

# 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.

Next Club Meeting is on Tuesday 3 March at the Kensington Hotel

## The Next Four Meetings and Events

<u>Meeting #</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Speaker/Program</u>	<u>Information</u>
3404	3/3/26	Kensington Hotel	Artie Jacobson	Birthing Kits in action
3405	10/3/26	Scatter Meetings	Pam Vaughton	Club Visits
Saturday	14/3/26	ST PETERS FAIR – ALL MEMBERS		
	17/3/26	No Meeting	No Meeting	No Meeting
3406	14/3/26	The Shed	Birthing Kits Part Two	All members please

## Sunday 12 April is Birthing Kit Assembly Day for St Peters Rotary

Times are 9.30 -11.30 AM or 1.30 – 3.30 PM.

We need 72 people for each shift - a total of 144 people. Do come along and bring a friend.

We have listed below a YouTube video - just click on it which will give the people you invite an understanding of why we are doing it and how they can help by giving just two (2) hours of their time. <https://youtu.be/PBk6cvC49SI>

Bookings are essential.

Click Free Online Bookings available at <https://www.trybooking.com/DIMOL>

See you there I hope.



## Birthing Kit Assembly Day

Sunday 12 April 2026.

**THE ROTARY CLUB OF ST PETERS INVITES YOU TO THEIR  
BIRTHING KIT ASSEMBLY DAY**

No woman should die whilst giving life.  
Over 300,000 women die annually from pregnancy or childbirth complications.  
The majority of these are in developing countries.

Though each Birthing Kit costs less than a cup of coffee, its simple contents provide the resources to reduce infection & death

**----- VOLUNTEERS NEEDED -----**

**Please join us to pack 2,000 KITS**

**2 Hours of your time will make a difference**

**FREE** Online bookings available at:  
<https://www.trybooking.com/DIMOL>

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL PHIL: 0413 788 731**

**Where: St Peters Youth Centre**

**Cornish Street. Stepney**

**9:30 – 11:30AM.**

**OR**

**1:30 – 3:30PM**



Rotary Clubs of South Australia  **Pioneer Adventure Day** Sunday 3 May 2026  
Old Tailem Town - Tailem Bend S.A.

2025 was epic, with much thanks to the MGA Whittles Community Foundation!

In the cool light of a new year, I wanted to thank you all so very much for the donations you put through to our Hay for Farmers appeal. Your \$50,000 left a few of our Rotarians gobsmacked!

**With your generosity, you've helped us:-**

- Get Fodder to over **350 farms!**
- Deliver on average 10 Tonne of fodder to each farm (*direct to farm gate!*)
- **Save at least 6 Farmers from suicide** (*that's people who bravely told us*)
- Save Thousands of Livestock from starvation, suffering and death!
- **To keep families together** and on their farms
- **GIVE HOPE!**

**ROTARY continues to deliver.** In Fact ... we're sending out new trucks to the Riverland in the next few days, including to a Farm my wife and I visited last weekend outside of Loxton. You might be interested in seeing some of the Photos (and their story) here:-

<https://rotarypioneeradventureday.au/about-pioneer-adventure-day/life-on-a-farm-45-degrees-and-no-rain>

**Beyond continuing to deliver lifesaving fodder** ... Rotary and our delivery teams have witnessed the poor health of our rural families. HENCE ... we're keen to run an event (below) to get farmers off the farm for a day. We're hoping Natasha in the MGA Whittles network, perhaps you have associates who might be willing to sponsor family(s) to attend. Here's a brief overview of what our local Rotary Clubs are hoping to achieve ...

**PIONEER ADVENTURE DAY**

[www.RotaryPioneerAdventureDay.au](http://www.RotaryPioneerAdventureDay.au)

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026**

Old Tailem Town Pioneer Village – Tailem Bend

A day for rural families to remember what it's like to smile again.

A day for family fun, attractions, entertainment, music, food **AND health checks**

Rotary would love to find **Sponsors** for individual families to attend.

<https://req.planetreq.au/Rotary-Pioneer-Adventure-Day-Sponsorship>

**Each Family Sponsorship will cover:-**

- around **\$70 of fuel** to get the family's car to the event and home again
- **free entry** to Old Tailem Town (normally \$28 per person)
- **food** vouchers
- free **entertainment**
- maybe a **haircut** 😊

- **free health checks!**

Sponsor a Family of **2** for only \$145

Sponsor a Family of **4** for only \$220

Sponsor a Family of **6** for only \$295

**General Health** is dire on so many farms still, plus we have come across farms surviving on **1 Meal a Day!**

Some farmers haven't seen a doctor in years. Some have not even set foot off their farms. Many are so depressed, they find it difficult to get out of bed in the morning to face another day.

PIONEER ADVENTURE DAY – aims to invite these families ... and others in their local communities reliant on their local farmers (supermarkets, butchers, bakers, clothing shops, hardware stores etc) ... to have a Day of fun off the farm to **remember what it's like to smile**. Some kids haven't seen mum and dad smile for months!

Our aim is to bring a wide variety of Entertainers to Old Tailern Town to help Mums, Dads and Kids alike to reconnect and relax.

A wide array of HEALTH Services will be set up, with Doctors and Nurses and Allied Health providers offering all sorts of basic check-ups for Men and Women. From blood pressure, to heart, sugar levels, breast screening, AND Mental Health coaching to name only a few.

To make this entire event run, with the hope of bringing 600 Families along, we need to raise sponsorship of about \$140,000. Our aim is to get these families TO the event for free so that Money is not a reason to say no.

<https://reg.planetreg.au/Rotary-Pioneer-Adventure-Day-Sponsorship>

## **FYI – Rotary's 2026 Hay plans!**

Of course, as I mentioned, we continue to try to buy more hay to deliver to more farms. So our ongoing focus has not diminished. I feel hesitant to ask you to contribute to this again, noting your immense support already.

However if you can think of any people in your network who might share your caring nature - our RAWCS Project account for Hay and Fodder donations remains open and we intend to continue to help farms as we can, with the funds we have available.

<https://donations.rawcs.com.au/42-2024-25>

Please let me know if you need any extra info. I'm only a phone call or email away.

THANK YOU all sincerely again for your enormous help last year Natasha!

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**Bill Marles**

Project Manager – S.A. Drought Relief project

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# Bookings Now Open

For

**DG Partner Priya's fundraising event for Rotary Foundation's End Polio Campaign**

**Key message: Everyone's voice and dollar matters in this critical final stretch.**

We are still in a fight to reach every child with vaccines. Polio is a "zero-sum" game: as long as the virus exists anywhere, it remains a threat everywhere.

**The Risk of Inaction:** Experts estimate that if eradication efforts stopped today, the world could see a resurgence of up to 200,000 new cases annually within a decade.

**A Borderless Threat:** Because the virus is highly contagious and spreads through contaminated water or person-to-person contact, a single traveller can reintroduce the disease to a polio-free country.

One in 200 infections leads to irreversible paralysis. By vaccinating over 2.5 billion children, Rotary and its partners have prevented more than 20 million people from being paralysed. If successful, polio will become only the second human disease in history to be eradicated, following smallpox.

Join us for an event to raise funds to eradicate Polio

Every donation helps us obtain the support, transport, and materials needed in the fight against polio. Right now, every \$1 donated is matched 2:1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, tripling your impact!

**Event details: Rotary Pairs Congress Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2026, 10am to 5pm**  
held at the South Australian Bridge Association, 243 Young St, Unley

Join us for this red masterpoint bridge congress fund raiser, and make it a day of fun & fellowship for a great cause. Non-bridge players can join a mini bridge sampler session and try your hand at the game in a fun and interactive session.

**Cost:** \$40 per per person including a BBQ lunch and drink.

**To register:** <http://myabf.com.au/go/RotaryPairsCongress>

**UPCOMING EVENTS** see Julia for details

**Wednesday 4 March - International Women's Day  
Breakfast – 7a.m. – 9 a.m. Arkaba Hotel-**

Guest Speaker Kate Croser – CEO SA Film Corporation- Contact Wendy or Pam to join our table.



**SAVE THESE DATES FROM  
PRESIDENT WENDY AND  
EVENTS COORDINATOR JULIA**

**Saturday 14 March – St Peters Fair – Linde Reserve**

The Shed will remain open until 2 p.m. **All members.**

**No Kensi meeting 17 March**

**Friday 27 - Sun 29 March – Multi-District Conference  
Horsham**

We are expecting 16 or more attendees from our Club. Register from the District 9510 Website.

Speak with Wendy re accommodation. Again many are attending. **No Kensi meeting 31 March.**

**Sunday 12 April – Birthing Kit Assembly - St Peters Youth Centre  
Please see P.1 & 2 for details.**

Dunstone Grove – Adjacent to Linde Reserve and the Shed  
2 sessions 9.30 – 11.30 and 1.30 – 3.30. **All members.**

**Wednesday 22 April** - Lunch at Carrick Hill – Julia coordinating  
**No Kensi meeting 21 April**

**Sunday 3 May – Pioneer Adventure Day – Old Tailem Town**

**Tuesday 12 May** – to be confirmed – Club Event at Swan Reach – details to follow

**Saturday 30 May – Presidents Elect Learning Seminar**

**Sunday 31 May – Club Leaders Learning Seminar – St Michael's College**

Rotary Multi District Summit  
Horsham  
27-29 March

Paddock to Plate Dinner

Event Bookings:

<https://rotary9510.org>

**SADDLE UP & BOOT SCOOT!**

**PADDOCK TO PLATE DINNER**  
SATURDAY, MARCH 28TH 2026

SHEEP SHEARING • WORKING SHEEP DOGS IN ACTION ★

★ **6:30PM** ★  
**MAYDALE PAVILION** AT HORSHAM SHOWGROUNDS

★ ★ **DON COSTA** - COUNTRY MUSIC SINGER ★ ★

SPONSORED BY **Beyond Bank**  
DISTRICTS 9510, 9800 & 9780

MORE INFO - [HTTPS://ROTARYIMPACTSUMMIT.ORG](https://rotaryimpactsummit.org)

**Rotary Moments**  
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# THE MULTI DISTRICT IMPACT SUMMIT.

**HORSHAM TOWN HALL, VICTORIA. 27TH – 29TH MARCH 2026.**

## *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). Booking from the Rotary District 9510 Website.

<https://rotary9510.org>

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)  
Paddock to Plate Dinner - Details P.5.

Accommodation Enquiries: Please see Wendy



## Guest Speaker – Bruce Ballantyne My Life

Bruce Joined St Peters Club in 1984.

Oddly, this was his first speech about his Life.

His Grandparents hailed from Scotland, and they had six children of which there were three sons and one of them, Bruce's Dad, was sent to Australia.

They settled in WA in Aria Park in 1940.

His mother was from England, and she was from a family of three. Bruce's parents settled in West Wylong.

They had 6 children, and Bruce was the eldest.

Bruce attended Primary School but in the early years (in Bruce's words,) he was a sickly child.

He left school in year 11 and he liked Science but instead went to work for a Stock Agent and later worked for South British Insurance as an Inspector where he got a liking for real estate property valuation.

This entailed working for a Licensed Valuer for three years to get his qualifications.

Bruce met his wife Alison who was a Nurse at the Wagga Wagga Hospital.

They had three daughters.

Bruce ventured into Local Government and became a Town Planner for the District of Light which is directly north of the greater metropolitan area of Adelaide.

He also worked as Town Planner at the Enfield Council,

He retired at the 83 and now spends his time travelling with his daughters and grandchildren.

President Wendy gave the Vote of Thanks.

## Meeting Roster

**Reception, Cashier and Steward please arrive by 5.30 for meeting setup.**

Date	Tue 3-Mar	Tue 10-Mar	No	Tue 24-Mar
Meeting Number	3404	3405	Meeting	3406
Venue	Kensi Hotel	Scatter Meetings		The Shed
Program	Birthing Kits The Story	TBA		Birthing Kits
Guest Speaker(s)	Artie Jacobson			Phil Smith
Vote of Thanks	Chris Dawson			
Special				
Chairperson	Phil Smith			
Sergeant	Julia Verran			No Sergeant
Invocation	John George			
Board Meetings				
Steward	Mark Polkinghorne			
Reception	John George			
Cashier 1	Margaret Wiese			Milton Jones
Cashier 2	Julia Verran			
Bulletin/Weekly News	Pam Vaughton			Pam Vaughton

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**Shed Roster**

**START TIME: 7.45 am    OPEN DOORS: 8.30am    CLOSE DOORS: 12.30**

DATE	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday
	28-Feb-26	07-Mar-26	14-Mar-26	21-Mar-26
		Adelaide Cup Long Weekend	TO BE ADVISED ST PETERS FAIR	
		PANCAKE SAT		
TEAM LEADER	Pam Vaughton	Wendy Gaborit		John Dubberley
SIGNS	Rod Carey	John Willoughby		David Heilbronn
FRONT COUNTER Counter Sales1	Pam Vaughton	Wendy Gaborit		Romaine/Chris Dawson
Counter Sales 2	Julia Verran	Margaret Weise		Jayne Stephens
Counter Sales 3	<i>If needed Rhonda Heilbronn</i>	Margaret Hewitt		<i>If needed Rhonda Heilbronn</i>
GENERAL HELP	Rod Carey	John Willoughby Peter Hewitt		John Dubberley
CAFÉ BBQ				
COFFEE	Paul Holton	Rod Carey		Peter Shaw
ASSISTANT	Jen Carey	Paul Holton		Julia Verran
PANCAKES		Barb Joy		
		Jen Carey		
GOODS IN Counter When Needed				
GOODS IN	Rod Carey	John Willoughby Peter Hewitt		John Dubberley
SMALL HOUSEHOLD	Keith Shaw Nick Tarca	Keith Shaw Nick Tarca		Keith Shaw Nick Tarca
EMERGENCIES	Julia Verran Phil Smith	Julia Verran Phil Smith	Julia Verran Phil Smith	Wendy Gaborit Phil Smith