



INGLE ANGLE

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President's Report



At this time of the year, I would like to give special thanks to all those who have supported us in a range of events during December.



The month started with the Christmas Function with all funds raised going to our **Gifts of Hope** Project. This year 550 presents were donated, wrapped, and delivered by a host of remarkable people who we will personally thank.

We again took an active role in the **12 Days of Christmas Celebrations** held at Minto Gardens Retirement Village. All residents received a handmade Christmas card. We took part in the Market Day, held a Card-making Workshop, cooked an Aussie BBQ, and brought along our very own Santa, and worked alongside Hands on Hearts to host a very successful BBQ and Karaoke Night.

Through the generosity of the community of Macquarie Fields Public School and the residents of Minto Gardens, 60 hampers were packed and delivered to families in need of cheer in our local primary schools.



We supported Campbelltown Council with their celebrations to mark the arrival of Santa.

Members of the IngleMinds Committee supported the Macarthur Community Hub by running a BBQ. Those who

attended also gained valuable insights and contacts that will support our Homeless Project.

This year we expanded our Rotary Club of Ingleburn Award for Outstanding Service and Leadership within the School and Community from one school to six.



Our deepest thanks to everyone who has supported us in making a difference to the lives of so many.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

You can find more details in the December edition of our newsletter, IngleAngle, and by following us on our Facebook page, Community, New Generations, Mental Health, and Internationally.

May your Christmas be filled with family and friends (and some gifts too) and we look forward to 2025 with hope.



Yours in Rotary,



PAG GAIL TAYLOR
President 2024-25

Club Celebrations: January 2025



In January, we celebrate three birthdays:
Damon Oddy (12 Jan) **Rotarian Fiona McKinnon** (22 Jan), and **Brian Taylor** (26 Jan)



We wish each of you a wonderful birthday celebration and all the best in all you do in 2025!



Rotarian Syed & Sumaya Akram Ullah (2 Jan), with the following three, celebrating more than 40 years - Rotarian Cheryl & Gary Armishaw (13 Jan), Rotarian Kaiser & Khaleda Ahmed (21 Jan), and Rotarian Jan & Kaylene Domanski (20 Jan).

We wish them all the best for future years together.

During January, Rotarians Cheryl Armishaw and John Hartmann will have 13 years' membership.

Our club, and Rotary International, sincerely thanks Cheryl and John for their continued service, and support of Rotary International, and the community.



January is Vocational Service Month



The Concept of Vocation service is a philosophical statement of Rotary's purpose and the responsibilities of Rotarians. The concept of vocational service is rooted in the Second Object, which calls on Rotarians to "encourage and foster".

- * To encourage and foster high ethical standards in business and professions, to recognise the worthiness of all useful occupations, to dignify the Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.
- * The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations To apply the ideal of service in personal, business and community life.
- * The dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society. To advance international understanding and goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of businessmen and professional men and women united in the ideal

of service.

Paul Harris wrote: *"Each Rotarian is a connecting link between the idealism of Rotary and their trade or profession"*.

Vocational Service is the way Rotary fosters and supports the application of the Ideal of Service to the pursuit of all vocations.

As a Rotarian, how can you put these ideals into action: Consider:

- ✳ Talk about your vocation in your club, and take time to learn about fellow members' vocations;
- ✳ Use your professional skills to serve a community;
- ✳ Practice your profession with integrity, and inspire other to behave ethically through your own words and actions;
- ✳ Help a young person achieve their career aspirations;
- ✳ Guide and encourage others in their professional development.

If you do any of these things, **you are** performing vocational service. And if vocational services motivates and energises you, then you're in the right place, because vocational service is the very essence of Rotary. It is what sets Rotary apart from other services organisations.

Remember:

Vocational Service is the shared responsibility of both the Rotary Club and its members.

The role of the Club is to implement and encourage the objectives by its own actions in dealing with the community, and by the development of projects that enable members to use their vocational talents in the service of the community.

The role of members is to conduct themselves, and their businesses, in accordance with Rotary principles, and support the Vocational Service projects that the club has developed.

I wish you a very peaceful Christmas in the company of your family and friends and that the New Year brings you all you've wished for. Happy Holidays everyone!



CHRISTINE SALTER
Bulletin Editor, 2024-25

Rotary Foundation



A current report on the global eradication of Polio:

PAKISTAN AND AFGHANISTAN

The only countries where polio is still endemic –

- Currently, only Wild Poliovirus Type 1 continues to circulate, and only in these two remaining endemic countries.
- 2024 proved to be a challenging year for the program with a resurgence of cases in both countries, with 62 cases, and 536 environmental detections, reported this year.
- There is a real risk of re-established transmission in these countries. *(Source: Doherty Institute)*

GAZA

- A humanitarian pause allowed a two-round polio vaccination campaign to begin in Gaza. The first round was successfully implemented from 1-12 September 2024 and vaccinated 559,161 children, or an estimated 95% of eligible children at the governorate level.
- The second round began on 14 October 2024. The campaign started in Central Gaza, vaccinating children under 10 years old. Children between 2-9 years old were offered Vitamin A.
- As of 23 October, the Polio Technical Committee for Gaza, including the Palestinian Ministry of Health, WHO, UNICEF, the United Nations Relief Works Agency for Palestine Refugees (UNRWA), and partners have been compelled to postpone the third phase of the polio vaccination campaign. The final phase aimed to vaccinate 119,279 children across northern Gaza. *(Source: Rotary International)*

The world must be vigilant and continue with the vaccinating campaign because this dreadful disease is only a plane ride away.

Let's not give up the fight!

You will recall that on World Polio Day this year, 24 October, that Mark and Dave Andersen organised a train ride to visit every station to promote the **'End Polio Now'** campaign, across Rotary Districts 9675 and 9685 (*Greater Sydney*).

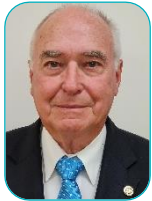
Both Mark, and Dave, put in a huge effort each year to organise this event in riding the train from 4:30 am to 10:30 pm.

The campaign raised \$76,775, with another \$21,000 promised from clubs.





*Wishing everyone a very Merry Christmas,
and best wishes for 2025.*



PDG BILL SALTER
Foundation Director 2024-25

Community Service

ROCKING AROUND CAMPBELLTOWN BBQ

It was a bleak and overcast morning as our team of Rotarians made their way to Milton Park at Ingleburn for the annual *Rocking Around Campbelltown BBQ* heralding the arrival of Santa.



Having negotiated our set up location with Council staff, we had a slight delay as a brief shower of rain passed over. Following that, we got to work laying out the floor plastic sheeting, setting up the large marquee, and unfolding tables.

The team worked really hard to get everything in place. After checking the barbeques, the sausages started sizzling, and the delicious aroma of barbequed onions wafted about the park. We made a few early sales, but then the rain came.

Hey man, what are all those sirens for? They sound like they are getting closer.

Then the parade appeared a fire engine with lights and sirens, a Santa sleigh being towed by a truck, a double decker open top bus with Santa aboard, the C91 road crew, Batman and his Batmobile and, finally, the local SES with their light and sirens.



Santa had indeed arrived, and the smallish crowd greeted him enthusiastically in the rain.

And folks, that's how it was for the rest of the morning. The rain kept falling, everyone and everything got wet, and we didn't sell many of our famous sausage sandwiches.

Thank you to all those Rotarians and Friends who turned up and did a wonderful job despite the weather.

A special thanks to Barry and Jenny who ended up with all the large wet items at their place to dry out under the awning – the large marquee, the detachable side panels, and the large plastic flooring.

BUNNINGS BBQ AT CROSSROADS

Our last Bunnings fundraiser BBQ for this year was well supported by our members and Friends of Rotary. It was completely different to our previous BBQ; the sun was shining, and the prediction was for a hot and sunny day – a great time for people to visit their local Bunnings.



The morning crew set about enthusiastically laying out the different workstations – drinks, money, bread rolls, food storage, the food warmer and, of course, the barbeque area itself.

Hold on ... we have a problem – the barbeque won't fire up. So, following the correct procedure, we called on the Bunnings staff to rectify the problem. So, we waited (*and no sausages were cooking*). The first gentleman was unable to fix the problem, so he had to call someone else; so we waited (*and still no sausages were cooking*). Finally, the lady from Bunnings came out and fiddled, and got it going. So, then the sausages were cooking!



Business was steady throughout the morning. Poor Steve, who spent the entire time cooking, must have sweated off a few kilos, despite drinking lots of water.

The rest of the morning crew – Gail, Jan, Javed, Roz, Drew, and Peter were kept busy right up to the changeover with the afternoon crew – Bill, Jim, Brenda, Elke, Ken, and Peter.



It became quite hot during the afternoon; we really had a battle trying to keep drinks cool and out of the sun. The heat also affected our customers - we sold quite a few less than usual at this venue.

We donated 75 bread rolls and 78 sausages to our Hidden Homeless project, and they were most grateful for our support.

Again, thank you to all those Rotarians and Friends of Rotary who take time to support our BBQ projects.

*Wishing everyone a happy festive season;
enjoy Christmas and enjoy all the best in 2025.*



PETER FLEW
Community Service Director 2024-25

*The gift of love. The gift of peace. The gift of happiness.
May all these be yours at Christmas.*

International

We are still awaiting a decision on our District Grant application, lodged in August, for the Science Lab in Nepal. Hopefully we will receive notification in the New Year.



Wishing you wonderful holiday season filled with joy



PAG GAIL TAYLOR
International Director 2024-25

The Words and Wisdom of Paul Harris

If possession of the spirit of Rotary were the only qualification requisite to membership, our numbers would be increased a thousandfold. There is, fortunately, no copyright on the spirit of Rotary.

This Rotarian Age

Membership



The Rotary Club of Ingleburn is known for upholding the motto of 'People of Action' and is always looking for new members.

Should you know anyone with a passion to serve our community, please have them contact us.



This last year has been difficult for membership having lost a number on members in June when we roll over into a new Rotary year, and the need to make a commitment for participation and membership fees for the 2024-2025 year. Unfortunately, a number of our members had a change in circumstances; therefore, chose not to renew their membership.

Whilst we had several expressions of interest, none have transitioned to actual membership.

The Membership Committee will meet in the new year to brainstorm on the best way to attract new members, where input from all club members will be considered and valued. Our committee is open for additional members with fresh ideas.

Maybe readers of the Ingle Angle can help spread the word that volunteer service is a great way to connect with the community and gives those involved a purpose outside their normal daily lives – think about what you can do for others.

Something for all to ponder

Christmas is a time when we can come together and share, and reflect, on the last twelve months and look at the year ahead. We often read articles on what people truly find important in life; family is often at the top of the list for most people.

In some respects, our Rotary Clubs are like family, so it is important that we are mindful of club members that may be alone at Christmas. We often have projects where we reach out and assist our communities at Christmas, especially those in need – but do we consider our club members in the same way?

Care of our club members is paramount in making them feel wanted and included. Sometimes it is good to look inward and make sure we apply the same care to our own membership.

Christmas is a good time to do a stocktake and make pastoral care to our members a focus; something we do throughout the year, but a refresh at Christmas can be of benefit.



Our very best wishes for the festive season and may you enjoy a fruitful and joyous 2025.



BILL SALTER & DREW PERCIVAL
Co-Membership Directors 2024-25

The Words and Wisdom of Paul Harris

What can you do, what are you willing to do for Rotary?

THE ROTARIAN,
August 1914

New Generations

GIFTS OF HOPE



The Club sends a special thank you to students from both Hurlstone Agricultural High School and Sarah Redfern High School for the great support they gave on the *Gifts of Hope Wrapping Day*. Some wrapped, some were runners, and all worked hard for this good cause.



Their efforts are much appreciated.

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards)

Our two RYLA candidates, Lucy and Lidija, will be attending the 2025 Camp at Stanwell Tops in late January. Lucy attended a recent meeting to speak about her current studies and her expectations of RYLA. Unfortunately, Lidija was not able to attend on the evening. We look forward to hearing from them following the Camp.

HURLSTONE INTERACT

A new Interact Coordinator has been appointed; I look forward to meeting and discussing ongoing plans and programs in the New Year.

Congratulations to all students in local schools who received special awards from the Rotary Club of Ingleburn at Presentation Days in recent weeks.



Best wishes for Christmas and may 2025 be a happy year for all.



BARRY WOOLFE
New Generations Director 2024-25

*We hope the magic of Christmas fills every corner of your heart
And home with joy – now and always*

Vocational Service



VOCATIONAL SERVICE - this is both a Club, and members, responsibility.



There is no specific report on Vocational Service this month; however, I hope you read the *“January is the Vocational Service Month”* earlier in this edition to learn more about Rotary’s Avenue of Service - Vocational Service.

Watch this space in 2025.

*Merry Christmas for All and
have an enjoyable 2025.*



DREW PERCIVAL
Vocational Service Director 2024-25

Mental Health Committee



During the month of December many of our Mental Wellbeing projects are in full swing. We continue to grow strong relationships with Minto Gardens Retirement Village, The Hidden Homeless, and our community.



MINTO GARDENS RETIREMENT VILLAGE

Minto Gardens Retirement Village undertook an engagement program titled *“12 Days of Christmas”*. The Rotary Club of Ingleburn contributed in a number of ways.

Each resident received a handmade, and handwritten, Christmas card. Members of our community, as well as Rotarians, and Friends of Rotary, created 220 cards throughout the year and our resident writers ensured an individual message was delivered.

The residents donated toys to the Gifts of Hope appeal.

We participated in the Village Christmas Markets selling crafts, gift hampers, and plants.

The Team ran a craft activity for residents. The residents have a wealth of knowledge and experience; they mentor each other and those who are beginners, take a leap of faith to have a go at something new.

The “*Aussie Christmas*” theme day saw many Rotarians man the BBQ, serving snags and salads. The man in the Red Suit also made an appearance!



The residents made family hampers from pantry items donated by Macquarie Fields Public School. Sixty (60) hampers in 60 minutes from sorting to packing to delivering. Thanks to Gail, Brenda, Carolyn, and Beth.

Christmas Karaoke saw Hands on Heart and Rotary combine for a BBQ and sing-along. It was great to see a large number of Rotarians support this event.



Each day had a new activity to build connection, purpose, a sense of giving and joy to the residents.

HIDDEN HOMELESS

For many people living in temporary accommodation they do so without resources. In December we were offered excellent quality furniture and homewares to be passed on to those who have been able to move into their long-term rental homes. From potential landfill, to creating a comfortable living environment for someone, these donations have made a difference to six families.

MACARTHUR COMMUNITY HUB

The Macarthur Homeless Steering Committee invited IngleMinds to attend their annual community event for people needing housing help in Macarthur. This event attracted a large number of community services, and 300 people seeking assistance. Ken, Gail, Brenda, and Beth, assisted by volunteers, did the traditional Rotary task of sausage sizzle. (*Thank you to Peter for his mentorship.*) We were also able to network with a number of organisations for future projects.

CHRISTMAS

Did someone say Christmas is coming?

As we wish everyone a joyful Christmas, we also spare a thought for those who may not be as fortunate as ourselves. Reaching out to those who are not well, those who are isolated or those doing it tough may just make a difference in their life.

Beth, on behalf IngleMinds.



We hope the magic of Christmas fills every corner of your heart and home with joy – now and always.



BETH GODWIN
Mental Health Committee 2024-25

Social Committee

Ho! Ho! Ho! rang out through the Scenic Hills Denham Court on Tuesday evening, 3 December, as Santa and his helpers brought the joy of Christmas to the Rotary Club of Ingleburn Christmas / End of Year function at Ottimo House. Whilst Santa’s jokes elicited groans, his lollies were well received, and many sought photos with him under the colourful arch.



Over 60 people attended, including Club members, partners, Friends of Ingleburn Rotary, and Rotarians from other Clubs, along with representatives from Schools and other organisations that have partnered with Rotary.



It was a great opportunity for socialising throughout the night and many wore festive outfits, adding to the fun and laughter. There was also recognition of some of the Club’s achievements throughout the year on the rolling picture display (*see photos below*).

All guests received a beautiful handmade greeting card as a gift, and some were lucky enough to win some great raffle prizes. Proceeds from the night were directed to the Club’s *Gift of Hope* program (*reported elsewhere in more detail*) that provided gifts for over 550 children in need in our area.

Whilst the *Gifts of Hope* program was a large program in its own right over many months, this was also very social. Those involved in the program enjoyed the many occasions of meeting, planning, and collectively getting the work done.

Ottimo House again excelled as our venue, providing a scrumptious three course meal, elegant table settings, attentive staff, and a picturesque setting.

The Social Committee was delighted with the success of the function and a continuation of many other quality events held over 2024.





We look forward to organising many wonderful social activities in 2025.



We wish all a very happy festive season.



DREW PERCIVAL, GAIL TAYLOR & JENNY WOOLFE
Social Committee 2024-25

The Words and Wisdom of Paul Harris

Whatever Rotary may mean to us, to the world it will be known by the results it achieves.

Message to the 1914 RI Convention,
Houston, Texas, USA

The Rotary Club of Ingleburn wish each of you a season full of light and laughter for you and your family.

Here is to a wonderful 2025 and may peace fill our world with all its people being tolerate of each other and working together.



Calendar of Events

Upcoming EVENTS

Day	Date	Function	Where / Time
DECEMBER			
Sunday	22 December	Car Show BBQ	Old Campbelltown Bunnings Site 6:30 am to 9:00 am
Monday	23 December		
Tuesday	24 December	CHRISTMAS EVE	
Wednesday	25 December	CHRISTMAS DAY	
Thursday	26 December		
Friday	27 December		
Saturday	28 December		
Sunday	29 December		
Monday	30 December		
Tuesday	31 December	NEW YEAR'S EVE	
JANUARY 2025			
Wednesday	1 January		
Thursday	2 January		
Friday	3 January		
Saturday	4 January		
Sunday	5 January		
Monday	6 January		
Tuesday	7 January	IngleMinds Meeting	Via Zoom
Wednesday	8 January		
Thursday	9 January		
Friday	10 January		
Saturday	11 January		

Day	Date	Function	Where Time
Sunday	12 January		
Monday	13 January	New Year Social Event	Woolfe Residence - Macquarie Fields
Tuesday	14 January	Meeting	Ingleburn RSL Club Dinner 6:00 pm Meeting 7:00 pm
Wednesday	15 January		
Thursday	16 January		
Friday	17 January		
Saturday	18 January		
Sunday	19 January		
Monday	20 January		
Tuesday	21 January		
Wednesday	22 January		
Thursday	23 January		
Friday	24 January		
Saturday	25 January		
Sunday	26 January	Car Show BBQ	Old Campbelltown Bunnings Site 6:30 am to 9:00 am
Monday	27 January		
Tuesday	28 January	Meeting: Guest Speaker - Warren Morrison 24 Hour Fight Against Cancer, Macarthur	Ingleburn RSL Club Dinner 6:00 pm Meeting 7:00 pm
Wednesday	29 January		
Thursday	30 January		
Friday	31 January		
FEBRUARY			
Saturday	1 February		
Sunday	2 February		
Monday	3 February		
Tuesday	4 February	IngleMinds Meeting	F2F - Venue TBA
Wednesday	5 February		
Thursday	6 February		
Friday	7 February		
Saturday	8 February		
Sunday	9 February	Bunnings BBQ	Crossroads 8.00 am to 4.00 pm
Monday	10 February		
Tuesday	11 February	Meeting: Club Assembly	Ingleburn RSL Club Dinner 6:00 pm Meeting 7:00 pm
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