

# 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 14th March 2023 at the Kensington Hotel  
Program – Brigitte Treloar – Partners Night**

## Future Events

Meeting #	Date	Venue	Speaker/Program	Information
	10/3/23	SACA Committee Room, Adelaide Oval	Rotary Foundation cocktail event	Past World President of Rotary International Ian Riseley
	11/3/23	Charles Campbell College	Environment Forum	
	12/3/23		Environment Program tour	
3262	14/3/23	Kensington Hotel	Brigitte Treloar	Medical Scholar Partners Night
3263	21/3/23	Kensington Hotel	Victoria McFarlane	Local Councillor
3264	28/3/23	Glenunga Croquet Club	Come and Try Croquet	

## Report of Meeting 3261 held on Tuesday 7th March at the Kensington Hotel

Sergeant Keith Shaw called on Phil Smith to give the invocation and toast.

**President Pam Vaughton** welcomed all, with a special welcome to the guest speaker Jane Sloan. Also welcomed were Rotarian Anna Finizio from the Rotary Club of Kent Town and visitor Heather Mack.

## President's Report

- International Women's Day Breakfast – Tomorrow morning.
- District Assembly on Sunday 2nd April at St Michaels College, Henley Beach.
- Group 8 Meeting on Monday 8th May at Osmond Tce Function Centre. Cost - \$38.50. No Rotary meeting that week.



Guest Speaker –



**Wendy Gaborit** welcomed guest speaker Jane Sloan.

Jane is Senior Director, Women's Empowerment and Gender Equality with The Asia Foundation based in San Francisco.

In this role, she provides intellectual and programmatic leadership for The Asia Foundation's programs to empower women and advance gender equality in Asia and the Pacific, working with a team in San Francisco and Washington and with the foundation's 18 country offices in the region.

Jane showed a series of slides with quotations from people who have influenced her philosophy. She is a strong advocate for women's health, reproductive rights and justice. Educating girls is one of the most effective ways for countries to achieve their economic potential, improve health, reduce conflict, and save lives. Education is also a basic human right.

Jane's career has taken her all around the world – from helping women in Bangladesh prevent child marriage, to spending time with Syrian women who have fled ISIS. At one time she had to look after Nelson Mandella.

Her work has involved dealing with death threats in Fiji, bombs near the refugee camps she was visiting in Lebanon, and violence in Nepal and Indonesia. Other challenges have been working with Aborigines and coping with Covid 19.

Jane has written several books about women.

[Goodreads - Jane Sloan books](#)

**Arthur Manser** thanked Jane for her presentation.



Members Minutes

**Wendy Gaborit - Environment Weekend** - Three events to be held over the weekend 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> March.

It's important to book in to the events

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March from 5 pm to 7:30 pm - The **Rotary Foundation cocktail event**. Change of venue – now to be held in the SACA Committee Room, Adelaide Oval.

[Rotary Foundation Cocktail Event booking](#)

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> March from 2 pm to 5:00 pm - The **Environment Forum**. Charles Campbell College. Campbell Rd, Paradise. Open to all members and the Public

[Environment Forum booking](#)

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March - **Environment Program tour** from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm.

**Brian Kretschmer - Zahra Foundation Women on the Run Walk**

The Zahra Foundation was set up for women who have experienced domestic violence by the children of Zahra Abrahamzadeh in 2015, who was killed by her estranged husband in 2010 at the Adelaide Convention Centre, The Women on the Run Walk is organised as a fundraiser and last year there were about 5 of our members who participated.

This year's event is on Sunday 19th March 8 am for 9 am start to 11 am. It is from Grange to Henley Beach Jetties return along the beach or sidewalk and is 4 km. We also had the CEO of the organisation present to our club some weeks later last year.



There will be a Barby and coffee available and is a very worthy event to be associated with. Pam, Wendy, Mary-Anne and I are going to be there and it would be great to see more of our members as well.

Please let me know by next Tuesday 14th March if you will also attend.

Cost is \$30 individual or \$120 for a team of six.

[Zahra Foundation Event link](#)

**Jim Owler – St Peters Fair** on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March. The Shed will be open for extended hours, so extra helpers will be needed.

**Chris Dawson – 'Come and Try Croquet'** - Fellowship meeting and meal at 5:30 pm on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at the Glenunga Croquet Club — Players \$25 & Spectators \$15. Please advise Chris if attending.

**Romaine Dawson – Mens Kitchen** – 4 people have indicated their interest in being on a steering committee.

**Bill Winslow** – As well as the 'Peace Pole' erected in Linde Reserve, one will also be placed at each of the Marryatville and Rose Park Primary Schools.

**David Heilbronn** – A memorial to recognise the work of late member John Seeliger will be placed in the Shed.

**Arthur Manser** - Rotary Foundation Raffle - PDG Jeff Neale donated a prize for a raffle with tickets at \$5 each with proceeds going to the Rotary Foundation. Arthur is organising ticket sales.

**Sergeant Keith Shaw** had no success fining potential electric vehicle owners but did when targeting football fans.

**Phil Smith – Reframing an artwork**

Dennis Henschke reframed this artwork following a request if it could be possible from Marg Hewitt.

The original frame was damaged but there was a lot of interest in the artwork at the shed. Dennis did a great job.





**Keith Payne - Biodiversity in the billabong - Guided nature walk** - Last Saturday Chris Dawson, Keith Payne and Dianne Hill took part in the nature walk. Here is Dianne's account of the experience -

*'On a sunny morning, Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> March, I joined an informative guided group walk through the St Peters Billabong. This is a unique part of the Torrens Linear Park near St Peters Park which is being rehabilitated from its historical role as an industrial rubbish dump into a complex bio-diverse natural feature.*

*At about 9am about 15 nature enthusiasts gathered in the small carpark at the entry to the park and were met by representatives from both Ferox Australis\* and the Friends of the Billabong\*\*.*



*A speaker from each organisation explained their interest in educating the community (1) about the benefits of 'citizen science' in recording the variety of plant, bird, animal and insect species in specific habitats, and (2) appreciating the value of biodiversity already to be observed, and being actively promoted, in the Billabong.*



*First, we walked a short way along a small track to a point overlooking the Billabong and were shown the extent of this relatively unknown wild oasis only 3 kilometres from Adelaide's CBD. We then meandered down the track to access the Billabong itself. This track is also the only entry to the St Peters Park oval, where a large crowd were watching and cheering a cricket game in progress.*

*Turning off this track we pushed through a reedy section of the walk and arrived at an open area alongside the billabong. Here several of the group stopped to take photos and to compare notes on their own previous observations of a variety of species from spiders and flies to orchids and other plants.*



*At this point my focus of interest turned to the waterbirds on and around the reeds and trees near the water. By this time, around 10.45am, the group had split into several smaller groups keenly discussing their own specific interest, and a few, like me, called it a day. I plan to go back to the billabong soon, on a less busy occasion, for a calm and quiet walk to observe and enjoy what this fascinating place has to offer.'*

**\*Ferox australis** (Latin for 'Wild of the South') is an Australian based not-for-profit organisation aimed at engaging citizens in science globally. The ethos of the organisation is to increase public environmental education using citizen science-related tools and initiatives, e.g. ecologically focused events such as guided walks through biodiverse environments like the St Peters Wetlands.

**\*\*Friends of the Billabong** (FOB), working with the assistance of the City of Norwood Payneham and St Peters, is an active group of volunteers aspiring to restore the native habitat, increase biodiversity and improve the quality of water flowing into the River Torrens through nurturing the St Peters Billabong. They conduct regular working bees and education programs eradicating weeds and re-vegetating the billabong and its surrounding area.

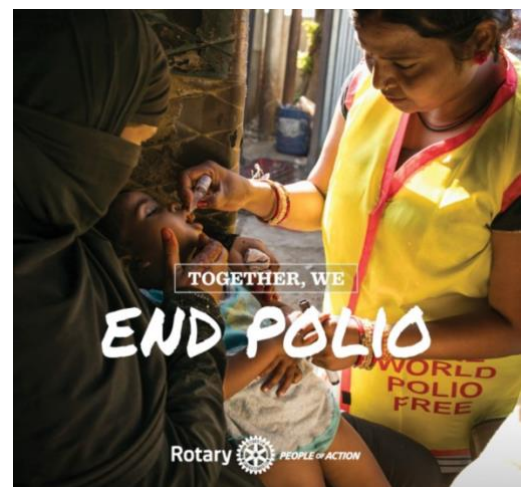


## End Polio Now

For polio eradication efforts, 2022 brought good news. Fewer genetic strains of the virus are circulating than ever before. Afghanistan and Pakistan are the only two countries where polio remains endemic. Support from political, medical, and community leaders in those areas has strengthened vaccination efforts during the past year. Global support for polio eradication also reached new heights, as was proven at the World Health Summit in October, when Rotary and international partners and donors pledged a combined US\$2.6 billion to eradicate the disease.

There were challenges in 2022 as well. The poliovirus appeared in places it hasn't been for a long time: Israel, the United Kingdom, and the United States, to name a few. Wild poliovirus cases were reported in Mozambique, related to the 2021 case in Malawi caused by wild poliovirus imported from Pakistan. News of these cases didn't slow our eradication efforts, however. If anything, it made us even more determined. Now is our best chance to finish the fight against polio.

Rotary's PolioPlus program integrates polio immunization work and efforts to provide basic services, such as access to clean water and sanitation facilities. Because poliovirus is transmitted through contaminated water, improving water quality, in addition to vaccinating people, is critical to stopping its spread. When we address a community's basic needs, we also build goodwill and trust that support our polio vaccination campaigns.



Consider contributing to Rotary's PolioPlus Fund, and have your donation matched 2-to-1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. Your donation helps us reach vulnerable children with the polio vaccine and other essential health services.

[Make a donation link](#)

Apologies

Rod Carey, Adrian Esterman, Wayne Holton, David Strange.

Meetings Roster

Date	14-Mar	21-Mar	28-Mar
Meeting Number	3262	3263	3264
Meeting	Kensington Hotel	Kensington Hotel	Glenunga Croquet Club
Venue Topic / Guest Speaker	Brigette Treloar	Victoria McFarlane Local Councillor	Come and Try Croquet
Chairperson	Romaine Dawson	Brian Kretschmer	Chris Dawson
Vote of Thanks	Sue Bardy	Jim Owler	
Special		Board Meeting	
Reception	Chris Dawson	Bill Winslow	
Cashier 1	Bruce Ballantyne	Pauline Yates	Romaine Dawson
Cashier 2	David Birkedale	Marlene Balacco	
Steward	David Heilbronn	Ann McIntosh	
Invocation	Chris Dawson	Bill Winslow	
Bulletin	Keith Payne	Keith Payne	Keith Payne
Information Spot			
Sergeant	Jim Owler	Peter Hewitt	
Information			

Shed Roster

PLEASE NOTE START TIME IS 8.30 am and CLOSE DOORS AT 12.00 noon

DAY	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday
DATE	11-Mar-23	18-Mar-23	25-Mar-23
	ADELAIDE CUP		ST PETERS FAIR
	LONG WEEKEND		PLEASE SEE FAIR DAY ROSTER
TEAM LEADER	Rod Carey	John Reynolds	Brian Kretschmer
FRONT COUNTER			
Counter Sales 1	Chris Dawson	Julie Reynolds	Trenna Kretschmer
Counter Sales 2 ( 3)	Romaine Dawson (Rod Carey)	Joan Shaw Rachel Elliot	Rhonda Heilbronn Alanna
GENERAL HELP	Rod Carey	John Reynolds	Brian Kretschmer
CAFÉ			
BBQ	Peter Shaw	David Elliott	Wendy Gaborit
Coffee	Lisa Shaw	Jen Carey	Adrian Esterman
GOODS IN	Rod Carey	John Reynolds	Brian Kretschmer
SMALL HOUSEHOLD			
EMERGENCIES	Phil Smith Wendy Gaborit John Bested John Gallehawk Sue Bardy	Phil Smith Wendy Gaborit John Bested John Gallehawk Sue Bardy	Phil Smith Wendy Gaborit John Bested John Gallehawk Sue Bardy
PICK UP CREW 1	Pauline Yates	Pauline Yates	Pauline Yates
PICK UP CREW 2	Marlene Balacco	Marlene Balacco	Marlene Balacco