# **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 4th July at the Kensington Hotel Program – President Jim Owler – The Year Ahead

# **Future Events**

Meeting #	Date	Venue	Speaker/Program	Information
	27/6/23		No Club meeting	
3277	4/7/23	Kensington Hotel	Jim Owler	The Year Ahead
3278	11/7/23	Kensington Hotel	Rikki Cooke	Treasure Boxes Inc. Partners Night

# Report of Changeover Meeting 3276 held on Sunday 25th June at the Mt Osmond Golf Club



**MC Carmel O'Reilly** called the meeting to order and **Phil Smith** gave the Invocation and toasts. The National Anthem was played on the video screen.

**President Pam Vaughton** welcomed all, especially Rotarians and Partners from other clubs - Margie Maloney President RC Burnside, Rob Rushton-Smith President RC Norwood and Margriet, David Dewar RC Burnside, Susie Llewelyn RC Epping, NSW and Stephen, Sally Willoughby President Elect RC of Mobilong, Paul Willoughby Past President RC of Mobilong.



Keith Payne proposed the toast to Rotary International and PDG Keith Shaw responded on behalf of RI.

A delicious Carvery Buffet was then served.







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# **Changeover – President Pam Vaughton's Summary – 2022-23**

I feel we can all be proud of our Club's ongoing achievements. We are serving the Community.... Helping others. In a culture of giving. Club members are engaged in activities. Together. Having fun. Our Rotary reach is being extended. We are playing our part in protecting the Environment.

I wish to pay tribute to all of our members and volunteers.

The Shed is our major project. Recycling, reusing and re-purposing goods. Saving landfill. Happily it seems to be even busier both during the week when goods are processed and on Saturdays when Sales are on.

Last Saturday week I even received a telephone egg and bacon roll order! At 12.30 pm to my home kitchen!



The Shed is also the hub of our midweek socialising. Feedback suggest that folk have fun working together at the Shed.

Funds raised are distributed far and wide.... To many organisations overseas such as Allkids.... To Shelterbox, to Australian Rotary Health.

Local projects have included the Trinity Gardens Kitchen Project, Peace Poles celebrating 100 years of Rotary in South Australia, the Hutt Street Centre and the Women's Community Centre near our Shed.... And many, many more.

We were all saddened by the death of the late John Seeliger who was such a fine Rotarian. He is much missed. Thank you to those who have kept in touch with his family.

Our Tuesday night meetings have been very well attended. Thanks to the work of our Admin Committee and Program Director, speakers and activities planned have been very informative and enjoyable as evidenced by the number of attendees. Thank you Arthur Manser, Jim Owler and Brian Kretschmer for organising meetings.

I commend the work of our Secretary Wendy Gaborit who has worked tirelessly during a personally challenging year. We have all benefitted from her Rotary knowledge and experience. Thank you Wendy.

Our membership is stable. We are delighted to have welcomed several new members over the past few years. Our newest member will be Kuol Baak who has been a Rotarian elsewhere for several years. Welcome to our Club Kuol.

I want to also thank other Board members for this year – Treasurer John Reynolds, Directors Romaine Dawson, Bill Winslow, John Dubberley. The Youth and Vocational, Community, International, Membership and Public Image and Fundraising Committees have been wonderful.

Keith Payne has been my IT guru for all things Mac and our Rotary Bulletin and Website. Thank you for all your wise help and advice Keith.

Lastly I want to thank my family. To Jim my rock who is here, and my sister Marie and my daughter Caroline and grandchildren Hayden and Jett who are elsewhere today.



# Changeover – President's Summary – 2022-23

On balance I thought the year went reasonably well .... And then, to my joy, I received this letter addressed to all of us ... From the **9510 District Governor Paul Thomas**.

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Dear Rotarians and Friends,

It has been great to share with your members throughout the year and we have really appreciated your friendship and kind hospitality you have always shown us.

We really enjoyed a great time of fun and fellowship sharing with you at your Changeover luncheon (and a highlight to see Thomas Edmonds!) The golf club venue lends itself to set the scene for such an event.

It was an enlightening experience visiting your Shed in October. A well organised and supported project. A real operation, where everyone has a task and the task is done. The breakfast gathering out front, not only provides some appetising food options, it obviously provides a meeting place of fellowship and support for many local people who appreciate the venue to gather. Then within the walls, are so many items of appeal. A number couldn't be left on the shelf and had to be purchased. A real venue for repurposing!

The Awards Night was a great event and very good to see the talents of the students being encouraged and good to see the community involvement and appreciation of your club for hosting it. So often the students who undertake arts subjects are forgotten when merit is offered.

It was also great to meet up over a nice BBQ lunch with yourselves and members of the Unley Club and the Youth Alumni participants.

Your promotion of the District Environmental projects was an interesting insight of the work that is being done throughout D9510. Your club organised a great forum, allowing Past Rotary International President Ian Riseley to hear first-hand about the service being undertaken by clubs. It was particularly interesting to hear of the great work you are doing with the tree planting at Jack's farm, which we are sure would also be a good time of fun and fellowship.

How proud we can all be to receive this letter with such quality feedback. I thanked Paul personally at the Rotary International Convention in Melbourne for taking the time to write these powerful words of acknowledgement for our Club.

The Rotary International theme for this past year has been **Imagine**. Next year's theme is **Create Hope in the World**. I want to finish with some words from our International President Jennifer Jones who addressed Rotarians at the World Convention last month.

"We don't **imagine** yesterday — and we also don't look for **hope** in past actions. 'Hope' and 'imagine' are words for tomorrow — words that propel us forward. They build upon each other and offer a path forward. A path of continuity." - Rotary International President Jennifer Jones.

Thanks to our past actions, engaged members and ongoing plans we can confidently both hope and imagine our Club will continue to have a strong path forward.

Pam Vaughton President 2022-23



# **Paul Harris Fellowships**

Three Rotarians, **Carmel O'Reilly, David Heilbronn** and **Brian Kretschmer** were honoured for their dedicated service to the Rotary Club of St Peters.







# **Honorary Membership**

**Wayne Holton** joined the Rotary Club of St Peters in 1976 and served the Club as President in year 1991-92. He was awarded a Paul Harris Fellowship in 1994. Wayne has been granted Honorary Membership for year 2023-24.



President - Wayne Holton

#### Rotary Year 1991/1992

Christmas meeting at Stonyfell Winery; picnic day at Bow Hill; two fireside meetings;

24 members with 100% attendance; sponsored Tom Oborn to Solomon Islands with FAIM; exchange student Rachael Templer to Japan; hosted the GSE team from Finland; PP Dennis Henschke selected to lead the outgoing GSE Team to Finland; Australian Environmental Awareness Award for the cover over



the toddlers pool; RYLA (3); RYPEN assistance; Jumble Sale raised \$23,216; erection of playground equipment at St Joseph's Pre-School, Payneham.

Theme - 'Look Beyond Yourself'



Wayne's mother Barbara and son Paul accepted the Honorary Membership on Wayne's behalf.

Induction of Jim Owler as President for year 2023-24





Jim Owler outlines plans for year 2023-24



# President's Induction Speech (25th June 2023)

I would like to take the opportunity to thank Past President Pam for all the hard work she has done for the club over the past 12 months, it will be a hard act for me to follow.

I would like to particularly welcome my wife, Betty, two sons Lindsay and Jeffrey along with one of my daughter's in law Catherine and my Grand –Daughter Georgie, who is standing in for my other daughter in law, Caroline, who sends her apologise as she has 4 kids and she is doing all the driving around to all the sporting events that are on this afternoon.

I would also like to thank each and every-one of you for attending this event this afternoon I would like to particularly thank John George as he has travelled down from Darwin to be at this event today.

With regards to myself I have had a somewhat meteoric rise in the Rotary Club of St Peters. During my induction into the club less than 3 years ago, an interview was conducted in the back room of a coffee shop where I was sat down at a table with a strong light hanging above my head. During this interrogation, I mean interview I think I must have blacked out. When I eventually came round and the light above my head was switched off I was given a cup of strong coffee and informed that I had passed the interview and would be inducted into Rotary.

Very shortly thereafter I was then nominated to be the Fund Raising Director and subsequently the President Elect. I still don't know what I said during that interview.

So here I stand having now been inducted as President of the Rotary Club of St Peters.



I would like to now introduce the club committee chairs for the forthcoming year, and I ask that you all come forward.



- Vice President:
- Past President:
- President Elect / Club Services:
- Secretary:
- Treasurers:
- International Committee:
- Community:
- Vocational / Youth:
- Fundraising:
- Membership & Public Image:
- Administration:
- Board Minutes:

Arthur Manser Pamela Vaughton Wendy Gaborit Wendy Gaborit John Reynolds & Paul Holton John Dubberley Bill Winslow assisted by Chris Dawson Brian Kretschmer Phil Smith Keith Payne Pam Vaughton Carmel O'Reilly

Although not a board position Chris Dawson will once again lead an environment committee supported by Keith Payne & Pam Vaughton.



The goals I would like to set for the various committees for the forthcoming year are as follows.

#### International Committee:

The "ALL KIDS" school program in Cambodia is now thriving and whilst it requires on-going support a relatively new program for the kids at the school is the ALL KIDS dental program.

The "ALL KIDS Dental Program" in Cambodia requires assistance to improve the quality of dental care and quantum of kids they can treat. In the previous year they were below their target of number of kids they could treat and to rectify that commencing this month they plan to increase their treatment days from two to four days per month.

Just recently the club had a fun night at the shed doing a very important task. We assembled 400 Birthing Kits for African Countries. For those of you who do not know what this is, it is a small sterile package containing essential basic items for women having babies. I would encourage the International Committee to once again do this during the next 12 months.

I am also pleased to announce that Professor Adrian Esterman has agreed to join the International committee. Adrian is a professor at the University of South Australia and his main role is providing advice on Biostatics and Epidemiology to research and the medical profession.



#### **Community Committee:**

It is well published the cost of living pressures on everyday residents of Adelaide and especially of those women and men who have broken or abusive marriages and are left on their own to bring up their children very often without even a roof over their heads. I therefore call on my community committee to identify organisations, firstly within our club boundaries and then more widely across Adelaide and country areas of SA who help these people in such unfortunate circumstances. I would like this committee to focus on these organisations operating on a low administrative budget.

I would also encourage any member of this committee or indeed any member of the club who can identify, or knows of, any person in crisis who the club can help in some way to bring it to the attention of the board with a view to the club supporting that person in some way, perhaps with a voucher for the shed.

I am also very impressed with the work undertaken by "Operation Flinders". From my understanding the young people taken on these outward bound expeditions are young people who have lost direction in life and perhaps some who may have gone off the rails and come to the notice of the police. By taking these young people on such adventures I believe gives them back a sense of responsibility and a desire for them to look out for their companions on the expedition.

#### Vocational / Youth Committee:

I would like to see the vocational / youth committee continue with the innovative excellence awards which was a great success last year.

I would also like this committee to consider bringing groups of these young people to the shed to give them some background on the hard work that the Rotary Club puts into fund raising. It could well be that by giving these young people some exposure to what we do may result in them joining the Rotary club in the future.

#### Fund Raising Committee:

I have just completed a year as fund raising director and during this time I have learned a lot about the workings of the shed. The shed is the engine room of the club with the Saturday Morning sales. This fund raising is of vital importance to the club and provides us with the means to help those in need in our community and beyond. I have been very impressed with the dedicated volunteers who give up much of their time to sort out the mountains of donated goods we get each week, then clean, polish, wash, iron, price and prepare these goods and clothing into a marketable condition. To attract our customers the café is a great boon to our shed operations and again there is a great deal of volunteer work goes into this operation.

As most of you are aware we are planning on having a permanent shelter constructed at the front of the shed to accommodate our café customers. This has been made largely possible by the help of James Stevens MP who have supported the club with the hope of a Federal Government grant of \$16,000.

I wish Phil Smith every success with this coming year and feel confident that the fund raising will be in capable hands under his leadership.

#### Membership & Public Image Committee:

It is a rather sad fact that it is increasingly difficult to attract new younger members to the club. The pressure on families is often exacerbated by both parents working, mortgage payments, school fees, sports and generally looking after young people zaps all the energy.



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There is however a very large potential source of new members to the Rotary Club. A recent study, the first of its kind in Australia found one in four or 1.1 million men have few or no social connections and loneliness and isolation is common in men between 30 and 65 years of age. I feel confident that some of these lonely men would welcome the opportunity to connect with an organisation like Rotary.

I would like to see this committee, whilst still focussing on new members also focus on looking for some corporate members. Corporate members will most likely be unable to attend many of our meetings or participate in the day to day operations of the club but may well be an asset to the club in other ways. For example there companies may be able to sponsor some club expenses or assist the club with goods and services from their businesses.

A good example of this is "North Terrace Tyres" and whilst they are not a corporate member a few months ago when the shed truck required new tyres they fitted four lovely new tyres for about the cost of one. We thank North Terrace Tyres for this assistance.

#### **Environmental Committee:**

Although not a board position I welcome Chris Dawson to once again lead this committee.-I would like to recommend that this committee gives serious consideration to once again run the very successful environmental awards.

#### **Other Goals:**

Now that I have all the serious goals outlined I have another couple of goals, both of which are mandatory.

Goal 1: With the International Governor, Gordon McInally being a Scot and myself being a Scot I think it is only fitting that by this time next year I require all the club members to be speaking with a beautiful Scottish accent. The cost of elocution lessons to be at your own expense!

Goal 2: Whilst there is a lot of hard work to be done, I would like this to be a very successful year for the club. I also require this to be carried out in a cheerful and cooperative manner and have lots of fun along the way.

I look forward to working with you all during the forthcoming year and hope that I can meet all of your expectations.

I thank you for your attention.























#### **Induction of New Member**

Early in the meeting **President Pam Vaughton** inducted **Kuol Baak** as a member of the Rotary Club of St Peters.

Kuol has been a Rotarian for more than 8 years and has recently been a member of the Rotary Club of Adelaide Central.

Current work and family arrangements mean that joining the St Peters Club will make it easier for him to continue his Rotary service.





President 2023-24

James Owler

Changeover Luncheon Mt Osmond Golf Club 25 June 2023





Serving the Community

# 2022-23 - We supported to these Organisations to Make a Difference.

Peterborough Youth & Community Centre Trinity Gdns Primary School Kitchen Project Smith Family Shelter Box Disaster Aid Interplast Food Plant Solutions. ROMAC AllKids Mercy Ships Australia Rotarians Against Malaria School St Judes Uniting Communities **Birthing Kits** Books for Lesotho Hutt St Centre Women's Community Centre. Zahra Foundation **Calperum Station** Peace Poles (3) Childhood Cancer Inc

#### Supported Youth Opportunities

National Youth Science Forum Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment Rotary Youth Leadership Awards Operation Flinders Youth Sailing Challenge – One & All Aust Rotary Health Medical Student Scholarship Vocational Music Awards Environment Awards (4)



# **Apologies**

Mary-Anne Hannay. Tony Camporeale, Sue Bardy.

<b>RC St Peters Changeover</b>	APOLOGIES	
Peter Angel	RC Loxton	
Sabrina Koetsier	Morialta	
Wendy Lippett	Goolwa	
John Bested		
Harry & Marylou Powell		
Michael McCabe	Campbelltown	
Brian Wall		
PDG Bob Cooper	Burnside	
Geoff Brown	Morialta	
Lindsay Davis	Magill Sunrise	
PDG Jeff Neale	D 9510 RC Campbelltown	
DGE	Craig & Kiki Dowling. D9510. RC Loxton	
Elizabeth Gagliardi	RC Campbelltown. AG Group8 8	

# **Meeting Roster**

Date	4-Jul	11-Jul	18-Jul
Meeting Number	3277	3278	3279
Meeting	Kensington Hotel	Kensington Hotel	Kensington Hotel
		Partners Night	
Venue Topic / Guest Speaker	The Year Ahead	Rikki Cooke CEO, Founder Treasure Boxes Inc.	Peter Read Toy Boys
Chairperson	Jim Owler	Chris Dawson	David Birkedale
Vote of Thanks	Pam Vaughton	Arthur Manser	Paul Holton
Special			Board Meeting
Reception	Brian Kretschmer	Sue Bardy	Milton Jones
Cashier 1	Sonia Schepetiuk	Romaine Dawson	Dave Strange
Cashier 2	• 2 Ann McIntosh Angela Williams		Carmel O'Reilly
Steward	Paul Holton	David Heilbronn	Rod Carey
Invocation	Brian Kretschmer	Sue Bardy	Milton Jones
Bulletin	Bulletin Pam Vaughton Pam Vaughton		Pam Vaughton
Information Spot			
Sergeant	Phil Smith	Mary-Anne Hannay	Greg Rogers
Information			



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# Shed Roster

# PLEASE NOTE START TIME IS 8.30am and CLOSE DOORS AT 12.30 pm

DAY	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday
DATE	01-Jul-23	08-Jul-23	15-Jul-23
		SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
TEAM LEADER	Jim Owler	Carmel O'Reilly	Bill Winslow
FRONT COUNTER			
Counter Sales 1	Betty Owler	Carmel O'Reilly	John Gallehawk
Counter Sales 2	Chris/Romaine Dawson Dawson	Pam Vaughton	Rhonda Heilbronn Allanah
GENERAL HELP	Jim Owler	Arthur Manser	Bill Winslow
CAFÉ			
BBQ	Tony Camporeale	Peter Shaw	Alberto Curiel
Coffee	Angela Williams	Lisa Shaw	Barb Joy - Midday
			Angela Williams Coffee After Midday
GOODS IN CounterWhen Needed	Jim Owler	Arthur Manser	Bill Winslow
SMALL HOUSEHOLD		Angela Williams - Assist on Café As needed	Angela Williams - Assist on Café As needed
EMERGENCIES	Phil Smith or Sue Bardy	Phil Smith or Sue Bardy	Phil Smith or Sue Bardy
PICK UP CREW 1	Pauline Yates	Pauline Yates	Pauline Yates
PICK UP CREW 2	Marlene Balacco	Marlene Balacco	Marlene Balacco

