DISTRICT 9920 Foundation Newsletter

Message from the District Foundation Chair PDG Willard Martin

We recently distributed to Club's a Polio Plus Fact Sheet and it is worthwhile repeating some of the main points – Rotary started its drive to rid the world of Polio in 1988. I can still remember my club being asked to contribute funds and our member asking what is Polio all about. Since that time the number of polio endemic countries has declined from over 125 to three. In 2016 more than 450 million children were vaccinated multiple times using more than two billion doses of oral polio vaccine and this will be done every year until the world is certified polio free.

The number of cases is rapidly falling, 37 in 2016, 22 in 2017 and 3 to date in 2018. But we need to totally rid the world of polio to be free forever; even one single case would be enough to again start the cycle.

From 2013 until eradications is complete it will cost an estimated US\$7 billion. By this time Rotary's contribution will exceed US\$2.2 billion, including over US\$985 million in matching funds from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Other contributors include WHO (World Health Organisation), UNICEF plus others including a NZ\$5 million contribution late last year from our Government. Rotary this year are looking to provide US\$150 million so every donation helps – remember that the Gates Foundation contribute 2:1 so your \$5,000.00 donation becomes \$15,000.00 for the fund.

Your Foundation Committee continue to process Global Grant applications, this month they include a RC St John project in Madagascar to provide a higher education for talented students who will in turn bring education and employment opportunities to reduce poverty in the world's poorest communities, while simultaneously growing the local economy. This Grant is also being supported by Districts 9940, 9970 & 9980. Contact Simon Jones RC St John if you would like further details.

Rotary is becoming far more active to source funds from the community, not just from Members. This includes Bequests and Foundation Giving. The Rotary Foundation administrative overhead is one of the lowest in all charitable organisations so your donation is used and not hived off to cover administrative expense. If you want any further information please contact any member of the Foundation Committee.

Remember that the Rotary Foundation must be every Rotarians Charity of Choice!

Willard Martin
D9920 Foundation Chair







RI President Ian Riseley



DG Malini Raghwan



PDG Willard Martin

Ambassadorial Scholarships



Last year **Kate Kelly** was a recipient of an Ambassadorial Scholarship supported by funding from a Global Grant to study for a Masters in Clinical Embryology at the University of Oxford.

During her time away she has kept in regular contact with her D9920 sponsor Club, RC Ellerslie Sunrise, and the District Foundation Committee.

In this newsletter we share with you some of Kate's own words.

Rotary

Speaking at Rotary Clubs became part of my routine at Oxford and I always enjoyed the warm hospitality and genuine interest Rotarians had in my study. My host, Tim Hibbert, attended all of these meetings with me as well as regularly catching up with me to ensure that I was surviving the busy Oxford Life. In total I spoke at seven Rotary meetings – all good practice for when I can come to the Ellerslie Sunrise Meeting!

The group of scholars in 2016/17 were studying in a large range of areas with the common theme of improving our societies and world. The social events of walking tours in London and Oxford, trip to Blenheim Palace meeting Lady Henrietta Spencer-Churchill and the Ascot Races day are some of my most treasured memories of my time in the United Kingdom. These were rare opportunities only possible through the network, reputation and generosity of Rotary. The Rotarian Scholarship group still involve me and I am very excited to have been invited to attend a meeting with the Vice Chancellor of Oxford University at the end of January – firstly because this is an amazing opportunity but also because I cannot wait to return to Oxford.

Reflection

The last 12 months have been truly life changing and I am so grateful to have had this opportunity. In my opinion, what makes Oxford special, and indeed the top ranked University in the world, is the calibre of inspiring, engaging and diverse people it attracts. My colleagues were incredibly hard working and driven, but also balanced with intense passions and purpose. Going through this immersive experience with them has positively influenced me and extended my goals and aspirations. My life in Oxford was extremely busy and being there for one year make me appreciate and make the most of all the unique sporting, cultural, social, debating and idea-sharing events.

The scholarship program of the Rotary Foundation is a hugely worthwhile investment. It is encouraging to see bright minds in some of the world's greatest academic institutions with strong convictions towards making a difference in the world through health, economics, policy, education or relations. My specific area of clinical embryology is a rapidly evolving field. The scientific discoveries, innovative treatments and bioethical decisions made in the coming years will have dramatic impacts on the reproductive health and lives of women, men and children in the future. I will forever be grateful for the support of Rotary Clubs Ellerslie Sunrise and Biscester for making this study possible and feel excited to share my new knowledge and skills.

END POLIO





POLIOPLUS FACT SHEET

Although it currently circulates in only a few countries, polio is highly infectious and spreads rapidly. The disease, which afflicts mainly children, is transmitted via contaminated water and food supplies. Five to 10 percent of cases are fatal. As long as polio threatens even one child anywhere in the world, children everywhere are at risk. Only the global eradication of polio will ensure that no child ever again suffers its devastating effects.

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- If polio is not eradicated, within 10 years, as many as 200,000 children will be paralyzed by it
- In 2016, more than 450 million children were vaccinated multiple times using more than two billion doses of oral polio vaccine. This will be done every year until the world is certified polio free. Rotary funds will help do this.
- To date, 122 countries have benefited from PolioPlus grants.
- Since 1988, the number of polio endemic countries declined from over 125 to three.
- · At Rotary's 2017 International Convention in Atlanta, global leaders pledged \$1.2 billion to the fight to eradicate polio.
- · This pledge included Rotary's commitment to raise \$50 million per year over the next three years as part of the End Polio Now: Countdown to History campaign.
- Under an expanded partnership with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, every \$1 Rotary commits to polio eradication will be matched 2-to-1 (up to \$ 50 million per year).

Rotary:

Polio Cases (as of February 2018)

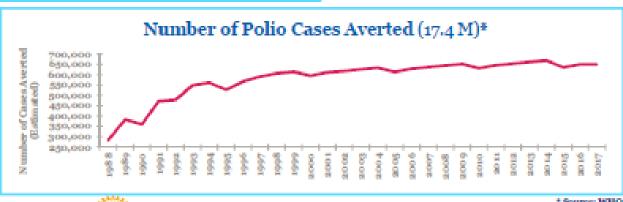
	2016	2017	2018
Number of Cases	37	22	3

On average, a child can be fully protected against polio for US\$3.

Since 1998, Vitamin A supplements have been added to polio immunization activities, helping to avert an estimated 1.5 million childhood deaths.

A study published in 2010 in the medical journal "Vaccine" estimates the economic benefit of polio eradication as US\$40-50 billion.





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END POLIO continued

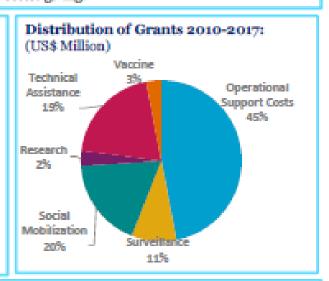


FUNDING

- From 2013 until the certification of eradication, an estimated US\$7 billion in donor contributions is needed to fully implement the activities of the Polio Eradication and Endgame Strategic Plan.
- By the time the world is certified polio-free, Rotary's contributions to the global polio eradication effort will exceed US\$2.2 billion, including over US\$985 million in matching funds from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.
- Rotary's contribution to the GPEI since 1988 accounts for nearly 11% of all contributions through December 2016 and approximately 42% of private sector giving.

Rotary Polio Grants - Top 10 recipients: (US\$ Million)

	Recipient	WHO	UNICEF	Other	TOTAL
1	Nigeria	8 81	8 134	\$ 27	8 242
2	WHO-AFRO	190			190
3	India	77	88	15	180
4	Pakistan	76	83	5	164
5	Afghanistan	45	80		125
6	Sudan	41	44		85
7	WHO-EMRO	60			60
8	DR Congo	21	30		51
9	Somalia	26	17		43
10	Chad	25	17		42



Select PolioPlus Grant Projects Funded in 2017

- DR Congo: 250,000 posters to create awareness of National immunization Days and stipends for 32,000 vaccinators.
- Afghanistan: Allowance for 65,000 vaccinators, supervisors, and district coordinators for two National Immunization Days
- Pakistan: 2500 female community health workers and 680 social mobilizers to raise awareness of National Immunization Days.
- Nepal and Myanmar: Support for disease surveillance medical officers to detect and investigate any possible cases of polio.

What is circulating vaccine-derived virus?

In populations with low-immunization coverage, it is possible for the weakened virus used in the oral vaccine to circulate in the environment long enough to undergo genetic changes that can cause paralysis. This is called vaccine derived poliovirus and is tracked separately than cases of wild poliovirus. When a population if fully immunized, they will be protected against both vaccine derived and wild polioviruses.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Take action by hosting fundraisers, raising public awareness, writing your government representatives, donating, sharing stories, and encouraging others to join our cause.

www.endpolio.org











Rotary Foundation





The Facts

- 1. Polio mainly affects children under age 5.
- 2. There is no cure, but polio is preventable with a vaccine.
- 3. Only 3 countries remain endemic.
- 4. We've reduced cases by 99.9% since 1998.
- 5. Until we end polio forever, every child is at risk.

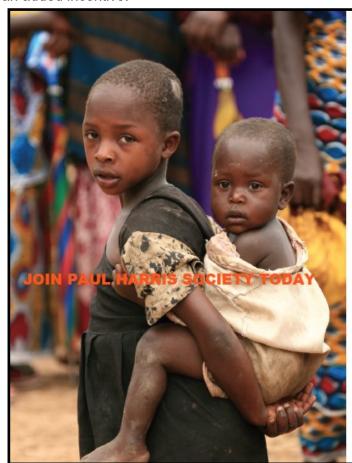
www.endpolio.org

The Rotary International website **www.rotary.org** website provides regular updates about the initiatives being taken to raise awareness about Polio and the funds required to eradiate this dreadful disease.

Last year D9920 Clubs and individuals contributed \$75,431 to the END POLIO fund.

For the 2017 –2018 Rotary year we urge you to be equally as generous. At the end of February 2018, Clubs had donated just over \$31,000 so we need your help to get this higher.

Every \$1 contributed by Rotary is be matched by \$2 from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation which is an added incentive.



JOIN PAUL HARRIS SOCIETY TODAY Rotary District 9920

I would like to become a member of the Paul Harris Society and improve lives locally and around the world.

Two ways to make a payment of \$1000.00 USD per year (contributions are tax deductible)

- Make an online payment using the Global Payment System (GPS) The GPS system is on the Rotary International website and is for Foundation contributions. Payment is through credit cards. Rotary International is responsible for all bank Fees. The contribution is in New Zealand Dollars. Rotarians will receive a valid New Zealand Tax Receipt from the Perpetual Guardian Trust. Log on to the RI website through your "member access" and follow the instructions.
- Send a cheque to PHS District Administrator, PDG Ron Seeto, PO BOX 9384, Newmarket, Auckland 1149

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Ron Seeto ronseeto@mcparchitects.com or +64 274 593 282

How to donate

New Zealand based D9920 Clubs

The New Zealand based Rotary Clubs can sent their donation and contribution for Annual Giving and Polio Plus by cheque direct to the Rotary Foundation Administrator 9920, stating what the amount is for. Tax receipts are forwarded in August/September.

New Zealand Rotarians

Most if not all clubs have a Charitable trust. The Rotarians should donate through their club's charitable trust, who can issue individual Tax Donation Receipt. The Club's charitable trust can then forward this total amount on to Rotary Foundation Administrator 9920, with the Rotarian's name, ID number and \$ amount. This can be allocated under the Rotarian's name.

Donations Paul Harris Society (PHS) Members and Sustaining Members.

These donations should be paid directly to Rotary Foundation Administrator 9920. Tax receipts are forwarded in April/May.

Global payment System (GPS)

Individual Rotarians can make a Donation directly to the Rotary Foundation through the RI website. You need your access user name and password to sign in as member. The D9920 Administrator is then advised and is credited to your club. Tax receipts are forwarded in April/May The GPS option is for Individuals not Clubs.

Internet Banking

Clubs or Individual Rotarians wishing to pay through Internet banking.

Bank Account name: "Rotary Foundation 9920" Account number: 02 0256 0333474 00, Reference box "Club".

Please email pdmwilcock@gmail.com the amount and the allocation i.e. Annual Giving or Polio and club name.

Payment by Cheque

Cheques to be made out to "Rotary Foundation" and posted to

The Rotary Foundation Administrator 9920

Peter Willock, 42 Arana Drive, RD2, Drury, Auckland 2578

Note. The donations are transferred to RI Parramatta before the 20th of the month, so any donations after that are at the Rotary exchange rate for the next month.

The published RI exchange rate for November is US\$ 1 = NZ\$ 1.44 [NZ\$ 1 = US\$0.6944].

District Foundation Committee

The table below shows the contact details for members of the D9920 Foundation Committee.

Please note that there are some recent email address changes that will not match the printed District Handbook, but should match the Clubrunner Directory.

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