



# The Rotary Club of Kwinana

District 9423 Western Australia

Chartered: 22 April 1971

Team 2025/26

President  
**Stephen Castelli**

Secretary  
**Genevieve Carr**

Treasurer  
**Karen Zabiela**

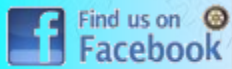
## Facts & Figures

Attendance this week  
**Total Members 25**  
**Apologies**  
**Make-up 3**  
**Attended 15**  
**Guests**  
**Visitors**  
**Partners**

75.0 %

Raffle  
**Alan J & Soren**

Heads & Tails  
**Eric**



Meets on Monday  
6:00 for 6:30 pm  
At Rotary Hall  
Brownell Crescent  
Medina

Visitors/New members  
always welcome  
Contact  
0400 837 603



# Bulletin

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Rotary Club of Kwinana is 55 years' old 1971/2026

No guest speaker tonight, club business was the topic, quite a lively discussion ensued covering several topics. Of particular interest is the proposal to issue vouchers to several local charity groups, to be then issued to needy recipients in our community and redeemed at our Furniture Factory. A couple of other issues were aired and some discussion took place; I guess their maybe some follow-up later.

PP Max Bird joined us tonight, Max was present in Canberra this week to be a recipient on an award presented to 10 Rotary members associated with RAWCS, (Rotary Australian World Community Service). The awards were presented by our Governor General Ms Sam Mostyn, Max was the only recipient from WA.

Max leaves this Friday together with a group of Rotarians to travel to Timor - Leste to install a significant number of SmartAid UltraFilter across Timor. These units produce some 10,000 litres of clean bacteria-free water daily for rural communities and schools without requiring electricity or chemicals. Max, together with many supporters has up to date provided safe drinking water for some 44,000 students in Timor Leste.



Rotary International President  
2025/26

Francesco Arezzo

Rotary Club of Ragusa, Italy

District Governor 9423  
2025/26

Veronica Lawrance

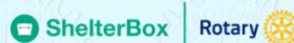
Rotary Club of Mill Point



## May - Youth Services Month

Mon 4th	Club Meeting	Welcome 3 new members
Mon 11th	Club Meeting	Rotary Peace Pole Project
Mon 18th	Club Meeting	Business Meeting
Mon 25th	Club Meeting	Restaurant Meeting, (Local)

Attendance: Members respond via 'WhatsApp'





President's Pen



May 2026



President Stephen will be away most of May, working with Norm and John renovating another three schools in Jakarta.

Meeting at Rotary Hall Monday 18th May 2026



In October 2025 Disaster Aid Australia introduced the SmartAid UltraFilter at its Annual Conference.

This filter has been designed based on Disaster Aid Australia's experience of Safe Water installations since 2010.

- **0.04 micron pore size.**
- **99,9999% particle removal, including EColi**
- **10,000L/day**
- **No Power**
- **No Treatment Chemicals**
- **Simple Cleaning**
- **True Backwash, at 2 x Filter Pressure**
- **Rugged**
- **Easily Repairable**
- **14kg**



This will be used for all future permanent DAA installations





**Genevieve Carr President 2026/27**



**April 2026**

**1. Monday 18 May**

No speaker or meal organized for this meeting. Plan for business discussion only.

**2. Monday 25 May**

Restaurant night meeting at the Kwinana Local Hotel. Partners welcome. Please advise of numbers attending as soon as possible.

**3. First Aid Training**

A number of members and partners have indicated that they would like to update their first aid training. Have been looking at courses provided by St John's Ambulance. Please advise if interested. Date and costs to be determined; looking to have training at some time during June.

**4. Changeover Night**

Scheduled for Saturday 4 July at Kwinana Bowling Club.

PE Genevieve Carr



**PE Genevieve Carr April 20th 2026**

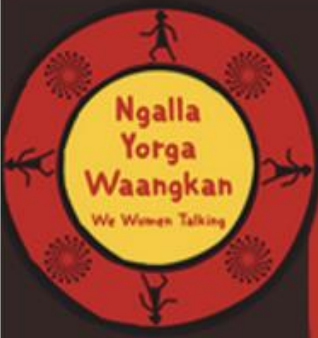


**Inward Correspondence.**

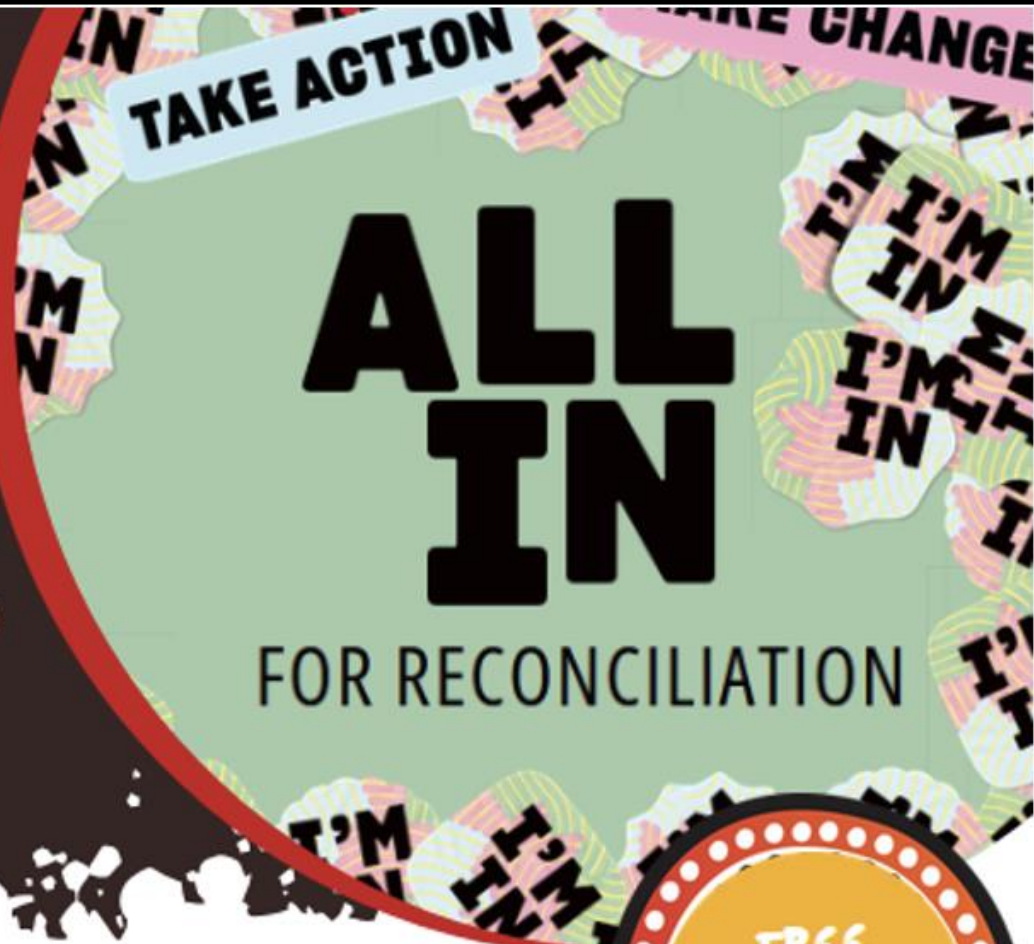
- RDU.One
- Notice from RI End Polio Now coordinator regarding polio being detected in Perth water supply
- Invoice from Coastal Alarm Systems for new keypad
- Reminder to report 2026 – 2027 club officers and details to RI
- RDU Supplies update
- RotaryWA Round-Up #53
- May 2026 Rotary Leader

**Outward Correspondence:**

- Order sent to Imprint Plastic for new President and Past President badges
- Order sent to RDU Supplies for items for Changeover



We invite you to join us at this free Reconciliation Day event.



This year's theme highlights the collective effort to commit to build respectful relationships.

Calling on everyone to commit to Reconciliation Day to share history and culture.

Have a yarn with our Elders whilst you enjoy dance, music and a BBQ.

- Guest Speakers
- Entertainment
- Raffles BBQ Activities

### EVENT DETAILS

- Wednesday 3rd June 2026
- 10.00 am - 2pm
- Fiona Harris Pavilion, at Orelia Oval, Elmore Pl, Orelia WA





Vice Pres.  
Terry Evans



Treasurer  
Karen Zabiela



Project Director  
PP James Sharkey



Foundation Dir.  
PDG John Iriks

### Team 2025/26



PE/Secretary  
Genevieve Carr



Membership Dir.  
Norm Mulcahy



Events Manager  
PDG John Iriks



Fine Session: Sergeant Norm Mulcahy  
PP Chris Oughton standing-in for Norm



Max: Review of Max: Max who ???

Sergeant: no fine for 'no badge' this week, left mine home!!!

John I: Fined the sergeant for no badge anyway.

James: Given the 'simple' job of guarding our gavel last week, failed.

"Sad" has 3 letters, but so does "Joy."

"Fall" has 4 letters, but so does "Rise."

"Curse" has 5 letters, but so does "Bless."

"Ignore" has 6 letters, but so does "Listen."

"Enemies" has 7 letters, but so does "Friends."

"Immature" has 8 letters, but so does "Maturity."

"Ignorance" has 9 letters, but so does "Knowledge."

"Negativity" has 10 letters, but so does "Positivity."

"I used to play sports, then I realised you can buy trophies. Now I'm good at everything."

Everywhere is within walking distance if you have the time

"Common sense is like deodorant; the people who need it most never use

Past President Max Bird.

In answer to all that have asked why I was at Government House Canberra last night Friday 15th May 2026

I was invited to attend the book launch of Rotary worldwide community service of sixty stories for 60 years' service by our Patron the Governor General of Australia the honourable Sam Mostyn AC

Ten inaugural Humanitarian Service Awards were also given to 10 people Australia wide in recognition of their sustained outstanding contributions to RAWCS Humanitarian projects I was very humble to be one of these people selected to receive the award

However, it is not all me, behind Rotary Projects Timor-Leste East is a very motivated team, without them none of this would have been possible, I cannot thank them all, but thank you to the supporting Rotary Clubs in NSW, Victoria, Tasmania, Western Australia and the Rotary Clubs in Timor-Leste including Disaster Aid Australia, Don Bosco Timor-Leste and the Don Bosco training school Comoro Dili (plumbing Division)

Rotary worldwide community service of sixty stories for 60 years' service, RPTLE is featured on Page 58

Link: <https://ebooks.cld.bz/rawcs>



Mahir Momand CEO RAWCS & The honourable Sam Mostyn AC



Member of the Timor-Leste Embassy

**Closing the final gaps: WHA discussions to highlight the path to a polio-free world**

At this year’s World Health Assembly, to be held next week in Geneva, Switzerland, Member States and partners will focus not only on progress made, but on what remains to be done: closing the final gaps in access, vaccination coverage and resources to achieve a polio-free world. Delegates will also look ahead to the steps required to sustain eradication, and how we can leverage polio investments to support stronger, more resilient and equitable health systems. To facilitate discussions, both on the eradication effort and on the new [Sustaining a Polio-free World strategy](#), the Secretariat has prepared a comprehensive report on the effort, available [here](#).

**Summary of new polioviruses this week:**

- Pakistan: nine WPV1-positive environmental samples
- DR Congo: three cVDPV2 cases
- Ethiopia: four cVDPV1 cases
- Nigeria: six cVDPV2 cases
- Sudan: one cVDPV2 case



Blast from the past: June 2003

PP Michael and Diana Leong



## *Birthdays and Anniversaries May 2026*

### **Birthday Congratulations:**

Kelvin Lemalu 29th

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

### **Wedding Anniversaries**

John & Chris Iriks 20th 53 years

Ed and Ann Samut 27th 53 years

*Happy Anniversary*

### **Club Anniversaries:**

*Congratulations*

Kwinana Pollie, Roger Cook, our current Premier, the then WA Health Minister  
July 2020 visits our club at the height of the 'Pandemic'





# What happened this week in history?



May 18th to May 24th



18<sup>h</sup>

1565: Turkish Armada arrives to begin the Great Siege of Malta,  
1756: Great Britain declares war on France at the start of the Seven Years' War  
1843: United Free Church of Scotland forms  
1952: Professor WF Libby says Stonehenge dates back to 1848 BC

19<sup>th</sup>

1506: Christopher Columbus selects his son Diego Columbus as sole heir  
1536: Anne Boleyn, second wife of English King Henry VIII, is beheaded at the Tower of London  
1884: Ringling Brothers circus premieres  
1962: Marilyn Monroe sings "Happy Birthday, Mr. President" to JFK before 15,000 attendees,

20<sup>th</sup>

1310: Shoes first made for both right & left feet  
1830: D Hyde patents fountain pen  
1840: York Minster badly damaged by fire  
1873: Levi Strauss and Jacob Davis patent the first blue jeans with copper rivets

21<sup>st</sup>

1382: Earthquake centered on Dover Straits causes damage, including to Canterbury Cathedral  
1840: Captain William Hobson proclaims British sovereignty over New Zealand  
1881: American Red Cross founded by Clara Barton  
1914: Greyhound Bus Co begins in Minnesota

22<sup>nd</sup>

1455: Opening battle in England's 30-year Wars of the Roses.  
1570: 1st atlas (Theatre of the World), published by Abraham Ortelius in Antwerp with 70 maps  
1840: The transporting of British convicts to the New South Wales colony is abolished  
1897: The Blackwall Tunnel under the River Thames, in London, England officially opens

23<sup>rd</sup>

1568: The Netherlands declares independence from Spain  
1785: Benjamin Franklin announces his invention of bifocals  
1845: New York City Police Department (NYPD) is formed.  
1934: outlaws Bonnie Parker and Clyde Barrow - Bonnie and Clyde, are killed by police

24<sup>th</sup>

1738: John Wesley is converted, launching the Methodist movement.  
1798: Irish Rebellion of 1798 led by the United Irishmen against British rule begins  
1830: "Mary Had A Little Lamb" by Sarah Josepha Hale is first published.  
1915: Thomas Edison invents telescribe to record telephone conversations

Why did Mickey Mouse fly into outer space?

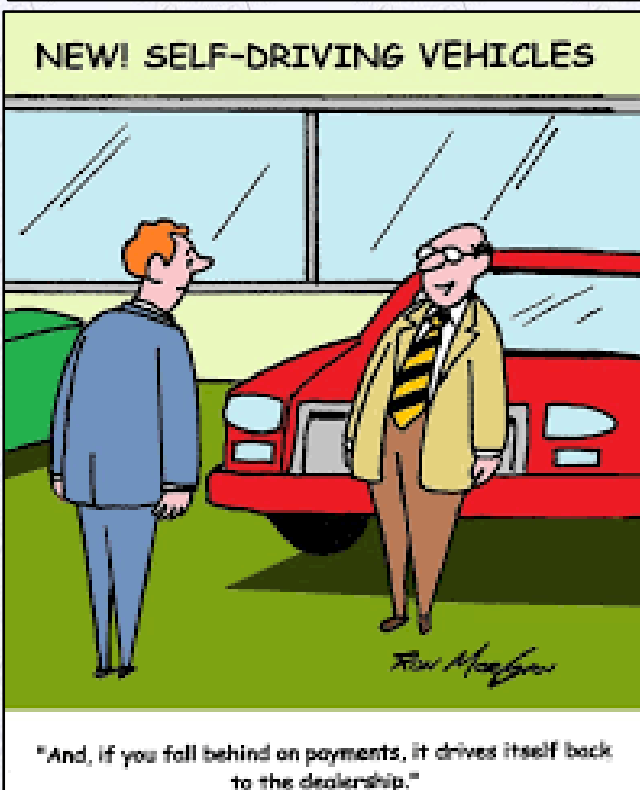
He wanted to find Pluto!

What is Donald Duck's absolute favorite afternoon snack?

Quackers!

Why did Goofy decide to wear two pairs of pants to the golf course?

Just in case he got a hole in one!



### Nearby 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