



PEOPLE OF ACTION

May 2023

THE NORWOOD NEWS



What we have done

Richards Park Planting and Beautification Project (May shifts completed)

Food and Wine Appreciation Afternoon

Our upcoming events:

Club Assembly for June 2023

Where: 23 Regent St, Kensington

When: June 7th, 2023, 6:30 PM

Richards Park Planting and Beautification Project (June shifts)

Where: Richards Park

When: TBD



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

Visit us: <https://www.facebook.com/norwoodrotaryclub> OR <https://portal.clubrunner.ca/12643>

Contact us: rotarynorwood@outlook.com OR PG Bos 3588, Norwood SA 507

The Norwood Rotarian



ONGOING EFFORTS FOR RICHARDS PARK PLANTING AND BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT.

On the 6th and 20th of May, Rotary Club of Norwood (RCN) members, volunteers from the Norwood Residents Association members and NPSP Council combined for planting in Richards Park under the supervision of gardeners from the Council who assisted us to weed, replant, and connect irrigation lines in three of the planting beds.

During these two Saturday mornings, all the plants purchased through the funds from the Council were planted along the irrigation exits planted in designated areas. Our activities have been so productive that we have offered to purchase additional plants for ongoing input in June, followed by further planting in next financial year as planned.

We all look forward to the day when the plants will grow and enhance Richards Park.

We also had morning tea and conversations after completing the planting tasks in the morning.

The commitment of the Richards Park Replanting and beautification project shows that we are the Rotarians, people of action, who are willing to serve our local communities. Meanwhile, the cooperation with the Norwood Residents Association, volunteers from local residents and the NPSP Council will certainly be helpful to strengthen our connection with local communities.



Morning tea after planting on 20th May



Volunteers and Club members planted in bare areas of Richards Park on 6th May

**FOOD AND WINE
APPRECIATION
AFTERNOON SATURDAY
THE 29TH OF APRIL**

On 29th April, RCN members had an enjoyable and very informative afternoon spent at Rob's home. A series of wines were tasted and discussed, with input from Damien Harris, a wine maker.

Margriet and also Edith, a friend of Rob, brought along some interesting cheeses from the Netherlands and Switzerland respectively.

Club members, partners and friends attended. Input and assistance with the accompanying food spread by Margriet was appreciated.



Outside Rob's house, the country road in Adelaide Hill



Attendants enjoyed wine, food and conversation together

MEMBERSHIP INITIATIVE NIGHT AND AGENDAS DISCUSSED IN RECENT MEETINGS.

On the 17th of May, Ian Radbone, President of the Norwood Residents Association, joined us for our Membership Initiative Night at the Kensi.

We discussed the following issues during this dinner meeting as well as the meeting on the 3rd May:

- **Upcoming Rotary International Convention 2023:** Several members of our club, including Di, Euan and Rob, will attend the Convention in Melbourne from 26th-31st May, along with Dennis and Margriet.
- **Richards Park planting:** We had a very good attendance on the 6th of May and all the plants purchased to date will be planted in Richards Park as planned on the 20th May,
- **Website:** Our Club Runner website has been successfully completed with a new domain NorwoodRotary.au. Wei will do some further editing on the website layout. Further details will be provided in latter part of this newsletter.
- **The RCN Changeover Dinner** is scheduled to happen in late June or early July.
- **Bob and Di** have been invited, along with present Board members, to join the Board of the Rotary Club of Norwood for 2023-24.
- **Updating of the Strategic Plan**, including attracting more volunteers and friends as well as potential members for further engagement with club through joint meetings, projects and speakers from District 9510 discussing inspirational aspects of being a Rotarian, and how Rotary works.
- **The Club Board** has formally expressed our appreciation for the assistance with the catering on the District 9510 Assembly day by Helen Charles, the wives of the DG and DGE, Kathryn and Kiki respectively, and members of the Rotary Club of Loxton.
- **And other issues.**



NEW DOMAIN FOR OUR WEBSITE & CLUBRUNNER

CHANGEOVER TRAINING SERIES 2023 & STAY IN TOUCH AND SHARE YOUR FEEDBACK WITH CLUBRUNNER

We have registered the new domain NorwoodRotary.au on Webcentral.au and have successfully aligned with our ClubRunner website. Wei will maintain regular website updates for public image promotion.

If you are interested in exploring the features of ClubRunner, please visit the 2023 Changeover Training Webinar Recordings <https://site.ClubRunner.ca/page/changeover-training> . You may also search in <https://www.ClubRunnersupport.com/kb/changeover-training-2023> . To access help resources or contact support team of ClubRunner, please visit www.ClubRunnerSupport.com.

WHAT WE WILL DO

NEXT MEETING ON 7TH JUNE

Our own Ian Carman will be guest speaker at our next meeting on a very topical subject. – the Indigenous Voice referendum. Ian has done a lot of research into this issue and I'm sure will provide yet again an enlightened and balanced look at the issue we will be voting on later this year. The title is A referendum for an Indigenous Voice. Why? Partners and guests will be most welcomed.

When: June 7th, 2023, 6:30 PM Where: 23 Regent St, Kensington

MOVIE FUNDRAISING - ROTARY CLUB OF KENT TOWN

The Rotary Club of Kent Town will present Indiana Jones at 3:15pm on Saturday, 1st July 2023, in the Capri Theatre at 141 Goodwood Road, Goodwood. The funds raised through this event will support disaster-hit families around the world through ShelterBox. All the Rotary members and friends are welcomed to attend.

Book online at www.trybooking.com/CIAYE.

If you have any queries, please contact treasurrckct@gmail.com



INVITATION FROM ROTARY CLUB OF LIGHTSVIEW

The charter of a new club, this time at Lightsview, is always an exciting occasion, and this is being held as an afternoon tea on Sunday 4 June.

Two of the charter members are Lawrie Amat (RCN sponsored RYLA graduate from a couple of years ago and former member of Adelaide Uni Rotaract), and his mother Caroline, who visited our club together with Lawrie who provided speech as guest speaker previously.

Please check the attached flyer for the link of registration, or click [here](#).



COMMUNITY IMPACT EXPO AND CELEBRATION DINNER (REGISTRATION IS ONGOING)

The registration is still open at the moment for the Community Impact Expo And Celebration Dinner on Saturday 3rd June, at the University of Adelaide and National Wine Centre respectively.

The Community Impact Expo runs from 8:30am to 4:30pm at **Bonython Hall**. This free event will be a great opportunity to hear a range of keynote speakers making interesting presentations on topics relative to our past and changing trends in our society and to see and hear about 35 inspiring Rotary and partner projects. The theme is "Proud of the Past – Confident of the Future". Confirmed speakers with more to come include:

- **Justin Hanson**, MLC representing Premier of SA Peter Malinauskas,
- **Mark Pearce**, CEO Volunteering Australia (on changing trends in volunteering),
- **RI Director Dr Jessie Harman** (on Rotary's response to change),
- **Past RI Director Bryn Styles**, representing RI President Jennifer Jones (on the need to embrace change),
- **Erfanulla Abidi**, Afghan Refugee Australian Forces Interpreter (on escaping adversity, diversity and inclusion).

In the evening of Saturday 3rd June, continuing the fellowship, a **Celebration Dinner** will be held. This is a not to be missed event at which we will be celebrating the imminent 100 years of Rotary in South Australia with the launch of a very relevant centenary project by former Governor of South Australia Hon Hieu Van Le AC.

Arrangements are being made for a night of wonderful entertainment, fun and celebration with some very special guests to be shared with members from across our vast district.

Please visit the following links for registration:

Community Impact Expo: <https://2023c-c.au/rotary-showcase-expo/>

Celebration Dinner: <https://2023c-c.au/celebration-dinner/>

EXPO SATURDAY 3RD OF JUNE ADELAIDE UNIVERSITY

Who'll Be Attending?

Logos included in the collage:

- Interplast
- FOOD BANK
- HEART OF THE NATION
- Rotary District 9510
- Rotaract District 9510
- The Rotary Foundation
- Adelaide's COAST FM 88.7
- MGA Whittles COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
- Rotary District 9510 Youth Sailing Challenge
- South Australia
- MEALS ON WHEELS
- Rotary Adelaide
- volunteering sa&nt
- 40 YEARS
- RAWCS
- treasure boxes
- ECO VINEYARDS
- GIRL GUIDES AUSTRALIA SOUTH AUSTRALIA
- THE SALVATION ARMY
- challenge
- GAWLER LIGHT ROTARY
- ZOOS SOUTH AUSTRALIA
- PARADISE MAZDA
- RYLA
- Rotary Adelaide



President's Message

Dear members,

We have had two Club formal meetings this month, with a lot discussed regarding activities, projects and inspirational suggestions regarding membership and volunteer initiatives.

As well as inspirational projects, planning informative and interesting Club meetings with engaging speakers is a good approach to attracting new members , friends and volunteers to our Club.

This will be a major focus in my strategic plan for the 2023-2024 Rotary Year. I will be continuing as our Club President. I sense the next Rotary year for our Club will give us an opportunity to move forward with new initiatives , after a year of stabilisation .

I made it clear at the District 9510 Area 8 Presidents meeting last week that combined meetings with other Rotary Clubs should be a significant focus. This agenda was well supported.

I thank Stephany Martin for her input as this year's Area 8 Governor and look forward to working with Elizabeth Gagliardi , the incoming Area Governor from July 2023. Stephany has an exciting role as the inaugural President of the newly chartered Rotary Club of Lightsview. I will be attending the launch of the Club on the 4th of June, as well as the change-over dinners for a some other Area 8 Clubs.

I'm hoping for a lovely Change-over Dinner for our Club too !

There were more than a dozen people present at each of the planting sessions in Richards Park this month. Our District Governor, Paul Thomas unfortunately could not join us at our planting sessions as planned by him. I will invite him to the Park activities involving our members , the Norwood Residents Association and community volunteers in June. District 9510 recognises the significance of this project and the resulting positive impact for our local community.

The Rotary International Convention in Melbourne this month is an infrequent " one-off " for Australia, and I'm looking forward to engaging with Rotarians from many parts of the world.

June is very busy month for Rotary Clubs. I'm hoping some of you will join in for the activities as detailed in this month's newsletter.

Yours in Rotary

Rob Rushton-Smith,

President,

Rotary Club of Norwood Inc.

