



Rotary International District 9650 E News - Monday 6 October 2019

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Mark Maloney (Gay)

Rotary Club of Decatur Alabama USA

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Rotary Club of Laurieton NSW Australia

NEWS FROM DG PHIL

ZONE 8 "OUTSTANDING ROTARIAN" AND "HUMANITARIAN OF THE YEAR" AWARDS

As DG and IPDG, Lorraine and I have the responsibility to nominate suitable Rotarians and Community Members for the following awards. The criteria are clearly outlined below and I would welcome nominations from individuals and Clubs. In the first instance, a brief outline of the person's suitability for nomination is all that is required. Please send nominations via email to phil.hafey@bigpond.com

Dr Ray Hodgson from the Rotary Club of Port Macquarie was this year's recipient of the "Humanitarian of the Year" award.

"OUTSTANDING ROTARIAN" ZONE 8 DIRECTOR'S AWARD

The Award:

The "Outstanding Rotarian" Zone 8 Director's Award acknowledges a Rotarian from Zone 8 who is seen to reflect "Service Above Self" to an outstanding degree but has not received the Rotary International "Service Above Self" award.

The Rotarian will:

Be a registered and active member of a Rotary Club in Zone 8.

- Have served in Rotary for not less than six years continuously
- Have been continuously active in Club and District activities throughout that time reflecting "Service Above Self"
- Have contributed to Rotary beyond the Club and District reflecting "Service Above Self"
- Have not been a recipient of a Rotary International "Service Above Self" award

THE ROTARY INTERNATIONAL ZONE 8 HUMANITARIAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

Non Rotarians as well as Rotarians qualify for this Award.

This annual award recognises a person who, through their actions, is exemplary in his/her leadership, caring,

and commitment to the welfare of humanity, either within Zone 8 or globally.

It is to be awarded to a person who inspires others to action, and who selflessly improves and enriches the lives of both individuals, and the greater society.

ROTARY FOUNDATION RECOGNITIONS

This week I received banners, certificates and congratulatory letters for Clubs in the District that qualified for one of more of the following:

Top Three Highest Per Capita Annual Giving Banner:

For the three Clubs in each District that give the most, per capita, to the Annual Fund.

Congratulations to Taree on Manning, Dorrigo and the District E Club.

Every Rotarian, Every Year Club: For Clubs that achieved a minimum Annual Fund contribution of US\$100 per capita during the Rotary year, with every dues-paying member contributing at least US\$25 to the Annual Fund.

100% Foundation Giving Club: For Clubs that achieve an average of \$100 in per capita giving and 100% participating, with every dues-paying member contributing at least \$25 to any or all of the following during the Rotary year: Annual Fund, PolioPlus Fund, approved global grants or Endowment Fund.

Congratulations to Gloucester, Gunnedah West and Taree North who were recognised in both the above categories.

End Polio Now: Countdown to History Campaign

Certificate of Appreciation: For Clubs that contributed at least US\$1,500 to Rotary's polio eradication efforts.

Congratulations to Coffs Harbour, Dorrigo, Inverell East and Port Macquarie Sunrise.

These recognitions will be presented at the District Showcase in Tamworth.23-24Nov2019

Important District Dates

<https://rotary9650.org.au/events>

Rotary International District 9650 Inc

www.rotary9650.org.au

Contributions are sought and encouraged. Please e-mail to Neville Parsons neville.parsons1@outlook.com

Further great Information from DG Phil:


FEDERAL GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Many Rotarians will have heard DG Phil discuss Grant Opportunities during 2019 PETS, District Assemblies and Club visits.

One of the sources for Grant Funding is the Federal Government and there are two ways to ensure that Clubs are aware of the funding available.

1. Go to the Community Grants Hub website at <https://www.communitygrants.gov.au>
2. Maintain contact with your local Federal Member's office.

Subscribe to the Community Grants Hub Newsletter as per the following extract from their web page.



Community Grants Hub
Improving your grant experience

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Remember, there are many opportunities for grants, both large and small, to assist Rotary Clubs and other organisations Strengthen Local Communities.

REGIONAL AGRICULTURAL SHOW DEVELOPMENT GRANTS PROGRAM - now open for applications

Whilst Rotary Clubs are not eligible to apply directly, many Clubs work closely with their local Show Society.

Please ensure that your local Show Society is aware of this opportunity.

The Australian Government is inviting applications via a targeted competitive process to apply for funding under the [Regional Agricultural Show Development Grants Program](#).

Funding will be available to eligible regional show societies for the maintenance and upgrade of existing infrastructure and the building, purchase, rent or construction of new infrastructure related to the running of an agricultural show on regional showgrounds.

The objectives of the program are to help:

- a. keep agricultural shows running
- b. bring communities together
- c. bridge the divide between country and city.

Applications close 11:00pmAEDT on **13 December 2019**.

Information about applying for this round can be found on the [Community Grants Hub website](#) and [GrantConnect](#).

D9650 Foundation District Grants applications

District Grant applications close on **31 October** 2019. Any club wishing to apply should start the process as soon as possible.

All details are on the District website including application forms, areas of focus for projects, Memorandum of Understanding, budget requirements and reporting timeframes.

To find the forms go to the Documents Library, scroll down to the Foundation section and towards the end you will find the **2019-20 forms** that are required.

A Powerpoint presentation is also available to explain the process.

If your club is intending to request a grant please send your application (and all other essential paperwork and details) to me as soon as possible rather than leave it to the last minute.

Applications must be submitted by email to elizabeth.tollis@gmail.com

if you require any assistance, I can be contacted via my email address or mobile 0438982301 or home phone 6553 6062. If I am unable to answer your call please leave a text message on my mobile, or leave a message on the answering service for the home phone.

Yours in Rotary Service

Elizabeth Tollis

District 9650 Grants Chair

DG Phil and Bronwyn next Club Visits :

Tuesday 8 October - Guyra

Thursday 10 October - Inverell

Saturday 12 October - Lightning Ridge

Monday 14 October - Gunnedah

Wednesday 16 October - Boggabri

Club members and partners are encouraged to attend

DG Partner's Project Account:

Account Name:

Rotary International D9650 DG Partner's Project

For Direct Credit (electronic payment)

BSB: 721-000

Account No: 500143137

Reference Required: Rotary Club Name

Rotary International District 9650 Conference 2020 - March 20 to 22 South West Rocks Country Club

**Diarise Now for
a great Rotary
weekend**



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CLUB CONSTITUTION ON DISTRICT WEBSITE

Message from District Legal Officer

It has been drawn to attention that the suggested club Bylaws on the district website contains an error. Clause 12 (3) (d) sought to require a special resolution for amendments to the Bylaws and Constitution which was inconsistent with bylaw 11 and with the Constitution itself.

The error has now been corrected on the district website by the deletion of clause 12 (3) (d).

Any club which has already altered its Bylaws based on the previous draft will have to further amend its Bylaws to reflect this change.

The District Legal Officer apologises for this error and will provide free beer for any club secretary who has to go to the trouble of arranging for a second amendment to his or her club Bylaws. Thank you to Col Rosewell from Gunnedah for pointing out the mistake.

Maurie Stack

District Legal Officer

Interplast Mad Mah Jong Tuesday

Contributed by Ashleigh Hickman RC Gloucester

Last week Rotary Club of Gloucester held a Mad Mah Jong Tuesday to support Interplast.

We had 11 players each contributed \$35 to include morning tea & lunch held at the Roadies Café. It was great fun and Roadies staff looked after us and we took \$220 for Interplast. There was a lot of interest from the public.

Did you know that Rotary has supported this not for profit organisation since 1985?

Interplast sends medical Surgical teams into 13 developing countries to educate the staff on the ground and repair bodies. Moto "Repairing Bodies and Rebuilding Lives".

I am the District 9650 Interplast Chair and I wish to get the message out to our clubs that there is a need to be aware of our partners and what we can do to help raise funds.

I have had stands at both the last 2 Conferences and have spoken to many members also I have visited clubs and told the story of Interplast and I am willing to continue with this if you invite me to speak at your club meetings.

I share a couple of items of interest.

Plastic and reconstructive surgeon Mikko Larsen remembers, at the age of 12, being inspired to follow his career path after watching a Dutch documentary about a program in Indonesia to repair cleft lips, cleft palates and burn contractures.

Each year, the Doyle Family Scholarship gives a health professional from the Asia Pacific region the opportunity to increase their knowledge and further develop their skills by attending a conference and/or undertaking an observational placement.

This year's scholarship recipient was Falelua Maua, a scrub nurse from Tupua Tamasese Meaole Hospital in Samoa.

For more information on Interplast please contact: Ashleigh Hickman D9650. Interplast Chair ashleigh.hickman@bigpond.com

CENTENARY OF ROTARY IN AUSTRALIA

1921 TO 2021

PDG Harry Durey advises that contributions for the "Centenary of Rotary in Australia" book are still welcome.

Projects already submitted include Rotary Lodge, Towers of Strength, Walcha Exercise Equipment and RYAG programs. If your Club has a unique project that should be included in the book, **please contact Harry.**

Projects that have a Vocational focus would be appreciated.

2019 Council on Resolutions - Update from PDG Ken Hall - 2017-2019 D9650 Council representative

I am very happy to let you know that the resolutions for the 2019 Council on Resolutions have been transmitted and published. To begin reviewing the proposed resolutions, please go to: my.rotary.org/cor/vote Resolutions are available for all Rotarians to read. I am able to make comments on the 33 resolutions by the 8th October 2019 and whilst I will be making some of my own comments, I would advise Rotarians and Clubs to look carefully through the resolutions and send to me at hallkr@bigpond.net.au any comments that they may have on any of the resolutions but please be specific and make your comments identifying the resolutions about which the comment is made.

So this week is a chance to make comment on any of the resolutions. In the next edition of the enews, I will be making a list of those resolutions that I am in favour of - again for you to make any comments prior to the actual voting before the 15th November.

Thanks in anticipation of a flood of comments at both times. This is our opportunity to have a say in Rotary bylaws and other items of interest that are proposed to the Rotary Board each year, and I do recommend that you have a look at all these resolutions.

Rotary International 2020 Convention

Check out Registration Fees here:

<http://www.riconvention.org/en/honolulu/registration-fees>

If you have never experienced a Rotary International Convention, do yourself a favour and book Hawaii 2020.

You will certainly see the world of Rotary and share the experience with Rotarians from all over the world.



Join us in Honolulu for the 2020 Convention!

It's a wonderful way to make friends from around the World

6—10 June, 2020. Register today @ riconvention.org



Invest in your community...

Invest in the future of Rotary

Lake Keepit Sport & Recreation Centre

2nd – 9th May 2020



“RYLA promotes confidence & personal direction. I’ve recently gotten a new job at work with a lot more responsibility.

The confidence I got from RYLA contributed hugely to even trying for & getting the job.”

Louisa Agyare 2019 RYLArian
(Photo left)

Louisa was Sponsored by her employer Tamworth Regional Council & the Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light..

Application & brochure available on website here:

www.rotary9650.org.au/Ryla

RYLA supporting the future of Rotary through developing future Rotarians

GET CREATIVE FOR GRAFFITI REMOVAL DAY 2019

Community groups across NSW are being challenged to brush up their creative skills for this year’s Graffiti Removal Day by creating murals.

Graffiti Removal Day chairman Bob Aitken AM said preventing graffiti is the focus for this year’s event on Sunday, 27 October.

“Graffiti vandalism costs our community over \$300 million each year,” Mr Aitken said.

“Since the event started in 2012 volunteers have removed more than 141,000sqm of graffiti, saving the community \$10.4 million.

“This year, as well as removing graffiti we want to see ugly tags with no artistic merit covered by colourful murals to help stop graffiti from occurring in the first place.”

To help inspire people we are running a competition to find the best mural in the state with a \$1000 first prize.

Several schools in the Georges River area have already kicked off the competition with over 500 students combining to create a community mural at Carss Park and they are challenging other groups to enter the competition.

Graffiti Removal Day ambassador and football legend Mark Geyer OAM congratulated the students and threw his support behind the event.

“Graffiti Removal Day is great way people can show

they love where they live and it is great to see so many or our youth involved,” he said.

“This year’s focus on encouraging people to come up with fun ideas to prevent vandalism at regularly targeted sites is a great opportunity for community groups to display their creative flair while removing ugly graffiti.”

“I would encourage everyone to get involved in this great community event.” Said Mr Geyer

Up to 3000 volunteers from various groups including Rotary, Scouts NSW, Girl Guides NSW&ACT, Air Force Cadets, PCYC, NSW Police, Lions, church groups, high schools and 80 councils are expected to remove graffiti from over 600 sites across NSW on Sunday 27 October.

All material and equipment required for Graffiti Removal Day is supplied to volunteers for free by sponsors Dulux, NSW Government, Australian Rail Track Corporation and Southern Cleaning Supplies.

For more information call 1300 665 310 or visit the web site: www.graffitiremovalday.org.au



Message from Assistant- Governor Cluster 3 Trish Affleck Mooney

Rotary Club of Agra Taj Mahal Initiative – conducting **Polio Mega Campaign 3-5 January 2020** , if any of your club/district members are interested please ask them to sign up

Appeal to all Rotarians, last few spots left in Upcoming “Mega Polio Campaign January 2020”. Polio Volunteers Opportunities on upcoming Polio Immunization Round as Final Push “ KEEP INDIA POLIO FREE ”

Visit Rotary Club of TajMahal Facebook page for more details :

https://www.facebook.com/pg/rotary.agra.india/photos/?tab=album&album_id=2244403619134725&ref=page_interal

We look forward having you/club/district members joining us.

Please contact Trish for more information.