

ROTARY CLUB OF ASCOT

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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.



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

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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:



Social next Tuesday 20th February

NO FORMAL meeting next week but instead, a social breaky with a difference - come along for a load of FUN! Please meet at McDonalds on Abernethy Road, Belmont at 7:00am for 7:30am. It's our BIRTHDAY!

Timor Leste Fresh Water Project

Another load of tanks and pipes are heading up to Hatulia in Timor Leste's mountains to provide fresh, clean drinking water to the village and free up the local kids from fetching water so they can attend school. See photos Page 4

BRICKTOBER 2018 - 6 and 7 October 2018 at Curtin Stadium

Our major community and fundraising project is on again this year so please keep the dates free so that you can assist Ascot Rotary to make this an amazing event for everyone.

Many hands make light work!

Valentine's Day - Congratulations to Roma, the lucky recipient of our free raffle this morning. Don't forget to make your loved ones feel special tomorrow!





Helen O'Sullivan Seniors & Disability Engagement in the City of Belmont

This week's guest speaker not only gave us a look at some of the projects and programs being run by the City of Belmont to help seniors and those with disabilities to be more engaged and connected with their community but she also opened our eyes to the opportunities and resources they have that may help the Rotary Club of Ascot to fulfil our own goals and objectives.

Helen has worked at The City of Belmont for 18 months as their Seniors and Disability Engagement Officer, having previously worked in a similar role for the City of Wanneroo and earlier as a volunteer in Mozambique where she went in 1991 for a short term program but returned with a husband and two children – 16 years later!

She told us that as a local government the City is no longer about service delivery but more about finding where the gaps are in the Belmont community and locating those that fall through the cracks and then about finding ways to work with service providers and other groups like ours, to meet the community's needs. A recent consultation with seniors highlighted not only the usual issues of ACROD parking and concerns with safety and anti-social behaviour etc but also with loneliness and a need for more social interaction for the aged. Seniors also voiced their concerns about being left behind by technology with the shift to having to "go online" to do so much these days.

As a result, Helen told us Belmont will shortly commence a 10 week intergenerational program that they hope will bring together the skills of many generations. They will encourage older people to share their life stories with young people aged 16 to 35 which will help to give value to their lives and the stories their own families may no longer find interesting. As they were all young once themselves they also have many valuable life lessons to share. In turn, it is expected the younger members of the community will help them to preserve their stories in a beautiful booklet while they share their knowledge of, and help them with, new technology. Check out their **Sharing Stories and Skills - Across the Generations project** on Page 5.

Helen said to locate interested young volunteers Belmont put out a call on **facebook** and were surprised with the result which reaffirmed that there are many young people out there wanting to help. The City now has a Volunteers Program with more registered volunteers than places to fill.

Also, in order to ensure seniors and those with disabilities in the City are able to continue to actively participate in their community, feel respected, valued and engaged, the City has created several specific discussion groups. Their **Age Friendly Focus Group** and **Disability Access and Inclusion Focus Group** are forums to provide recommendations and discuss and receive feedback about ways to provide accessibility and inclusivity across a wide range of the community facilities and activities for the young and older members of Belmont, for those with disabilities, for indigenous peoples and those from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds.

Helen also mentioned the social network site **befriend** which brings together those looking to meet people, develop skills, volunteer or create a partnership in the local community. Check it out https://befriend.org.au/

Thankyou Helen for a most enlightening talk and we look forward to working with you and The City of Belmont.

For more info about the projects of the City of Belmont check out their website: http://www.belmont.wa.gov.au

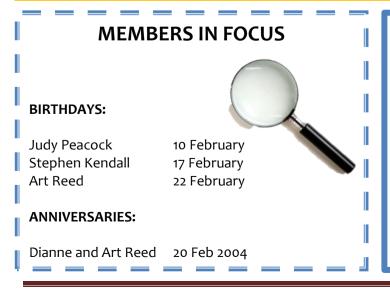
PROGRAM 2017-2018 - CLUB ROSTER

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
20 February 2018	CLUB BIRTHDAY		SOCIAL MEETING Club Birthday	Meet at McDonald's Abernethy Road
27 February 2018	Colin Peacock Mike Bermann		Hugh Langridge	Kero O'Shea and John Stockbridge Membership Development
13 March 2018	Christine Goss Stephen Kendall		Dianne Reed	ТВА
20 March 2018	Michael Metcalf Aidan Wood	PRO C	SOCIAL MEETING	Bentley Pine's Training Restaurant Bentley
27 March 2018	Hugh Langridge Michelle Kendall	Ø	Stephen Kendall	
10 April 2018	Dianne Reed Ros McLernon		Glenys Godfrey	
17 April 2018	Michael Evans Joanna Kendall		SOCIAL MEETING	ТВА
24 April 2018	Glenys Godfrey Bev Poor		Aidan Wood	
8 May 2018	Peter Richardson Colin Peacock		Ros McLernon	

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

23 February 2018	"Wear your Rotary Club Shirt" Day	
3 March 2018	50 th Anniversary Rotaract WA - Tomkins on Swan, Alfred Cove	
16 - 18 March 2018	2017/2018 District Conference - Quality Inn, Margaret River	
14-15 April 2018	President Elect Training Seminar	
6 May 2018	Club Officer Training – Metro	
23-27 June 2018	Rotary International Convention, Toronto, Ontario, Canada	



Wear your ROTARY SHIRT DAY Friday 23 February 2018

The purpose of the day is a no cost marketing activity to create more awareness of Rotary. Each Rotarian is asked to wear a Rotary shirt all day to create conversation and get people to ask **"What is Rotary?"**



FEBRUARY is

Peace and Conflict Prevention and Resolution Month

There are numerous factors that affect Global Peace, listed by various people, organizations and countries over centuries in the initiative to attain Global Peace. Though there are so many intrinsic factors, they can be classified under broad categories that include Religious Difference, Communal Wars, Poverty and Suffering, Corruption, Differences in Faiths and Beliefs, Terrorism, Urge for Power and Prosperity, Natural Disasters and Non Availability of Resources.

Whilst the Rotary Club of Ascot may not be able to make a difference with many of these issues, our Water Projects in Timor Leste are making a significant difference to the wellbeing of many in its mountain villages.



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

Do you know someone in the Belmont area that may like to participate in this program?

Please help them to connect with and exchange stories and skills with the younger generations in their community.

CITY OF BELMONT generations STORIES AND SKILLS ACROSS THE GENERATIONS

We would love to hear your story.

Are you over the age of 65? Share stories from your life with the younger generation while gaining new skills in the City's **Sharing Stories and Skills - Across the Generations Project.**

What will this project involve?

Creating opportunities

- Get to know your peers and members of the younger generation (aged 16-35) taking part in the project;
- Share your story and have it preserved by our volunteers;
- Learn basic technology skills and share your talents with others.

This project will involve regular sessions on Thursday mornings from 10am to 12.30pm commencing 22 February 2018.

A light lunch will be provided and transport assistance may be requested.

For more information or to register your interest please contact the City's Seniors and Disability Engagement Officer on 9477 7149 or email community.development@belmont.wa.gov.au