



Team 2017-2018

President
Michael Nella

Secretary
Cheryl D'Souza

Treasurer
Bob Cooper

Attendance this week

Total Members 28
Apologies 3
Make-up 6
Attended 17
Honorary Member 1
LOA 2
Guests 18
Visitors
Partners

Attendance 88.5%

Facts & Figures

Raffle

Edd & Steve
Lee & Cyril

Heads & Tails

Genevieve
Damian Ramos

Birthdays

Diane Brown 11 June
Gladys Blogg 12 June

Anniversary

If you had any we hope
you had a good day



Meets Monday
6 for 6.30pm

At Rotary Hall
Brownell Crescent, Medina

Visitors always welcome



The Rotary Club of Kwinana Inc.

District 9465 Western Australia

Chartered: 22 April 1971



President Michael

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Greetings to all,

This week's meeting was a very special one for myself and my family, with my eldest son Josh speaking about his recent school trip to Poland and Rome. As many members and partners are aware, Josh was diagnosed with autism at the age of three, and since then we have been on a merry-go-round of appointments and therapy services. Fortunately both Josh and Matthew are classed as "high functioning" autism, and thus they have been able to socialise and adapt to new situations. When we first heard about Kolbe College's proposed pilgrimage trip to Poland and Rome we felt it would be the perfect opportunity for Josh to experience overseas travel. However, we were aware that his additional needs could be problematic in this situation, and so we would have understood if Mr Ramos and his colleagues had felt that it would be too difficult to manage him together with the rest of the students. To our great delight they accepted his application for the trip, and as a result Josh has now had the experience of a lifetime.

We had some other special guests this week, with former Japanese exchange student Shinya Matsuo and his wife Yuko in attendance. The Japanese cakes that they presented to us were delicious! It was also great to see former long-time member Harry Tebbutt and wife Julie. After many years of service to the Kwinana community, Harry and Julie are about to move to Bridgetown. We wish them all the very best for the future.



**2017-2018
RI President
Ian Riseley**

Rotary Club of
Sandringham (Vic)
District 9810



**2017-2018 DG
Bruce Lynch**

Rotary Club of
South Bunbury
District 9465

Coming Events

June – Rotary Fellowships Month

Mon 11 June Club Meeting – Partners Night
Mon 18 June Hydro session at Kwinana Recquatic Centre
Wed 20 June Combined Board Meeting
Mon 25 June Club Meeting
Sat 30 June Club Changeover at Peel Manor House

Attendance Officer: Greg Williams 0435 083 069
Apologies by Saturday pm please



THE ROTARY 4 WAY TEST

of things that we think, say or do.

1. IS IT THE TRUTH?
2. IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?
3. WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
4. WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

Club President 2017 – 2018 Michael Nella



President's Pen



President's Report

1. Welcome to everyone. A special welcome to former Japanese exchange student, Shinya Matsuo, and his wife Yuko. Shinya was an exchange student hosted by our club during 1974, and is currently holidaying in Perth with Yuko.
2. Would also like to welcome visitors Kero and Charlotte O'Shea; Terry Best (brother of Wendy Cooper); Harry and Julie Tebbut, who will soon be moving to Bridgetown; and Helen and Brian Foley, who are currently in Perth for the week.
3. NAIDOC Week begins on Monday 2 July.
4. Mike Nella and Steve Castelli had a very successful and productive time in Indonesia (despite the bombing!); a number of photos are posted on Facebook. There is still work to be completed, including toilets and electricity. During their stay, Mike and Steve had a meeting with the Rotary Club of Clindak, Rotary Club of Jakarta and the Rotaract Club of Jakarta Metropolitan. They also had the pleasure of meeting the cousin of RI President Ian Riseley.
5. The Gilmore College Interact Club had a very successful cupcake sale, raising a total of \$555. Thanks to members and partners who supported the event by donating cupcakes to be sold. The Rockingham-Kwinana Rotaract Club is hoping to increase membership in the near future.
6. President Mike recently attended the 50th anniversary celebrations of the Kwinana Lions Club.



Secretary: Cheryl D'Souza



Inward Correspondence

No report

Outward Correspondence

- No report



Treasurer: PDG Bob Cooper



- Money in the bank; bills paid



Club Service: Stephen Castelli



1. Changeover is on Sat 30/06 @ Peel Manor House from 1-4pm. Cost is \$45/head. Need to have final numbers by mid-June.
2. Next week we will be having a late meal at the Kwinana Local Hotel after the hydrotherapy session. Please advise of numbers attending.



PP Edd Samut
Membership

Membership

- No report



PP James Sharkey
Public Relations

Public Relations

- 512 “Likes” on our Facebook page!!!
- The next Bunnings BBQ will be held on Thursday 14 June. We will require six volunteers.



PP Ian Critchley
Foundation

Foundation

- Progress of **End Polio Now** is constantly being reported in the club bulletin. We are very close to attaining our goal of complete eradication of polio.

Welcome to Shinya and Yuko



Shinya presenting a box of Japanese cakes to President Michael

It was a pleasure to have Shinya and Yuko from Japan visiting our club this week. Forty-four years ago Shinya was a Rotary exchange student and was hosted by the Rotary Club of Kwinana. At present Shinya and wife Yuko are holidaying in Perth, staying in Fremantle. After picking them up from their hotel earlier in the day, Max Bird brought them to Kwinana so that Shinya could re-visit his former place of stay before attending club meeting. During the meeting, Shinya and Yuko were introduced to some of our quirks, including Heads & Tails! Another special moment was Guest Speaker Damian Ramos making reference to St Maximilian Kolbe establishing a monastery in Japan during the course of his life.

- Bob & Jo Thompson offered to act as their guide for the day
- 10.00 am: First stop the Adventure Park
- 12.00 pm: Coffee and lunch and a tour of Darius Wells library and the Dome Coffee Shop
- 2.00 pm: Full tour of Gilmore Collage with the Principal, as arranged by Ian Critchley
- 4.00 pm: Rest up and clean up for Monday night's meeting; Wendy & Bob Cooper had offered to host
- 6.00 pm: Rotary Meeting @ the Rotary Hall
- 8.30 pm: Max taking them back to their hotel

Note President Michael's shirt and hat that he brought back from Indonesia! Both President Michael and Steve were quite a treat to behold!



PDG John Iriks

Club Projects Director PDG John Iriks

Project Director's Report

A reminder to all Directors and Project Managers that end-of-year reports will be due by early June.

Community

- Village Markets @ Wellard had to be cancelled due to bad weather. Thank you to all those people who were prepared to help out on the day. A survey about the markets is currently being distributed through *Survey Monkey*, with the final date for submission being Friday 15 June.



Michael Metcalf
Community

Vocational

- Have booked the hydrotherapy pool for 7-8pm on Monday 18 June; after the session we will have dinner at the Kwinana Local Hotel. Members, partners and friends welcome.



PP Genevieve Carr
Vocational

International

Project Brief for work undertaken between 28 May – 9 June:

To finish off Stage Two of Gari-Uai and to connect up the Spring at Samalari (Laga) just above the school for water to their kitchen and ablutions. To then meet up with the Rotarians from Victoria who are working in Baguia on similar projects to us, supplying water to schools. There are 34 schools just in the Baguia District that need water, and the project needs all the help it can get.

For further details about the latest report from the International Team Rotary Projects Timor-Leste East team (RPTLE) please go to

- Club Documents
- Project Management
- International
- East Timor Water Project

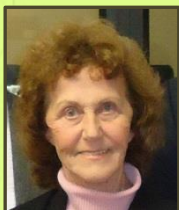


PP Max Bird
International

28-5-2018 to 9-6-2018 report

Youth

- Interact Club at Gilmore College had a very successful cupcake sale on Wednesday 6 June, and raised a total of \$555. Thank you to all members and partners who supported the event by baking and donating cupcakes.
- If anyone is able to help with Breakfast Club between 7.30 and 8.30am it would be appreciated.



Lorraine Lucas
Youth



Fine Session

- Chris O: The Kiwis flogged the French in the rugby!
- All Aussies: Ireland would have won if it wasn't for the Aussies kicking more goals!
- Steve and Mike: The hats and shirts!!!
- Bob C: Your hair is getting longer
- Max: Didn't introduce the Japanese guests to wife Diane!!!
- Edd: That joke
- Bevan: A South Fremantle supporter, but wearing an Eagles tie
- Raffle winners
- Mike Nella: Tried returning a missed phone call, only to discover he was calling the taxi driver sitting beside him!!!
- Mike Nella: Taking lollies to give to the Muslim children during Ramadam!!!
- Norm: Wearing a very short Fremantle tie
- Wendy: Blocking the caterers!!!

Rotary providing two life-changing interventions in Karachi, Pakistan, just one day – an effective vaccine, and clean water a significant in the journey to eradicate polio, that they could finally be building community trust.



Guest Speaker

Josh Carr and Damian Ramos – Kolbe College Pilgrimage

Josh Carr

Hello everyone. For those who do not know me I am Josh Carr, and in the school holidays I was very lucky to go on the pilgrimage to Poland and Italy. Early in Term 3 last year I heard about the pilgrimage from Mr Ramos and I wanted to apply. I was interested in going to Europe and excited about visiting new places. Before the pilgrimage I had been to Bali twice and around Australia to the Gold Coast, Brisbane, and Adelaide, and I had even travelled to Melbourne on my own. These experiences made me feel ready to take on the challenge of Europe.

I enjoyed many things about the trip to Poland and Italy, but my favourite was the Salt Mines which are near Krakow. The mine has been in operation for over 800 years and is still used today. It was 140 floors down and we got to see large rooms carved into a church. Another thing I enjoyed was going to Rome which was only a short flight from Poland. We saw lots of old churches and we even got to see the Pope!

The food in Europe was amazing, but my favourite things to eat were spaghetti and pizza. I did try some new foods a bit, and when we were in Rome I ate gelato. One time in Poland on the way to Warsaw I ate so much spaghetti so quickly that I felt sick. It was funny.

One thing that was great was one day in a restaurant I got to video call Mum and Dad. It was great to see their faces. I told them about how I was going and I got to ask them about how things were back here in Australia. I had a good time but I did miss my parents a little bit while I was away. I am very grateful that they supported me in going, so to my Mum and Dad, I want to say a big thank you!

Pilgrimage Itinerary

Friday 13 April:	Fly Perth to Warsaw
Saturday 14 April:	Travel Warsaw – Niepokalanow
Sunday 15 April:	Retreat Centre (Mass, museum, cemetery, chapel)
Monday 16 April:	Travel Warsaw – high speed train to Krakow
Tuesday 17 April:	Free day in Krakow
Wednesday 18 April:	Salt Mines Tour
Thursday 19 April:	Krakow – Wadowice (JPII Museum) – Auschwitz – Harmeze (Retreat Centre)
Friday 20 April:	Retreat Centre (Mass)
Saturday 21 April:	Harmeze – Katowice – Czestochowa – Warsaw
Sunday 22 April:	Free day in Warsaw (Mass, Warsaw Uprising Museum)
Monday 23 April:	Warsaw – Rome
Tuesday 24 April:	Vatican and St Peter's Tour (free afternoon)
Wednesday 25 April:	Papal Audience (free afternoon)
Thursday 26 April:	Colosseum/Roman Forum Tour (free afternoon)
Friday 27 April:	Free day in Rome (Mass, San Pietro in Vincoli)
Saturday 28 April:	Fly Rome to Perth
Sunday 29 April:	Arrive in Perth

Damian Ramos

Damian Ramos is the Head of the Religious Education Department at Kolbe Catholic College in Rockingham. In 2014, the year of the school's 25th anniversary, the school organized its first pilgrimage for Year 10 and 11 students to travel to Poland and Rome to retrace the steps of the school's patron saint, St Maximilian Kolbe. Since then, this pilgrimage has become a biennial event. As a former student of Kolbe Catholic College, Damian is passionate about sharing knowledge about St Maximilian Kolbe.

St. Maximilian Kolbe was born as Raymund Kolbe on January 8, 1894, in the Kingdom of Poland, part of the Russian Empire. He was a Polish Conventual Franciscan friar and a martyr in the German death Camp of Auschwitz during World War II.

St. Maximilian Kolbe was very active in promoting the Immaculate Virgin Mary and is known as the Apostle of Consecration to Mary. Much of his life was strongly influenced by a vision he had of the Virgin Mary when he was 12.

"That night I asked the Mother of God what was to become of me. Then she came to me holding two crowns, one white, the other red. She asked me if I was willing to accept either of these crowns. The white one meant that I should persevere in purity, and the red that I should become a martyr. I said that I would accept them both."

One year after his vision, Kolbe and his elder brother, Francis joined the Conventual Franciscans. In 1910, Kolbe was given the religious name Maximilian, after being allowed to enter the novitiate, and in 1911, he professed his first vows.

At the age of 21, Kolbe earned a doctorate in philosophy from the Pontifical Gregorian University. He would also earn a doctorate in theology by the time he was 28.

St. Maximilian Kolbe organized the Militia Immaculata (Army of the Immaculate One) after witnessing demonstrations against Pope St. Pius X and Benedict XV. His goal was to work for the conversion of sinners and enemies of the Church, specifically, the Freemasons and he would do so with the intercession of Mary.

In 1918, he was ordained a priest and continued his work of promoting Mary throughout Poland. Over the next several years, Kolbe took on publishing. He founded a monthly periodical titled, "Rycerz Niepokalanej" (Knight of the Immaculate). He also operated a religious publishing press and founded a new Conventual Franciscan monastery at Niepokalanow, which became a major religious publishing center.

Kolbe also founded monasteries in both Japan and India. To this day, the monastery in Japan remains prominent in the Roman Catholic Church in Japan.

In 1936, Kolbe's poor health forced him to return home to Poland, and once the WWII invasion by Germany began, he became one of the only brothers to remain in the monastery. He opened up a temporary hospital to aid those in need. When his town was captured, Kolbe was sent to prison but released three months later.

Kolbe refused to sign a document that would recognize him as a German citizen with his German ancestry and continued to work in his monastery, providing shelter for refugees - including hiding 2,000 Jews from German persecution. After receiving permission to continue his religious publishing, Kolbe's monastery acted as a publishing house again and issued many anti-Nazi German publications.

On February 17, 1941, the monastery was shut down; Kolbe was arrested by the German Gestapo and taken to the Pawiak prison. Three months later, he was transferred to Auschwitz.

Never abandoning his priesthood, Kolbe was the victim to severe violence and harassment. Toward the end of his second month in Auschwitz, men were chosen to face death by starvation to warn against escapes. Kolbe was not chosen but volunteered to take the place of a man with a family.

It is said during the last days of his life Kolbe led prayers to Our Lady with the prisoners and remained calm. He was the last of the group to remain alive, after two weeks of dehydration and starvation. The guards gave him a lethal injection of carbolic acid. The stories tell that he raised his left arm and calmly awaited death.

St. Maximilian Kolbe died on August 14 and his remains were cremated on August 15, the same day as the Assumption of Mary feast day.

Recognized as the Servant of God, Kolbe was beatified as a "Confessor of the Faith" on October 17, 1971 by Pope Paul VI and canonized by Pope John Paul II on October 10, 1982. Pope John Paul II declared Kolbe not a confessor, but a martyr.

Kolbe's is often depicted in a prison uniform and with a needle being injected into an arm. He is the patron saint of drug addicts, prisoners, families, and the pro-life movement and his feast day is celebrated on August 14.

- Reference: https://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=370

One heartwarming message recently received by Kolbe Catholic College in relation to the pilgrimage: *I have just had a call from an older lady Joanie from, Victoria (0413 885 996). She was in Rome in April when Damian and our students were in Rome after being to Poland. She was doing her own personal pilgrimage in Rome by herself. She said she met our students at breakfast on a couple of occasions and as she was on her own she asked to sit with them.*

She wanted to pass on to you Robyn as Principal how delightful the students were and they had such a great attitude. She works with troubled youth in detention centers in Victoria and finds that usually young people without troubles are of a yuppie nature . She was very impressed with our students and could not speak highly enough of them and it made her pilgrimage to have met and chatted to them as she did.

She said she tried to tell them how important their faith, the mass and religion was to them for the rest of their lives. Her husband was from WA so she knew of Rockingham.

She said she had to ring to give praise.





Makeup opportunities

Rockingham:	Monday	6pm for 6.30	Rockingham RSL Club
Palm Beach:	Wednesday	6pm for 6.30	Ocean Clipper Inn
Baldivis:	1 st & 3 rd Mon	6.30pm for 7	Peel Manor House
Cockburn	Thursday	7.15am for 7.30	Cockburn Seniors Centre
Fremantle	Wednesday	6pm for 6.30	Villa Roma 12 High Street Fremantle
Byford & Districts	Monday	6.15pm for 6.45	Byford Tavern, South W Hwy

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