



UP, UP AND AWAY
ROTARY

NORTHAM
13-15 MARCH 2026



UP AND AWAY TO CONFERENCE

JOIN ME IN NORTHAM

I'm proud to be your District Governor for 2025-26 and to hold the District Conference in Northam.



Northam was the 4th Rotary Club in WA and has hosted the District Conference in 1986 when it turned 40; 1996 when it turned 50 and now in 2026 when it will celebrate its 80th birthday.

The Rotarians of Northam are proud and excited about welcoming you to their region and are working tirelessly to make it a huge success, as it is such a special year for them.

So register, book your accommodation, and plan to join me next year where we will rise to the occasion and *Unite For Good* in elevating Rotary to its highest peak in Northam in March 2026

DG Veronica

REGISTRATIONS OPEN

\$250 Full Registration

\$110 Social Registration

Book Now



**** Book by 15 December 2025 for your chance to have your registration fee refunded (limited to 2 full registrations) ****

NORTHAM AWAITS

Located in the heart of the picturesque Avon Valley, Northam is home to a diverse range of tourist and heritage attractions, including hot air ballooning, cultural experiences, wildflowers, tours & trails, historic buildings, horse racing, white swans, and much, much more. The Avon River flows through the town and has an abundance of bird life, including the unique white swan. Spanning the river next to the Visitor Centre is the pedestrian suspension bridge, which is the longest of its kind in Australia.

Northam is home to a multitude of historical, cultural, and modern attractions, ranging from a large collection of historically significant buildings to exciting new public art pieces.

Activities around town exist for all visitors, ranging from nature trails, to adventure activities, and drive trails highlighting our beautiful large-scale public artworks, and many historical assets. Reserves provide you with the chance to view the region's unique flora and fauna - and don't miss the opportunity to take in the beautiful vistas from the Mt Ommanney Lookout, situated just outside the Northam townsite.



MEET THE MAGICAL M.C.

Keeping the program moving, and providing us with lots of laughs, will be our Conference M.C., Past District Governor Jonathan Usher from Cromwell, New Zealand, who is a professional magician, and served as District Governor in 2014-15 – the year of RI President Gary Huang's theme, *Light Up Rotary*, another fortuitous nod to his magical profession.

Jonathan's journey into magic is anything but typical. There was no childhood magic kit or inspiring visit to see a magician. Instead, it began by chance when he was 29, at his wife's Christmas party in 1999. A simple trick with a red hanky sparked his curiosity. After seeing the secret behind the illusion, he was hooked. The very next day, he ordered the trick from Robert Clark's Castle of Magic in Christchurch and began performing for family and colleagues. Each subsequent trip to Christchurch saw new purchases and new tricks. He soon began performing at children's birthday parties and eventually took out a Yellow Pages ad. Bookings soon started flowing in.

Today, Jonathan's professional work spans corporate events, comedy shows and MC gigs across New Zealand and Australia. He still performs at school fairs, A&P Shows and children's parties, keeping his performances accessible and inclusive.



PLACES TO STAY

From luxury to a little less formal, there's something for everyone in Northam and surrounding areas. Quote 'Rotary' at the below businesses for a special rate. Don't miss out - book ASAP!

VENUE	CONTACT	ACCOMODATION TYPES
Farmers Home 112 Fitzgerald St Northam	Debbie P: 6500 3920	Cottages, Farmhouse, Homestead, Parlour
Riverside Hotel 322 Fitzgerald St Northam	Chloe Hawkins P: 9622 1023	Queen Rooms, Double Rooms
The Rec Hotel 197 Duke St Northam	Narelle P: 9670 3450	Chalets/apartments Single/Queen/Double Rooms with shared bathroom
Northam Caravan Park 150 Yilgarn Ave Northam	Leilani Wilkins P: 9622 1620	Cabins and Suites, Caravan and Camping Sites
York Motel 10 William St York	Kerry Elliot 9461 2066	Queen Rooms, Twin Rooms
Settlers House 126 Avon Tce York	Emma McGann 9461 1884	Queen Rooms
Nosh and Nod 75A Avon Terrace York	Kerry 0438 842 930	Family rooms, Spa rooms, Triple rooms
Avon Tce Guest House 87 Avon Tce York	Paula 0439 999 068	King Rooms
Hope Farm Guest House 15 Carter Rd York	Jo 0411 287 944	Queen Rooms
The York 145 Avon Terrace York	Nola Bliss 0426 181 948	King rooms, Single rooms, Heritage and Premium rooms
The Imperial 81 Avon Tce York	Michelle 9689 4239	Queen rooms, Family Room