



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

No 27 10/02/2025



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

Facts & Figures

Attendance this week

- Total Members 27
- Apologies 3
- Make-up 3
- Attended 14
- Hon. Member LOA
- Guests 3
- Visitors 1
- Partners

68.0%

Raffle
John W & Bill

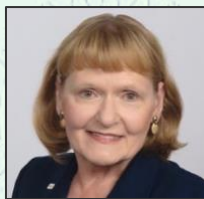
Heads & Tails
Stephen

Interesting meeting tonight, guest speaker was David Tucker, David is a director of Bicycles for Humanity, Past President, Rotary Club of Bay View Claremont, current member, Rotary Club of Crawley.
It is estimated that each year around 1.5 million bikes are sold across Australia and around half of these will end up unused or abandoned.
B4H put this resource to work in some of the poorest regions of the world. Bicycles for Humanity WA distributes <1000 refurbished, pre-loved bikes annually to communities in need.

Alan Johnson again joined us; Alan is going through the prospective member formalities, and I would expect an induction announcement soon.

We also welcomed two visitors from the USA, Karen Brokaw and daughter Cheyenne, Karen is the youngest daughter of former member PP John Dixon and Glenice.

If BOM predictions are correct the WA coast near Port Hedland will be hit by the most destructive Tropical Cyclone ever recorded in WA, with winds up to 320 km/h, we hope everyone is able to stay-safe and the predictions don't eventuate.



Rotary International President
2024/25
Stephanie Urchick

Rotary Club of McMurray
Pennsylvania USA

District Governor
9423
2024/25

Pat Schraven



February 2025 - Peacebuilding and Conflict Resolution

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| Mon 3 rd | Camp Opportunity | Daniel MacLure |
| Mon 10 th | Bicycles for Humanity | David Tucker |
| Mon 17 th | Manual Handling | Genevieve Carr |
| Mon 24 th | Community Need | Denver D'Cruz COK |

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



February 2025



Hello all, as you know, Terry and Tish are away for 3 weeks while they drive to Darwin to help their daughter move. Terry will be back for Monday 03 March Meeting. So, for the next 3 weeks, PP Stephen will chair the meetings (with the help of all the members).

Stephen brought along 2 guests on Monday, his sister-in-law Karen Brokaw (nee Dixon) and her daughter Cheyenne. They have flown in from Las Vegas to visit family and attending the meeting gave Karen a chance to catchup with a number of Rotarians that she knew when she was a Rotaractor.

John and Chris Iriks will leave on 11 Feb for a holiday to Vietnam. We wish them all the best.

We are looking forward to inducting Alan Johnson into the Club in the near future.

Reminder of the District Conference in Margaret River from Friday 28th March to Sun 30 March.

Stephen Castelli
President 2025/26

Terry Evans
President 2024/25

Meeting at Rotary Hall

Monday 10th February 2025





Stephen Castelli President 2025/26



Stephen is looking at a number of options for Club Events. Included on the list at the moment is:

- **Trip to Kalgoorlie** for meeting with Kalgoorlie Club. People to make their own way there via car, train, caravan, bicycle, whatever.
Koorliny Arts Shows:
- **Hotham Valley Rail** – 3 options:
 - Forest Train. Operates Saturday and Sunday @ 10:30 and 14:00
Open carriages - 95-minute return journey
From \$32.69 per person
Steam Ranger, Operates Sundays @ 10:30 and 14:00
Commencing in May 2025 2 hour return journey, Includes a licensed Rail Car From \$46.40 per person
 - Restaurant Train. Operates April to December
Leaves from Dwellingup station 7pm to 10pm. Saturday night only.
Fixed Menu, 5 course meal. No Vegetarian, No GF offered
From \$124.44 per person
- **Train to Perth Airport.** For all those that want to experience this new option to get to and from airport
We may have a built in Tour Guide in Josh Carr
- **Progressive Dinner**
We will need at least 3 people willing to host member and partners for dinner.
Each Host will provide the venue for 1 of either Entrée, Mains or Desert.
All attending will need to assist with providing the food. A Roster for food will be arranged if this goes ahead.
- **Restaurant Evening**
A new restaurant has opened up in Kerosene Lane (over the road from Spudshed).
Yanti and I have booked for Friday 14th Feb, so we will be able to report back on this new venue.

I will circulate a list over the next few meetings to gauge the level of interest from members and their partners.

PE Stephen Castelli



PP Genevieve Carr February 2025



Inward Correspondence.

- Vision 10 x 10 update
- Grants update
- Notice re applications for Rotary Peace Fellowships
- Rotary Club of Perth newsletter
- RDU Supplies update
- Notice re upcoming President-Elect Learning and Development seminar
- District Conference reminder
- Invitation to combined meeting with Rockingham Clubs at Safety Bay Bowling Club on Monday 24 March 2025 to meet the Vocational Training Team from California
- NYSF update

Outward Correspondence:

- Letter of support for Kwinana Volunteer Centre
- Report for RAWCS Safe Water and Sanitation Saves Lives project



2024/25

PDG John Iriks



RYLA 11th to 18th January 2025 (Completed)

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 19th to 25th January 2025 (Registrations close Dec. 15th)

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. **(Completed)**

Daniel MacLure had a great week.



2024/25

Rtn. Tony Miller



As from this week Tony is on a 3-month LOA and is presently in Vietnam. (Safe travels)

What was the biggest cyclone in Western Australia?

Cyclone Alby. Severe Tropical Cyclone Alby was regarded as the most devastating tropical cyclone to impact southwestern Western Australia on record. Forming out of an area of low pressure on 27 March 1978, Alby steadily developed as it tracked southwestward, parallel to the west coast

When was the last category 5 cyclone in WA?

Its last category 5 storm was Isla in **2023**, when 289km/h winds broke records. Pardoo Roadhouse copped the brunt of it.

The last category 5 storm to smash Port Hedland was George in 2007, killing two workers on an FMG mining camp.



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

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 26th.
Done & Dusted.



Treasurer
Karen Zabiela

Expression of Interest: Disaster Ready Program for Rotary Clubs in WA

Overview: RAWCS has been invited to submit a (training & awareness) project proposal aimed at enhancing community preparedness for natural disasters. The initiative focuses on:

- Increasing understanding of natural hazards.
- Enhancing community resilience.
- Reducing the severity of disaster impacts.

The proposed training will empower clubs by providing essential resources and training sessions facilitated by RAWCS and its partners.

Training will cover preparation techniques for various disasters and will be fully funded, covering all associated costs.

Call to Action: We are **inviting all Rotary Clubs in Western Australia to express their interest** in participating in this program. Please send your expressions of interest directly to RAWCS by emailing info@rawcs.org.au by **February 17, 2025**. This will help in planning training sessions effectively.

We are excited about this opportunity to reinforce our commitment to disaster preparedness and look forward to your active participation.



Fine Session: Sergeant Norm Mulcahy



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



Deputy

Stand-in Sergeant Chris O

Stephen: Mislaid his glasses, had to pay to get them back.

Bevan: Welcome back Bevan, sergeant Chris paid his fine.

John Iriks: Safe travels during your trip to Vietnam.

James: Held-up by a Alcoa train, rang Stephen to tell him!!.

Neither John I nor James could tell the sergeant what the animal emblem of their native country.
 Holland: Lion. Scotland: Unicorn.

Acting Sergeant Chris: Fined by Greg, for neglecting to raise some foreign money from our visiting Rotarian.

Karen and Cheyenne with PE Stephen Castelli



05th February 2025

Poliovirus detections in Europe – urgent action needed to keep Europe polio-free. Click [here](#) for an editorial by Pamela Rendi-Wagner, Director of the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) and Hans Kluge, WHO Regional Director for Europe, on the recent detections of poliovirus which highlight the ongoing risk of polio resurgence anywhere.

The WHO Executive Board is taking place this week in Geneva.

The GPEI has finalized a report on polio eradication, which will help inform Member State discussions. The report provides an update on work towards fully implementing and financing the Polio Eradication Strategy and the Polio Transition Framework, to achieve eradication and prepare for a lasting polio-free world. The report is available [here](#).

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

- Pakistan: 39 WPV1-positive environmental samples
- Algeria: one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample



Guest Speaker PP David Tucker from B4hwa with PE Stephen Castelli





Guest Speaker:

PP David Tucker

David Tucker is a retired mining industry executive and has been a Rotarian for 11 years. He is a past president of the Rotary Club of Bayview Claremont and is now a current member of Rotary Club of Crawley. David joined the Management Committee of Bicycles for Humanity at its formation in 2011 and has been their Chair ever since.



bicycles for humanity

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

B4HWA is part of an exciting global volunteer-run, non-profit organisation that uses donated bikes to help alleviate poverty through sustainable transport.

Every year around 1.5 million bikes are sold across Australia – about around half of these will end up unused or abandoned.

We put this huge resource to work in some of the world's poorest regions.

For people in rural Africa, or in remote WA, a bicycle represents affordable travel!

Providing access to work, school, medical support, food and water.

A bike will carry a person twice as far, twice as fast and carry 4 times the load.

Bicycles for Humanity WA distributes <1000 refurbished, pre-loved bikes annually to communities in need.

Changing lives two wheels at a time

Our fabulous volunteers do all the work to repair the bikes and load them for transport

BUT they need your help to get them there. Sadly, shipping costs remain high, so please give generously.

<https://b4hwa.com/>



Thousands of residents in Western Australia's Pilbara region are being warned to prepare for "significant and destructive weather" later today when [Tropical Cyclone Zelia](#) crosses the northern coastline.

The Bureau of Meteorology in an update this morning says wind speeds above 300km/h are forecast when the category 5 storm makes landfall west of the town Port Hedland in coming hours.

The areas likely to be impacted are Wallal Downs to Dampier, including Port Hedland, Karratha and Dampier, and extending inland to Marble Bar, Millstream, Nullagine, Tom Price and Paraburdoo.

Cyclone Mahina was the deadliest cyclone in recorded Australian history, and also potentially the most intense tropical cyclone ever recorded in the Southern Hemisphere. Mahina struck Bathurst Bay, Cape York Peninsula, colonial Queensland, on 4 March 1899, and its winds and enormous storm surge combined to kill more than 300 people.

While the Australian Bureau of Meteorology, which is the Regional Specialised Meteorological Centre of the basin, estimates Mahina's peak central pressure to be 914 hPa (26.99 inHg), the World Meteorological Organization is currently considering an application from Queensland scientists and researchers to have this value upgraded to 880 hPa (25.99 inHg), based on data from post-storm analysis.

This would officially make Mahina the most intense cyclone recorded to have hit the Australian mainland, and the most intense tropical cyclone recorded making landfall anywhere in the world, as well as the most intense tropical cyclone ever recorded in the Southern Hemisphere, a title currently held by Cyclone Winston. Cyclone Mahina also produced the largest storm surge on record, generating a 13-metre-high (43-foot) surge.

Birthdays and Anniversaries February 2025

Birthday Congratulations:

Cathy Sharkey	2 nd
Diane Bird	7 th
Eric Blogg	12 th
Wendy Cooper	18 th
Tish Evans	24 th



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Wedding Anniversaries

Chris and Carol	21 st	22 years
Peter and Karen	25 th	36 years



Club Anniversaries:

Max Bird	01 st	26 years
Tony Miller	18 th	2 years
Norm Mulcahy	26 th	19 years

Congratulations



What happened this week in history?



Feb 10th to Feb 16th



10th

1774: Andrew Becker demonstrates diving suit
1842: Moreton Bay Penal Colony abolished and opened for free settlement (city of Brisbane)
1879: 1st electric arc light used
1931: New Delhi becomes the capital of India

11th

809: Robert Fulton patents steamboat
1826: University College London founded; known until 1836 as London University
1852: First British public female toilet opens (Bedford Street, London)
1929: Vatican City, the world's smallest country, is made an enclave of Rome

12th

1502: Vasco da Gama sets sail from Lisbon, Portugal, on his second voyage to India
1554: Queen of England for nine days, Lady Jane Grey is executed for treason
1777: Captain James Cook arrives at Queen Charlotte Sound, New Zealand, aboard Resolution
1938: 3rd British Empire Games close in Sydney, Australia

13th

1692: Glencoe Massacre: about 38 MacDonalDs killed early in the morning by rival Campbell clan
1832: First appearance of cholera in London
1861: Abraham Lincoln declared US President in Washington, D.C.
1895: Moving picture projector patented

14th

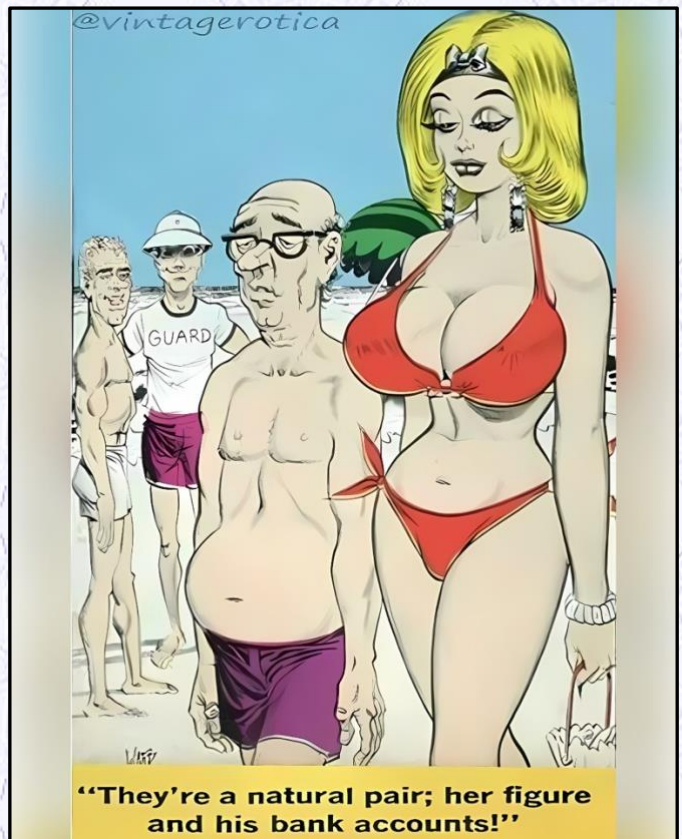
1349: 900 Jews are burned alive in Strasbourg after being blamed for the spread of the Black Death
1895: Oscar Wilde's play "Importance of Being Earnest" premieres at St James's Theatre in London
1899: US Congress begins using voting machines
1900: Date of events in Australian movie "Picnic at Hanging Rock"

15th

399: Philosopher Socrates is sentenced to death by the city of Athens for corrupting minds of youth
1764: St. Louis, Missouri founded as a French trading post by Pierre Laclède
1867: Johann Strauss' "Blue Danube" waltz premieres in Vienna
1882: SS Dunedin leaves New Zealand for Britain with the first cargo of frozen meat.

16th

1659: 1st known cheque written (£400), now on display at Westminster Abbey
1852: Studebaker Brothers wagon company established - precursor of the automobile manufacturer
1917: 1st synagogue in 425 years opens in Madrid
1937: DuPont Corp patents nylon, developed by employee Wallace Carothers



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
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