



**PEOPLE OF ACTION**

February 2023

# THE NORWOOD NEWS

**Rotary** 

**FEBRUARY IS  
PEACE & CONFLICT PREVENTION MONTH**

*"PEACE CANNOT BE KEPT BY FORCE; IT CAN ONLY BE ACHIEVED BY UNDERSTANDING"*

- ALBERT EINSTEIN

**What we have done**  
Induction of Friends of Richards Park Project

Where: Richards Parks, Second Creek, 134 Magill Rd, Norwood.

Talking with Dick Cuttle and his Fire Recovery project

When: March 1st, 2023, 6:30 PM

Bunnings BBQ in February 2023



**Our upcoming events:**  
Richard Park BBQ for Friends of Richards Park Project

Meetings Fortnightly Evenings: 6:00pm for 6:30pm start 1st, 3rd and 5th Wed of each month

Where: The Kensington Hotel 23 Regent Street, Kensington, South Australia

**Rotary Club of Norwood**, District 9520, R.I. Charter, 30th June, 1954

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*The Norwood Rotarian*



## TALKING WITH DICK CUTTLE AND HIS FIRE RECOVERY PROJECT BY THE ROTARY CLUB OF ONKAPARINGA

The Rotary Club of Norwood meet with Dick Cuttle and his wife, both current members from Rotary Club of Onkaparinga on Wednesday 15th February.

The highlight of this meeting was Dick sharing his experience in their Bushfire Relief Project. The relevant Rotary Bushfire Relief Project was initiated by Dick in District 9520 (formerly 9510) since November in 2009 when Dick was District Governor, and the project of RC Onkaparinga in the Adelaide Hills started in 2019. Dick also participated with our Club with his grandson in the Norwood Pageant on 26th November 2022.

In his talk, Dick introduced how they started their project in his club, which stakeholders they have engaged with in the project, what difficulties they have come through, what they have achieved so far and what are the future steps in their schedule. Particularly, Dick described their fencing efforts in bushfire affected areas, one of the most important tasks in the project. Fencing seems simple at first glance with physical and metaphoric borders marking ownership, freedom, division, protection, and warning. However, it could become complex with many varieties for many purposes, including the size of a property, the animals, the purpose, and the type of fence.

We were pleased to meet with Dick and hear about his fantastic journey in this project!



The fencing team: Dick Cuttle, Gordon Brice, Russell Camens, Ross Hein, Murray Nankivell from Rotary Club of Onkaparinga

## INDUCTION OF FRIENDS OF RICHARDS PARK, AND MEETING WITH POTENTIAL VOLUNTEERS

The launching of the Richard Park Replanting and Beautification project was a great successful event held on 1st February. We had more than 10 potential volunteers attending the meeting, including members of the Norwood Residents Association, as well as Nigel Jordan, the Volunteer Services Coordinator from NPSP Council who will engage with our club regarding this project.

During the speech, Rob and Euan introduced what our Club is, how our Richards Park project was initiated, and what are our plans for the project schedule. Moreover, Nigel discussed the NPSP Council's volunteer projects, including our one in Richards Park. Nigel also introduced and distributed the contents of relevant project documents, including program description, role statement, and volunteer agreement. All the potential volunteers, including our Club members, were asked to sign and provide the Police Clearance Check to the Council after the meeting.

It was also announced that we shall have a BBQ in Richards Park on Wednesday 1st March to celebrate the commencement of project. We all look forward to engaging with all the stakeholders in replanting and beautification of this precious park!



**Rob Rushton-Smith introduces Rotary Club of Norwood**



**Nigel Jordan, Volunteer Services Coordinator from NPSP Council, talked about Friends of Richards Park Project to attendees**

## **BUNNINGS BBQ IN FEBRUARY 2023 & DONATION FOR CHRISTMAS PAGEANT RECEIVED**

We've made a profit of \$956.89 in Bunnings BBQ in this month, in which \$521.98 came to our allocation. On the other hand, we also received around \$300 as donation for our presence in Christmas Pageant from NPSP Council.

## WHAT WE WILL DO

### FEBRUARY RICHARD PARK BBQ FOR FRIENDS OF RICHARDS PARK PROJECT

We shall invite all club members and potential volunteers to come and join our BBQ to celebrate the successful commencement of the Rotary Club of Norwood and Friends of Richards Park. This event is for both commencement of our project and entertainment between club members and friends. BBQ supplies and salads will be provided. Participants are welcome to bring drinks as well.

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## SPECIAL REPORT

### WATER AND SANITATION PROJECT IN ZIMBABWE: COMPLETED & HANDED-OVER TO SCHOOL COMMUNITIES 11 FEB

Our International Project Direct, Sigrid, has just brought us some exciting news about our co-sponsoring Water and Sanitation Project in Zimbabwe. Sigrid has just spent several very hectic, but also very rewarding weeks visiting and working with the school communities of Hwata Secondary and Muzarabani High.

These weeks culminated in official hand-over ceremonies held at each school on 11 February: at Hwata in the morning (where in addition to the water system also toilets for students and staff were built). From there all attendees moved on to Muzarabani, where another ceremony was held early in the afternoon.

The ceremonies were officiated at each school by the chairman of the School Development Committee. In attendance were:

- Mr Kagura, District School Inspector, representing the Education Department of Mashonaland Central; he was accompanied by two School Inspectors, who are responsible for visiting these schools
- The Chiefs of Hwata and Muzarabani, unfortunately were unable to attend due to another important meeting in the district, but they send their official representative, Mr Marvellous Kamundaranga.
- Principals Mr Huruva Mukucha (Hwata) and Mr Phineas Jekera (Muzarabani) and their team of teachers
- Members of School Development Committee
- Students and their parents
- Mr Itai Manyere, President of Rotary E-Club D9210 of Harare, accompanied by 3 past presidents and several members.
- WASH trainer, appointed by Rotary E-Club D9210 of Harare, to conduct WASH training as required by the project.
- Mr Langton Nyasha, in his capacity as contractor and project manager
- Ms Sigrid Pfaffle, International Projects, RC Norwood.

The following addressed the audience:

- Chairs of the School Development Committee
- Mr Kagura, District School Inspector
- Ms Sigrid Pfaffle, RC of Norwood
- Mr Itai Manyere, Rotary E-Club D9210 of Harare
- Mr Marvellous Kamundaranga, representative of the Chief – Thanking RC Norwood & Rotary E-Club D9210 of Harare on behalf of the school communities.

Rotary E-Club D9210 of Harare provided refreshments for attendees at both ceremonies.

Sigrid concluded that the component of the project, for which RC Norwood was responsible, has been well completed and was well recognised by the beneficiaries of both school communities and highly celebrated. Moreover, Sigrid believed that we enjoyed good cooperation with Rotary E-Club D9210 of Harare, who will carry out remaining components of the project such as the WASH training of teachers and students.

Sigrid expressed her sincere thanks to all members of RC Norwood for allowing this project to occur and for their cooperation and fund raising efforts for this project for the full period, from inception through the handover ceremony.



Inside of boys' section of student toilet block with 6 individual, lockable toilets to the left; on right – urinals and concrete handwashing sink (local council regulation stipulate the use of concrete sinks for improved sustainability).



**“final touches” – building constructor and project manager, Langton Nyasha fixes 4 signs brought from Australia onto the walls of the two toilet buildings and onto water tank towers at each school. The signs show the contributions of Rotary Club of Norwood and Rotary E-Club D9210 of Harare to the provision of safe water & sanitation to schools in Mashonaland Central. The signs also emphasise the importance of safe drinking water and sanitation “as a human right, essential for a life and dignity.... And the foundation for achieving other human rights, including the right to health and the right to education.”**



**Guests inspecting water system: 2x 5,000l towers installed on 6m tall stands to gravity feed reticulation pipes to water stations across the school campus. Being placed in a shady location, the tanks will provide cool water throughout the typically hot days at Hwata Secondary School.**



After all the official speeches were done, all attendees of the ceremony inspected the water and sanitation facilities provided. Picture shows inside of student toilet block, girls section, with 6 individual, lockable toilet cubicles on the right plus 1 shower cubicle at end of section. Sigrid (front) talking with Rufaro Chivauru, past president Rotary E-Club D9210 of Harare and Project Director, responsible for Water & Sanitation project and the WASH Trainer, appointed by Rufaro and her



Students on a typically hot day accessing safe drinking water from one of several taps provided across the campus – before the installation of the new water systems, water needed to be pumped by hand from an old, remote well, which only produced poor quality water (salty, brown and only productive for several months each year). It needed the strength of 3-4 children to fill a bucket of water, which then needed to be carried across the campus towards the classroom blocks .



## ***President's Message***

Dear members,

The February the 1st meeting seemed to me a leap of confidence in our Club's agenda, with such a positive response to the to the forthcoming Richards Park planting and beautification project. As well as many of our own members, a significant number of people from the Norwood Residents Association as well as volunteers who registered on the Saturday mornings in January were inducted by Nigel Jordon from the NPSP Council. I am arranging a meeting with the Council Parks Works Coordinator when I return from Tasmania as the next step, with the intention of our hands-on activity commencing in April.

All volunteers will be given the opportunity to join us for a BBQ in Richards Park on the 1st of March for a another catch-up.

Recently I outlined what I perceive my role is, as President , to our Club to members. Importantly I feel my strategic plan is proceeding to plan. At this stage the focus as previously mentioned includes to do what Rotary members want to do, and that includes projects.... and projects. We need to plan ahead for the 2023-2024 year with suggestions. In the meantime there is plenty of activity ahead per our Club Calendar. We'll also be focusing on more guest speakers and a variation in venues for events.

It will be good to see Sigrid back soon ...the feel good and inspiring Zimbabwe news is detailed in our newsletter.

I would like Club members to consider this forthcoming Rotary year regarding nominations for Executive positions . This will facilitate ongoing planning.

On the 1st of April I intend to register for the District Rotary Leadership training day. As previously advised , that weekend includes our Club catering for the District Assembly on the Sunday. It has been a steady learning curve for me, and I feel the District 9510 leadership team can offer me additional confidence and inspiration as our Club leader.

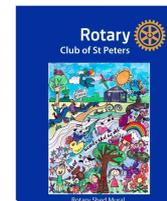
Yours in Rotary,

**Rob Rushton-Smith,**  
President,  
Rotary Club of Norwood Inc.





## Protecting the Environment – A Forum



Discover why The Rotary Foundation has adopted the Environment as its 7<sup>th</sup> Area of Focus and what it has achieved at a global level and what Clubs and District are doing at the local level.

Environment Champion Ian Riseley OAM - current International Chair of Trustees of The Rotary Foundation (our organisation's worldwide charity) and Past Rotary International President ( in 2017/18 when he led the 1.2 million Rotarians in 210 countries, encouraging Rotarians across the Globe to plant a million trees, will provide a keynote address.

Saturday 11 March 2023

2:00 – 5:00pm

The Theatre. Charles Campbell College. Campbell Road. Paradise.

Book at: <https://www.trybooking.com/CFBKY>



More information: Contact PDG Wendy Gaborit OAM

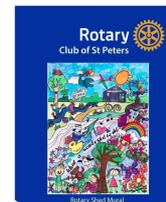
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PROGRAM:	2:00	Welcome Address	Pres Pam Vaughton	RC St Peters
	2:10	The Foundations 7 <sup>th</sup> Area of Focus	Chair Trustees PRIP Ian Riseley	OAM
	2:40	Showcase – Mallee Wren	RC Murray Bridge	
	2:45	Showcase – Replacement Plastic Straws	RC Glenelg	
	2:50	Showcase - Trees for Life	RC Walkerville	
	3:00	Break		
	3:15	Calperum Station	Julie Robinson	
	3:45	Showcase – Health of the River	CATE	
	3:50	Showcase – Bushfire Restoration	RC Onkaparinga	
	3:55	Closing Remarks		
	4:00	Mix and Mingle -light refreshments provided by Rotary Club of	St Peters	

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Friday 10 March 2023  
5:30 pm - 7:00pm  
Ian McLachlan Room. Adelaide Oval  
Book at: <https://www.trybooking.com/CFBTB>

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## BETTER NUTRITION FOR WOMEN AND INFANTS IN PNG

Half the children in rural PNG are malnourished. There is little awareness that malnourished children may be irreparably impaired for life - physically, socially and mentally.



## GERIATRIC SERVICES FOR UGANDA – AT LAST!

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