



# The Rotary Club of Kwinana Inc.

District 9465 Western Australia  
Chartered: 22 April 1971

**Team 2019-20**

**President  
Wendy Cooper**

**Secretary  
Diane Brown**

**Treasurer  
Bob Cooper**



**President Wendy**

## Bulletin

**No 21 2nd Dec. 2019**



**Attendance this week**

- Total Members** 27
- Apologies** 2
- Make-up** 4
- Attended** 19
- Honorary Member**
- LOA** 2
- Guests** 2
- Visitors**
- Partners**

92.0 %

**Facts & Figures**

**Raffle  
Bob T & Veronica B**

**Heads & Tails  
James S**

**Birthdays:  
Deryl W. 4th**

**Anniversary:**

**Club Anniversary:  
Genevieve Carr 20yrs  
John Iriks. 40yrs**

**If you had any we hope  
you had a good day**

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

**Visitors always welcome**

Interesting meeting tonight, guest speaker was Trish Kursar from the City of Kwinana, Trish is the City of Kwinana Waste Minimisation Officer, her title speaks for itself.



We are now into December, Christmas is almost with us, just a plug for our Christmas meeting, this year to be held in our traditional format at the Kwinana Bowling Club on Monday December 16th (please see flyer below)

PP Max Bird at present in East Timor with a small party working at Baguia, departed Perth 24th November 2019 back around 18th December 2019.

Two club members this week celebrate significant milestones in their Rotary service, Last Friday 29th November PP Genevieve Carr has served our Rotary Club for 20 years Genevieve Joined our club in 1999 as our first female member, served as our President in 2006/10, awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship June 2012.

Genevieve is a very active and productive asset to our club, continually holding challenging positions, how she manages to fit all of her commitments into her busy life never ceases to amaze. Genevieve comes from a Rotary Family, Dad PDG Brian Foley from the RC of Mordialloc, Brian was District 9810 District Governor in 2001/02 Mum, Helen Foley is currently Inner Wheel Australia Treasurer.

Congratulations Genevieve, your presence has been appreciated over the last 20 years. The other milestone is that of PDG John Iriks who has been a very active Rotarian for the past 40 years, John is currently our club's longest serving member. (More below)

	<b>Rotary International President 2019/20</b>	<b>District Governor 9465</b>	
	<b>Mark Daniel Maloney</b>	<b>2019/20</b>	
	<b>Rotary Club of East Nassau</b>	<b>Wayne Milnes</b>	

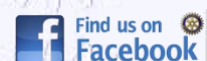
**Coming Events December 2019**  
Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

**Dec 2019**

Mon 2nd	Club Meeting	COK Waste Minimization Trish Kursar.
Mon 9th	Club Meeting	AGM, Club Elections for 2020/21
Mon 16th	Club Meeting	Christmas Meeting @ Kwinana Bowling Club
Mon 23rd	No Meeting	
Mon 30th	No Meeting	

**First Meeting 2020: Mon 6th January**

**Attendance Officer:  
Greg Williams 0435 083 069  
Apologies by Saturday pm please**





**PRESIDENT  
2019-2020**

## Wendy Cooper



### President's Pen

02<sup>nd</sup> December 2019

It was a pleasure to see Sri Sampath attend our meeting as a guest of Stephen Castelli.

Trish Kursar from the City of Kwinana Waste Minimization Service was our Quest Speaker last night trying to make sense of which bin to use for your recycling. The "Recycle Right" website and app together with the City Website are valuable sources of information to assist you to separate at the source so that you do not contaminate the recycling bin.

Even if you reduce your yellow topped bin to only contain;

- ✓ Plastic bottles (no Lids)
- ✓ Glasses bottles and jars (preferably rinsed)
- ✓ Paper and cardboard
- ✓ Metal Cans

.....**you will be on your way to uncontaminated waste.**

Every one of us can make a difference by starting in a small way.

Next week we have our AGM with concentration on electing a President for the 2021- 2022 year along with board members.

Following that we will have our Christmas Festivities at the Bowling Club where we will welcome among others the Widows of past members which is always a pleasant and memorable part of our celebrations.

Then it will be a break until the 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020. News of the venue for that first meeting will be sent shortly.

President Wendy with Trish Kursar from the City of Kwinana





President 2020/21

PE John Iriks



### Club Service report. 02nd December 2019

AGM and elections for 2020/2021

Reviewed our 'Standing Orders' compatibility with our recent updated Constitution and By-Laws

AGM next week 9/12/2019

Club service director and club secretary will prepare for the nomination of elected positions in accordance with constitution and by-laws in time for the AGM meeting.

Looking for a nomination for President for 1921/22, members please give some thought into the possibility of nominating, a recycled President is always a good option, there's quite a lot of those currently in our club.



### 2nd December International



The international Committee (RPTLE) is carrying out the following.

1. GG 1872605 progress report has now been authorised by all concerned and is now with the Rotary Gods
2. A new application for a global grant GG 2095275 that is jointly supported by District's 9465 & 9550 is now waiting on the final authorisation from District 9465 before it is submitted to Foundation  
District 9550 have completed their sections already.  
Once we have the final authorisation it will be submitted to foundation for approval. Why am I going thru the blood, sweat and bloody tears again?
3. Currently in Timor-leste with a small party, we completed a small rain water Harvesting job in Dili for about 4 days, then departed for Baguia,
4. Working on a foundation dinner with District 9465, this will be a major fund raiser. We envisage two keynote speakers for this event, His **Excellency Abel Guterres** Timor-leste Ambassador to Australia and a leading Catholic Priest from Timor-Leste.  
Theme will be the trials and tribulations of the country moving from been under Indonesian rule, to the present day of 20 years as an emerging independent country.  
The first committee meeting for this event was held on Saturday 3rd November and the event was then was approved in principle at the District Foundation Board on the 7th November  
Now waiting on District approval to go ahead

A little sample of the work PP Max Bird and the small team are achieving during their current trip to Timor-Leste





## Rtn Diane Brown



### No Report

Secretary Diane is currently recovering from recent surgery, club members wish you well, Speedy recovery in order.

Inward Correspondence.

Outward Correspondence.

Would members please note that any correspondence received or posted by yourself, please ensure a copy is forwarded to your Secretary.



## PDG Bob Cooper



Bills paid, money in the bank.

Receiving 'Letters of Thanks' from local schools, after receiving our annual donation for their end of year graduations.

Members are requested to ensure they contact PP Greg Williams by Sunday am with any apology for the next meeting. We are having to pay for meals ordered for you and not used because of non-attendance.

**December 25 was originally a pagan celebration.** Nobody knows when Jesus of Nazareth was born and nobody celebrated his birthday for hundreds of years. December 25 was co-opted from pagan rites connected with the winter solstice.

**The nativity story resulted in several wars.** In the first few centuries of the Christian era, controversy over whether or not Jesus was divine at birth created political and social unrest that frequently burst out into full-scale warfare.

**Mistletoe kissing originated with fertility rites.** The hanging sprig is a very ancient symbol of virility and therefore anybody standing beneath it is signaling that he or she is sexually available.

**Santa Claus originated in a newspaper ad.** Far from being a quaint medieval legend, Santa Claus first appeared as a recognizable entity was in a newspaper ad for toys and "gift books" in the mid 19th century.

**The Christmas Tree is a manufactured tradition.** Victorian intellectuals (like Clement Moore) invented the tradition as part of a social movement to consciously reform Christmas away from its tradition of raucous drinking.

PDG John Iriks joined the Rotary Club of Kwinana on December 1<sup>st</sup> 1979

Club President: 1984/85, 1989/90, (2020/21)

Paul Harris Fellow: March 1993, Sapphire Dec. 2007

9465 District Governor: 2004/05



John's involvement with Rotary began with his selection as a Group Study Exchange team member to Norway for six weeks in 1979 representing his then profession as Local Government Accountant.

He was inducted at a meeting of the Rotary Club of Kwinana at the Medina Agricultural Research Station in December of that year, celebrating 40 years in December 2019.

John was put to work immediately and held many club positions before being elected President in 1984 at the ripe old age of 35. John served again as President in 1989 then spend a long District apprenticeship as Governors Group Representative in 1991-1993, District Youth Director and District Treasurer before serving as District Governor in 2004-2005, Rotary's Centennial Year

John lists his highlights as Chairman of the Rotary WA Cord Blood Bank Trust for 15 years, Chairman of the Redistricting Committee in 2010 and Chairman of the Rotary Zone Institute in Perth in 2011.

He represented Rotary International Presidents at two District Conference in Dubbo NSW in 2012 and Geelong Victoria in 2013.

John is a very proud member of the Rotary Club of Kwinana and cherishes his awards of PHF in 1993 and PHF Sapphire in 2007.

John was awarded a "Service Above Self Award" by Rotary International President DK Lee in 2009 for his contribution to Rotary.

John is currently serving as President Elect and looking forward to the challenges of President in 2020-2021 and the celebrations of Rotary Kwinana's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary and 100 years of Rotary in Australia.

John has been and still is a tireless contributor to our Rotary Club, whatever he takes on he pursues with boundless enthusiasm, John played a significant role in the establishment of the Rotary Kwinana Adventure Park by securing both Federal and Local Government funding. Both John and Chris together with many club members, over the years tried to establish the Wellard Markets, but relying mainly on local participation and support the project eventually had to be abandoned.

Over the years John and Chris have thrown open their home in Homestead Ridge to host many Rotary Functions, as well as Rotary visitors etc.

Chris has supported John 100% throughout his Rotary journey and was awarded a PHF in July 2012 followed by a Sapphire in 2019.

Congratulations both John and Chris your dedication and enthusiasm to Rotary continues and The Rotary Club of Kwinana has been the winner.

Past District Governor 2004/05 John Iriks and Chris, a formidable combination.

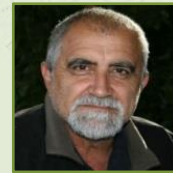




Projects Director  
PP Mike Nella



PP Max Bird  
Foundation Dir.



PP Edd Samut  
Membership Dir.



PP James Sharkey  
Public Relations Dir.

### **Project Director's Report.**



Rtn. Norm Mulcahy  
Community

Gentle Road premises now open for business, business steady.  
First Lolly-Run meeting at the COK September 17<sup>th</sup> will be meeting monthly till Christmas.  
Looking for a few more volunteers to help out Christmas Day.  
Lolly bagging will take place Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec.  
Ken Jackman Room, 2.30pm on till finished, everyone welcome to come along and help.  
Sleighs to be picked up on 22<sup>nd</sup> December.  
Garage Sale this Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

### **Public Relations:**

We continue to receive exposure on Rotary Out West.  
Please continue to advise James of any stories or activities within our club which may be submitted to the local media.  
We have a number of Bunnings BBQ's scheduled over the next 12 Months  
Sat. Dec 21<sup>st</sup> is a goer, volunteers required.  
Future dates: Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February 2020 & Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2020



PP Bob Thompson  
Vocational

### **Membership:**

Ed is currently holidaying in Victoria.

### **Community:**

Golf Day completed, thanks to everyone concerned.

### **Vocational:**



PP. Max Bird  
International

### **International:**

PP Max is currently in East Timor till 18<sup>th</sup> December.  
Plan to hold a Rotary Foundation Function in the not too distant.  
Latest meeting minutes available to view on ClubRunner.

### **Youth:**

Actively looking for participants for RYPEN, RYLA and Handicamp.  
Require candidates for RYLA,  
We have a lady Handicamp candidate.



PP Genevieve Carr  
Youth

Visit your club webpage.

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx?accountid=8106>

or type Kwinana Rotary Club into 'Search'



**Fine Session: Sgt. Cyril Bennett**

Deputy Bill Rowe.



Cyril B: The sergeant eager to locate the 'Thief' who he claims stole his notebook at last week's meeting, after some discussion Chris O owned up.

Stephen C: Claims it's the season for 'loud shirts' is why he was wearing one.

Barry W: Came along very casual tonight, Stephen was heard to say " Tuck your shirt in" I'm in trouble for my shirt.

Cyril B: Missed levying the 'Late James'

Cyril B: Rang Brian's doorbell the other day, carrying a huge cardboard box, full of empty jam jars.

Chris O: Don't quite understand this fine!!! But Chris O owned up to patting Stephen on the tummy last Friday night.?

Why are chocolate buttons rude?  
Because they are Smarties in the nude.

Did you know that Santa's not allowed to go down chimneys this year? It was declared unsafe by the Elf and Safety Commission.

Every year, Christmas becomes less a birthday and more a clearance sale.

Some of these new toys are so creative and inventive. This year they have a Neurotic Doll. It's wound up already.

Christmas is in my heart once a year and thanks to credit cards, it's on my Visa card statement twelve months a year



## Polio This Week 27<sup>th</sup> November 2019

A four-day regional emergency preparedness workshop is currently underway in Lomé, Togo, for senior public health officials to strengthen the capabilities within West African countries to respond to polio outbreaks.

“It was good to know that a country like India could eradicate polio. It gives us hope that Pakistan can do it too, and we will soon be polio free.” These are the words of Aziz Memon, a Rotarian who has dedicated his life to fight polio in Pakistan.

Summary of new viruses this week (AFP cases and ES positives):

Pakistan— five WPV1 cases, two cVDPV2 cases and one cVDPV2 positive environmental sample;

Democratic Republic of the Congo (DR Congo)- five cVDPV2 cases;

Benin – four cVDPV2 cases;

Ghana— four cVDPV2 cases and two cVDPV2 positive environmental samples;

Philippines – three cVDPV2 cases and five cVDPV2 positive environmental samples;

Togo – two cVDPV2 cases.



Two young boys were spending the night at their grandparents. At bedtime, the two boys knelt beside their beds to say their prayers when the youngest one began praying at the top of his lungs.

"I PRAY FOR A NEW BICYCLE ... I PRAY FOR A NEW XBOX ... I PRAY FOR A NEW DVD-PLAYER ..."

His older brother leaned over and nudged the younger brother and said, "Why are you shouting your prayers? God isn't deaf."

To which the little brother replied, "No, but Grandma is!"





Trish Kursar: Waste Minimisation Officer

City of Kwinana



Trish spoke to us about her role in minimising the amount of waste and contamination during the recycling process. The figures do not make good reading. The City of Kwinana presently offers a 2 bin system, that is a green bin for waste and a yellow top bin for recycling. Regrettably many home owners and occupiers don't seem to understand the method of sorting the waste from the recyclable material and constantly contaminate their recycling material. Council has tried many methods of education over time and just recently implemented 'Bin Tagging' to promote behavior change. This has proven to be somewhat successful as the correct and contamination rates were slightly improved. Correct recycling improved from 14% to 20% "That's right only 14% of household's recycled correctly" the overall contamination rates decreased from 65% to 49% still not looking good. Recyclables in waste bins reduced from 40% to 28%. Some improvement but a long way from acceptable if you consider that when a recycle bin is contaminated the contents then contaminates the truck contents and most is then rejected to go to land-fill.

In 2018 the State Government established a taskforce to reduce contamination in recycling bins, China accepts recyclables with a contamination rate of 1%, City of Kwinana recycle contamination rate 13.6%.

Items that should not go into your Recycling Bin: Plastic and polystyrene Meat trays, Soft Plastics (Definition: can be screwed-up by hand) and Aerosol Cans. Soft plastics can be returned to most Supermarkets and Aerosol Cans to Council receiving bins.

Many items are recyclable however, Plastic Containers and bottles (clean and Empty) Glass and glass bottles (clean and empty) Aluminium and steel cans also clean and empty.

Receival Bins are at Darius Wells and Kwinana Market Place for Batteries, Printer Cartridges, Mobile Phones and Household Light Globes. Aerosol cans at COK Admin and Works Depot.

What happens with COK recyclables? Hard Plastics are sorted, baled and shipped to Indonesia, Thailand and occasionally Malaysia, then sold on to local mills. Recycled glass is used locally for road base and construction.

Soft Plastics returned to Coles and Woolworths are sent to REDcycle in Victoria and are made into many usable plastic products such as Park Furniture, Benches and seats, Bollards, Signage, Fencing, Exercise equipment, Wheel stops etc.

The plastic bottles, bags and takeaway containers that we use just for a few minutes use a material that is designed to last forever.

These plastics:  
break up, not break down – becoming permanent pollution

- are mostly down cycled (made into low grade product for just one more use) or sent to landfill
- 'escape' from bins, trucks, events etc. to become 'accidental litter'
- end up in waterways and the ocean – where scientists predict there will be more tonnes of plastic than tonnes of fish by 2050
- transfer to the food chain – carrying pollutants with them
- Every bit of plastic ever made still exists



*Rotary Club of Kwinana  
Family Christmas Dinner*



Rotary Connects our Christmas



- Where** Kwinana Bowling Club
- When** Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019
- Time** 6pm for 6-30pm
- Cost** \$30 Adults \$ 15 Children under 16
- Gifts** Please bring a gift to the value of no more than \$15 for your own partner and child/children
- Meal** Christmas fare
- Bar** Fully licensed





What goes “oh, oh, oh”?  
*Santa walking backwards!*

How does Good King Wenceslas like his pizzas?  
*Deep and crisp and even!*

How many presents can Santa fit in an empty sack?  
*Only one, after that it’s not empty anymore!*

What kind of candle burns longer, a red candle or a green candle?  
*Neither, candles always burn shorter!*

What did the grape say when the elephant stepped on it?  
Nothing. It just let out a little wine.

Q. What has a bottom at the top?

A. A leg! Boom, boom!



**Makeup opportunities**

<b>Rockingham</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>6pm for 6.30</b>	<b>Rockingham RSL Club</b>
<b>Palm beach</b>	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>6pm for 6.30</b>	<b>Ocean Clipper Inn</b>
<b>Baldivis</b>	<b>1st &amp; 3rd Mon</b>	<b>6.30pm for 7.00</b>	<b>Peel Manor House</b>
<b>Cockburn</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7.15am for 7.30</b>	<b>Cockburn Seniors Centre</b>
<b>Byford &amp; Districts</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>6.15pm for 6.45</b>	<b>Byford Tavern, South W Hwy</b>



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