



# The Rotary Club of Kwinana

**Rotary** **District 9423 Western Australia**  
Chartered: 22 April 1971

**Team 2024-25**

**President**  
**Terry Evans**

**Secretary**  
**Genevieve Carr**

**Treasurer**  
**Karen Zabiela**



**President Terry**

## Bulletin

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**Rotary Club of Kwinana is 53 years' old 1971/2024**

**Facts & Figures**

**Attendance this week**

- Total Members** 27
- Apologies**
- Make-up** 3
- Attended** 14
- Hon. Member**
- LOA**
- Guests** 2
- Visitors**
- Partners**

**68.0%**

**Raffle**  
**Bob T & Norm**

**Heads & Tails**  
**Bill R**

Interesting meeting tonight, our guest speakers were representing Alcoholic Anonymous, both Tom and Tujia are reformed alcoholics, their stories were both interesting and inspiring as they relayed their progress from alcoholism to becoming once again useful members of society. No photos will appear in this week's Bulletin, they declined to be photographed. I will also not be relaying the personal stories they shared with us other than to say they were from the heart and very emotional.

They are both now using their experiences to help others regain their lives by beating the curse that ruins so many. I'm sure all our members who were present last Monday and witnessed their presentations would wish Tom and Tujia continuing success in their efforts to help others through AA.

Alcoholics Anonymous was founded in 1935 in Akron, Ohio, USA by a New York Stockbroker and a Surgeon, both had been hopeless alcoholics.

Kwinana Community Fair 2024 is only 3 weeks away, all I believe is progressing well, stall numbers are good, food outlets are well represented, all is looking very positive, favourable weather will be much appreciated.



**Rotary International President**  
2024/25  
**Stephanie Urchick**

Rotary Club of McMurray  
Pennsylvania USA

**District Governor**  
9423  
2024/25

**Pat Schraven**



Meets Monday  
6 for 6.30pm  
At Rotary Hall  
Brownell Crescent,  
Medina

**Visitors welcome**  
**contact us**  
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**October 2024 - Community Economic Development**

Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting	
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting	Tom & Tuija on "AA"
Mon 21 <sup>st</sup>	Club Meeting	Standing Orders review
Mon 28 <sup>th</sup>	Club Meeting	John Iriks 'Thumbnail'

**Attendance Officer: Kertrina 0401 632 749**





Presidents Pen



Oct. 2024



This week we had a meeting of the Foundation Committee and Gilmore Old Flames representative to discuss and review the MOU for our Andy and Rita Valk Scholarship program. We administer this program in conjunction with the school and Gilmore College Old Flames Alumni. Prior to the meeting David Redpath, chairman of the Alumni, sent us an email giving us a little background on this old students group. I thought it might be appropriate to share excerpts of it with our membership.

Report from Chairman of Gilmore Alumni

I thought I would provide a little bit of information about the Old Flames Alumni prior to our Zoom meeting next week.

The Old Flames Alumni total scholarship program this year is \$15,000 of which the Rotary Valk Scholarship represents \$7,000. To the best of my knowledge this is the biggest Scholarship program run by an Alumni Association in a Government public school in WA.

There are very few Alumni Associations in Government Schools in Australia which run a Scholarship program.

Since the founding of Old Flames in 2018 and up to and including this year, 2024 we have been able to provide some \$90,000 in support to Gilmore college and its students, mainly by funding Scholarships.

Old Flames Committee is sensational and very willing to undertake any task and contribute to our work. Beyond the Committee our membership is extremely supportive of our work and have donated considerably to our fundraising.

Old Flames provides a social program for former students and later this month some 40 former students will be attending our Annual "School Camp" in the South West. I can't praise our committee and membership enough.

As you can see, we are very fortunate to work with another dedicated community minded group in providing these scholarships and other important assistance to the school. At the meeting David touched all, telling us that a young lass had approached him with heartfelt thanks. She had been able to get into her preferred tertiary course with the assistance of her Scholarship. Her parents unfortunately were not in a position to assist on this journey to a more fulfilled life.

It is our privilege to be involved in a wonderful scheme to help the youth of Kwinana and with the help of Gilmore College and the Old Flames Alumni achieve Andy and Rita's objectives with their Foundation.

Terry Evans  
President 2024/25



Stephen Castelli

President 2025/26



Work in progress, on a weekend trip away, when the weather warms-up.  
Looking at Dryandra, bookings available March 25  
Many older members will have very fond memories of the weekends we spent at Nanga Bush Camp.

PE Stephen Castelli

Meeting at Rotary Hall, Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024



When you do a Google query, 1000 computers are used to find the answer in 0.2 seconds.

There are almost 5 billion internet users in the world.

The median age of the world's population is around 30 years, as of 2019.

We actually produce enough food to feed everyone on the planet; the problem is distribution.



PP Genevieve Carr    October 2024



Inward Correspondence.

- ShelterBox newsletter RDU magazine
- ROMC e-News update
- Appeal for donations towards Lebanon crisis from ShelterBox
- Rotary Brand News
- RDU supplies update x2
- Notice e Foundation Dinner on Friday 8 November
- Invitation to Membership Development session
- Invitation to participate in “Rotary says NO to Domestic and Family Violence” campaign
- NYSF invoice update
- District newsletter #10
- Tax invoice from HECS Fire
- Invitation to Bertram Primary School Year 6 Graduation Ceremony on Wednesday 11 December 2024
- Announcement of DGN for 2026 – 2027

Outward Correspondence

None

Kwinana Rotary Club, magnetic promotional signs, see Edd S if you'd like one





2024/25

PDG John Iriks



**RYLA 11<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> January 2025. (Registrations close 15<sup>th</sup> November)**

RYLA is an 8-day, intensive seminar for 18–28-year-olds with leadership potential.

It is a unique opportunity to build skills in:

Communication and Public Speaking

Leadership

Teamwork & Group Dynamics

Problem Solving

Goal Setting, Time & Energy Management

Self-Awareness and Emotional Intelligence

**Camp Opportunity 2025 is from 19<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> January 2025 (Registrations close Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>)**

Camp Opportunity is a week-long live in camp for young special-needs adult “Campers”, between the ages of 18 and 35 years “, to team with “Buddies” for a week of adventure as they mix and inter-act in a fun atmosphere to share new friendships and experiences. It is held at the Point Walter Recreation Centre, Bicton which is a dormitory style camp with rooms for 4 people, each has its own bathroom and caters for people with disabilities.



2024/25

Rtn. Tony Miller



On Monday the 7th October I attended the opening of a new pop-up at the John Wellard Community Centre, presented by Inger Ward (BeFriend).

It was good to see a few Rotarians attend.

Sunday the 6th October I accompanied Chris Oughton and Terry to the RCG meeting in Bunbury, the subject was improving membership; very positive outcomes.

Wednesday the 9th October I attended the Moordijit Koort Mental Health Expo in Parmelia, there is another Indigenous Health Expo on 30th October that I will attend (If work allows).

Bumper stickers and magnetic car door ads have been delivered and so far, two bumper stickers have been sold, come on folks get your sticker now.

**Current projects:**

Cuppa with a Rotarian: 21 Oct, 18 & 25 Nov, 2 Dec, members are encouraged to volunteer to sit and have a chat with the public from 10 – 11:30am or 1pm – 2:30pm.

Kwinana Community Fair: 9th November, all hands-on deck

Seniors' week: The week of 11-17 of Nov, possibility for a sausage sizzle throughout this week???

Bunnings sausage sizzle: Two teams required for this our third sausage sizzle for this year. Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2024, same team as last time?



Project Director  
Rtn. Tony Miller

Public Relations



Foundation Dir.  
PP Max Bird

International



Membership Dir.  
PP Edd Samut



Events Manager  
PDG John Iriks

Youth



Community  
Kertrina Riordan

Edd has Rotary Kwinana stickers and magnetic signs.  
See Edd if you would like to put either on your car.

Preparations underway for Kwinana Community Fair 2024  
City comes good with the 'grant'  
Stall numbers progressing well, 13 food trucks to date.



Treasurer  
Karen Zabiela

The team at work, at the Kwinana Heritage open day recently





Fine Session: Sergeant Norm Mulcahy



PP Stephen Castelli  
&  
PP Greg Williams  
stand-in when required.



Deputy



Tony: Something about being a 'Parking Attendant'

Chris & Tony: Sporting a recent haircut.

Chris O: Always shy and avoids being in the club meeting photo, not shy when at Ascot??

Mike: Missing your teeth??

No Badge: Bob T.

Bob C: Changed email address again!!!

Norm: Needs a haircut, and No Socks!!

Bob T supplied a Risk Management Assessment, about 80 ridiculous items.

Club stickers recently purchased, now available, get yours soon



# Alcoholics Anonymous®

The history of A.A. began in the United States, spread to Canada, and then went worldwide. A.A. presence now exists in more than 180 countries. Following is a short history about the start of A.A. and some of its key contributors

## **A.A.'s Beginning**

A.A. began in 1935 in Akron, Ohio, as the outcome of a meeting between Bill W., a New York stockbroker, and Dr. Bob S., an Akron surgeon. Both had been hopeless alcoholics.

Before their meeting, Bill and Dr. Bob had each been in contact with the Oxford Group. This mostly non-alcoholic fellowship emphasized universal spiritual values in daily living. The Episcopal clergyman, Dr. Samuel Shoemaker, led the Oxford Groups in the U.S. at that time. Under this spiritual influence, and with the help of an old-time friend, Ebby T., Bill had gotten sober. Bill maintained his recovery by working with other alcoholics. Yet, before meeting Dr. Bob, none of these other alcoholics had actually recovered.

At the same time, Dr. Bob's Oxford Group membership in Akron had not helped him enough to achieve sobriety. When Dr. Bob and Bill finally met, the effect on the doctor was immediate. This time, he found himself face-to-face with a fellow sufferer who was succeeding.

Bill emphasized that alcoholism was a malady of mind, emotions, and body. Bill learned this important fact from Dr. William D. Silkworth of Towns Hospital in New York. Bill had often been a patient of Dr. Silkworth. Though a physician, Dr. Bob had not known alcoholism to be a disease. Responding to Bill's convincing ideas, Dr. Bob soon got sober, never to drink again. This sparked the founding of A.A.

Both men immediately set to work with alcoholics at Akron's City Hospital. One patient quickly achieved complete sobriety. These three men made up the nucleus of the first A.A. group (though the name Alcoholics Anonymous was not yet used.)

## **A.A. Continues Its Growth Globally**

Had it not been for A.A.'s early friends, Alcoholics Anonymous might never have come into being. A.A. could never have grown and prospered without many people. Those friends of medicine, religion, and world communications were particularly essential. We have deep gratitude for their time and effort to help A.A.

On January 24, 1971, Bill died of pneumonia in Miami Beach, Florida. Seven months earlier, in the same place, he had delivered his last public words at the 35th Anniversary International Convention. His last words to his fellow A.A.s were: "God bless you and Alcoholics Anonymous forever."

Since then, A.A. has become truly global. This has revealed that A.A.'s way of life can today transcend most barriers of race, creed and language. A World Service Meeting, started in 1969, has been held biennially since 1972. Its locations alternate between New York and overseas places such as England, Mexico, New Zealand, Finland, and more.

Today, an A.A. presence can be found in approximately 180 nations worldwide

<https://www.aa.org/the-start-and-growth-of-aa>

## *Birthdays and Anniversaries October 2024*

### **Birthday Congratulations:**

Pam Brookes 7<sup>th</sup>



### **Wedding Anniversaries**

Bob and Wendy 13<sup>th</sup> 23 years



### **Club Anniversaries:**

Bob Thompson 18<sup>th</sup> 28 years  
Cyril Bennett 31<sup>st</sup> 8 years

*Congratulations*



14<sup>th</sup> October 2024



The launch of the redesigned GPEI website is set for Friday 16 August. Featuring a clean and sleek design, the new site is meant to enhance user experience, improve accessibility, and provide valuable resources for our diverse audience groups. While content is migrated from the old site to the new one, please note that not all information will be immediately available. The old site will continue to run, albeit as an archive.

### **Summary of new poliovirus this week**

- Pakistan: two WPV1 cases and one positive environmental sample
- Angola: one cVDPV2 case
- Côte d'Ivoire: three cVDPV2-positive environmental samples
- Liberia: one cVDPV2 case





# What happened this week in history?



Oct 14<sup>th</sup> to Oct 20<sup>th</sup>



14<sup>th</sup>

1066: Battle of Hastings: William, Duke of Normandy and his Norman army defeat the English  
1586: Mary Queen of Scots goes on trial for conspiracy against Elizabeth  
1884: George Eastman patents paper-strip photographic film  
1943: US 8th Air Force loses 60 B-17s during assault on Schweinfurt

15<sup>th</sup>

1866: Great fire in Quebec destroys 2,500 houses  
1878: Edison Electric Light Company incorporated  
1928: German dirigible "Graf Zeppelin" lands in Lakehurst, New Jersey  
1951: "I Love Lucy", starring Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz, debuts on CBS

16<sup>th</sup>

1492: Christopher Columbus' fleet anchors at "Fernandina" (Long Island, Bahamas)  
1579: Francis Drake sights land in the Philippines crossing the Pacific Ocean aboard Golden Hind  
1757: Austrian troops occupy Berlin  
1834: Much of the structures of the Palace of Westminster (parliament) in London is burnt down

17<sup>th</sup>

1662: Charles II of Great Britain sells Dunkirk to France for 2.5 million livres (£320,000)  
1776: Captain James Cook arrives in Cape Town with Resolution on his 3rd trip to Pacific Ocean  
1814: London Beer Flood: Bursting vat at Veux Brewery floods streets with 300,000 gallons ale  
1888: Thomas Edison files a patent for the Optical Phonograph (the first movie)

18<sup>th</sup>

1867: US takes formal possession of Alaska from Russia, having paid \$7.2 million  
1878: Edison makes electricity available for household use  
1921: Biding its time, Soviet Russia agrees to independence for the Crimea  
1921: Charles Strite granted US patent #1,394,450 for his invention, the automatic pop-up toaster

19<sup>th</sup>

1492: Christopher Columbus sights "Isabela", now Fortune Island/Long Cay, Bahamas  
1512: Martin Luther becomes a Doctor of Theology (Doctor in Biblia)  
1722: French C. Hopffer patents the automatic fire extinguisher in England  
1943: Streptomycin, the first antibiotic remedy for tuberculosis, is isolated by researchers

20<sup>th</sup>

1603: Chinese uprising in the Philippines fails after 23,000 killed  
1817: 1st Mississippi "Showboat" leaves Nashville on maiden voyage  
1818: 49th parallel forms as border between US & Canada  
1822: 1st edition of London Sunday Times



## A note from Lifeblood

We'd like to share some news with you, that on the 20<sup>th</sup> of September 2024, The Therapeutic Goods Administration approved our submission for Lifeblood Faecal Microbiota Transplant (FMT) Suspension 150g ([AUST I 462465](#)).

**We're incredibly proud of this milestone for Lifeblood, and this helps bring us another step closer to realising our vision – that FMT is available for all who need it.**

We'd also like to take a moment to thank you and Rotary WA for your contribution to our Microbiome program. The funding provided by Rotary was critical in helping us establish this service and to be able to provide this life changing treatment to Australians who need it. All of these life amazing treatments are manufactured in our state of the art facility in the Rotary WA Health Innovation Centre and we cannot wait to get more of these products to patients right across Australia.

We hope you also share our excitement and pride in this news.

Please spread the good news amongst your fellow Rotarians!

To learn more about our research pipeline or to hear more about our future plans for Microbiome, please don't hesitate to reach out. We look forward to sharing this journey with you.

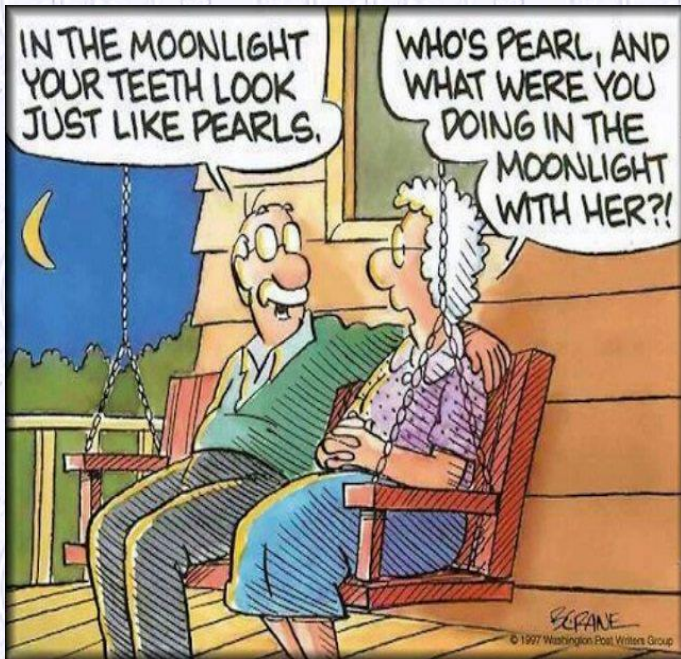
Kind regards,

**Elizabeth Connolly**  
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“Time for your morning medication and I’m told you haven’t been eating much.” More lik  
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**Group 9 Rotary Clubs, Meeting Times**

Rockingham	Monday	6pm	Armadale	Tuesday	7pm
Palm beach	Wednesday	6.30pm	Mandurah Districts	Tuesday	6pm
Baldivis	Tuesday	6.30pm	Pinjarra	Thursday	6.45pm
Cockburn	Wednesday	6pm	Byford & Districts	Monday	7pm

**Rotary Club of Kwinana**  
 Contributions welcome: [eblogg@bigpond.com](mailto:eblogg@bigpond.com)