave gave an example of one traveller who spent \$10,000 online but arrived to find no bookings had been made for him and it cost him another \$15,000 to rectify the problem. And other travellers often don't explore all the information on cheap flights for example, and don't realise they usually come with late flight times, many and long stopovers, poor connections and hidden costs.

Aside from finding the best holiday or travel arrangements possible for his clients, Dave said by going through an agent they have the added assurances that he is available 24/7 to help them through any unforeseen issues that might arise as he did for a group of 10 a few years ago when he helped them find a flight out of Lapland after they were caught up the volcanic ash cloud in Iceland that caused utter chaos for weeks.

Dave finished by reciting a little poem he wrote for us. Thankyou Dave. You'll find him and his lovely staff at **Shop 13 Midland Gate Shopping Centre, MIDLAND, WA, 6076** or on **(08) 9274 5866** or at **<https://www.italk.travel/midland>**

*Being a travel agent can be a thankless job
There are days when you have to grit your teeth and try not to sob
Your clients always saying they can get it cheaper on the net
That is until they've realised they failed to make the final check
They've misspelled a name or booked the wrong return date
It's now in the hands of what we call life's fate
We cannot touch a booking you've made through another source
For you should have come and seen us first, of course
So next time when you're searching on the worldwide net
Come to my travel agent and I'll be sure to make the final check*



PROGRAM 2017-2018 - CLUB ROSTER

Please note the following dates and advise Christine Goss of details of your Guest Speaker and Topic or advise promptly if the dates are unsuitable.

Date	Welcoming	Informer	Host Chair	Speaker and Topic
16 January 2018	HANDICAMP "Mad Hatters" DINNER		Handicamp Dinner Wear your best hat!	At Point Walter Recreation Centre
23 January 2018	Glenys Godfrey Joanna Kendall		Roma Gehringer	Club Elections and AGM
30 January 2018	NO BREAKFAST MEETING		SOCIAL EVENT	VENUE TBA
13 February 2018	Peter Richardson Bev Poor		Michael Evans	
20 February 2018	CLUB BIRTHDAY		SOCIAL MEETING	TBA
27 February 2018	Colin Peacock Mike Bermann		Hugh Langridge	
13 March 2018	Christine Goss Stephen Kendall		Dianne Reed	
20 March 2018	Michael Metcalf Aidan Wood		SOCIAL MEETING	VENUE TBA
27 March 2018	Hugh Langridge Michelle Kendall		Stephen Kendall	

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

14-20 January 2018	International Assembly – San Diego, California, USA
17 January 2018	Rotary Youth Leadership Award's Beach Party at 6:00pm at Serpentine Camping Centre
31 January 2018	Last day for "early bird" AGFR Golf Tournament Murray Bridge
23 February 2018	"Wear your Rotary Club Shirt" Day
16 - 18 March 2018	2017/2018 District Conference - Quality Inn, Margaret River
24-27 June 2018	Rotary International Convention, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

MEMBERS IN FOCUS

BIRTHDAYS:

Di Reed 14 January
Brian Poole 16 January
Gwen Evans 27 January

ROTARY ANNIVERSARIES:

Fred Rae 36 years 1 January 1982
Christine Goss 28 Years 1 January 1990



24-27 June 2018

Rotary International Convention
Toronto, Ontario, Canada



Michael was doing his best this morning to sell one of my favourites, Vancouver! Why not go to this year's Convention in Toronto, Canada and add a stopover there! ((



NOMINATIONS - FOR POSITIONS 2018-2019

Elections will be held on 23rd January 2018

Incoming President Aidan is seeking nominations to fill positions for next year. **Hands Up everyone!**

Briefly, here's what each position does ...

President: Preside over club and board meetings

Vice Pres.: Support and nurture President

Pres. Elect: President-in-training for 2019-2020

Secretary: Record correspondence and minutes

Treasurer: Manage club's funds, fees and payments

Foundation: The advocate for Foundation and its programs

Exec Secretary: Appointed position

Membership: Help club seek, educate and retain members

Club Service: Coordinate club's meetings and socials

International: Coordinate club's International projects

Youth: Coordinate club's Rotary youth projects

Vocational: Coordinates projects at local schools

Community: Coordinate club's projects in our community

Public Relations: Produce bulletins and update web pages

Attendance: Record attendance and collect fees



We invite you through the looking glass to enter the magical world that is Handicamp at the

2018 Handicamp Sloan Rotary Mad Hatters Dinner

Tuesday 16 January 2018
6.30 for 7pm

\$30 per person

Includes meal and soft drinks

Follow the White Rabbit to:
Point Walter Recreation Camp
1 Stock Road Bicton

Dress: Casual....but wear your best hat!

Handicamp is an alcohol and smoke free zone



Seats are limited - RSVP essential

RSVP with dietary requirements to:
handicamp@rotary9465.org.au
by 5 January 2018



In the Spotlight

January is VOCATIONAL SERVICE MONTH

Vocational Service is one of Rotary's Avenues of Service. It calls every Rotarian to:

- Aspire to high ethical standards in their occupation;
- Recognise the worthiness of all useful occupations, and;
- Contribute their vocational talents to the problems and needs of society.

Rotarians, clubs, and districts should implement the following strategies in their support of Vocational Service:

- Strengthen the emphasis on vocation and classification in new member recruitment and induction.
- Identify means of emphasising vocation in club activities.
- Create a stronger emphasis on business networking with integrity in Rotary at the club and district level.
- Focus more attention on business networking with integrity as a means of attracting and mentoring the new generation.
- Emphasise the connection between the Four Way Test and the Rotary Code of Conduct (formerly called: Declaration of Rotarians in Business and Professions) and their importance to the values of Rotary.

When professionals join a Rotary club, they do so as a representative of their classification – their particular business or profession. They have the dual responsibility of representing their vocation within the club and exemplifying the ideals of Rotary within the workplace.

One of the central goals of Vocational Service is to promote and advance Rotary's high ethical standards. Two useful tools Rotarians have to assess these standards are The Four-Way Test and The Rotary Code of Conduct.

CLUB BANK ACCOUNT:

BSB: 036-078 ACCOUNT NO: 494404

COMMUNITY BANK ACCOUNT:

BSB: 036-078 ACCOUNT NO: 494420

CHARITABLE TRUST ACCOUNT:

BSB: 036-046 ACCOUNT NO: 156996

DISTRICT GOVERNORS WHO HAVE COME FROM ASCOT ROTARY CLUB:

Norm Bell	1970 – 1971
Hugh Langridge	2004 – 2005
Paul Gianatti	2006 – 2007
Jodie Sparks	2011 – 2012