

# Rotary Club of St Peters

## Rotary St Peters Monthly Newsletter

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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.

### Welcome to the July 2024 edition of the Rotary Club of St Peters Monthly Newsletter

#### The New Rotary Year

The Rotary year is from 1<sup>st</sup> July to the 30<sup>th</sup> of June. This year the 'Changeover' was held at the Mount Osmond Golf Club. It was a cold day but there was a warming wood fire in the room.

Members, Partners and Guests enjoyed a delicious three-course meal during which reports were given, special presentations made and the new club officers inducted.

#### End of Year Report Summary – President Jim Owler

It is very pleasing that all of our club committee chairs have worked very hard and disbursed their budgets very wisely and summarised as follows:

**International Committee:** Donated \$11,100.00 to 5 international charitable organisations.

**Community Committee:** Donated \$28,500 to 9 local charitable organisations

**Vocational & Youth Committee:** National Youth Science Forum, Rural Medical Scholarship, Youth Sailing – One & All, Vocational Music Night, Design & Creativity Awards. Total Donated \$14,300.

**Environmental Committee:** Donated \$5,000 to 5 local charitable organisations.  
Presidents Allowance: Donated \$3,100 to 1 x international and 1 local charitable organisation.

**Special Donation:** Following an appeal from our international President, Gordon McNally an amount A\$5,000 was approved by a show of hands for the Brazil Flood Appeal. The total the club has donated during the past 12 months is \$52,700.



### Other Club Achievements.

**Construction of Shelter:** One of the major achievements for the year was the successful construction of the shelter at the shed. Sales in our café have also risen since the shelter was constructed which has resulted in the café and counter sales rising consistently.

**Blokes Kitchen:** Over the past 12 months under the guidance and leadership of Romaine Dawson she has very successfully ran a monthly pilot programme of a group of guys learning to cook. Romaine's expertise in the hospitality industry has certainly shone through.

**Social:** A number of social occasions were organised during the year including the following; Rotary Club of St Peters Christmas meeting / party on the 9th December 2023. Over 50 Rotarians and their partners enjoyed a lovely meal and entertainment. It was lovely to see the entertainment by singer Jude Toy inspired some members to get up and have a dance. On Tuesday 9th February the club decamped to the south coast around 22 Rotarians and partners were invited by the Rotary Club of Goolwa to attend their meeting and we thank the Goolwa club for hosting us for another enjoyable evening.

### Paul Harris Award



President Jim was delighted to make a Paul Harris +3 award to the outgoing Treasurer John Reynolds

John has been a Rotarian for 45 years and has served our Club in this portfolio for 14 years.

*Rotary started in 1905 with the vision of one man — Paul Harris*

*After setting up his law practice in Chicago, Harris gathered several business associates to discuss the idea of forming an organization for local professionals.*

*He envisioned a place where professionals of diverse backgrounds could exchange ideas and form meaningful, lifelong friendships.*

*The Paul Harris Fellow recognition acknowledges individuals who contribute, or who have contributions made in their name, of \$1,000 to The Rotary Foundation.*

### Induction of Wendy Gaborit as President for year 2024-25

President Jim Owler inducted Wendy Gaborit as the new club president.

Wendy joined the St Peters club after many years in the Mobilong club.

She was the 9520 District Governor in 2013-14.



## Vale Brian Kretschmer

Rotary Club of St Peters members were shocked and saddened to learn of the passing of Rotarian Brian Kretschmer on the 15th July after an extremely short illness.

Brian joined the St Peters club after many years at Port Pirie and served as St Peters president in 2019-20.



## Club Meetings

## 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Music Awards



A successful Music Night was held on 14th May, at St Johns Anglican Church, Halifax Street, Adelaide.

There were 11 students from 7 schools. Loreto College, St Peters College, Norwood International, Prince Alfred College, Mary MacKillop School, St Peters Girls School, and Marryatville High School.

Students were presented with a certificate and a financial contribution for furthering their musical education. The response after from teachers, parents and students was very positive and schools said they would return again next year

## Gordon Miller



In 2005 Gordon developed Cardiomyopathy as a result of a viral infection. In 2010 he suffered a cardiac arrest. Luckily Medical Aid and an AED were close by and he received prompt treatment.

Various medical procedures followed but Gordon's health deteriorated. 30 individual doctor appointments followed as he was placed on the heart transplant list in 2016. During the next 19 months and 10 days Gordon was unable to work and became very ill.

The next three months after his heart transplant were very challenging. Gordon had to stay in Sydney and have a myriad of medical procedures including very unpleasant heart biopsies that left him bruised and sore. However, he followed medical, diet and fitness recommendations and gradually returned to good health.



## Lyall Pearce - Gordon Miller's friend through Heart Transplant Rehabilitation

Lyall's journey was quite different from Gordon's. At age 50 he was diagnosed with Amyloidosis. This is a condition with similar symptoms to multiple myeloma – cancer of the plasma cells. Lyall had five years of illness before he was able to receive a heart transplant. He also had to undergo a bone marrow transplant.

Gordon and Lyall have experienced a challenging journey with success through grit, determination and expert medical care.

## Rotary Club of Peterborough Tag Along Tour – Kanyaka Ruin 20 km north of Hawker

The Rotary Club partnered with Pam and Jim from the Rotary Club of St Peters for an adventure-filled tag-a-long tour that began at Rotary Park Peterborough, then onto Hawker with morning tea.

Then, they set off to explore the Kanyaka ruins, where they were regaled with tales of times past and marvelled at the history that surrounded them.

Then and now





To cap off the day, they enjoyed a delicious lunch at the Cradock Hotel, which was well worth the brief wait.



The day was characterized by the club's tradition of fellowship and an appreciation for the natural beauty that surrounded them.

*Words: President Doug Perrett*

*Rotary Club of Peterborough – Facebook Page*

*Photos: Doug and Pam*





## MONSTER GARAGE SALE in the BIG GREEN SHED every Saturday morning in Linde Reserve

Our Rotary on Linde BIG GREEN SHED provides clothing, shoes and bric-a-brac items. Also, books, toys, art, DVDs and LP records as well as household electrical, sports equipment and tools.

All at affordable prices.

**Location** - in Linde Reserve at Stepney (Bus stop 6, Payneham Road). Follow the roadside signs.

**Opening times** - Every Saturday morning from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.

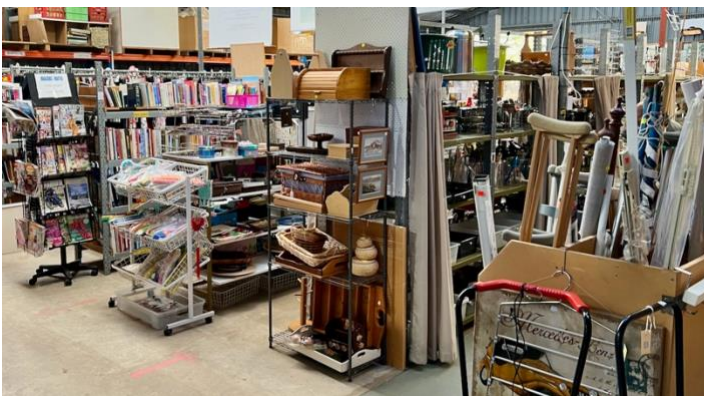


**Our Café** – Serves coffee, light BBQ snacks and drinks. Come and enjoy our new shelter.

**Dog Owners** with their pets on a leash are welcome.



**Electronics Recycling** – there's a bin at the Shed for items. This provides work for the employees at Minda.



**We need your help - to DONATE items, to help SORT items, to SERVE on Saturdays.**

**Bring items to the Shed on Saturdays, phone us on 8411 0277 or contact us at –**

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