



# 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** 20
- Hon. Member**
- LOA**
- Guests** 1
- Visitors** 1
- Partners**

**80.5%**

**Raffle  
Karen & Greg**

**Heads & Tails  
James**



2025 hasn't started well for residents of Los Angeles, the fire damage is hard to comprehend, the devastation is so widespread.

I fear the insurance implications are going to be felt around the world, some estimates put the losses up to \$US30 billion.

The fires, which may become the most expensive in US history.

AccuWeather, a company that provides data on weather and its impact, puts the damage and economic losses at \$250bn to \$275bn.

Such as the world we currently live in, scammers are already soliciting donations for bogus relief efforts, looters are being arrested and prices for short term accommodation have skyrocketed.

Australia Day Breakfast is on again this year, after a few years of debate on whether Australia Day should be held at all, or the date changed for whatever reason, I believe the pendulum has swung the other way. City Councils such as Rockingham surveyed their ratepayers after the Rockingham Council changed the date their fireworks were held, and the answer was to leave the date alone and hold the celebrations on the 26<sup>th</sup>.

The latest information is our Federal Government is considering legislation to compel councils to hold their Citizenship Ceremonies on the 26<sup>th</sup>. We are providing our signature Australia Day Breakfast on the 26<sup>th</sup> at Calista Oval.



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

Rotary Club of McMurray  
Pennsylvania USA

**District Governor  
9423  
2024/25**

**Pat Schraven**



**January 2025 - Vocational Services Month**

- Mon 6<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting
- Mon 13<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting
- Mon 20<sup>th</sup> Club Meeting Karma Choelha, a Buddhist Nun in Nepal
- Sun 26<sup>th</sup> Australia Day Breakfast.
- Mon 27<sup>th</sup> No Club Meeting Public Holiday

**Attendance Officer: Kertrina 0401 632 749**



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

**Visitors welcome  
contact us  
0417 904 419**



Presidents Pen



January 2025



With Kertrina and Steven off on holiday, can you all please notify me via What's Ap, email or message of attendance and pizza preference including crust style.

Also whether you have a partner or anyone else attending on Monday night to hear our guest speaker.

Bob Thompson has kindly sent off pictures of the door damage in the kitchen to Karina at the Kwinana City property management. They are looking into it. Thanks Bob.

Thanks also to Mike for sorting the old gas lines on the second BBQ trailer. All ready for 'it's big day out'

Looking forward to a big turnout and support for the Australia Day breakfast at Calista Oval.

Terry Evans  
President 2024/25

Meeting at Rotary Hall, Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025





Stephen Castelli President 2025/26



Our club held our AGM as required.  
Minutes of last years meeting tabled and accepted.  
Amended, Standing Orders 2024, document, accepted.

Club Positions for 2025/26, nominations were called for during December.

PE Stephen Castelli confirmed club positions for 2025/26.

President: Stephen Castelli.

President Elect: Tony Miller

Secretary: Genevieve Carr.

Treasurer: Karen Zabiela.

Project Dir. James Sharkey.

PR Dir. Bob Thompson.

Foundation Dir. John Iriks.

Membership Dir. ??

PE Stephen Castelli



PP Genevieve Carr January 2025



Inward Correspondence.

- District newsletter #16
- Article from PDG John Kevan "Free to volunteer with Rotary"
- Promotion for Trek Cape to Cape for Disaster Relief
- Document from PDG Ric MacDonald "Moonshot Thinking"
- Information about upcoming info session on RYE Program
- Synergy Bil

Outward Correspondence:

- RAWCS Project Audit Report sent



2024/25

PDG John Iriks



**RYLA 11<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> January 2025. (Registrations closed 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



Australia Day Jan 26<sup>th</sup> (Sunday), PDG John gave us a rundown on what’s required to prepare for our Australia Day commitment.

Anzac Day 25<sup>th</sup> April; this isn't booked in but i will discuss with RSL president about us laying a wreath on the day and if members agree maybe providing the grub for the gunfire breakfast, let me know.

And as mentioned, on Mondays meeting I am in communication with Inger regarding doing a few more "Cuppa with a Rotarian" gigs, more info to follow.



Project Director  
Rtn. Tony Miller

Public Relations



Foundation Dir.  
PP Max Bird

International



Membership Dir.  
PP Edd Samut



Events Manager  
PDG John Iriks

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Community  
Kertrina Riordan

PP Max has received the Ken Collins Award for Excellence in Rotary Service

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

Australia Day Breakfast.  
We are providing our signature breakfast on the 26<sup>th</sup>.



Treasurer  
Karen Zabiela

## The long last mile in global poliovirus eradication: what should Pakistan do? (The Lancet)

With global poliovirus eradication hinging on just Pakistan and Afghanistan, there is concern about lack of progress in both neighbouring countries.

From a low of six cases in 2023, Pakistan's emergency programme for poliovirus eradication has undergone a serious setback with 70 cases of poliomyelitis due to wild poliovirus 1 in the country in 2024

Some 31% of the 2003 environmental surveillance samples from 127 sites were positive, a six-fold increase over 2023 (Pakistan Polio Eradication Programme; personal correspondence).

The Polio Independent Monitoring Board reported in 2023 that in the context of Pakistan "...various factors are still contributing to the complexity of the polio situation, including shifts in the political landscape, overall rates of immunisation, poor sanitary conditions, and insecurity" These words mirrored observations made over 13 years ago,<sup>2</sup> suggesting progress has been variable.





Fine Session: Sergeant Norm Mulcahy



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



Deputy

Bob T: Wrong number?

Tony: Parked car left motor running.

Chris O: Doesn't know the difference between middy, schooner and a glass.

Stephen: Brought several bottles of wine????

Paul: Using electrical tape as a Band-Aid?

Norm: Introducing Yanti as a 'guest' when she's a visiting Rotarian.

Eric: His face, caught the sun, reckons its 'windburn'

James: Enthusiastically welcoming the ladies, [say no more]

Paul: Australia Day is the 26<sup>th</sup>.

A young boy enters a barber shop and the barber whispers to his customer. 'This is the dumbest kid in the world. Watch while I prove it you.' The barber puts a dollar bill in one hand and two quarters in the other, then calls the boy over and asks, 'Which do you want, son?' The boy takes the quarters and leaves. 'What did I tell you?' said the barber. 'That kid never learns!' Later, when the customer leaves, he sees the same young boy coming out of the ice cream store. 'Hey, son! May I ask you a question? Why did you take the quarters instead of the dollar bill?' The boy licked his cone and replied, 'Because the day I take the dollar, the game is over!'

Two campers are walking through the woods when a huge brown bear suddenly appears in the clearing about 50 feet in front of them. The bear sees the campers and begins to head toward them. The first guy drops his backpack, digs out a pair of sneakers, and frantically begins to put them on. The second guy says, 'What are you doing? Sneakers won't help you outrun that bear.' 'I don't need to outrun the bear,' the first guy says. 'I just need to outrun you.'



8<sup>th</sup> January 2025

The Global Health Technologies Coalition (GHTC) recently honored the novel oral polio vaccine type 2 (nOPV2) development consortium with its 2024 Innovating for Impact Award. These awards, issued annually by GHTC, **recognize multisectoral partnerships and policymakers** helping to transform breakthrough scientific research into lifesaving drugs, diagnostics, vaccines, and other health tools for unmet global health challenges. [More.](#)

The Global Polio Eradication Initiative wishes all of its partners, stakeholders and friends a happy and joyous holiday season, and all the very best wishes for a successful 2025!

**Summary of new polioviruses this week, cases and positive environmental isolates:**

- Pakistan: one WPV1 case and 13 WPV1-positive environmental samples
- Indonesia: one cVDPV2 case
- Nigeria: three cVDPV2 cases
- United Kingdom (UK): one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample

*Birthdays and Anniversaries January 2025*

**Birthday Congratulations:**

Genevieve Carr 3<sup>rd</sup>



**Wedding Anniversaries**

Terry and Tish Evans 7<sup>th</sup> 47 years

Bill and Natalie Rowe 14<sup>th</sup> 58 years



**Club Anniversaries:**

John Maskell 01<sup>st</sup> 17 years in Rotary

Barry Winmar 09<sup>th</sup> 8 years

*Congratulations*



# What happened this week in history?



Jan 13<sup>th</sup> to Jan 19<sup>th</sup>



13<sup>th</sup>

1785: John Walter publishes 1st issue of "The Times" of London  
1893: British Independent Labour Party forms (Keir Hardie as its leader)  
1930: "Mickey Mouse" comic strip 1st appears  
1942: Henry Ford patents a method of constructing plastic auto bodies

14<sup>th</sup>

1690: The musical instrument, the clarinet is invented in Nürnberg, Germany  
1873: "Celluloid" registered as a trademark by its inventor John Wesley Hyatt  
1898: Australian cricketer Joe Darling hits the 1st six in Tests (out of the ground)  
1960: US Army promotes Elvis Presley to Sergeant

15<sup>th</sup>

1535: King Henry VIII declares himself head of the Church in England  
1559: Elizabeth I crowned Queen of England in Westminster Abbey  
1759: British Museum opens in Montague House, London  
1861: Steam elevator patented by Elisha Otis

16<sup>th</sup>

1493: Christopher Columbus leaves the New World and sets sail for Spain  
1832: Charles Darwin lands at Porto Prayo in the Cape Verde islands, 1st landing of his voyage  
1889: 128°F (53°C), Cloncurry, Queensland (Australian record)  
1909: Antarctic explorers, Mawson, Mackay reach south magnetic pole

17<sup>th</sup>

1524: Beginning of Giovanni da Verrazzano's voyage to find a passage to China  
1773: Captain James Cook becomes 1st to cross Antarctic Circle (66° 33' S)  
1882: 1st Dutch female physician Aletta Jacobs opens her office  
1912: Captain Robert Scott's expedition arrives at the South Pole, one month after Roald Amundsen

18<sup>th</sup>

1520: Christian II of Denmark & Norway defeats Swedes at Lake Asunde  
1644: Perplexed Pilgrims in Boston reported America's 1st UFO sighting  
1778: Captain James Cook stumbles over Sandwich Islands (Hawaiian Islands)  
1788: 1st Fleet carrying 736 convicts from England to Australia arrives at Botany Bay

19<sup>th</sup>

1806: UK re-occupies the Cape of Good Hope. Establishes British rule in South Africa.  
1839: Aden conquered by British East India Company  
1883: 1st electric lighting system using overhead wires, by Thomas Edison, Roselle, New Jersey  
1938: General Motors begins mass production of diesel engines

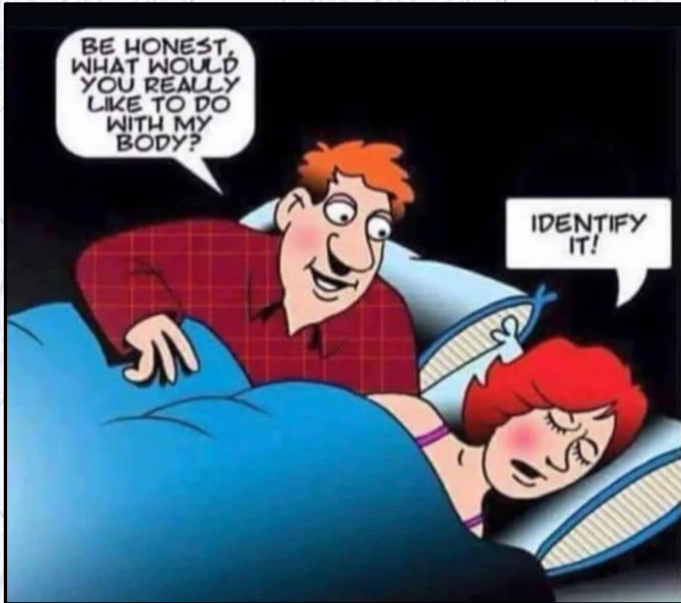
A guy meets a sex worker in a bar. She says, 'This is your lucky night. I've got a special game for you. I'll do absolutely anything you want for \$300 as long as you can say it in three words.' The guy replies, 'Hey, why not?' He pulls his wallet out of his pocket and lays \$300 on the bar, and says slowly. 'Paint...my....house.'

**WARNING WARNING!**

The AA have warned that anyone travelling in icy conditions should take a shovel, blankets/sleeping bag, extra clothing (including scarf, hat and gloves), 24 hour supply of food and water, de-icer, rock salt, torch, spare battery, petrol can, first aid kit and jump leads.

I felt like a right twat on the bus!

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Of course they do. Their feet can barely touch the pedals. Cut them some slack.

**Well, that's Christmas done.  
Time for a hot cross bun!**



**Group 9 Rotary Clubs, Meeting Times**

Rockingham  
Palm beach  
Baldivis  
Cockburn

Monday 6pm  
Wednesday 6.30pm  
Tuesday 6.30pm  
Wednesday 6pm

Armadale  
Mandurah Districts  
Pinjarra  
Byford & Districts

Tuesday 7pm  
Tuesday 6pm  
Thursday 6.45pm  
Monday 7pm

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