



Rotary International District 9650 E News - Sunday 24 May 2020

Rotary International President
Mark Maloney (Gay)

Rotary Club of Decatur Alabama USA

District Governor

Phil Hafey (Bronwyn)

Rotary Club of Laurieton NSW Australia

THIS WEEKS MESSAGE FROM DG PHIL HAFEY

Shaping the next 100 years of Rotary

Earlier this week RDU sent an email to all Rotarians on their Data Base seeking their opinion on the project being undertaken by the Rotary Regional Pilot Planning Group. The email asked Rotarians to respond to three questions:

1. *What is good in Rotary and Rotaract and should be retained?*
2. *What needs to change and why?*
3. *In an ideal world, how would Rotary and Rotaract be structured and operated?*

The Planning Group is seeking as many responses as possible and Rotarians can complete the survey by going to the following link:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfM9UKRyqW3tu-KrDbd5X3ih3k-uGsJqg3oTloDn-Alp6xprQ/viewform>

Changeovers

The NSW Government has announced changes to the regulations which will impact on organisations planning to have face to face meetings and some Clubs will be in a position to take advantage of the changes.

As outlined last week I will be preparing a video for use at Changeovers and details will be published next week. Some Clubs will be in a position to hold a face to face Changeovers and Bronwyn and I would normally attend as many of these functions as possible.

Unfortunately, however, we will not be able to join with Clubs this year as my compromised immune system makes attending gatherings of any size unwise.

End Polio Now

As I stated many times during the year, Rotary does not want to be known as the organisation that **almost** eliminated Polio and the End Polio Now campaign needs our continued support.

As Clubs determine their end of year disbursements,

please don't forget the funds raised from the Movie nights and other activities or the pledges made at the time.

For more information, including statistics, go to <https://www.endpolio.org>



Saturday 20 June 2020

- 8:00 – 9:15 Chicago Time (UTC-5)

Together We Connect – Virtual Convention

General Session 1

- **Sunday 21 June 2020**

8:00 – 9:15 Chicago Time (UTC-5) – *Together We Learn* – Virtual Convention General Session 2

Monday 22 June 2020 – Friday 26 June 2020

Featured Breakouts (more details coming soon)

Daily, one breakout will be offered at each of the

following times:*

- 8:00 – 9:00 Chicago Time (UTC-5)
- 12:00 – 13:00 Chicago Time (UTC-5)
- 18:00 – 19:00 Chicago Time (UTC-5)

Please be sure to check the date and time that is equivalent to the Chicago date and time in your area.

It is important to note that the sessions do not have to be viewed live, they can be accessed later via the Convention website.

Note:

8.00am Chicago time is 11.00pm Sydney time.

12 Noon Chicago time is 3:00am Sydney time.

6:00pm Chicago time is 9:00am Sydney time.

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

NYSF 2021 YEAR 12 PROGRAM
APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN



STEM LAB VISITS • LECTURES • SITE TOURS • WORKSHOPS • SOCIAL EVENTS

Applications online at www.nysf.edu.au

Closing Date for NYSF 2021 Application is **15 June 2020**

For more information contact D9650 NYSF Chair Di Hall

Mobile: 0411704654 or email: dihall605@gmail.com

A testimonial from Ryan Murphy who was sponsored to attend NYSF in 2020 by the Coffs Harbour City Rotary Club:



Hi, I'm **Ryan Murphy**. I went to NYSF Session A in 2020. Despite my NYSF experience being cut short due to evacuation, because of the bushfires at the time, NYSF was absolutely life-changing for me.

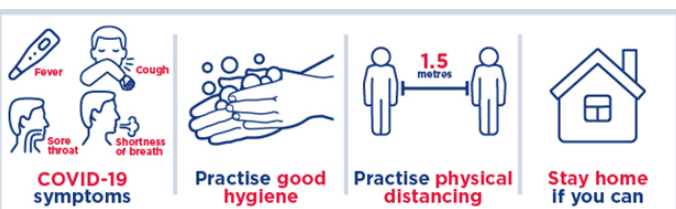
Not only did I meet some of my closest friends and hundreds of bright, like-minded individuals with passion

for STEM, I also reaffirmed my own goals and aspirations as well as gaining a deeper understanding into what university-life encompasses and the courses I wish to study at University.

NYSF is a brilliant initiative which I intend to support in the future and I would highly recommend it to any other young aspiring scientists, engineers, or anyone with a passion for science and learning.

I was sponsored by Coffs Harbour City Rotary Club.

Thank you for your support.



Response received by D9650 PR Director Brian Beesley to his request to the Premier of NSW Hon. Gladys Berejiklian via his local member The Member for Upper Hunter Michael Johnsen MP:

Dear Mr Beesley

Thank you for contacting Mr Michael Johnsen MP, Member for Upper Hunter, who has written on your behalf to the Hon. Brad Hazzard MP, Minister for Health and Medical Research, about Service Clubs in NSW. Minister Hazzard has asked NSW Health to respond. We acknowledge the reasons that prompted you to write

and recognise the uncertainty and distress this is placing on the community. Unless services have been explicitly told to shut, they can continue to operate.

Businesses and organisations have an obligation to comply with in-force Public Health Orders, but must also manage risks (including COVID-19) to staff and other people in accordance with the Work Health and Safety Act 2011.

This legislation requires all employers or businesses to manage the risk of COVID-19 to workers and others in the work environment.

Generally, NSW Health recommends that any business that is permitted to, and intends to reopen to members of the public, should develop a COVID Safety Plan.

More information on this can be found at SafeWork NSW at <https://www.safework.nsw.gov.au/resource-library/COVID-19-Coronavirus>.

General considerations include:

- exclusion of staff, clients and members who are unwell
- enabling as many people as possible for the safe running of the facility to work from home
- compliance with the 4 square metre per person rule and maintenance of a distance of at least 1.5 metres per person wherever practical
- compliance with the maximum number of persons permitted for indoor and outdoor venues
- promotion of effective hygiene measures and physical distancing
- barriers to create space at counters, seated areas, etc
- enhanced cleaning focussing on regular, frequent cleaning of high-touch surfaces and people's desks/personal work areas in line with the national guidelines for routine environmental cleaning and disinfection in the community (<https://www.health.gov.au/resources/publications/coronavirus-covid-19-information-about-routine-environmental-cleaning-and-disinfection-in-the-community>)
- wherever possible, registration/monitoring of the time of attendance, names and contact details of all visitors
- ensure appropriate arrangements are in place to protect any vulnerable staff, clients and members.

Further resources are available via www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19.

Thank you again for writing.

Yours sincerely

COVID-19 Ministerial Team

Please remember the 2020 RI Virtual Convention



Message and Invitation from our District Rotaract Rep Laura Telford:

Rotaract Australia has combined all state and territory training and is encouraging all Rotaractors to sign up. It will be held on June 14

Calling all young people and Rotaractors. Rotaract Australia is holding FREE online board training for all Rotaractors.

Due to the COVID-19 gathering restrictions Rotaract Australia has combined all state and territory training and is encouraging all Rotaractors to sign up.

It will be held on June 14 2020 and will be jam packed with the best of the best training with trainers and facilitators from around the country (including our own DRR Laura!).

For more information and to register click hereto go to the official Facebook event:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/242928030266361/>

A pink poster for Rotaract Training. The title 'Rotaract Training' is in large white cursive at the top. Below it, the schedule is listed in white text: 10AM AEST / 9.30AM ACST / 8AM AWST (VIA CHARACTER STRENGTHS REFLECTION), 10.30AM AEST / 10AM ACST / 8.30 AM AWST (CLUB STRENGTH, WEAKNESS, OPPORTUNITY AND THREAT ANALYSIS REFLECTION), 11AM AEST / 10.30AM ACST / 9AM AWST (BREAKOUTS: PRESIDENT/VP | SECRETARY | TREASURER | DIRECTORS), 12PM AEST / 11.30AM ACST / 10AM AWST (GOVERNANCE), 1.30PM AEST / 1PM ACST / 11.30 AM AWST (BREAKOUTS: IT | MARKETING | RUNNING EVENTS | PLANNING FOR SUCCESS), 2.30PM AEST / 2PM ACST / 12.30PM AWST (ROTARACT AUSTRALIA), 3PM AEST / 2.30PM ACST / 1PM AWST (ROTARACT FAQ'S), 4PM AEST / 3.30PM ACST / 2PM AWST (CLUB CULTURE), 5PM AEST / 4.30PM ACST / 3PM AWST (LIFE BALANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY). At the bottom are logos for Rotaract Australia, a map of Australia, and a book icon.

or contact DRR Laura Telford via email laura.telford@rotaract.org.au or 0448909440.

Laura Telford

Rotaract Australia Communications Director 2019-21.

District 9650 Rotaract Representative 2018-21.

District 9650 RDU Representative.



A commitment to End Polio

Rotary has been working to eradicate polio for more than 30 years. Our goal of ridding the world of this disease is closer than ever.

As a founding partner of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative, we've reduced polio cases by 99.9 percent since our first project to vaccinate children in the Philippines in 1979.

We've helped immunize more than 2.5 billion children in 122 countries. So far, Rotary has contributed more than \$1.8 billion toward eradicating the disease worldwide.

Today, polio remains endemic only in Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan. But it's crucial to continue working to keep other countries polio-free. If all eradication efforts stopped today, within 10 years, polio could paralyse as many as 200,000 children each year.

We're so close to eradicating polio. Here's why we need \$1.5 billion more to finish the job.

"Rotary was there at the beginning of the global effort to eradicate polio," says International PolioPlus Committee Chair Michael K. McGovern.

"It would be unfortunate if Rotary isn't there at the finish line. We've done too much; we've made too much progress to walk away before we finish."

Finding poliovirus outside Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan, the only countries that have yet to eradicate it, is not unusual.

In 2014, just before the World Cup brought travellers from all over the planet to Brazil, poliovirus was detected in the sewage system at São Paulo's Viracopos International Airport.

Using genetic testing, officials traced its origin to Equatorial Guinea.

Brazil's regular vaccination efforts kept the disease from showing up beyond the airport doors.

Those are frustrating examples for the thousands of people around the world working to eradicate polio.

The fight has come a long way, but it is far from over. And while many involved in the effort say we may detect the final naturally occurring case of polio this year, getting to that point — and ensuring that the disease remains gone — will continue to require money, hard work, and the support of Rotarians around the world.

One of the most important aspects of the fight to eradicate polio is detection. This requires continuous surveillance that is complicated and costly.

Polio surveillance consists of two parts.

First, doctors and community health workers monitor children for acute flaccid paralysis.

The second part of the process involves local authorities collecting samples from sewage systems or in places that don't have adequate sanitation facilities, including rivers or bodies of water near a large group of residents.

We must all continue to support the fight to End Polio and eradicate the disease from the Earth.





Saturday 15th – Saturday 22nd August 2020

Lake Keepit Sport & Recreation Centre



RYLA Needs YOU !!!

Accepting nominations now

Please encourage your members to:

- **identify** potential participants
- **tell** them about the RYLA program
- **share** the positive impact it will have on their lives
- **encourage** them to apply
- **encourage** employers in your Club to sponsor an employee
- **invest** in the future of your Club

RYLA is the future of Rotary...

The program is brilliant, the results outstanding, the experience is life changing.

Brochure & applications on website

www.rotary9650.org.au/Ryla



LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT WEBINARS (cont)
via Zoom Meetings for Rotary District 9650
THURSDAY 28TH MAY 2020
This Program runs from 5:30pm to 6:30pm

FOUNDATION LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT WEBINAR		
TIME	TOPIC	PRESENTER
5:30pm	The Rotary Foundation	Maurie Stack

Further Learning & Development for incoming Club Officers and other Club members on The Rotary Foundation.

Reminder Registration forms were issued on to all current and incoming Club Presidents and Club Secretaries on Thursday 14 May 2020 and there have been a few reminders as well that have been issued.

To Join Zoom Meeting

[https://zoom.us/j/97314446709?](https://zoom.us/j/97314446709?pwd=RWdiVXdKMnAxM09XeHJUOFQrMzh1UT09)

[pwd=RWdiVXdKMnAxM09XeHJUOFQrMzh1UT09](https://zoom.us/j/97314446709?pwd=RWdiVXdKMnAxM09XeHJUOFQrMzh1UT09)

Meeting ID: 973 1444 6709 Password: 96502805

Our District Foundation Chair PDG Maurie Stack has a great presentation to share with you next Thursday. If you have not already booked for this session then please do so urgently...

Bookings were to have been in to District Secretary Patti Parsons by last Friday...

Invitation from Rotary Club of Belling

Just a quick update to let you know we have a very special guest speaker presenting this week!!

Topic: Online Event - Guest Speaker - Mike Whitehouse, Manager of the 2018 Australian Rotary Districts Drought Appeal

Time: Thu 28 May 2020, 6:30pm

The highly successful Rotary Australia World Community Service Limited [RAWCS], Channel 9 and National Farmers' Federation drought appeal closed on 30th September 2018 raising in excess of \$10 million.

The Rotary Club of Belling were proud supporters of the project and along with our community raised and donated money towards the appeal. These funds have been distributed direct to farmers and their families.

Mike Whitehouse, RAWCS National Treasurer and Manager of the Drought Project will give an update about the impact the project had on our farmers. This meeting will start at Thursday 28th May at 6.30pm (sharp)

The presentation will be about 15 minutes in length - we will conduct a short Club meeting addressing any Rotary business after our presenter has finished.

Please use the ZOOM link to join:

[https://zoom.us/j/444259121?](https://zoom.us/j/444259121?pwd=U0t3Sll0SkdkWHdaaGdPcWtERyt4UT09)

[pwd=U0t3Sll0SkdkWHdaaGdPcWtERyt4UT09](https://zoom.us/j/444259121?pwd=U0t3Sll0SkdkWHdaaGdPcWtERyt4UT09)

Meeting ID: 444 259 121

Password: 9650

Please help the Belling Club promote this event:

Login to your Facebook via this FB event link , click on the "GOING" tab, THEN click "SHARE" and share the Facebook event online with your friends.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/3207141666004675>

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