

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 7 July at the Kensington Hotel

The Next Meetings and Events

Meeting #	Date	Venue	Speaker/Program	Information
3419	7/7/26	Kensi Hotel	The Year Ahead	Club Meeting
	7/7/26	Adelaide Oval	District Changeover	
3420	14/7/26	Kensi Hotel	Georgina Tenny	My Peace Journey Update
3421	21/7/26	Kensi Hotel		
3422	28/7/26	Kensi Hotel		

June Highlights

Rotary St Peters has been extremely fortunate to have President Wendy offer to continue as President for the next year.

Wendy will hasten to add that Julia Verran is now President Elect (from 1 July).

We thank Wendy for the time and effort she puts in at all levels to make St Peters the successful Club it is. Your work is appreciated by all. Changeover was the perfect time to confer three PHF awards. Details within.

Members please note we need to be flexible with our meeting arrangements during the Hotel renovations. No doubt there will be rain delays – but nobody complains about the abundance of rain this season.



Pam Vaughton – Bulletin Editor
District Secretary

ClubRunner

The data base used by Rotary District 9510

All Rotary St Peters members have been encouraged to download the Clubrunner App on phones.

It is a quick, secure and easy way to contact members.

ClubRunner

Members have used this app in a meeting and we shall take a look at other procedures and highlights in meetings to come for your convenience.

Vale Dr Susan Bardy

Rotary St Peters is sad to hear of the passing of member Sue Bardy.

Sue transferred to our Club from RC of Kent Town. She is a published author.

Sue worked with our Books Team at the Shed and was a valued member until ill health prevented her active involvement.

Sue was involved with Mary Potter Hospice fundraising successfully with them for many years. She gained her PhD in 2014.

The Club wishes to send condolences to her family.



Changeover 2026-27

Members and friends gathered at the Mt Osmond Golf Club on a clear day and enjoyed a delicious lunch to celebrate the continuing President role of Wendy Gaborit OAM.



Past President Jim with Wendy

Past President John



Paul Harris Awards



Milton

Peter from International Cycles



Also Mazzone Jewellers (Absent)

Special thanks to
Treasurer Pauline

Board Member Phil



These Treasured Volunteers



President Elect Julia



Board 2026-27





ST PETERS ROTARY CLUB ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE June 2026 - Chris Dawson

Almost 6 years ago, in fact on the 26th June 2020, the Environment was added to Rotary International's areas of focus, making it the 7th.

Our Club had been supporting environmental projects for several years. Most particularly we should remember our hands-on involvement planting trees at Jack's Farm near Jamestown following the 2017 massive destruction caused by a storm cell with 100km/hr wind gusts.



You might also remember our assistance in the setting up of the Linde Community Garden, and our more recent support of the School Kitchen Garden at Trinity Gardens Primary School.

Then, through our Environmental Committee, for several years we have advertised for projects offering grants up to \$1000, with these grants going to such places as East Torrens, Norwood and Marryatville Primary Schools, East Adelaide Education Centre, as well as to Ferox Australis and the St Peters Billabong, and the Linde Garden. But, quite frankly, \$1000 doesn't go very far. So, this year the maximum was raised to \$5000 for suitable projects.

A further change was made to our criteria for acceptance. You might remember funding a very spectacular project at Marryatville Primary. This was exceptional with a coordinated classroom approach together with courtyard plantings. And in fact, it was featured with a two-page spread in the NPSP Council's Look East magazine. But, looking at the courtyard somewhat later, the plantings had almost disappeared and, it turned out, the classroom teacher had moved on with no one left with the interest to continue the project. Of course, this didn't always happen and Norwood Primary Schools Kaurna Garden Development is still going strong. Nevertheless, we introduced the criterion of sustainability. How would the proposers ensure that the project would be continued even if the initial proponents moved on - as happens regularly in schools.



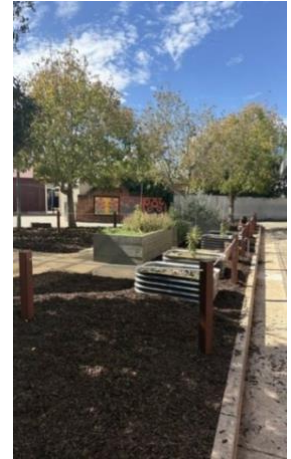
In the event, three projects have been supported this year.

A \$1000 grant to the Trinity Gardens Tennis Club to put toward the purchase of solar panels and a battery to reduce demand on the grid during the evening lighting of their courts.

A \$3800 Grant to the junior primary classes at East Adelaide Primary School to upgrade the historic Heysen courtyard outside their classrooms including a range of plantings from Trees for Life which will eventually support the Friends of the Billabong.



On the basis of a student initiative, a further grant to East Adelaide Primary of \$2000 to the Year 6/7 group to upgrade a desolate piece of ground with planters growing a range of bush tucker plants. Interestingly, this seems to have taken off, and we are currently organising a visit to eat food flavoured with their home-grown plants. (I should note that in both of these cases, the promoters raised considerable additional funds through various grants).



One aspect of these grants should be mentioned. In every case, several of our members have visited and been shown the results of our grant. Garden developments in the schools are always incorporated into the school curriculum and, often, we have been able to see the various steps from concept to fruition as students have generated, and modified, each step before being involved in the actual plantings. While we have always been guided around the new gardens, we have also been given a historical tour of the East Adelaide School. What is particularly impressive are the students. Their knowledge and confidence enables even the younger ones to interact maturely with our visiting group.

In addition to these grants, the Club has a \$2000 a year three-year arrangement with FAME (the Foundation for Australia's most Endangered Species) - I'm sure many of you will remember the 2025 start of this with the support of the Assassin Spider on Kangaroo Island. This year a project focussing on the Sandhill Dunnart in the Gawler Ranges was supported. Currently possibilities are being considered for next year's grant with the Yellow-footed Rock Wallaby project a likely recipient.

We are also in contact with Green Adelaide about their interest in returning the platypus to the Torrens. Initial studies have identified several locations where this might be possible and it is likely that a Friends of the Platypus group will be set up, and donations will be needed. As this is local for us, we intend to maintain contact on behalf of the Club.

Unfortunately, our contributions in this area have been almost totally financial with no hands-on involvement. If anyone has any thoughts about how we might get more practically involved, given our physical limitations, let's discuss them.

Dear Rotary District 9510 Secretary

We would greatly value your support in helping promote this important topical event to your South Australian Rotary Clubs & appropriate networks.

Senior Australian of the Year, [Professor Henry Brodaty AO](#) is the preeminent expert on Dementia research. He will be speaking in Adelaide on 22 July at the '**Reshaping the Future of Ageing**' forum - a compact 2-hour event for all South Australians who want to understand more about the latest brain health and dementia research.

For convenience, an information poster is attached that can be easily shared, placed into newsletters, and displayed in prominent locations.



Professor Brodaty's groundbreaking work continues to transform how dementia is understood, diagnosed and treated - improving outcomes for individuals, families and communities across Australia and beyond.

[Click here](#) for more information & to purchase tickets.

Date: Wednesday 22 July 2026, 1:30pm to 3:30pm.

Event: Reshaping the Future of Ageing (includes light refreshments).

Venue: U City - 43 Franklin Street, Adelaide.

Tickets: \$35pp + booking fee. \$26pp + booking fee for ADSCA Members & Concession.

<https://events.humanitix.com/reshaping-the-future-of-ageing>

Meeting Roster

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

Date	Tue 7-Jul	Tue 14-Jul	Tue 21-Jul	Tue 28-Jul
Meeting Number	3420	3421	3422	3423
Venue	Kensi Hotel	Kensi Hotel	Kensi Hotel	Kensi Hotel
Program	The Year Ahead	My Peace Journey	Linde Community Garden?	RYPEN Report?
Guest Speaker(s)	President Wendy	Georgina Tenny	TBA	TBA
Vote of Thanks		John George	Milton Jones	
Special				
Chairperson		Chris Dawson	John Dubberley	Romaine Dawson
Sergeant	Peter Hewitt	John Reynolds	John Willoughby	Julia Verran
Invocation	Jim Owler	Margaret Wiese	Ann McIntosh	
Board Meetings				
Steward	Paul Holton	Bruce Ballantyne	Julia Verran	
Reception	Jim Owler	Margaret Wiese	Ann McIntosh	
Cashier 1	Ann McIntosh	Kuol Baak	David Birkedale	David Heilbronn
Cashier 2				
Bulletin/Weekly Club News	Pam Vaughton	Pam Vaughton	Pam Vaughton	Pam Vaughton

Shed Roster

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

DATE	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday
	04-Jul-26	11-Jul-26	18-Jul-26	25-Jul-26
	School Holidays	School Holidays	School Holidays	
TEAM LEADER	Peter Hewitt	Jim Owler	Milton Jones	Wendy Gaborit
SIGNS	David Heilbronn	Rod Carey	Milton Jones	Greg Rogers
ASSIST with SIGNS				
FRONT COUNTER				
Counter Sales1	Margaret Hewitt	Betty Owler	Pam Vaughton	Greg Rogers
Counter Sales 2	Trenna Kretschmer	Barbara Joy	Rachel Elliott	Maryann Rogers
Counter Sales 3 (If Needed)	Arthur Manser	(Barbie Birkdale)	(Trenna Kretschmer)	(Rhonda Heilbronn)
GENERAL HELP	Peter Hewitt	Jim Owler	Milton Jones	John Dubberley
ASSIST GENERAL HELP	Griff and Austin			
CAFÉ				
BBQ	Mark Polkinghorne	Rod Carey (Jen while Rod Puts Out Signs)	David Elliott	Peter Shaw
COFFEE	Adrian Esterman	Jen Carey	Gina Tenny	Wendy Gaborit
ASSISTANT			Mark Polkinghorne	
PANCAKES				
GOODS IN Counter When Needed	Peter Hewitt	Jim Owler	Milton Jones	John Dubberley
ASSIST GOODS IN	Griff and Austin			Griff and Austin
SMALL HOUSEHOLD	Keith Shaw	Keith Shaw	Keith Shaw	Keith Shaw
EMERGENCIES	Wendy Gaborit Phil Smith	Phil Smith	Wendy Gaborit Phil Smith	Phil Smith