

# Rotary Club of St Peters



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Weekly Meetings - The Rotary Club of St Peters meets on Tuesdays at 6:00 PM  
at the Kensington Hotel, 23 Regent St., Kensington, S.A. 5068. Visitors are welcome.



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Next Club Meeting is on Tuesday 23 September at **6 pm** at the Kensington Hotel  
Program – Ms Cressida O’Hanlon MP

## Future Events

<u>Meeting #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Speaker/Program</u>	<u>Information</u>
3385	23/9/25	Kensington Hotel	Cressida O’Hanlon	Member for Dunstan
3386	30/9/25	The Shed	Spanish Night	Paella! Paella!
3387	7/10/25	Kensington Hotel	DG Dr Rajeev Kamineni	Partners Night - My Journey
3388	14/10/25	Kensington Hotel	Pres Wendy	Club Assembly

## Club News – 2025-26

### Club Meeting Times

The weekly Club Meeting will **begin at 6 pm and finish by 7 pm** when the meals will be served.  
Recent meetings have been popular so come early to “get a good seat”.  
Meal orders are taken just prior to the meeting start.

Many thanks and congratulations to our President Wendy for her strong leadership,  
hard work and outstanding commitment to St Peters Rotary  
which has enabled our Club Excellence Award.

## Conference 2026 Horsham 27-29 March

### Multi-District Summit - Registrations

Before you register, please read the below important information.

Registration for the summit is only available online and must be done on an individual basis (not available as a 'group' booking).

An email confirmation is sent to all registrations. Please ensure you retain this for your records as you may require it should any changes need to be made.

#### Registration costs

- 2 Day Summit Attendance - Rotarians \$200pp, Rotaractors & Youth Exchange Participants \$150pp
- Friday night cocktail function: \$60pp (not included in summit program above)
- Saturday Foundation Breakfast: \$50pp (not included in summit program above)
- Saturday Gala evening: \$100pp (not included in summit program above)

More information: <https://www.rotaryimpactsummit.org>

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### Report of Meeting 3383 held at the Kensington Hotel

Vice President Jim welcomed everyone especially  
Guest Speaker Bill Marles with Michelle and Brittany from the RC of Adelaide Central.

### Drought Support for Farmers

Members will recall the request via John Reynolds that our Club support farmers during the drought with fodder for livestock – especially hay.

(Jack's farm has had two years of drought. Here is a pic of the ute that had been housed in the garage for a short time during the June dust storm.

Every nook and cranny in the house was also filled with red, powdery dust from the bare paddocks. This is part of what a drought can look like!

Fortunately the farmer had stockpiled a huge amount of his own hay Ed.)



## Drought Support for Farmers - Bill Marles

*From the RC of Adelaide Central Website*

### Save SA Farmers' Livestock - Giant Hay Bales appeal Deliveries are Ramping Up

[ Updated - Wednesday 9 September 2025 ]

#### Our farmers say ... "Please don't be fooled by the Green Drought"

Although parts of SA have received rain from June to August with hills and paddocks appearing lush and green ... it's misleading. Weeds and low grass sprouting aren't enough to feed livestock.

We even know of many farmers in the Riverland region around Berri who have only had 22mm over this entire period ... barely enough rain to settle the dust! Areas of the Murraylands and Mid-North reporting similar low falls at their properties.

For farmers who were in a position to sow some seed to get new hay / grain crops germinating, it could take up to five months in this winter chill to get it to maturity and ready for harvest. Think how slow your lawn at home grows.

**Rotary** and **Farmers Relief Agency** know we have a long job ahead to ensure that our Farmers continue to receive the fodder they desperately need. Every day, more farmers register with us desperate for help. We're likely to be receiving requests for help right into January / February.



Farmers across South Australia, particularly in the mid-North, Eyre and Murraylands regions, are still in desperate straits trying to find enough fodder to feed their Sheep and Cattle.

Animals are starving. Suffering. Dying. The drought still hits hard!

## Drought Support for Farmers - Bill Marles – cont.

Rotary, thanks to your help donating, is getting **hundreds of first grade huge Hay Bales and high protein sheep pellets** onto farms as fast as possible.

Demand for the fodder is high. Between February and May, we were fortunate to have sourced around 1,500 bales at \$110 each.

Now in July, the average price we need to pay sits around \$190 per bale. We project we need to source at least 3,000 more bales to serve the farms currently registered, plus a further 2,000 Tonne of Sheep Pellets on top of that.

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### Deliveries between 12th August & 4th September

**TOTAL deliveries so far : 2,044 Hay Bales - 1,315 Tonne • plus a further 310 Tonne of high nutrition, high protein Sheep Pellets. All up, 1,625 Tonne of feed.**

**Of Note :** 1 tonne of sheep pellets is equivalent to about 2 Tonne of Hay, noting the way it is fed out leads to less wastage; plus the nutritional value of the product requires less to be fed out each day and enables 'mum sheep' to produce a better flow of high quality milk to feed their lambs.

Hay - Quality control!



Bill's presentation was engaging, heart-warming and amusing. The Club is proud to have made a major donation.

John Reynolds gave the vote of thanks.

## Report of Meeting 3383 held at the Kensington Hotel

Vice President Jim welcomed everyone especially Greg Rogers.  
Congratulations to Greg and Maryann from all members.

Jim also welcomed Guest Speaker Treasurer Pauline Yates.

### President's Announcements

- Members are reminded to take a look through the District Classifieds in your IN box
- Rotary Leadership Institute courses open – check the classifieds. President Wendy encourages new members and those looking to take on a leadership role to attend. Courses are on line, costs covered by the Club
- Council on Legislation recommendations – passed to Public Officer
- Rotary Youth Sailing Challenge awardee Grace Kelly sets sail Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September President Wendy acting as her Rotary Mentor
- The Club has recommended to the Board a payment be made through RAWCS for RC Berri appeal
- Can anyone please help on a barbecue at Trinity Gardens School Tuesday 2 Dec at 2p.m.?  
It will be concert day. Please notify Jim Owler. This is an ideal time to give service in the Community

### Members Minutes

- **Paul Holton** – A special thank you to Dennis Henschke for his ongoing work with auction items. The Shed continues have steady sales and receive quality donations.

- **Pauline Yates**

#### **The Norwood Christmas Pageant – Saturday 22 November**

Calling all members, friends, children and grandchildren....

You are invited to walk with our truck float in the Norwood, Paynemham & St Peters Christmas Pageant.

Please notify Pauline if you can walk. It is approx. 2 kms

[treasurer@rotarystpeters.org.au](mailto:treasurer@rotarystpeters.org.au)

Theme: Minions. Dress Code: Children Yellow top, Blue Jeans or similar.

Adults: Rotary tops and hats with Blue Jeans –

(Reminder: only Father Christmas on the Council float wears a Father Christmas outfit)



**Truck decorating Friday 21 November at the Shed. This is always fun. This is us last year!**

Guest Speaker – Treasurer Pauline Yates

Pauline has been a member of the RCStP for over 12 years. She has been the Shed Pick up contact for most of that time. She can wrangle the truck with ease. Pauline also leads the Christmas Pageant event. Pauline works full time as a Finance Officer in Aged Care. In her spare time she helps care for ten very young, active grandchildren!



### **The Role of the Treasurer**

“All can be done in the comfort of your own home. The general estimated work load would be approx. 8 hours per month - (not always 2 hours per week as end of month and BAS require more time).

You get the bills, you check the bills, you pay the bills.

In addition we have a Rotary Auditor for annual auditing for compliance.

### **Three Bank Accounts**

#### **1. General – Account**

**Income and expenses** i.e. membership, weekly dinners, gifts – Rotarians, - changeover dinner — Rotary member subscriptions - important to separate from fundraising

#### **2. Fundraising - Account**

**Fundraising Income** – current – Shed (Counter and Coffee), Social media (Gum Tree, eBay).

**Fundraising Donations** – Youth, Vocational, Community, Disaster Fund, International. It is important to separate – as the previous year’s fundraising is the next year’s donations – budget is drawn up – forecasted – with variations – and we try to stick to the budget.

**Fundraising Expenses** – Shed and Truck Repairs and maintenance, Electricity, Council lease, Phone, Software Subscriptions, Printing and Stationery – Advertising and Marketing which is very important.

The only way you can manage the finances in our very compliant way is with good Finance Software. RCSP uses Xero – I generally reconcile daily – takes about 1 – 5 minutes – as we have set up a bank feed.

Each Income and Expense item has a job code for correct reporting. All reconciling requires evidence which is generally now all emailed to me or via phone text.

#### **3. Capital - Replacement Fund**

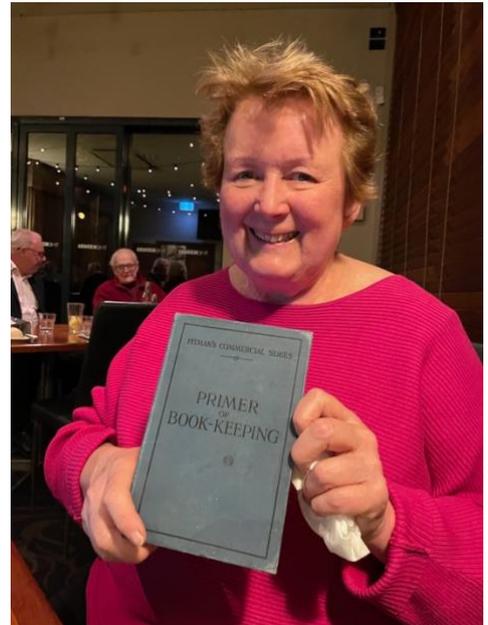
In order to do a job you need the tools to do that job (i.e. truck, shed equipment – coffee machine, BBQ etc etc) –we need monies put aside should repairs or replacement occur.

The amount is reviewed annually.

Training is required for Treasurer. (I already understood the software of Xero.)

I am in the process of documenting a hand over procedure.” Pauline Yates (Treasurer RCStP)

Jim Owler thanked Pauline with the gift of a “new” handbook retrieved from Shed Donations. A Primer of Book Keeping 1935!



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## Spanish Night at the Shed Paella Paella

**Save the Date – Partners Night**  
**Tuesday 30 September 5.30 for 6.00p.m.**

Julia has planned this Spanish theme night for our Shed meeting In two weeks’ time.

I hear Sangria might be on offer as well.....  
Dig out your Spanish costume.....

The dinner cost will be similar to all meetings – we will let you know shortly.  
Meanwhile **save the date** and bring your partner for a night of fun in Rotary.

The Attendance List will circulate next Tuesday or reply via this Bulletin.

See you there I hope!



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## Rotary Club of St Peters Subscriptions

From 1 July the Annual Subscription will be \$260.

Payable: annually, monthly, quarterly or six monthly.

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## Report from Constance McIntosh Australian Rotary Health Scholar

My time so far as a 5<sup>th</sup> year medical student has been both challenging and rewarding.

The year began with orientation week in Adelaide, with lots of simulations and learning to set us up for success in our upcoming rural placements. Following orientation, I packed up my car, and made the drive to Port Pirie, my new home for the year.

In Port Pirie, I was straight into placement, starting out on my obstetrics & gynaecology block. This placement was quite varied. On Mondays, I would have gynaecology clinic in Port Pirie, on Tuesdays I would have either theatre in Port Pirie or Antenatal Clinic in Crystal Brook, and then back to Port Pirie with Antenatal Clinic on Wednesdays, and Well Women's Clinic or Gestational Diabetes Clinic on Thursdays. I was very lucky to assist with 5 births on my rotation which was amazing!

Following this, I completed a month in the Port Pirie Emergency Department. I thoroughly enjoyed my time in ED, as it allowed me to challenge my clinical reasoning skills, and take on my own "patient" under a supervising senior which has been a great learning experience.

I finished off my first semester with 2 weeks of General Practice in Crystal Brook. This has been the highlight of my year so far, spending my time not only in the GP Clinic, but observing procedures, time on anaesthetics, seeing patients in ED and the ward! The team here was incredibly welcoming and made me feel a part of the family, and I very much look forward to returning here next semester.

For the rest of the year, I will rotate through blocks of ED, GP in either Crystal Brook or Laura, days with SAAS, visiting specialists, time in theatre with the anaesthetists. All of these experiences will continue to contribute to my understanding of rural medicine, fostering better clinical skills, and developing a greater appreciation for the nuanced challenges faced by rural communities regarding their healthcare.

A big part of my goals for this year was to integrate into the local community. As a part of this, myself along with the other medical students have taken part in a few community events this year. The first of these, we spent a morning at the Mid North Education, helping the staff with their emergency services day for the students. We also assisted with the flu vaccination clinic in Crystal Brook where we did nearly 400 flu vaccinations in a couple of hours! It was lots of fun with many hands onboard, we had everyone lining up on their cars at the footy oval, they would drive up, confirm their details, get their flu jab and then go park in the queue for 15 minutes before they could leave!

So far this year, one of the biggest lessons for me has been the impact that even as a medical student, we can have in these rural communities. Being on placement rurally demands a greater level of responsibility and resourcefulness from a medical student compared to that of my friends back in the city.

Outside of my rural placement, I have continued to be involved in AURHA, having coordinated a trip to Yorke Peninsula visiting the local high schools, and as the National Rural Health Club Coordinator this year, organising Council Meeting 1 in Perth earlier in the year!

Rotary's generosity in providing me with their rural medical student scholarship has made it possible for me to engage in various extracurricular activities, such as playing hockey, and going camping with fellow students. I have always been an avid hockey player, and I am playing for St Andrew's Hockey Club in Port Pirie this year which I am very excited about! Furthermore, the financial support has enabled me to go camping exploring the beautiful Flinders Ranges, and also travel home to see family which I am very thankful for.

**Wellbeing Report** – Sending get well wishes for those who are unwell.

**Apologies:**

Keith Payne, Wendy Gaborit, Georgina Tenny, Chris Dawson, Romaine Dawson, Kuol Baak, David Heilbronn, John George.

**Meeting Roster**

Date	Tue 23-Sep	Tue 30-Sep	Tue 7-Oct	Tue 14-Oct
<b>Meeting Number</b>	<b>3385</b>	<b>3386</b>	<b>3387</b>	<b>3388</b>
<b>Venue</b>	Kensi Hotel	The Shed	Kensi Hotel	Kensi Hotel
<b>Program</b>	Member for Dunstan	Paella. Paella	District Governor My Journey	Club Assembly
<b>Guest Speaker(s)</b>	Cressida O'Hanlon	The Spanish Night	Dr Rajeev Kamineni	Wendy Gaborit
<b>Vote of Thanks</b>	David Birkedale		Greg Rogers	
<b>Special</b>		Julia Verran		
<b>Chairperson</b>	Bruce Ballantyne		Phil Smith	
<b>Sergeant</b>	Ann McIntosh	NA	TBA	TBA
<b>Invocation</b>	Phil Smith		Julia Verran	Ann McIntosh
<b>Board Meetings</b>				
<b>Steward</b>	Mark Polkinghorne		Keith Shaw	John Reynolds
<b>Reception</b>	Phil Smith		Julia Verran	Ann McIntosh
<b>Cashier 1</b>	Kuol Baak	Jim Owler	Bruce Ballantyne	Kuol Baak
<b>Cashier 2</b>				
<b>Bulletin</b>		Pam Vaughton		Keith Payne
<b>Well Being Support</b>	David Birkedale	David Birkedale	David Birkedale	David Birkedale

### Shed Roster

PLEASE NOTE ROSTERED WORKERS START TIME IS 7.45. - SALES 8.30 and CLOSE DOORS AT 12.30 pm

DATE	Saturday 20-Sep-25	Saturday 27-Sep-25
		<b>School Hols</b>
<b>TEAM LEADER</b>	Jim Owler	Greg Rogers
<b>SIGNS</b>	Jim Owler	Greg Rogers
<b>FRONT COUNTER</b>		
<b>Counter Sales1</b>	Betty Owler	Maryann Duffield
<b>Counter Sales 2</b>	Wendy Gaborit	Rachel Elliott
<b>GENERAL HELP</b>	Jim Owler	Greg Rogers
<b>CAFÉ</b>		
<b>BBQ</b>	Peter Shaw	David Elliott
<b>COFFEE</b>	Lisa Shaw	Julia Verran
<b>ASSISTANT</b>		
<b>GOODS IN CounterWhen Needed</b>	Jim Owler	Greg Rogers
<b>EMERGENCIES</b>	Julia Verran Phil Smith	Wendy Gaborit Phil Smith
<b>SMALL HOUSEHOLD</b>	Keith Shaw Nick	Keith Shaw Nick
<b>PICK UP CREW</b>	Pauline Yates	Pauline Yates