

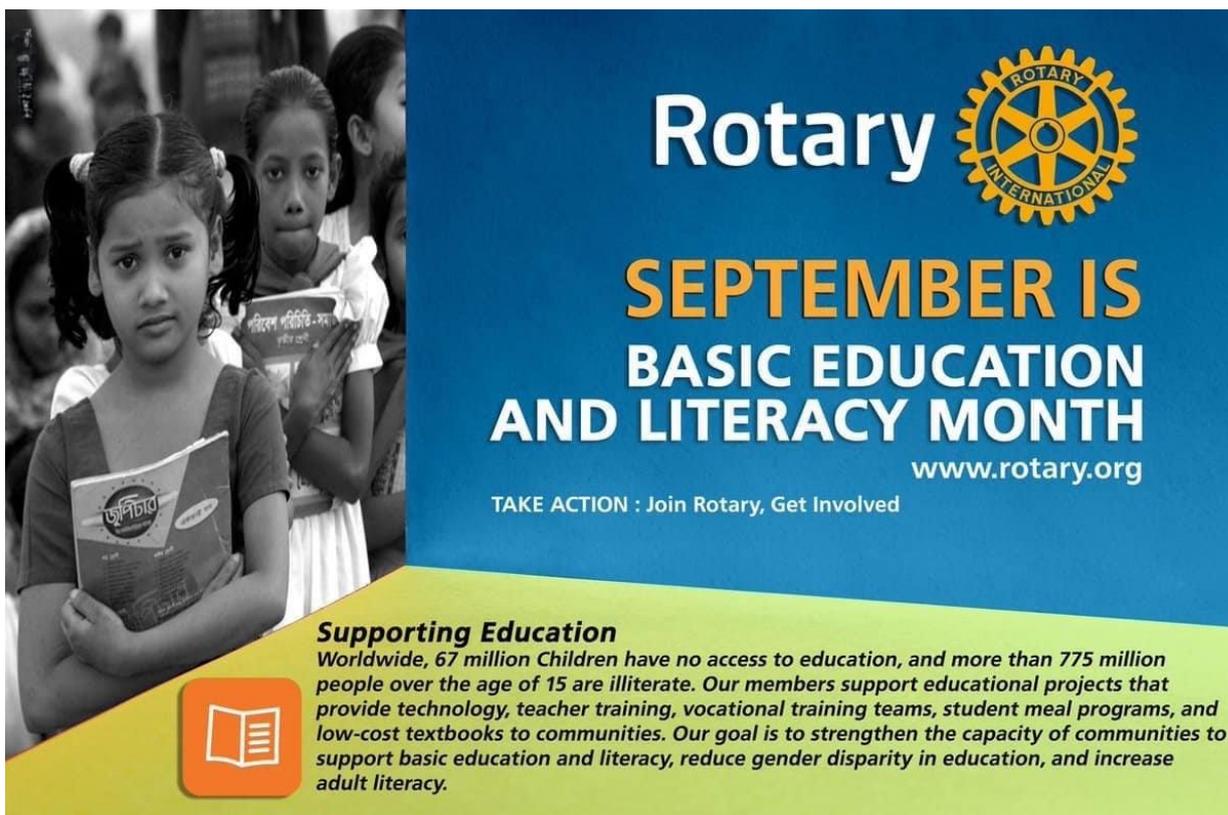


Rotary Club of West Wollongong Inc.
 (ABN 32 681 953 565)
District 9675
 Chartered 23rd March 1964



28 August 2024 BULLETIN

*August is Rotary's Membership & New Club Development Month
 &
 September is Rotary's Basic Education & Literacy Month*



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Birthdays	Anniversaries
<i>None this week</i>	<i>28/08 – Michael & Louise Campbell</i>

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CLUB PROGRAM ... *Dates for you diary!*

Date	Speaker/Theme
<p align="center">Wednesday 28 August 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>“Women Illawarra and Domestic Violence” – Nicolle Richards</i> SERGEANT: Equipment requirements – LAPTOP & PROJECTOR NEEDED Please</p> 
<p align="center">Thursday 29 August 2024</p>	<p>❖ JOKER DRAW at The Charles Hotel from 6.00 PM <u>TEAM 6</u></p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 4 September 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>Club Business</i></p>
<p align="center">Saturday 7 September 2024</p>	<p>MEGA MEAT RAFFLE at The Charles Hotel from 2.00-4.00 PM <u>Members, friends & partners are very welcome to join us!</u> TEAM 2: Rose Pope, Di Reid & Phil Peckman</p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 11 September 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>Guest Speaker: Rita Giampieri - Imagination Library Illawarra</i> SERGEANT: Equipment requirements - TBA</p> 
<p align="center">Saturday 14 September 2024</p>	<p>❖ Combined Illawarra Rotary Clubs Race Day</p>   
<p align="center">Wednesday 18 September 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>5.30pm start with pre-meeting drinks in the Centro Courtyard!</i> ❖ Short meeting – Club Business followed by a Board Meeting</p>
<p align="center">Monday 23 Sept 2024</p>	<p>❖ BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange – <i>Volunteers needed please!</i></p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 25 September 2024</p>	<p>❖ CLUB ASSEMBLY</p>
<p align="center">Wednesday 2 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>“Travelling Australia” – Stephen Swan</i> SERGEANT: Equipment requirements - LAPTOP & PROJECTOR NEEDED Please</p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 9 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>Australian Rotary Health (ARH) Hat Day... a fun night with our partners+ Special guest speaker: PDG & Chair of the ARH Board, Stephen Humphreys. SERGEANT: Equipment requirements TBA</i></p> 
<p align="center">Monday 21 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange – <i>Volunteers needed please!</i></p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 23 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ Q & A with Glen Saville: Olympian, former professional basketball player and now fireman with NSW Fire & Rescue Facilitated by: Kerrie Hayes-Williams</p>
<p align="center">Thursday 24 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>End Polio Train Ride... World Polio Day</i></p>
<p align="center">Wednesday 30 October 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>SOCIAL EVENING ... Details TBA</i></p>
<p align="center">Sunday 3 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ MS Gong Ride – <i>Volunteers needed please!</i></p> 
<p align="center">Sunday 10 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ BBQ at Bunnings Kembla Grange – <i>Volunteers needed please!</i></p> 
<p align="center">Wednesday 13 November 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>ARH Indigenous Scholar – Maddy Lawson</i></p>
<p align="center">Wednesday 4 December 2024</p>	<p>❖ <i>An evening with our ARH PhD Scholar & RCWW John Chaplin Memorial scholar together with UOW representatives ... (NB. Partners evening)</i></p> 

[President's Message](#)

It was a lovely evening to be able to sit outside for a drink before the meeting last week.

It's such a good opportunity to hear what others have been doing or planning. Sadly, some members are struggling with health issues and we wish you all back to good health and mobility soon. Those who couldn't make it last week for whatever reason, will be happy to know your wine wasn't wasted.



It was especially nice to welcome and congratulate **Kevin Wanambiro** on the *birth of his and Dalphine's little girl, Olympia*. **Anne Christensen** generously knitted a cardigan and bonnet as a gift from us all.

The *Board meeting* afterwards *discussed the budget, the registration of 10 siblings of students at Wollongong West Public School in the Imagination Library in addition to our usual donation, the calendar, speakers including for the Peace Oration and possible future installations of a couple of Peace Poles.*

More details to follow.

Enjoy tonight's speaker – *Nicolle Richards*.

President Rose

A little information about tonight's guest speaker – Nicolle Richards

Nicolle has worked in the community services sector for 12 years and she has a deep commitment to supporting marginalised communities, those affected by mental health, substance misuse and family and domestic violence.

Her career began as a community development worker; she then moved on to work in adult mental health prior to a short stint in housing and homelessness providing front line support to the most marginalised and disadvantaged; i.e. the rough sleepers.

Nicolle now works for Women Illawarra within the Illawarra Women's Domestic Violence Court Advocacy Program providing support to women and families directly affected by family and domestic violence.

Phil Peckman will formally introduce Nicolle & extend a vote of thanks after her presentation.

Last week's meeting minutes: Scribe – Anne Christensen

- ✚ The pre-meeting gathering in the Centro Courtyard with drinks and a social chat was very enjoyable.
- ✚ **Sergeant Dennis Simpson** opened the meeting on time and everyone was welcomed by **President Rose Pope**.
- ✚ **Anne Christiansen's reflection** toasted the '*Organisation that is Rotary*'.
- ✚ **Phil Peckman's international toast** was to the *Rotary Club of Caracas, Venezuela, South America*. Venezuela has been ravaged in recent years by galloping inflation, where a majority of families now find it hard to put nutritious food on the table each night and, since 2015, more than 4 million people have left the country, many as refugees to neighbouring South American countries. One would think having a Rotary presence would therefore be a very positive thing in such difficult and trying circumstances.

The Rotary Club of Caracas was founded in October 1926 and has been an avid supporter of Rotary's Polio Plus program, breast cancer screening and in recent times The Caracas University Hospital as well as supplying food packages to those in need. Due to increasingly limited resources within Venezuela, neighbouring District 4380 commenced the Rotary International Project for Venezuela, partnering with Clubs in District 4370, including the Rotary Club of Caracas, to support small and large social projects within Venezuela.

✚ **Sergeant Dennis** provided a *welfare report* stating that **John Erickson** remains unwell and **Michael Crowley** is having ongoing hip problems. Members wished them a speedy recovery.

✚ **Phil** provided a report on the *Rotary Community Group meeting*:

- Phil will send information to members via email and possibly discuss next week.
- *Escabags* has 4-5 collection bins available at no charge (usually \$250 each) for Rotary to be responsible. Members were asked to consider whether our Club wishes to be involved.
- If you are attending the *Combined Rotary Clubs of the Illawarra Race Day*, please let Phil know ASAP AND don't forget to invite family/friends to the event!

✚ **Treasurer Noel Watt** reported on revenue from our *Joker Draw/Raffles at the Charles Hotel*.

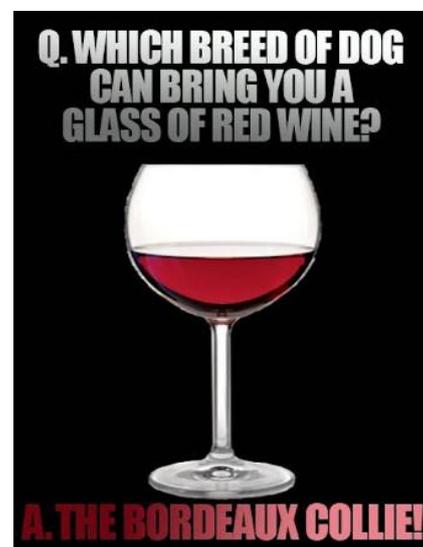
✚ **Anne** knitted a cardigan and bonnet and, on behalf of the Club, gifted to **Kevin Wanambiro and Dalphine's birth of their little girl, Olympia**.

✚ **Ken Potter** is looking for volunteers to assist at *RYDA (Rotary Youth Driver Awareness)* on Monday 9 September next.

✚ **President Rose** mentioned:

- The *Pride of Workmanship Awards* evening has been moved to Wednesday 12 February 2025.
- A reminder that the next *Mega Meat Raffle at the Charles Hotel* will be on Saturday 7 September from 2pm to 4pm.
- Any items members wish to submit to the Board may be sent to either **Rose** or **Secretary Kerrie**.

✚ Our *wine raffle winners* were **Annette Lavender** (below left) and **Mal Bracken** (below centre).



✚ **Sergeant Dennis** conducted a fine session prior to closing the meeting just after 7pm.

ROSTERS

Please arrange your own substitute if you are not able to attend meetings.

Date	Sergeant	Reflection & Scribe	Int. Toast***	Charles Hotel			
				Joker Draw &		Mega Meat raffle	
				Date	Team	Date	Team
28/08	J Erickson	J Crakanthorp	M Crowley	29/08	1	The next Mega Meat Raffle will be held on Saturday 7 September 2024 from 2-4pm	2
04/09	Di North	M Crowley	J Erickson	05/09	2		
11/09	K Potter	J Erickson	R Giampieri	12/09	3		
18/09	P Roberts	R Giampieri	H Hasan	19/09	4		
25/09	B Stevens	H Hasan	K Hayes-Williams	26/09	5		
02/10	D Simpson	K Hayes-Williams	A Lavender	03/10	6		

***Int. Toast: Each member to research and select their own Rotary-based international toast.

Apologies to be directed to Treasurer, Noel Watt, prior to midday on the Tuesday before our meetings.

The Charles Hotel "Joker Draw" – Thursday, 6:00pm					
Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	Team 5	Team 6
Marilyn Phillips	Ken Potter	Barry Stevens	Di North	Ray Lee	Jim Christensen
The Charles Hotel "Meat Raffle" - 1 st Saturday of the month from 2.00pm to 4.00pm					
Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4		
D Simpson & D North	R Pope, D Reid & P Peckman	J Christensen & K Potter	R Pope, D Reid & P Peckman		
PCYC BULLI – Fit for Life Program: Members' Breakfast Schedule					
Thursday 29/08			Di Reid & Rita Giampieri		
Thursday 17/10			Rose Pope & Ray Lee		
Thursday 07/11			Di Reid & Rita Giampieri		
Thursday 05/12			Ros Yeoman & Phil Peckman		

And now... a little humour to (hopefully) put a smile on your dial!



Apparently there are 2 types of flu. The harmless one that women and children get, and the "near death" version that men get.



The trouble with quotes on the internet is that it's difficult to determine whether or not they are genuine.
- Abraham Lincoln

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CHARITY RACE DAY

The Rotary Clubs of the Illawarra are organising our annual Race Day to be held on Saturday, 14 September 2024 at Kembla Grange Racecourse. This is our combined club's major fund-raising event for the year with all funds raised donated to local charities.



Your ticket includes

- ✓ Entry to Kembla Grange Racecourse
- ✓ A sumptuous three-course lunch
- ✓ 3 drink vouchers (beer, wine, soft drink)
- ✓ Afternoon Tea
- ✓ Escabags Tote Bag
- ✓ Reserved seating in the AJ Bert Lillye Lounge
- ✓ Race books
- ✓ Other fun filled activities

Please come and join us!

Across Australia Rotary Clubs raise awareness and funds to help prevent domestic and family violence and support its victims with a diverse range of innovative projects. This year our Race Day event will be raising funds for two excellent locally-based services:

- Women Illawarra and
- Escabags.

14 September 12 midday for 12.30

Tickets are \$125.00 per person or \$1,200.00 for a table of 10.

Bookings at <https://www.trybooking.com/CTAHI>



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If you know of any potential candidates for RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards) 2025, please liaise direct with Ken Potter.

Apply now for **RYLA 2025**

28th Jan - 2nd Feb 2025
Stanwell Tops Conference Centre



RYLA is a leadership program for young adults aged between 19 and 25 sponsored by local Rotary Clubs.

Learn about RYLA and apply today by scanning the QR code



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