



# 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**

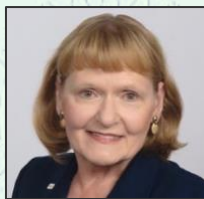
- Total Members** 27
- Apologies**
- Make-up**
- Attended** 15
- Hon. Member** 1
- LOA**
- Guests** 2
- Visitors**
- Partners** 10

**65.3%**

**Raffle**  
**Wendy & Chris**

**Heads & Tails**  
**Stephen**

Partners night, 10 attended tonight primarily to say goodbye to club member Paul Durant and Partner/former member Kim Beciri, Paul and Kim have sold their home in Parmelia and are moving to Katanning. Kim and Paul joined our club in 2020, Almost immediately Paul served as our Attendance Officer/Birthdays etc, Paul became noted for his decorative and personalised birthday and anniversary cards. Kim resigned in 2023, but continued to oversee the bookings and allocation of stalls for the Community Fair. We are forever indebted to both Kim and Paul's contribution to our Rotary Club. We extend our very best wishes to both, as they begin their new life in Katanning. We welcomed guest Monica Highman who came along to check us out. Guest speaker tonight was Denver D'Cruz, Manager for Community Development with the City of Kwinana, Denver gave us a very detailed presentation on the structure of the 'quite extensive' Community Development team at the City of Kwinana. President Terry and Tish are shortly due to head back to Perth from Darwin, but, due to the recent cyclone and washed-out roads they could be forced to travel back through Alice Springs, about 600ks further, safe travels which-ever way.



**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

Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Camp Opportunity	Daniel MacLure
Mon 10 <sup>th</sup>	Bicycles for Humanity	David Tucker
Mon 17 <sup>th</sup>	Manual Handling	Genevieve Carr
Mon 24 <sup>th</sup>	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



President – Stephen on behalf of Terry

We had a partner's night to allow us to farewell Paul and Kim properly.

As we know, they are heading to Katanning on 5<sup>th</sup> of March.

Our guest speaker Denver D'Cruz was very passionate about the City of Kwinana and what it is up to. I expect everybody learnt something from his presentation, and I am sure that this has fostered many conversations outside of the meeting.

There was a good turnout at the meeting, 27, I think.

There are a few dates to remember:

- Monday 03 March – No Meeting. Labour Day PH
- Friday 07 March – BBQ @ Gilmour College. James will organise the food (sausages and Buns). Karen will pick these up from Spudshed, and Edd will collect the BBQ trailer and will run the show in James' absence.

A couple more people still required. Many thanks to those that have stepped forward.

- Friday 07 March Bevan Piper's Birthday
- Monday 10 March – Partners Night to celebrate Bevan's birthday and also to induct Alan Johnson (assuming that we have the necessary badges, etc). The menu will be ROAST. Need to have numbers for meeting on 24/03 to pass on for catering purposes.
- Monday 24 March – Combined meeting with Clubs of Baldivis, Rockingham and Palm Beach @ the Safety Bay Bowls Club. This is to meet and hear from the Vocational Training Team (formerly GSE) from California.

There will be No Meeting at Kwinana.

- Friday 28 March – District Conference in Margaret River. Yanti and I will be there to represent the club.

Terry Evans  
President 2024/25

Stephen Castelli  
President 2025/26

Meeting at Rotary Hall

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> 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 in Kerosene Lane (over the road from Spudshed).  
Yanti and I went there last Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Feb, and we can report back that it is very nice, but maybe a tad expensive.

I was even considering talking to Dai and Suzi at Green Barista in Medina about doing a “long table” 1 evening, but there are a few issues that we would have to work through 1<sup>st</sup>

Keep the ideas coming.

PE Stephen Castelli



PP Genevieve Carr February 2025

Inward Correspondence.

- RDU Supplies order confirmation
- Rotary Club of Perth newsletter
- Request for sponsorship for youth project
- Invoice from Imprint Plastic
- Invoice for post box
- Renewal notice for online furniture store
- RDU Supplies update
- Notice of Family and Community Mental health Fair at Hyde Park Festival
- Rotary WA District Conference update
- Notice re Rotary Vocational Training Team

Outward Correspondence:

- Liaison with Kwinana Property Management re recent maintenance to Rotary Hall





2024/25

PDG John Iriks



We're thrilled to announce that applications for the **RYPEN Camp (2nd – 4th May 2025)** are **NOW OPEN!**

RYPEN (Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment) is a **transformational weekend camp** designed for teenagers aged **14-17**, where they will:

- ✓ Build confidence in **communication & leadership**
- ✓ Develop **problem-solving** skills
- ✓ Take on **exciting challenges**
- ✓ **Make new friends** and have an unforgettable time!

This is a **unique opportunity** for young people to step out of their comfort zone, grow personally, and **have a blast** in a supportive, inspiring environment.

💡 **Know a teen who would love to be part of this experience?** Encourage them to apply now!

**Key Details:**

- 🗓️ **Dates:** 2nd – 4th May 2025
- 📍 **Location:** Serpentine Camping Centre
- 💰 **Cost:** \$340 per attendee (sponsored by Rotary Clubs)
- 📅 **Application Deadline:** 21st April 2025



2024/25  
2025/26

Rtn. Tony Miller  
PP James Sharkey



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

Our Club is providing a BBQ for 500 specially selected pupils from Gilmore College on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March.

We will be providing 250 sausage sizzles and the College providing the other 250.

As I will be absent next week, Ed has volunteered to be team leader and will ensure that the BBQ trailer and equipment will be at the college for 12.00pm start. Karen has kindly offered to pick up the supplies from the Spud Shed on Friday morning.

I need a couple more helpers on the day so please if you can spare an hour or so, it would be very much appreciated.  
James

*Coming together is a beginning.  
Keeping together is progress.  
Working together is success*

*Henry Ford*



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.

See below for the latest Timor-Leste report from PP Max.



Treasurer  
Karen Zabiela

**Kim Beciri and partner Paul Durant attend their last meeting at our club before relocating to Katanning**





Fine Session: Sergeant Norm Mulcahy



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

Bob Cooper: Re-named 'Band-aid Bob'

Chris O: Some new 'Family members'

Loud shirt of the week: Chris O and Stephen C.

Kim and Paul: Sorry but please leave some money behind!!!

One table, deemed to be overcrowded, by the sergeant's ruling.

Smokers, Paul, Yanti, Kim and Karen, deemed to be breaking the 5metre rule???

Recent haircuts: Ed, Greg and Sam.

Stephen got Norm a 'Roger Cook shirt'

1905

February 23

2025

120 years



Four  
founders

Rotary



1 200 000  
members

PEOPLE OF ACTION

Alain Cheval



PEACEBUILDING AND  
CONFLICT PREVENTION



DISEASE PREVENTION  
AND TREATMENT



WATER, SANITATION,  
AND HYGIENE



MATERNAL AND  
CHILD HEALTH



BASIC EDUCATION  
AND LITERACY



COMMUNITY ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT



ENVIRONMENT

19<sup>th</sup> February 2025

Gaza polio outbreak response continuing – emergency outbreak response in the Gaza Strip is continuing, with a mass vaccination campaign scheduled from 22-26 February, to reach more than 571,000 children. The campaign will aim to address residual immunity gaps, with a subsequent round being planned in April, after Ramadan. Recent detection from environmental samples, including from January, confirms that the strain is still circulating and continues to pose a threat to children with low or no immunity, both in Gaza and throughout the region. [More](#).

The recording of the webinar of the recent launch of the updated Global Polio Surveillance Action Plan (GPSAP) is now available online, at this [link](#). The webinar brought together experts from across the GPEI, to summarise the key elements of the GPSAP. The GPSAP maximises benefits of available technical and operational tools and, reflects the key surveillance activities that will facilitate achievement of the GPEI strategic goals to eradicate WPV1 and interrupt transmission of circulating variant poliovirus type 2 (cVDPV2).

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

- Afghanistan: One WPV1 case and nine WPV1-positive environmental samples
- Pakistan: Two WPV1 cases and nine WPV1-positive environmental samples
- Algeria: one cVDPV2 case and one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample
- Guinea: one cVDPV3 case
- occupied Palestinian territory: three cVDPV2-positive environmental samples



Denver D’Cruz, City of Kwinana with PE/PP Stephen Castelli





Guest Speaker:  
Denver D'Cruz  
Manager Community Engagement - City of Kwinana,  
Board Member - Sport Inclusion Australia



Denver D'Cruz, based in Perth, WA, AU, is currently a Manager Community Engagement at City of Kwinana. Denver D'Cruz brings experience from previous roles at City of Kwinana, Sport Inclusion Australia, Inclusion Solutions and City of Swan. Denver D'Cruz holds a 2002 - 2007 Graduate Diploma in Marketing Communication Research @ University of Canberra.

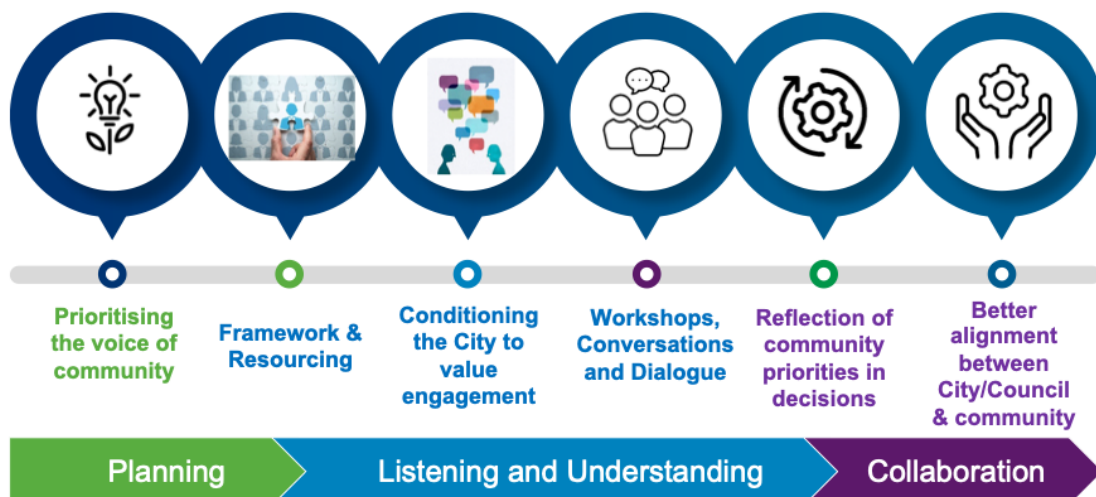
Denver's presentation was comprehensive in detail, passionately presented, I have highlighted only the primary focus points.

Denver is part of a very sizeable team at the COK, specialising in Community Engagement.

## What are current priorities in Kwinana?



## Community Engagement Focus



Below is a list of current expenditure allocated to Community Facilities'

### Kwinana Recquatic

- ✓ \$15m federal gov grant. Total project budget ~\$36m. Design in 25/26 & construction approx. 26/27.
- ✓ Expanded Pool Facilities: Addressing demand for lessons, aquatic programs, and family-friendly areas.
- ✓ Modernised Health & Fitness Spaces: Including state-of-the-art gym, group fitness studios, wellness facilities
- ✓ Enhanced Accessibility: Ensuring the facility is welcoming and inclusive for everyone
- ✓ Redevelopment scope does not include a 50m pool or outdoor pool with water slides.

### Regional Open Space

- ✓ Election Commitment 47ha land in Postans (Abercrombie Rd) and \$500,000 towards detailed planning. Multiple facilities, playing fields, nature play elements, indoor/outdoor court infrastructure. 15+ year timeline.

### Kwinana Loop Trail

- ✓ ~\$3.5m, funded through the State's Outdoor Adventure Tourism Package
- ✓ Masterplan completed mid-2025

### Other Facility Projects

- ✓ Apex-Rotary Park – Design finalised in conjunction with the MACC, Dates TBC
- ✓ Thomas Oval Changerooms Build - \$3.2m
- ✓ Wellard West Community Facility (McWhirter Oval) - \$6m project
- ✓ Next 8 years
  - Local Sports Ground with large facility (Casuarina/Anketell South) 2030
  - Local Sports Ground with Changeroom (Mandogalup) 2031
  - District Dry Recreation Centre (Wandi Anketell North) 2031
  - District Hard Courts (Casuarina/Anketell South) 2033

## Birthdays and Anniversaries February 2025

### Birthday Congratulations:

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



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

### Wedding Anniversaries

Chris and Carol	21 <sup>st</sup>	22 years
Peter and Karen	25 <sup>th</sup>	36 years



### Club Anniversaries:

Max Bird	01 <sup>st</sup>	26 years
Tony Miller	18 <sup>th</sup>	2 years
Norm Mulcahy	26 <sup>th</sup>	19 years

*Congratulations*



# What happened this week in history?



Feb 24<sup>th</sup>

to

Mar 2<sup>nd</sup>



24<sup>th</sup>

1541: Santiago, Chile founded by Pedro de Valdivia  
1804: London's Drury Lane Theatre burns to the ground, leaving owner Richard Sheridan destitute  
1839: Steam shovel patented by William Otis, Philadelphia  
1923: Flying Scotsman goes into service

25<sup>th</sup>

1814: Australia's first currency - the holey dollar introduced, made of Spanish 'pieces of eight'.  
1836: Samuel Colt patents first multi-shot revolving-cylinder revolver  
1901: US Steel Corporation organized under J. P. Morgan, Snr.  
1957: Buddy Holly and the Crickets record their smash hit "That'll Be the Day" in New Mexico

26<sup>th</sup>

1606: First known European landing in Australia by Dutch navigator Willem Janszoon, Cape York  
1797: Bank of England issues first £1 note  
1885: Berlin Conference gives Congo to Belgium and Nigeria to Great Britain  
1907: Royal Oil & Shell merge to form British Petroleum (BP)

27<sup>th</sup>

1557: 1st Russian Embassy arrives in London  
1693: 1st women's magazine "Ladies' Mercury" published in London, England  
1879: Russian Chemist Constantin Fahlberg discovers saccharin (artificial sweetener)  
1964: The government of Italy asks for help to keep the Leaning Tower of Pisa from toppling over

28<sup>th</sup>

1784: John Wesley charts Methodist Church  
1832: Charles Darwin, aboard HMS Beagle, arrives in the town of Salvador in Brazil  
1849: 1st boat load of gold rush prospectors arrives in San Francisco from the east coast  
1854: Republican Party formally organized in Ripon, Wisconsin

01<sup>st</sup>

1692: Sarah Goode, Sarah Osborne, & Tituba arrested for witchcraft in Salem, Massachusetts  
1854: SS City of Glasgow leaves Liverpool with 480 passengers & crew. was never seen again.  
1872: Yellowstone becomes the world's 1st national park  
1873: E. Remington and Sons in Ilion, New York begins production of the first practical typewriter

02<sup>nd</sup>

1796: Napoléon Bonaparte is appointed Commander-in-Chief of the French Army in Italy  
1836: Republic of Texas declares independence from Mexico in Columbia  
1882: Queen Victoria narrowly escapes assassination when Roderick Maclean shoots at her.  
1936: Australian cricket's batting maestro Don Bradman scores 369 in 253 minutes (46x4, 4 sixes)



### **Rotary Projects Timor-Leste East 233 Lambeth Circle Wellard WA 6167**

Louise

Please see my report as outlined below

June and November 2024 RPTLE installed SkyHydrant water filters to various schools within Timor-Leste this now brings the number of filters installed to 24 with the following results.

1. Providing fresh/clean water every day free!
2. Reducing sickness by up to 88%
3. Improving education, with improved school attendance
4. Reducing plastic bottles – Sustainable
5. Creating ownership – requestors need to own and maintain and prepare site for installation at no cost to the project.
6. Collaborative project – with requestors, Don Bosco Training Centre, East Timor Roofing, local hardware stores supporting local business – you can get what you need in Dili!
7. Rotary Clubs passionate about the program both within WA and the Eastern States.
8. System Works has proven to work record over long periods of time.
9. Working closely with Disaster Aid Australia who supply the water filters and technical expertise.
10. A project that is making a difference to over 30,000 students every day. Soon to be 45,000 students. Providing estimated 115,000 litres (23 x 5000ltrs) of fresh/clean water every day which equates to 5750 20 litres containers or 191,666 - 600ml plastic bottles, not been discarded into the ocean!
11. Plus saving deforestation by not having to boil drinking water-77kg of firewood per 1,000 liters of water
12. RPTLE will have three groups of Rotarians traveling to Timor-Leste inspecting the units installed, and supervising (Only) another six units to be installed in June 2025 numbers are very limited in these groups to keep costs down

RPTLE is looking at moving the project forward to the next level in a much-enhanced state, by involving some big players, now that we have a proven product that also has a proven and sustainable record, some of these units have been in place since 2017 and are still working as good as the day they were installed.

In January 2025 RPTLE met with the ex-Timor-Leste Ambassador to Australia, who is now the Timor-Leste Ambassador to Brunei. The Ambassador is very keen to get the Timor-Leste Government involved in the project for public schools.

He also gave RPTLE the contact details of his friend who is the ex-Australian Ambassador to Brunei, and is currently the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) Secretary responsible for Timor-Leste based in Canberra. The secretary is currently on holidays but has

already communicated with RPTLE, and is very keen to see the project move forward, RPTLE are arranging to meet with the secretary in Canberra on his return to official duties.

RPTLE has also taken on the role of the RAWCS Project Manager with the Marist Brothers building a multi-million-dollar school in the Lautem District of Timor-Leste including a 5 km 40mm Pipe line from a spring in the mountain to the school, this then will be the main water supply for the school.

The main role of RPTLE apart from been an unpaid consultant is to facilitate the movement of the of sponsors money though the nominated RAWCS project account, with some of benefactors willing to donate in excess of \$200,000.00 each thus they will gain a Tax Benefit and RAWCS will get their 5% administration fee.

RPTLE cannot achieve these results without the very valuable support of the various Rotary Clubs though out Western Australia and the Eastern states, not forgetting the private sponsors and Disaster Aid Australia

Yours



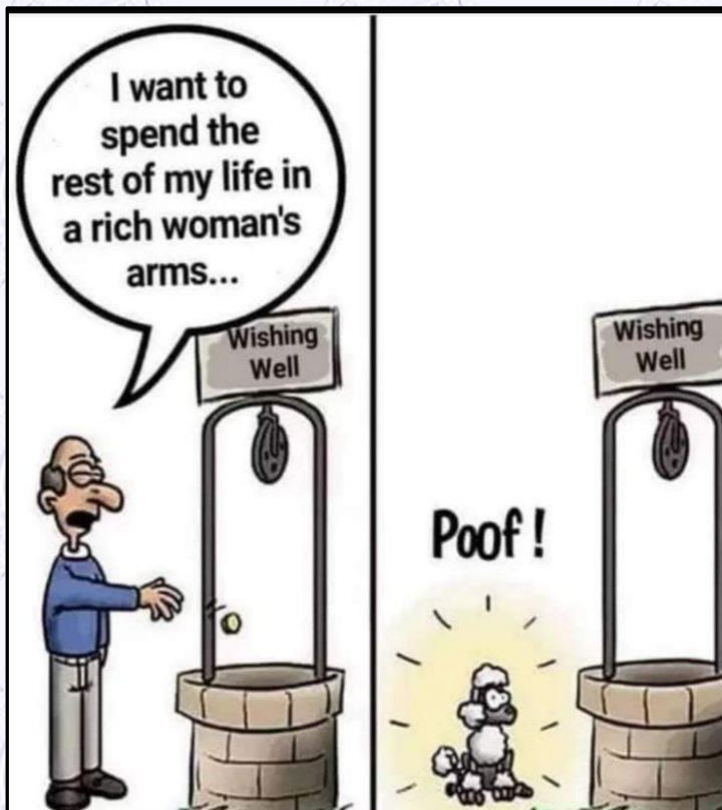
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Australian  
**Rotary**  
Districts



Exchange Student Laure Callert (Belgium) at Wave Rock, Hyden. June 2000





**Group 9 Rotary Clubs, Meeting Times**

Rockingham  
Palm beach  
Baldvis  
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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