



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** 25
- Apologies**
- Make-up**
- Attended** 19
- Hon. Member**
- LOA**
- Guests**
- Visitors**
- Partners**

80.0%

Raffle

Karen & Greg

Heads & Tails

Genevieve

Good to see PP Bevan back with us after a stint in hospital. Club Forum tonight, PP Chris Oughton in his role as Rotary Group 7 Community Leader gave us a detailed look at his role and how he has managed the last 12 months. Chris is charged with facilitating some 13 Rotary clubs in Southern WA. Chris put forward some interesting concepts on how Rotary Clubs can become more recognised in the community.

President Terry then facilitated comment and discussion on how we are going to manage the massive void left when at the end of June, PP Mike Nella steps away from managing the Furniture Shop. It will be continued but will require assistance from every available club member.

In around 2014, Mike started holding garage sales from his home, partnered by the Rotaract Club to raise funds to renovate schools in Jakarta, this eventually outgrew his home and in early 2019 began looking for commercial premises in Kwinana. 1 Gentle Rd. became an option, this consisted of an old house/office building which contained a number of rooms, Mike retailed used furniture and many other household items from that location and later used premises in Naval Base to store furniture.

In July 2024 The Furniture Factory moved to Seabrook Way, Medina. The new location has a much larger single display area, plus much better amenities.

The Furniture Factory continues to flourish thanks to the tireless work put in by Mike and Kylee plus a number of dedicated members of our club.

The next twelve months will certainly have its challenges.



**Rotary International President
2024/25**

Stephanie Urchick

Rotary Club of McMurray
Pennsylvania USA

**District Governor
9423
2024/25**

Pat Schraven



April 2025 - Maternal and Child Health

Mon 7 th	Club Meeting:	Club Forum, Community Group 7
Mon 14 th	Club Meeting:	Alan Johnson, Thumbnail
Mon 21 st	No Meeting:	Easter Monday
Mon 28 th	Club Meeting:	Follow-up: Club Forum.

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



March 2025



Many thanks to Chris for his efforts in trying to get our area of the Districts Community Group started.

He gave us an insight to his processes on Monday night with what he has done and what he intends to do. Hopefully his continued efforts will have more penetration in the future as we must evolve to grow.

Thanks to Greg and Ed for offering to attend Gilmore Colleges Anzac Day ceremony at the school on Friday. They will be representing our Rotary Club. Also, to Assistant Treasurer John for arranging financials as evidence for our insurance next year which will be sent off by the 11th April.

Please put some serious thought into what you can do for The Furniture Factory as the major lifeline of our finances. Our discussion on Monday night has outlined some of the things we can do and given us a framework to start working on. We also need to find an inspiring project or two. More discussion on this in the near future.

This Monday nights meal will be a roast and after Easter soup will be reintroduced to our meals.

Terry Evans
President 2024/25

Rotary Meeting at Rotary Hall. Monday 7th April 2025

Bit of a technical issue, the legs on the right belong to President Terry!!!!





Stephen Castelli President 2025/26



- A Blind Wine tasting will be held at the Castelli residence in June/July
- A Restaurant evening will be held at Marleenas's Kitchinette (The Strand – Wellard) towards end of April
- The "Glam up your Truck" competition at the District Conference was well patronised. Many thanks to Genevieve for all the hard work and creativity that she put into the Truck.
- The members enjoyed Brownies and Port last Monday to help Stephen and Yanti celebrate their recent wedding
- The recent Board Meeting unanimously accepted the appointment of PP James Sharkey to the position of Projects Director for the remainder of the 2024/2025 Rotary year. Congratulations (and thanks).
- We are still looking for a Club Services Director / President Elect for the 2025/2026 Rotary year. This vacancy was created by the departure of Tony Miller. Anyone that wants to discuss, please let any board member know.
- The Club Changeover will take place on Saturday the 28th of June. This will be held at the Rotary Hall. Please enter this date into your calendar.
- The Bread Project is progressing well, and I thank all those people that participate each and every week. PP Greg will be out of service shortly due to some much-needed surgery, so I will be looking for some assistance to fill that gap for 6 weeks. Please let me know if you can help.

PE Stephen Castelli



PP Genevieve Carr April 2025



Inward Correspondence.

- Rotary Down Under magazine
- Four Way Test Speech Competition meeting information
- Appeal for support for Queensland flood victims
- Notification regarding Rotary database
- Information regarding National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) 2026
- Notification regarding District Insurance renewal
- Notification regarding passing of PDG Bill Bendant and PDG Phillip Skelton
- Rotary Brand News update
- RDU Supplies update
- District Governor's newsletter
- ShelterBox report
- Providence School update

Outward Correspondence:

- Flowers for Ann Samut



2024/25

PDG John Iriks



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



2024/25
2025/26

Rtn. Tony Miller
PP James Sharkey



Max Bird – International Services Project Manager

Max reported on the good work being achieved by Rotary in East Timor. Many more water filters have been supplied and commissioned at several more schools.

Max is also planning a reconnaissance visit to East Timor for up to 20 Rotarians to allow them to experience and see the wonderful outcomes the water project has had on the local communities and the difficulties faced by our Rotary teams.

James Sharkey (Acting Projects Director)



Act. Project Director
PP James Sharkey



Foundation Dir.
PP Max Bird

International



Membership Dir.
PP Edd Samut



Events Manager
PDG John Iriks

Youth



Community
Kertrina Riordan

PP James Sharkey has stepped-up taking over the role of Project Director from Tony Miller who recently resigned to take up a position in Vietnam. James has also elected to remain in the position for 1925/26



Treasurer
Karen Zabiela



Fine Session: Sergeant Norm Mulcahy



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

Eric: Shaking hands, hole hand tonight, sometimes just offers a ‘finger’

Mike: Waiting for his ‘Izuzu’

Edd, Karen and Greg: Already have their ‘Suzies’

All those with kids aged over 50 copped a fine.

Chris O: Heard that NZ is sinking.

Loud-shirt-award: Mike, Karen and Stephen.

John M and Bevan: Welcome back.

Bill: In a rush for desert? Still eating dinner while heading for the kitchen.

The season is spring, those wearing shorts fined. Bob C and Edd.

Waiting for 2 Bob!!!

No badge: Sam.

7th April 2025

Headlines

- Eid Mubarak to all celebrating, across the world.
- Fully-funded Gavi lifeline for child survival, says WHO. [More.](#)

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

- Pakistan: 19 WPV1-positive environmental samples
- Algeria: two cVDPV2-positive environmental samples
- Chad: two cVDPV2 cases and one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample
- Nigeria: two cVDPV2-positive environmental samples
- Senegal: one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample



Blast-from-the-past

July 2012: Colleen, Cathy, Gladys and Gail (RIP)



Blast-from-the-past: Prime Minister Julia Gillard getting a sausage sizzle from our food van at the Kwinana Recreation Centre, September 2012



Birthdays and Anniversaries April 2025

Birthday Congratulations:

Ann Samut	2 nd
Stephen Castelli	6 th
Natalie Rowe	10 th
Cyril Bennett	10 th
Marge Williams	25 th
Karen Zabiela	28 th



Wedding Anniversaries

Norm & Karen	01 st	34 years
Cyril & Lynne	06 th	29 years

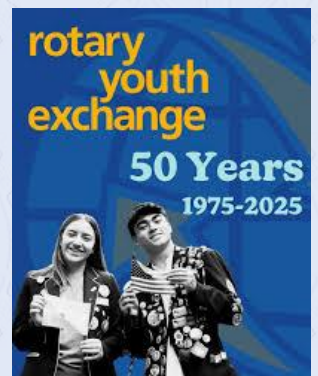


Club Anniversaries:

Pam Brookes	10 th	2 years
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Congratulations

The year 2025 marks the 50th anniversary of the Rotary Youth Exchange program as one of Rotary International's official youth programs. Although the program started well before 1975, Rotary members, program volunteers, and alumni everywhere should be proud to celebrate the last fifty years as the program has grown and become a prime example of Rotary service worldwide for so many. Rotary Youth Exchange would not be possible without the essential work that volunteers, Rotary members and non-member's alike, contribute year after year.



Yanti (Mrs Castelli) with PDG Jessie Harman, Rotary International President's Personal Representative at the recent Manjimup Rotary Conference.

Jessie has been a Rotarian for the past seventeen years, a member of the Rotary Club of Wendouree Breakfast in District 9780, Australia.

In her working life, Jessie is Pro Vice-Chancellor (International and Partnerships) at Federation University Australia. She is married to Andrew, also a Rotarian, and mother to Claire, Georgia and James.



What happened this week in history?



April 7th to Apl 13th



7th

1739: Dick Turpin executed in England for horse stealing
1795: France adopts the 'metre' as the basic measure of length
1827: English chemist John Walker invents wooden matches
1902: Texas Oil Company (Texaco) forms

8th

1766: 1st fire escape patented, wicker basket on a pulley & chain
1879: Milk sold in glass bottles for 1st time
1886: William Ewart Gladstone introduces the first Irish Home Rule Bill into the British Parliament
1967: 12th Eurovision Song Contest: Sandie Shaw for U K wins singing "Puppet on a String"

9th

1413: Henry V crowned King of England at Westminster Abbey
1667: 1st public art exhibition at the Palais-Royale in Paris
1864: Confederate General Robert E. Lee and 26,765 troops surrender at Appomattox Court House.
1914: "World, the Flesh & the Devil", 1st colour film, shown in London

10th

1633: First bananas go on sale in London in the shop window of Thomas Johnson's apothecary
1710: The first law regulating copyright is issued in Great Britain.
1815: Mount Tambora in the Dutch East Indies experiences a cataclysmic eruption, one of the most powerful in history, killing around 71,000 people, causes global volcanic winter.
1849: Safety pin patented by Walter Hunt (NYC); sold rights for \$400

11th

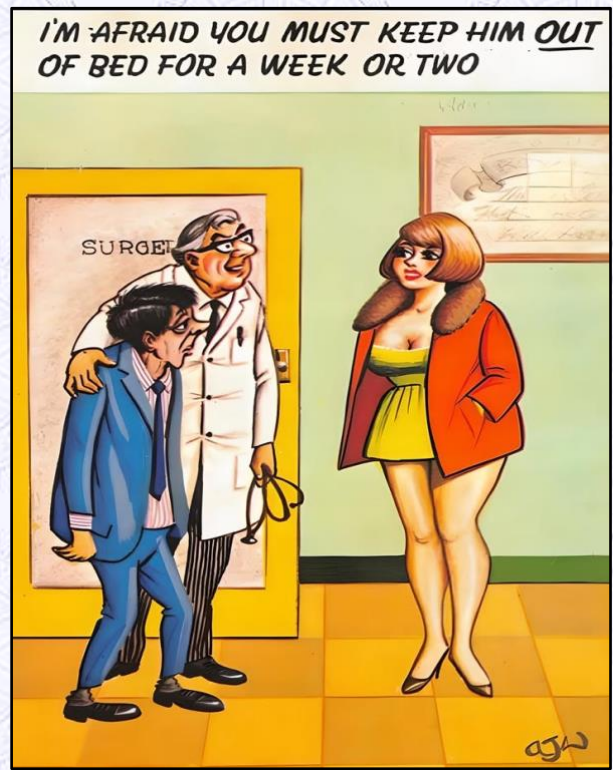
1471: Wars of the Roses: King Edward IV of England seizes London from Henry VI
1612: Last public burning at the stake in England - Edward Wrightman for heresy in Lichfield
1689: King William III and Queen Mary II crowned as joint rulers of England, Scotland and Ireland
1900: The first modern submarine designed and built by John Philip Holland, USS Holland

12th

1606: England adopts the Union Flag, replaced in 1801 by current Union Jack
1872: Jesse James' gang robs a bank of \$1,500 in Columbia, Kentucky, 1 dead
1877: Catcher's mask 1st used in a baseball game
1911: 1st non-stop London-Paris flight (Pierre Prier in 3h56m)

13th

1741: Dutch people protest poor quality of bread
1742: Royal Military Academy forms at Woolwich, England
1769: James Cook, arrives in Matavia Bay, Tahiti, with botanist Joseph Banks on board
1928: 1st Atlantic flight Europe-US (Fitzmaurice-von Hunefeld-Köhl)



Nearby 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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