



# The Rotary Club of Kwinana

District 9465 Western Australia

Chartered: 22 April 1971



## Team 2020-21

**President**  
**John Iriks**

**Secretary**  
**Brian McCallum**

**Treasurer**  
**Stephen Castelli**

## Facts & Figures

### Attendance this week

Total Members	30
Apologies	8
Make-up	4
Attended	16
Hon. Member	
LOA	
Guests	
Visitors	1
Partners	

71.0%

**Raffle**  
**Lee and James**

**Heads & Tails**  
**Eric**

## STAY SAFE



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

Visitors always  
welcome



President John

# Bulletin

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Rotary Opens Opportunities

Rotary Club of Kwinana is in its 50<sup>th</sup> year 1971/2021

So many people around the world will be so pleased to see the end on 2020, many are suffering very badly as I write, may 2021 bring some happiness into their lives. We in Western Australia have been so blessed, the epidemic has largely passed us by, due to principally our isolation and good governance. I'm sure everyone would hope that the situation in many countries will improve especially now that there are at least two approved vaccines circulating.

I take this opportunity to wish everyone who happens to read this Bulletin, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year. Our next club meeting is on January 11<sup>th</sup> 2021.



Rotary International President  
2020/21

Holger Knaack

Rotary Club of Herzogtum  
Lauenburg-Mölln, Germany

District Governor  
9465

2020/21

Colin Burns



December 2020 **Disease Prevention and Treatment Month**

Coming Events

December

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Club Meeting. Last meeting for 2020

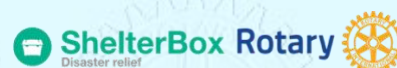


Next meeting: January 11<sup>th</sup>

Attendance Officer:

Greg Williams 0435 083 069

Apologies by Saturday pm please





**John Iriks**

President's Pen



21<sup>st</sup> December 2020

We really did get into the Christmas spirit with party hats, ham, turkey, cherries, aah” Its’ starting to look a lot like Christmas.” A great meeting all round.

On behalf of Chris and our extended family I wish you a safe and happy festive season, enjoy the break with those you love and come back refreshed because we have a BIG year coming up:

Australia Day meeting 4<sup>th</sup> January 2021 7pm at the clubrooms everyone welcome

Australia Day 26<sup>th</sup> January 2021 everyone needed and very welcome

50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Rotary Club of Kwinana 17/4/2021 in this the 100<sup>th</sup> year of Rotary in Australia, great celebration

ANZAC Day breakfast, again all hand on deck 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021

First Kwinana Rotary Fair (taking on from original Kwinana Fair/Festival) late in year around October 2021, a great opportunity to connect with our community and help them raise funds.

I am excited, hope you are.

Enjoy Rotary

John



**"I once bought my kids batteries for Christmas with a note saying, toys not included."**

**What did Adam say on the day before Christmas?**

**It's Christmas, Eve.**

**Why didn't the skeleton go to the Christmas Party?**

**He had no body to go with!**

**What does a cat on the beach have in common with Christmas? Sandy claws.**

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

**What Christmas Carol is a favourite of parents? Silent Night**

**What was so good about the neurotic doll the girl was given for Christmas?**

**It was wound up already.**



President 2021/22

Bob Thompson



Club Service Report:

12<sup>th</sup> December 2020

### **Christmas Meeting at Bowls Club**

We had 38 people attend our Christmas Meeting on Sat 19<sup>th</sup>. Thanks again to Greg for making mutually agreed arrangements for us to meet at the Bowls Club and for all who assisted in preparing, and with the running of the meeting.

I have sincerely apologised to those in attendance that I am aware of or have been made aware of that my words and actions on the night have caused them to suffer hurt and distress. Very happy to meet and talk with anyone that has unresolved issues.

### **Hall Cleaning**

Thanks to Bob Cooper for cleaning and preparing our Hall for meetings over a long period of time. Bob has advised that he is no longer able to carry out this task.

I will be looking for members (and partners??) who are prepared to go onto a roster to ensure the Hall is cleaned and COVID safe treated on a weekly basis ready for our meetings.

### **Safety Report Matters**

The City of Kwinana has contacted me to advise that they will be responding to our call for repairs to be done on identified areas of our dividing fences.

### **Used Stamps**

A reminder that I am collecting used stamps and will deliver these to RC of Victoria Park for their ongoing project.

### **Combined Conference Optus Stadium**

John W reminded members that early bird savings on the cost of registering to attend the combined Districts 9465 and 9455 Conference to be held 5-7 March 2021 at Optus Stadium, close on 24 December. John encouraged members to register and attend to represent our Club and benefit personally from the Rotary Conference experience.

### **Bob Thompson**

#### **President Elect/Club Service Director**

PP John Wallhead told us that Early-Bird Registrations for the Centennial Conference are closing soon, save yourself some dollars by registering early.

Shortly before Christmas, a business man was anxious to get home. The business trip had been gruelling and he was not in a particularly good mood. The airport loudspeakers blared Christmas carols he was sick of hearing. He thought their decorations were tacky. The worst decoration, he thought, was the plastic mistletoe hung over the luggage scale.

Being in a grumpy mood, he said to the woman at the counter, "You know, even if I weren't married, I wouldn't kiss you."

"That's not what it's there for," said the attendant. "It's so you can kiss your luggage goodbye."



**PP Brian McCallum**



Inward Correspondence.

Outward Correspondence. NIL.

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



**PP Stephen Castelli**



Treasurer Stephen was pleased to announce that all members are financial.

## *Birthdays and Anniversaries*

*December 2020*

Congratulations:

Terry Evans	5 <sup>th</sup>	Deryl Wallhead.	4 <sup>th</sup>
John Wallhead	12 <sup>th</sup>	Lucy Cuplovic.	13 <sup>th</sup>
Sam Cuplovic	20 <sup>th</sup>	Sam Winmar	20 <sup>th</sup>
Ed Samut	28 <sup>th</sup>	Lynne Bennett.	25 <sup>th</sup>
Mike Nella	29 <sup>th</sup>		



Wedding Anniversary's

James and Cathy Sharkey.	20 <sup>th</sup>	51 years
Max and Diane Bird	24 <sup>th</sup>	54 years



Club Anniversaries.

John Iriks.	01 <sup>st</sup>	41years
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# *Congratulations!*



**PP Max Bird, International 2020/21**

No report

Max Bird





Projects Director  
PP Mike Nella



PP Max Bird  
Foundation Dir.



PDG John Iriks  
Membership Dir.



PP James Sharkey  
Public Relations Dir.



Rtn. Veronica Burns  
Community



Rtn Barry Winmar  
Vocational



PP. Max Bird  
International



PP Genevieve Carr  
Youth

**Project Director's Report.**

Bunnings Sausage Sizzles have resumed.  
New format: min. 6 people, no cash Eftpos only, Bendigo Bank can provide portable Eftpos machine, for a fee.  
Garage Sales are an on-going event. Furniture sales going well.  
We have a Bunnings Sausage Sizzle booked for Saturday February 20<sup>th</sup> we must work under the COVID-19 rules, James will elaborate later.

**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.

**Membership:**

President John Iriks is Membership Director this year.  
Membership Committee: Lee Davis, Bob Thompson and Eric Blogg.  
Gavin Denz is still keen to re-join us, still a little busy right now.  
Peter Shultz has been 'White Carded'

**Community:**

Bread Program up and running well.  
Still looking for more helpers, please come along.  
Mike is winding down his leadership of the project after Christmas.

**Vocational:**

4 Way Test Speech Contest, February to April 2021, contacting Gilmore College etc.

**International:**

Latest meeting minutes available to view on ClubRunner.  
View a complete review of my recent trip to Timor on ClubRunner.

**Youth:**

Application forms for RYPEN and RYLA are open.  
RYLA. 18 to 25 year old's 9<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> January 2021  
Candidate accepted for RYLA

Visit your club webpage.

<http://www.clubrunner.ca/Portal/Home.aspx?accountid=8106>  
or type Kwinana Rotary Club into 'Search'



Guest Speaker:

It was a cold and misty Christmas morning in the very depth of Winter after a heavy fall of snow and only one farmer and the minister managed to arrive at the church for the morning service. "Well", said the clergyman "I guess there's no point in having a service today." "Well that's not how I see it," said the farmer. "If only one cow turns up at feeding time, I still feed it."

At a monastery high in the mountains, the monks have a rigid vow of silence. Only at Christmas, and only by one monk, and only with one sentence, is the vow allowed to be broken.

One Christmas, Brother Thomas is allowed to speak and he says, "I like the mashed potatoes we have with the Christmas turkey!" and he sits down. Silence ensues for 365 days.

The next Christmas, Brother Michael gets his turn, and he says "I think the mashed potatoes are lumpy and I hate them!"

Once again, silence for 366 days (it's leap year). The following Christmas, Brother Paul rises and says, "I am fed up with this constant bickering!"

A lady lost her handbag in the bustle of Christmas shopping. It was found by an honest little boy and returned to her. Looking in her purse, she commented, "Hmmm.... That's funny. When I lost my bag there was a \$20 bill in it, now there are twenty \$1 bills. "The boy quickly replied, "That's right, lady. The last time I found a lady's purse, she didn't have any change for a reward."

The Santa Claus at the mall was very surprised when a young lady about twenty years old walked up and sat on his lap.

Santa doesn't usually take requests from adults, but she smiled very nicely at him, so he asked her, "What do you want for Christmas?"

"Something for my mother, please." said the young lady.

"Something for your mother? Well, that's very thoughtful of you," smiled Santa.

"What do you want me to bring her? "

Without blinking she replied, "A son-in-law!"

A lady was picking through the frozen turkeys at the grocery store, but couldn't find one big enough for her family. She asked a stock boy, "Don't these turkeys get any bigger?" The stock boy replied, "No ma'am, they're dead."



Fines for Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2020

No Badge: Greg and Chris.

Ed S: Accused of 'lowering the tone of conversation'

James S: Wearing shorts, fined for 'Vagrancy' i.e. No visible means of support.

Five members fined for wearing Pyjama tops as shirts.

The sergeant got desperate and fined everyone by the colour of Christmas hat they were wearing.

Followed up by fining those who wore 'no hat'

The 'Late' Chris O fined, also fined for suggesting President John was still in bed when he rang on Monday morning, wrong John had just returned home after 9 holes of golf.

John M: Eric taking photos, John wrestled a chair from him in case he tried to stand on it!!!

John W: Accused of trying to hide the plastic lid bucket.

UK, more than 3,000 trucks parked-up waiting to allowed into France this week



## Polio this week

16<sup>th</sup> December 2020

The EB reports on both polio eradication and polio transition planning/post-certification are now available [here](#) under “148<sup>th</sup> Executive Board”. These reports will help inform the discussions on polio eradication by Member States at the upcoming EB to be held on 18 – 26 January 2021.

Revision to WHO global poliovirus containment guidance – Following a Containment Advisory Group (CAG) [recommendation](#), revision to WHO’s chief guidance document for poliovirus containment – [GAPIII](#) – has been initiated. The aim is to harmonize GAPIII requirements with other relevant biorisk management standards and CAG recommendations, through wide stakeholder engagement. Comments are still being received; contact [hsingh@who.int](mailto:hsingh@who.int) for more information. The revised draft is expected to be ready for publication in Q1 2021, with critical review and endorsement of the document by CAG to follow.

New online tool to identify and assess potentially infectious material – A Potentially Infectious Materials (PIM), Poliovirus Identification and Assessment Digital Online Tool has been developed to assist all labs to identify samples or collections as PIM and carry out appropriate measures. The tool, to be available in Q1 2021, is to be used in conjunction with WHO’s [PIM guidance](#). Thanks to facilities which helped pilot the tool.

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

- - Afghanistan: 54 cVDPV2 cases
  - Pakistan: three WPV1 and two cVDPV2 positive environmental samples
  - Chad: two cVDPV2 cases
  - Democratic Republic of the Congo: two cVDPV2 cases
  - Nigeria: two cVDPV2 cases and one positive environmental sample
  - South Sudan: six cVDPV2 cases
  - Sudan: two cVDPV2 cases



I asked my wife what she wanted for Christmas. She told me "Nothing would make her happier than a diamond necklace" So I bought her nothing.

The main reason Santa is so jolly is because he knows where all the bad girls live.



# What happened

In Australia, around the world

# this week in history?



December 20<sup>th</sup> to December 26<sup>th</sup>



20<sup>th</sup>

1860: South Carolina becomes the first US state to secede from the Union, ultimately sparking the Civil War.  
1957: The "King of Rock 'n' Roll", Elvis Presley, receives his draft notice.  
2013: The United Nations General Assembly proclaims 3 March as World Wildlife Day.

21<sup>st</sup>

1620: The Pilgrim ship 'Mayflower' arrives at Plymouth Rock in North America.  
1817: Governor Macquarie recommends the use of the name 'Australia' instead of New Holland.  
1894: The South Australia becomes one of the first in the world to grant women the right to vote.  
1988: Pan Am Flight 103 explodes over Lockerbie, Scotland, killing 270.

22<sup>nd</sup>

1845: Land for the first gold mine in Australia is purchased.  
1989: A bus crash in Kempsey, New South Wales, kills 35 people.  
1989: The Brandenburg Gate between East and West Berlin is opened for the first time in nearly thirty years.

23<sup>rd</sup>

1888: Dutch painter Vincent van Gogh deliberately cuts off his own ear.  
1906: Australian invention, the surf lifesaving reel, is demonstrated for the first time.  
1970: Construction of the World Trade Centre (Twin Towers) in New York reaches its highest point.

24<sup>th</sup>

1818: The Christmas carol 'Silent Night' is sung for the first time.  
1875: A cyclone hits Exmouth Gulf, Western Australia, killing 59.  
1953: 151 die in New Zealand as an express train plunges off a damaged bridge.

25<sup>th</sup>

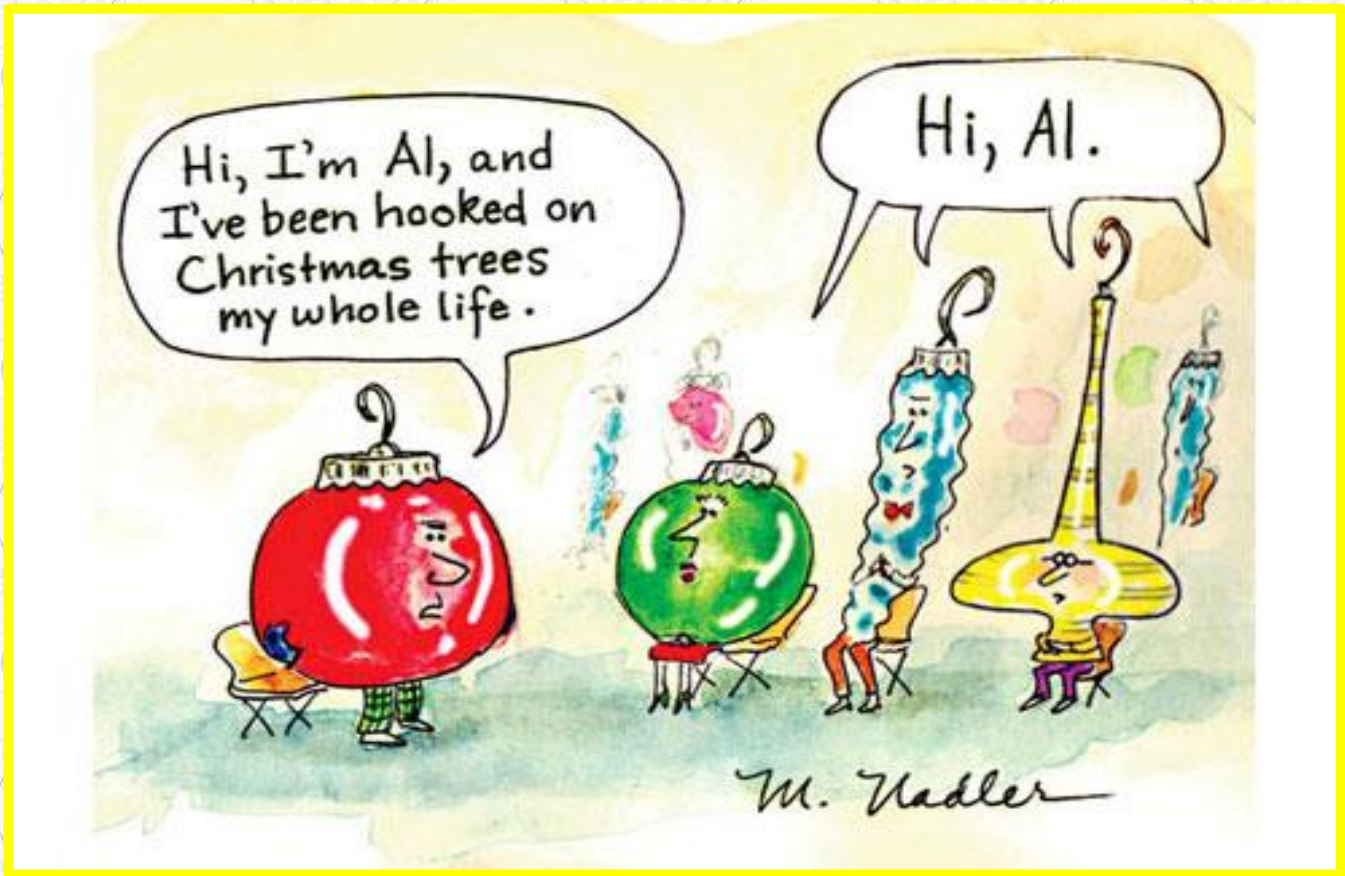
1758: The sighting of Halley's Comet establishes the fact that it returns in a 76-year loop.  
1826: British occupation of Western Australia begins.  
1974: Cyclone Tracy leaves Darwin, in Australia's Northern Territory, in tatters.  
1990: The first successful communication between an HTTP client and server over the Internet spawns the World Wide Web.

26<sup>th</sup>

1871: Today is Boxing Day, also known as St Stephen's Day.  
1945: The first Sydney to Hobart yacht race is held.  
2004: Hundreds of thousands of people die as a tsunami hits southern Asia.

The Christmas spirit was with us, courtesy of some paper hats left by Inner Wheel





**Makeup opportunities**

Rockingham	Monday	6pm for 6.30	Rockingham RSL Club
Palm beach	Wednesday	6pm for 6.30	Ocean Clipper Inn
Baldivis	Mon/Fortnightly	6.30pm for 7.00	Peel Manor House
Cockburn	Thursday	7.15am for 7.30	Cockburn Seniors Centre
Byford & Districts	Monday	6.15pm for 6.45	Byford Tavern, South W Hwy



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