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MARCH 2026 IS WATER, SANITATION, AND HYGIENE MONTH

*"You can't cross the sea merely by standing and staring at the water."
Rabindranath Tagore.*

THIS MEETING.

Tonight, we have a Club Assembly.

Acknowledgement of Country: Kerrie.	International Toast: Jenny.
Club Host: .	Appeal: Sharyn.

President's Report

A big thank you to all who assisted at the BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange on March 6. Club members, Sue, David, Sharyn, Kel and Kerrie were helped by Friend Of Rotary John, Rotaractors Lucille and Zeinab and, Michelle, Kathy, Franca and Ron. All monies raised at this BBQ are to be donated to a local community group who have recently had their grant withdrawn and will help to support their numerous programs.

International Women's Day was held on March 8. This year's theme "Give to Gain" which reflects the spirit of Rotary. A message from District Governor Renga, appreciating the women within Rotary for their service to local communities, their leadership, compassion and talent was sent to all members in our District.

Kel and Sharyn assisted at the PCYC breakfast at the Snake Pit on March 12. All went well even though some supplies arrived a little late.

The Rotary District 9675 Conference was held on March 14, "Aspire to Inspire". A message from District Governor Renga is that it was a great success. Inspiring speakers during the day and a fun Bollywood Gala dinner in the evening.

My thanks to members who have completed the Health Check. Information provided will assist in identifying gaps and embracing the positive comments. It is an opportunity for continuous improvement.

President Jenny

Attendance details last meeting (Monday 2 March 2026).

Apologies:	Sharyn, Kel, Claude, & Martha
Leave of absence:	
Members Present:	7 being 63%. Albert able to attend some of the time due to ongoing Wi-Fi issues
Guest Speaker(s):	
Club Guests:	Michelle Shipley
Friends of Rotary:	
Visiting Rotarians:	
Makeups:	
Joker jackpot raffle:	No winner yet.
International Toast:	Rotary Club of Lyttelton D9990 NZ

NEXT MEETING:

Monday 13th April (as Monday 6th April is Easter Monday, a Public Holiday).

Acknowledgement of Country: Sue.	International Toast: Bob.
Club Host:	Appeal: David.

Rosters: Please arrange your own substitute if you cannot attend meetings.

ANNIVERSARIES BEFORE NEXT MEETING (16/03/2026-05/04/2026)

Birthdays	None this period.	
Wedding Anniversaries	Kel & Sharyn 3 April. Congratulations to both of you.	
Club Anniversaries	Kel joined 3 April 2017 Congratulations on nine years of service.	

CLUB NEWS

Bunning BBQ on Friday 6th March

President Jenny reported above on our last BBQ and a follow-up e-mail was sent to the BBQers. In that e-mail it was mentioned that we had a BBQ at Bunnings on Friday 15th May but there is also one on Sunday 3rd May in lieu of the Valentine's Day one which we missed out on. Please note the 3rd May in your diary.

Accessing this Rotary Year's Club Bulletins

For future reference all the club's Bulletins for the current Rotary Year can be found [here](#) on our website to read, download, print etc.

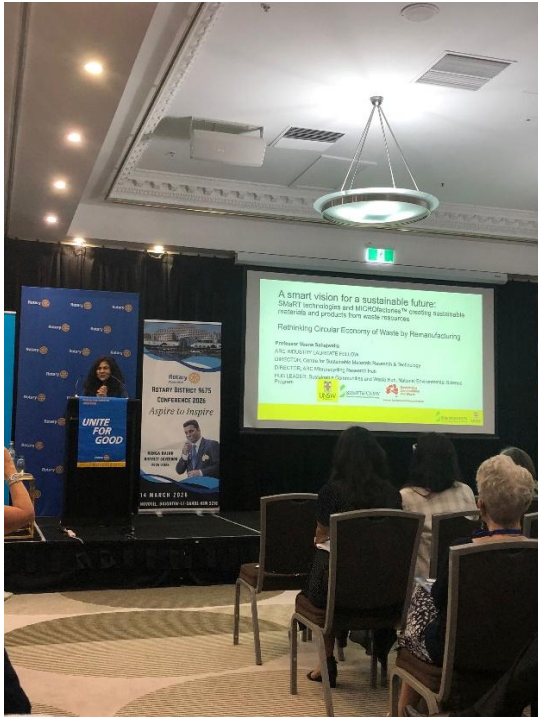
Photos from the Aspire to Inspire Conference 14 March



DG Renga opening conference proceedings



Matt Caruana. Having attempted suicide aged 16 Matt is now an ambassador for Lifeline Australia



Professor Veena Sahajwalla is an internationally recognised materials scientist, engineer and inventor in the field of recycling science.



Superintendent Christine McDonald of the NSW Police Force is from a rural background brought up in a Rotary environment. She talked about how Service Above Self has influenced her career in the Police Force.



The next outbound Vocational Training Team who will be training locals in Tonga during August and September in the art of emergency and disaster preparedness.



DGE Shane announces details of next year's conference to be held in Ulladulla on 5 - 7 March 2027



Let the Bollywood gala festivities begin!

UPCOMING EVENTS

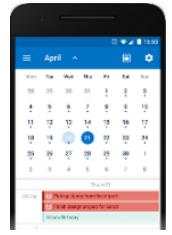
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Monday 30 March Fifth Monday of the month social meeting.

Friday 10 April Bunnings BBQ at Kembla Grange.

Wednesday 15 April Razzamatazz shows at Woonona-Bulli RSL – 11am, 2pm & 5.30pm

Thursday 16 April Razzamatazz shows at Woonona-Bulli RSL – 11am and 2pm.

Sunday 3 May Bunnings BBQ at Kembla Grange.

Thursday 7 May PCYC Fit For Life at the Snake Pit.

Friday 15 May Bunnings BBQ at Kembla Grange.

Agenda items for the board meetings should be sent to the secretary by the Saturday before the board meeting.

Items for the Bulletin should be sent to the Bulletin editor by the Sunday before the club meeting.

If you would like to nominate a Guest Speaker for a club meeting, please send the details to the club secretary or President Jenny.



Yours in Rotary,

David.



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