



# ROTARY CLUB OF ASCOT

Chartered 26 February 1969 District 9465



Meeting Venue: Ingot Hotel

Address: 285 Great Eastern Hwy

Belmont Western Australia, 6104

Meets 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday's at 7.00 am for 7.30 - 8.30 am

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### Ascot Rotary Club Meeting February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2020

President Hugh welcomed our guest speaker Cassie Rowe.

#### Club Notifications

##### Belmont Community Day

Sunday 1st March at the Belmont Sports and Recreation Club, 10 am – 2 pm

This day is a great opportunity to highlight the work our Club does in the Belmont community. Hugh is asking for members to help meet and greet locals and tell them what we do. At this stage, only Hugh Langridge and Michael Metcalf have put their names down. Please let Hugh know if you can help at any time between 10 am – 2 pm.

##### Ascot Rotary Club 51st Birthday Celebration

On Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, members celebrated our Club Birthday at Ros and Gerry McLernon's home. It was a great night enjoyed by all and wonderful to see past members in Ronnie Malthouse, and Michael and Gwen Evans share the night with us. Sincere thanks go to Ros and Gerry for all the work that went into providing a sumptuous fare. The food and hosting were fabulous.

##### District Conference 20 – 22 March at Rockingham

A reminder to members and request to support the conference if possible.

##### Victoria Park Swap Meet

Bev Poor and Alan Thomson will be helping on Sunday 1st March. The Roster will be published, please contact Peter Richardson or find another Rotarian to swap if your date for the Swap Meet is not suitable.

##### Foundation Grants Seminar

Hugh will be presenting and representing the Club at the seminar in Rockingham.

Michelle has had a request from the Wanneroo Club for any foreign coins to be donated and taken down to the Rotary conference.

##### Bricktober Committee Meeting

The committee will meet this week; any person who would like to be involved in our signature project should contact Mike Bermann.

##### District Grants

Mike Bermann has put in a request for a Patient Lifting Hoist to be provided to the Pinjarra Pool to assist a patient suffering from the Guillain - Barre' Syndrome to receive hydrotherapy.

**Guest Speaker: Cassie Rowe M.L.A.**

Cassie was elected member for Belmont in 2017. Born in Victoria, Cassie moved to the West, lives in Carlisle and is married with two daughters. She admitted to still barracking for the Essendon Bombers and is often disappointed when they are usually beaten over here by the Eagles or Dockers.

Cassie previously worked as a financial planner and has been involved in Industry Superannuation Funds. From an early age, Cassie developed an interest in politics. Her father was a member of parliament in Victoria and Cassie, and her sister Samantha created a record of being the first two sisters to have been in parliament at the same time.

Cassie from an early age wanted to make a difference and help others and admires the work of Rotary. Her first attempt to enter parliament was unsuccessful, leaving her devastated. However, she gained a valuable life lesson and reviewed her goals as to why she wanted to be in parliament.

Her success in 2017 led to new challenges, and Cassie saw an opportunity to change things for the better, especially in her local community.

For example, the schools in her electorate required upgrades, and the contrast with schools in the Western Districts showed there was an alarming disparity of resourcing.

Cassie listed some of the improvements she helped initiate after working with the Minister for Education. A total of \$960,000 now has been spent on maintenance work on schools in the Belmont area.

- The provision of 200 extra education assistants to support teachers in the classroom. (This is essential to help cater for students with special needs.)
- Two schools had a much-needed roof replacement.
- Air conditioners that were not working fixed.
- State of the art, Performing Arts Centre, costing \$5million provided to Belmont City College.
- The provision of new technology in classrooms provided to ensure students learn to code.
- Existing classrooms converted into Science Laboratories in the primary schools of Rivervale, Belmont, Carlisle and Kewdale.
- Fees at TAFE Centres reduced to help provide young people with training for future jobs

Cassie answered the question on the issue of gridlocks on our highways.

*The answer lies in upgrading our neglected public transport system. For example, the Metronet Project aimed at developing a network of rail and bus links throughout the metro area is a good start.*

*New stations at the Perth Airport and Redcliff will also help reduce congestion in the area.*

In the area of health, Cassie reported on the building of a new Maternity Hospital and three new Urgent Care Clinics for after-hours treatment. She supported the Voluntary Assisted Dying Legislation for the terminally ill, and is also proud of reforms to the environment, such as reducing plastic bags and the introduction of container refund legislation.

Host chair Michael Metcalf thanked Cassie.

The people of Belmont are very fortunate to have such a dedicated and enthusiastic member working on their behalf.



## PROGRAM 2019-2020 CLUB ROSTER

Please note the following dates and advise Ron Alexander of your Guest Speaker and Topic and promptly if dates are unsuitable

Date	Welcoming	Venue	Host Chair	Speaker and Topic
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Gerry McLernon	Ingot Hotel	Ron Alexander	Steve Rushforth "The Fathering Project"
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Alan Thomson	Ingot Hotel	Hugh Langridge	Tyana Orlando NYSF Experience
7 <sup>th</sup> April	Ngala (Fiona Beermier)	Ingot Hotel	Brian Smith	Jenny Allen "Growing Strong Brains Program"

### MORE DIARY DATES

20 <sup>th</sup> -22 <sup>nd</sup> March	District Conference Rockingham

### Guest Speaker Roster

Please Note: If you are unable to arrange a guest speaker or will be away on that date please arrange to change your allocated date.

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21 <sup>st</sup> April	Gren Courtland	
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Joanna Kendall	Paul Hetherington - Girl guides
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Dianne Reed	
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Starick (Leeanne Barron)	
16 <sup>th</sup> June	Stephen Kendall	
30 <sup>th</sup> June	Alan Thomson	
14 <sup>th</sup> July	Michelle Kendall	
28 <sup>th</sup> July	Gerry McLernon	
11 <sup>th</sup> August	Bev Poor	
25 <sup>th</sup> August	Jeff Stephenson	

