

Rotary



Zone 8 Institute
Darwin, 1 - 3 September 2017

Institute Report



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Institute Convenor Noel Trevaskis going through the program with Marga and John Hewko

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

PDG Joanne Schilling

It is with pleasure that I present the report from the Rotary International Zone 8 Institute held in Darwin, Northern Territory, from September 1 - 3, 2017.

The Institute itself was preceded by three days of briefings and training. The formal Governors Elect Training Seminar (GETS) was held over two days under the leadership of Training Coordinator PDG David Anderson. The pre-Institute program also included two days training for the District Governors Nominee, with one day allocated for a District Governors discussion group, District Trainers Seminar and Future Leaders Seminar. These activities are reported separately.

As in 2016, RI Director Noel Trevaskis opened the 2017 Institute to all Rotarians. The initial proposal to hold the Institute in Darwin was welcomed by many PDGs, who indicated strong support for the location. Darwin provided a 'holiday destination', with the Ghan rail, visits to Kakadu and other attractions cited as additional reasons to attend the 2017 Institute. It was a great experience to work with Director Noel and the team in delivering a first-class Institute focused on Rotary programs and service, while at the same time showing support for Rotarians in the Top End.

In May 2015 possible conference venues and accommodation were examined and considered by three members of the organising committee. Once the decision was confirmed in early 2016 to hold the Institute in Darwin at the Darwin Convention Centre (DCC), the Executive Committee was established and each member set about their tasks to bring the Institute together. All meetings were held via the internet using "go to" or "zoom" meeting software. There were no face-to-face meetings of the full organising committee which comprised members from Darwin, Cairns, Townsville, Bega, the Blue Mountains and Mount Gambier, and it is a credit to them all that the team worked together so effectively.

Vice-Chair PDG Peter Kaye was a wonderful backstop and picked up various coordination roles, including as a key member of the program sub-committee.

Institute Secretary PDG Jeff Crofts provided an excellent secretariat throughout the planning stages and during the pre-Institute and Institute proper, and was the key contact and liaison for guest speakers. Jeff also completed his term as Chair of Australian Rotary Health at the Institute, and was recognised with Life Membership of ARH at their Annual General Meeting on Friday 1st September. Congratulations Jeff, and well-deserved.

PDG Philip Hedley willingly took on the role of Treasurer, and for me it was the first time in many years (possibly ever) that I was not responsible for the money matters. However with a name like "Schilling" I did keep an eye on things! All budgeting and financial matters were capably handled collaboratively and efficiently by Philip and the final results were good. His financial report is shown on page 12.

PDG Phil Lacey and his wife Rotarian Nerrie Lacey took on big roles. PDG Phil established and maintained the web site and registration system, and liaised closely with training leaders and the DCC audio visual staff ensure that every venue was set up as required for every event / session. Phil managed all things technical and the many additional items required including name tags and badges. When it came to printing these items local Rotarian Phil Nacey did the printing and provided a photocopier / printer at no cost for the committee to use throughout the week, a gesture that was very much appreciated. However there were some funny moments at times when we mixed up the two names.

Rotarian Nerrie once again took charge of pulling together the Institute Directory and produced an excellent product, along with the pocket-size program booklet. I liaised with Nerrie and had these printed in Darwin by a local firm, Colemans Printing. Nerrie also managed the on-site Registration Desk and assisted PDG Phil and me with many of the ad hoc tasks throughout the Institute.

PDG Phil Dempster took care of the Rotary Showcase, liaising with all stallholders. This also included the Purple Bus, the dialysis truck used by nurse Sarah Brown and based in Alice Springs, which was placed inside the Showcase alongside the booths.

Thanks goes to PDG Bob Aitken for his RDU articles prior to the Institute, and for his excellent photography throughout the event - some of his work is in this report.

We had some radio and newspaper coverage of the event, however the biggest coup was the Channel 9 News interview with General Secretary John Hewko at the start of the Institute, which aired on the evening news on television that night.

The Globus and Avalon Waterways group of companies came on board with a significant sponsorship for the Institute, for which we were very thankful.

I gratefully acknowledge the work of the sub-committees:

- MC: Caitlin Scott
- Newsletters: PDG Gina Growden
- Parliamentarian: PDG Maurie Stack
- Resolution Session Chairman: PDG Jennifer Scott
- Resolution Session Recorder: PDG Ken Hall
- Reunion Dinners: PDG John McLaren
- Sergeants and Rotary Guides: PDG Ida Portella
- Aides for our VIPs: PDG Mike Woods, and PDG Jessie and Andrew Harman.

Situated in the Darwin Waterfront precinct, the Darwin Convention Centre venue proved to be a world class operation and facility, spacious and easy to navigate, and provided excellent facilities for all of the pre-Institute and Institute events.

Extensive feedback received since the Institute has commended both the venue and the Institute program, further validating the decision to *"Do the Top End Institute"*.

Excellent working relations were established with Darwin Convention Centre staff, and their professional service before

and throughout the event was impeccable; nothing was too much trouble. Their staff are to be highly commended.

A block booking arrangement with the closest hotel to the Convention Centre, the Adina Vibe, ensured appropriate and convenient accommodation was obtained for the VIP guest list and all senior leaders and partners, along with providing conference rooms for a number of ancillary meetings that were held in conjunction with the Institute. Again, excellent working relations were established and maintained with the key accommodation and function staff at the Adina Vibe.

Tourism Top End were very helpful. They established a dedicated page on their website for the 2017 Rotary Zone Institute with links to accommodation, tours and attractions, along with various other features. They provided several hundred Darwin tourism booklets which were distributed at the Penrith Institute. Tourism Top End also provided "Darwin welcomes delegates" discount cards which were handed out at the registration desk.



Several local Rotarians assisted with airport pick-ups and transport for VIPs and guest speakers throughout the Institute and their assistance was invaluable. We also thank ARH for providing the delegates bags; these were packed by members of the Rotary Club of Darwin South.

I was very pleased with the opportunities for interaction between local and visiting Rotarians. A stated goal of RI Director Noel Trevaskis for the Institute in Darwin was to show support for Rotarians in the top end, and I believe that was achieved.

Approximately 450 registrations were received for one or more of the events over the week, including good numbers of local Rotarians who attended the Pre Institute Gala Dinner held at the Convention Centre on Wednesday evening 30th August. In fact, the Gala Dinner was fully booked out well in advance. Local Rotary Club Litchfield-Palmerston attended this event en masse instead of holding a regular meeting.

On Thursday night the Rotary Club of Darwin welcomed the ROMAC board, committee and volunteers to their meeting.

Friday morning was another local highlight when the Rotary Club of Darwin Sunrise held their breakfast meeting in the unique Royal Flying Doctor Service and Bombing of Darwin Harbour tourist facility at Stokes Hill Wharf. The Club presented: *'Showcasing Darwin', a Rotary meeting to welcome visiting Rotarians to Darwin and the Top End.* Attendees heard about the events and people that make Darwin unique, with special guest speakers Peter Forrest, historian and author, and John Anictomatis AO, Honorary Greek Consul-General and former Administrator of the Northern Territory. This excellent and entertaining event was also booked out.

Attendees enjoyed Reunion and District Dinners held at a range of venues across Darwin on Friday and Saturday evening respectively. Thanks PDG John McLaren for assisting the various groups with those arrangements.

I congratulate and thank RID Noel for his bold decision to bring the Institute to the Top End and the consequent success of this Institute. I also express my heartfelt thanks to Noel and all members of the Executive Committee, along with the various sub committees. And finally, I sincerely thank all Rotary International past officers, Rotary staff from Parramatta and Evanston, Rotarians, partners, friends, and project leaders for coming to Darwin and supporting the 'Top End' Institute so well.

PDG Joanne Schilling
Chairman



The Exec team in action (l to r): Philip Hedley, Peter Kaye, Nerrie and Phil Lacey, Joanne Schilling and Jeff Crofts.

INSTITUTE TEAM

Institute Team:

- Institute Convener: RI Director 2016-18 Noel Trevaskis
- Chairman: PDG Joanne Schilling
- Deputy Chairman: PDG Peter Kaye
- Secretary: PDG Jeff Crofts
- Treasurer: PDG Philip Hedley
- Audio Visual: PDG Phil Lacey
- Directory: Rotarian Nerrie Lacey
- Registrations: Rotarian Nerrie Lacey
- Showcase: PDG Phil Dempster
- Venue and Accommodation: PDG Joanne Schilling
- Website: PDG Phil Lacey

Sub-committees:

- MC: Caitlin Scott
- Program Coordination: RID Noel Trevaskis, PDG Jeff Crofts, PDG Peter Kaye
- Newsletters: PDG Gina Growden
- Sponsorship: PDG Joanne Schilling
- Reunion Dinners: PDG John McLaren
- Parliamentarian: PDG Maurie Stack
- Resolutions Committee Chairman: Harry Durey
- Resolutions Session Chairman: PDG Jennifer Scott
- Resolutions Session Recorder: PDG Ken Hall
- Sergeants and Rotary Guides: PDG Ida Portella



John Hewko being interviewed by Channel 9 News on Friday 1st September, aired on the television news that evening.

The Institute organising committee thanks the following organisations for their support.

SPONSORS

Avalon / Globus group of companies
 Adina Vibe hotel
 Tourism Top End
 Australian Rotary Health
 Disaster Aid Australia
 Interplast
 ROMAC

SHOWCASE

Rotary International South Pacific and Philippines Office (RISPPPO)

The Rotary Foundation

Disaster Aid Australia

Australian Rotary Health

Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC)

Science Schools Foundation

ShelterBox Australia

Probus South Pacific Limited

Operation Cleft Australia Foundation

Rotary Australia World Community Service

Youth Exchange Program (YEP)

2018 Aus-NZ Rotary Conference (Institute)

Globus / Avalon group of companies

Macleay Valley Travel

Destiny Rescue

Interplast Australia & NZ

Rotary Down Under

Days For Girls Darwin NT

Disaster Aid Australia

Western Desert Dialysis - The Purple Truck



RI General Secretary John Hewko with locals Val Wilkie and Chris Doidge at the YEP stand



Days for Girls Darwin NT showcase booth



Sarah Brown with Sue Trevaskis and the 'Purple Truck' in the showcase.

PRE-INSTITUTE**FACILITATORS / CO-ORDINATORS****District Governors Forum:**

Keith Ryall, Lead Facilitator
Annette Richards

District Governors Elect (GETS):

David Anderson, Lead Trainer
Jodie Sparks

District Governors Nominee (DGNTS):

Tony Monley, Lead Trainer
Ida Portella

District Trainers Seminar:

James Wilcox, Lead Trainer
Mike Woods

Future Leaders Seminar:

Cathy Roth
John Wigley



Convenor Noel Trevaskis and Joe Otin

"Rotary is CEO training for free." Joe Otin.

PRE-INSTITUTE PROGRAM**Monday, 28 August**

12.00pm Registration opens

Tuesday, 29 August

8.30am Registration opens
8.30am-12.00pm RISPPPO / San Diego Briefing
- DGEs and partners (MR 2)
10.00am Morning tea
12.00pm Lunch
1.00pm Youth Protection and Insurance
- DGEs (MR 2)
Getting to know your classmates
- DGNs (MR 3)
2.30pm Afternoon tea
3.00pm GETS Training - DGEs (MR 2)
Youth Protection and Insurance
- DGNs (MR 3)
Good Governance – DGEs and
DGNs (MR 3)

Wednesday, 30 August

8.30am Registration opens
9.00am- 5.00pm GETS Training - DGEs (MR 2)
DGN Training - DGNs (MR 3)
10.30am Morning tea
12.30pm Lunch
1.30pm-5.00pm GETS Partners (MR 4)
3.00pm Afternoon tea
5.30pm Cocktail Party - Australian Rotary
Health - DGNs (Foyer Level 1)
7.00pm Combined Gala Dinner - DGs,
DGEs, DGNs, Trainers, VIPs,
Rotarians (WF 1, 2 & 3)

Thursday, 31 August

7.15am ROMAC Breakfast - DGEs,
DGNs (Vibe Hotel)
8.30am Registration opens
9.00am-3.00pm DG Symposium - DGs (WF1 & 2)
GETS Training - DGEs (MR 2)
DGN Training - DGNs (MR 3)
9.00am-5.00pm District Trainers Seminar (MR 4)
Future Leaders Seminar (MR 1)
10.30am Morning tea
12.30pm Lunch
3.00pm Afternoon tea
3.30pm Combined meeting - DGs, DGEs,
DGNs (WF 1 & 2)
5.30pm Cocktail Party - Interplast -
DGEs & DGNs (Foyer Level 1)
7.00pm Australian Rotary Health
Chairman's Dinner (WF1 & 2)

INSTITUTE PROGRAM – AUDITORIUM 2

Friday, 1 September

8.00am Registration opens

8.30am AGMs - ROMAC, RAWCS, ARH and RDU

12.00noon Showcase opens (Hall 1)

Lunch (not provided)

12.50pm Call to order - MC Caitlin Scott
 Welcome / Introduction of VIPs
 National Anthems of Australia and Bahamas - The Essington School
 Official Welcome - His Honour the Honourable John Hardy AO, Administrator of the Northern Territory
 Thanks - Noel Trevaskis
 Indigenous Dance Group - One Mob, Different Country
 RI General Secretary - John Hewko
 The Rotary Foundation Trustee - Mike Webb
 Keynote speaker: Sarah Brown - The Purple House

3.00pm Afternoon tea

3.35pm Year Roll Call - MC Caitlin Scott

Australian Membership - Jessie Harman

Redistricting Update - Noel Trevaskis

Rotary Public Image - Wendy Gaborit

One Rotary - Philip Archer

Keynote speaker: Rhett Butler - Sky Juice Foundation

5.15pm Cocktail Party - Disaster Aid Australia - DGNs (Foyer Level 1)

6.00pm Reunion dinners



'One Mob, Different Country' dancers



Sarah Brown enthraling the audience.



RAWCS Board members at AGM



What Rotary Did for Me: John Prendergast, Caitlin Scott, Ainslie Corridon, Joe Otin

Saturday, 2 September

- 8.00am Registration opens
 8:30am Call to order - MC Caitlin Scott
 RAWCS Project - Paul Asprey
 Rotary Down Under (RDU)
 RI Financial Report -
 Noel Trevaskis
 End Trachoma + 2020 - Lien Trinh
 Globus/Avalon Sponsor Promotion
 9.45am Morning tea
 10.15am Presentation of Australia Cup
 Rotary Foundation - Eric Wood,
 John Barnes
 Polio Update - Bob Aitken
 Keynote speaker: Joe Otin -
 Engaging and Growing Our
 Membership with Social Media
 Toronto RI Convention 2018
 What Rotary Did for Me: Joe Otin,
 Caitlin Scott, Ainslie Corridon and
 John Prendergast.
 12.30pm Lunch
 1.45pm Journey from Rotaract to Rotary via
 the World - Claudia Trave
 Timor Leste: Evolution - RYLA to
 Rotaract to RC Dili Lafaek -
 Mike Woods and Herculano Amaral
 RYEA - Elisabeth Moniz
 ROMAC Project – Dr Josh Francis
 ARH Indigenous Health Scholar -
 Dr Belinda Washington
 3.00pm Afternoon tea
 3.40pm ARH Sports - Chris Edwards
 2018 Hobart Institute promotion
 Housekeeping - MC Caitlin Scott
 Business Session
 5.15pm Cocktail Party - TRF Major Donors
 - invitation only (Foyer Level 1)
 7.00pm District dinners

Sunday, 3 September

- 8.30am Showcase opens (Hall 1)
 8:30am Call to order - MC Caitlin Scott
 Memorium
 Foundation Trustee - Mike Webb
 RI Director - Noel Trevaskis
 9.45am Morning tea
 10.25am Open Forum Q&A
 RI General Secretary - John Hewko
 11.30am Farewell and thanks - Noel Trevaskis
 Close



Timor Leste: Evolution - RYLA to Rotaract to RC Dili Lafaek - Mike Woods and Herculano Amaral.



"I helped not because I have a lot, but because I know what it is to have nothing." Elisabeth Moniz, 2007 East Timorese YEP student to Brazil.



Dr Belinda Washington, ARH Indigenous Health Scholar

SECRETARY'S REPORT

PDG Jeff Crofts

As Secretary of the 'Top End' Institute in Darwin, my primary role was in maintaining a record of the committee discussions during the course of the Institute planning, which was particularly important given that all Committee meetings were held online, with Committee members spread throughout the country. In fact, the Committee at no stage met face to face in advance of the Institute, throughout the two-year planning period.

Similarly, as Secretary, it was my responsibility to prepare information for the regular newsletters which were issued to the Institute membership from January 2017 on a generally monthly basis, with the final newsletter being issued just a couple of weeks prior to the Institute. I would like to acknowledge the brilliant work done by Gina Growden in taking the basic newsletter information and presenting it in an attractive and eye-catching format before circulation to all Institute members and registrants. Keeping the members informed of prospective speakers, venue information and planned activities on a regular basis contributed in a large way to the overall level of registrations received.

In addition, I was primarily responsible for the management of the Institute Program, for communication and follow up with prospective speakers, and in communicating details of speaking times and requirements to all parties as the program was confirmed. This largely entailed following up the suggestions and recommendations re speakers from Convenor Noel and Chair Joanne, and in resolving programming order and timings with them and Institute AV coordinator Phil Lacey.

In reality, the role of Darwin Institute Secretary was to support the efforts of the Committee in general, and to assist in coordinating and facilitating where possible the tasks of all members of the Committee. My job was made easy by the singular way in which all members of the Committee

assumed complete responsibility for their individual roles - I have rarely worked with such a cohesive and competent team of individuals and it has been a real pleasure for me to have been involved in this outstanding Institute.

I must therefore thank Director Noel for the opportunity to serve with such a great group, and of course, also to Chair Joanne for allowing me to be a part of such a great team.

I must also acknowledge the incredible facilities and support provided by the Darwin Convention Centre - the facilities provided for on-site registration and committee support could not have been bettered.

PDG Jeff Crofts Institute Secretary



Incoming ARH Chair Greg Ross presented Jeff Crofts with Life Membership of ARH

TREASURER'S REPORT - PDG Philip Hedley

Rotary Zone Institute Financial Report
Zones 7b&8

	Actual Prior Year	Actual Current Year	Budget Current Year	Current Year Variance
REGISTRATION				
Total Number of Participants	437	386	350	36
INCOME				
Registration Fees	\$201,431	\$179,402	\$172,500	\$6,902
Donation/Sponsorships	\$25,302	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$0
Exhibits	\$16,897	\$11,772	\$19,000	-\$7,228
Interest Income	\$897	\$1,086		\$1,086
<i>Other (please list):</i>				
Sale of Directories	\$68			\$0
TOTAL INCOME:	\$244,595	\$200,260	\$199,500	\$760
EXPENSES				
Registration Materials	\$2,187	\$2,030	\$2,500	-\$470
Bank Charges	\$90	\$0	\$500	-\$500
Food	\$45,400	\$36,409	\$34,260	\$2,149
Meeting Rooms	\$18,327	\$13,405	\$13,572	-\$167
Signs/Decorations	\$1,102	\$0	\$4,400	-\$4,400
Audio/Video	\$16,409	\$22,037	\$20,000	\$2,037
Entertainment	\$6,364	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0
GETS	\$77,602	\$91,218	\$101,908	-\$10,690
Insurance				\$0
Office Supplies				\$0
Postage	\$111	\$109	\$100	\$9
Printing	\$4,121	\$5,595	\$5,500	\$95
Photography	\$65			\$0
Transportation	\$209	\$1,798	\$5,000	-\$3,202
Speakers	\$5,784	\$8,791	\$8,900	-\$109
VIPs	\$2,556	\$1,852	\$1,590	\$262
<i>Miscellaneous (please list):</i>				
Hall hire and Booth Rental	\$8,502	\$21,677	\$22,652	-\$975
Accommodation	\$1,013			\$0
Merchant and Booking Fees		\$4,006	\$3,500	\$506
TOTAL EXPENDITURES:	\$189,842	\$210,427	\$225,882	-\$2,543
Excess/(Deficit) for year	\$54,753	-\$10,167		

Net Assets or Fund Balance at Beginning of Year
as per end-of-year figure reported in prior year
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\$152,863

Excess or (Deficit) for the year

-\$10,167

Other Changes in Net Assets or Fund Balance

-\$1,242

 (Past Institute expenses)

Net Assets or Fund Balance at End of Year
(Amount forwarded to next Rotary Institute Fund)

\$141,454

DIRECTORY / REGISTRATION REPORT

Rotarian Nerrie Lacey

Pre-Institute

- Arranging for packing of delegate bags by members of Darwin South Rotary Club
- Obtaining quote for printing
- Obtaining quote for lanyards and badge pouches
- Creating Institute directory and conference booklet
- Checking registration information and updating Institute directory contact section as delegate's information received
- Circulating draft of Institute directory to committee for comments / suggestions / updates
- Emailing Institute directory and conference booklet to printer in Darwin for printing
- Ordering and collecting lanyards and badge holders, transporting to Darwin
- Placed name tags and conference booklet into badge pouches
- Set up registration desk and registered delegates requiring early registration

Institute

- Set up registration desk daily
- Instructed Rotarians assisting on registration desk of registration procedure
- Greeted and registered delegates on arrival
- Registered approximately 8 delegates on arrival
- Answered numerous questions relating to location and program of Institute
- Gave Showcase attendees' registrations to Phil Dempster
- Passed money received from late registrations to Phil Hedley

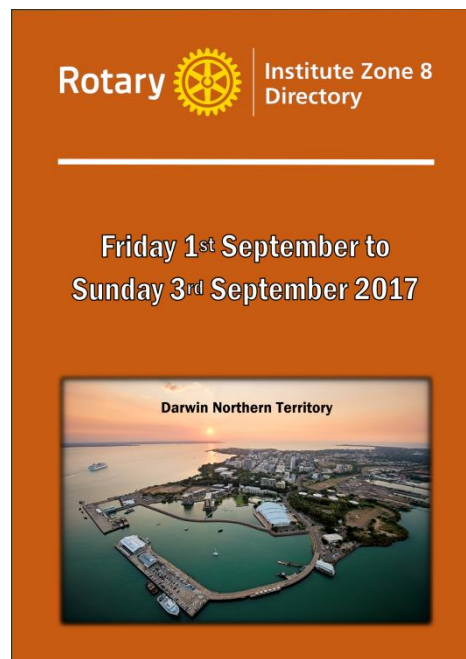
Post Institute

- Updated directory with changes received at Institute and afterwards
- Passed the remaining directories to Jo Schilling
- Emailed pdf version of Directory to Jo Schilling and Jeff Crofts
- Attended Darwin South Rotary Club to thank members for packing delegate bags

Rotarian Nerrie Lacey Directory and Registrations



Phil and Nerrie Lacey in the 'control tower'.



The major piece of Nerrie's handiwork, the Institute Directory.

TRAINING REPORT

PDG David Anderson

Pre-Institute training at the 2017 Zone Institute occurred over a four-day period, 28 - 31 August, at the Darwin Convention Centre, Northern Territory.

The teams and their training schedule were as follows:

DG Symposium (31 August):

- PDG Keith Ryall (D 9800),
Lead Facilitator
- PDG Annette Richards (D 9630)

DGE Governors Elect Training Seminar (GETS) and RISPPPO Briefing (28 – 31 August):

- PDG David Anderson (D 9790),
Lead Facilitator
- PDG Jodie Sparks (D 9465)
- PDG John Prendergast (D9980)

DGN Training Seminar (30 – 31 August):

- PDG Tony Monley (D 9810),
Lead Facilitator
- PDG Ida Portella (D 9550)

Training Seminar (District Trainers)
31 August:

- PDG James Wilcox (D 9830),
Lead Facilitator
- PDG Mike Woods (D 9550)

A one-day Future Leaders Seminar was also held (31 August) at which the lead facilitator was PDG Cathy Roth (9780).

The training teams also pleased to welcome back from Rotary International in Evanston, the Zone 8 Regional Membership Officer, Julie Aubry, who had previously attended the 2016 Institute in Penrith. There were numerous other facilitators and presenters to assist in the delivery of the training programme especially to the Elects and the Nominees. We were very pleased to welcome Rotary International General Secretary John Hewko to the pre-Institute and John addressed all the groups who

were participating in the pre-Institute program.

The streams, especially the Elects and Nominees, also utilised the skill and expertise of Rotary Regional Foundation Coordinators Eric Wood and John Barnes, assisted and supported by Kiki Melonides and Lauren Marquez-Viso, both from the Foundation Office in Evanston, Rotary Coordinators Tim Moore and John Prendergast, Rotary Public Image Coordinator Wendy Gaborit and Club and District Support Supervisor from the Parramatta office, Andrew Best. The teams also had available as a presenter or resource, Foundation Trustee Mike Webb from D1200, a part of RIBI (Rotary International in Britain and Ireland).

The unfortunate passing of RI President Elect Sam O'wori in early July and the selection of his replacement, Barry Rassin, still being within the allowable challenge period, meant that the President of Rotary International, 2018-19, could not attend the pre-Institute training.

The training programme for the Governors Elect and Nominee commenced on the afternoon of 28 August with separate sessions to each group on Youth Protection and Insurance. The separate sessions, presented by National Insurance Committee Chair, PDG Peter Kaye (D9550) enabled the Governors Elect to receive valuable reinforcement of what was covered at a similar session in Penrith in 2016 and to introduce to the Governors Nominee, the requirements of Rotary International in protecting all young people entrusted to our care in Club and District Youth programs as well as the absolute need to ensure compliance with national/state/territorial child protection legislation. The training highlighted and emphasised the strong link between insurance protection and risk management especially when it comes to all Club and District youth programmes.

Both groups combined at the end of the day for a presentation on Good Governance presented by PDG Neville Parsons (D9650).

The Governors Symposium this year was reduced to a one-day event (31 August) based on the evaluations from 2016 and the fact that the Governors had, at the time of the Institute, completed just two months of their year as Governor. The Symposium adopted the Open Space Technology (OST) form of discussion, was well received and may lead to changes again for the 2018 Pre-Institute.

The Combined Year Groups Dinner provided the members of the 'G Train', their partners, and others including Rotarians from the five Clubs in the Darwin area to listen to RI General Secretary John Hewko, Trustee Mike Webb and Zone Director Noel Trevaskis in conversation with Zone 8 Training Coordinator David Anderson on 'Rotary – then, now and in the future'. The dinner and the conversation with the three special guests was a highlight for a number as it reinforced the changes Rotary is undergoing following the 2016 Council on Legislation.

This was the second time in which many facets of training and increasing awareness and knowledge were brought together at the one event. It again worked well and enabled the members of the 'G train' and the District trainers to better understand their role within Rotary International and their District and to use valuable time to discuss matters of interest, both formally and informally.



Q and A Panel at the Gala Dinner (l to r): Mike Webb, Noel Trevaskis, John Hewko and David Anderson

My thanks to all of the training team who put in so much in preparation for their role as a trainer/facilitator for their stream and for the skills they displayed during the sessions. It was pleasing to read the evaluations and your efforts were appreciated by the entire 'G Train' and their partners.

PDG David Anderson
Zone 8 Training Coordinator



Joe Otin and Rotary Public Image Coordinator Wendy Gaborit



D9600 DG John Lane receives the Australia Cup from TRF Trustee Mike Webb for the highest per capita Annual Fund donations in 2016-17

TRAIN THE TRAINERS REPORT

PDG James Wilcox

The District Trainer Seminar was held on Thursday 31st August 2017 at the Darwin Convention Centre during the pre-Institute training session.

The Facilitators for the Seminar were James Wilcox (District 9830) and Mike Woods (District 9550).

There were 13 participants at the Seminar, but two of these were representing their respective District Trainer.

The program included sessions on:

- Understanding the role of district trainer
- The value of team work/group decision making
- Training resources, how to use them and an idea exchange on other training resources
- Successful facilitation for Rotarian learners.

The Facilitators used a number of group activities to ensure that there was interaction and discussion by the participants. The activities also provided the participants with practical applications that they could use within their districts or to demonstrate to their training teams.

General Secretary John Hewko talked to Seminar participants about the direction of Rotary and what impact that may have on learning and development in districts and clubs. John then took questions from participants. His attendance at the Seminar was very well received.

Andrew Best, the Supervisor of Club & District Support at the RI Parramatta office, gave a terrific presentation on the role of Club & District Support and how Rotary International can support District Trainers.

A Drop Box was set up prior to the Seminar that includes the program, presentations, reference material and the outcomes of the group activities. The Drop Box has been shared with the participants and they have been encouraged to use the Box to share information and materials relevant to their roles.

A summary of the Evaluation Form completed by participants indicated a positive improvement in knowledge by participants as a result of the Seminar. Participant comments gave affirmative support to the objectives and session plans developed and presented by the Facilitators.

PDG James Wilcox
Lead Facilitator



Q and A panellists (l to r): MC Caitlin Scott, Noel Trevaskis, John Hewko and Mike Webb.

FUTURE LEADERS SEMINAR REPORT

PDG John Wigley

The Future Leaders Seminar was held at the Convention Centre in Darwin on 31st August and continues this well supported program for the sixth time since it began in Brisbane in 2011. There were 43 attendees this year representing 14 Districts with strong support from the host District 9550 which was the outcome we were seeking as the tyranny of distance has kept numbers down from our far north in the past.

We commenced the day RI General Secretary John Hewko who was introduced by Director Noel Trevaskis.

The other speakers for the program were as follows, in order:

Meeting your Leaders – RI Director Noel Trevaskis

Contemporary Leadership in Rotary – General Secretary John Hewko

The Rotary Foundation, Making a Difference – Foundation Trustee Vice Chair PPRIBI Mike Webb

Membership Growth and Retention - DGN Joe Otin D9212 in Kenya

Thinking Outside the Square - Marga Hewko

The energy and enthusiasm of RI General Secretary John Hewko set the tone for the day and was taken up by all presenters who gave the participants a challenging day with a lot to discuss during the facilitated breakout sessions. Our speakers this year were all well qualified to be able to engage with the group and it was an exciting to be in attendance. Both John Hewko and Joe Otin were voted the best speakers.

As usual the discussion groups were highly rated by the group and which were led by very experienced facilitators in PDG Jennifer Scott D9690, PDG Melodie Kevan D9465, PDG David Rands D9680 and PDG Ian Scott D9685, Barry with Melodie and David being new to the FLS team.

On Friday evening along with all PDG's this future leader group held their own class dinner at the Cavanagh Hotel/Motel with the local Rotarians acting as hosts. Some of the

group were continuing to party when I visited the venue later in the evening.

There is no doubt that the Future Leaders Seminar is reaching out to Districts to encourage their future leaders to come and meet and mix with like-minded Rotarians from around Australia as there are now closed to 60 graduates of the program being PDGs, DGs, DGEs or DGNs.

I wish to thank the committee members PDGs Cathy Roth and Mani Seneviratne for their time and their inspired suggestions as we planned and delivered this seminar in Darwin.

PDG John Wigley

Future Leaders Chair



Discussion between Future Leaders.



Future Leader participant Bevan Schilling had time for a selfie with Chairman Joanne

MC**Captain Caitlin Scott**

Caitlin Scott is the youngest female President of the oldest club in host District 9550, the Rotary Club of Townsville. In 2005 the club sponsored Caitlin on Rotary Youth Exchange to Finland for 12 months. When she returned from RYEP Caitlin joined the Rotaract Club of Thuringowa Central.



Caitlin joined the Australian Defence Force (ADF) as a Physiotherapist and has now been in the ADF for 7 years and has deployed twice to Afghanistan, spent time in PNG, supported the inaugural Invictus Games team in London 2014 and supported various sporting groups during National and International Carnivals.

Caitlin is studying a Graduate Certificate in Sports Physiotherapy, working towards a double Masters Degree of Sports and Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy. She is actively involved in the Townsville City Council Toastmasters Club as well as full-bore target rifle shooting, reading, bike riding and spending quality time with her two cats.

Caitlin joined the Army to serve her country; she joined Rotary to serve her Community!

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS AND VIPs**Sarah Brown
The Purple House**

The remote area nurse who reshaped “on country” dialysis services for Aboriginal people in central Australia was named the 2017 Nurse of the Year at the 2017 HESTA Australian Nursing and Midwifery Awards in May. Sarah Brown is the founder of the Alice Springs-based Western Desert Dialysis, known as the 'Purple House' *.



The Aboriginal community-controlled venture has 24 dialysis machines at 11 places, from Wanarn and Warburton in Western Australia to Yirrkala in Arnhem Land. It also has a mobile dialysis unit, the Purple Truck, which rolls out to visit other remote communities.

* Western Desert Nganampa Walytja Palyantjaku Tjutaku Aboriginal Corporation (Purple House)

Sarah Brown and Sue Trevaskis at the Purple Truck with the bush balm products



Rhett Butler AM SkyJuice Foundation

Associate Professor Rhett Butler is the founder and CEO of the SkyJuice Foundation, a not-for-profit Australian organisation. Rhett was made a member of the Order of Australia in 2012.



SkyJuice provides sustainable water solutions to over 58 developing countries, as well as emergency water supply. Over 5,500 SkyJuice units have been supplied globally since 1996. The Foundation works with established NGOs and independent charities (such as Rotary, Medecins Sans Frontieres, Disaster Aid International, Oxfam, World Vision and many others) to provide unique water treatment solutions.

Rhett is a member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and an Adjunct Associate Professor at the University of Sydney, with masters degree qualifications in Engineering, Business Administration and Science. He has mentored groups on entrepreneurship and small business start-ups, and has over 30 years experience in the global water industry.



*Ian Hutton and Rhett Butler
discussing the SkyHydrant*

Joe Otin CEO of The Collective

Joe has 24 years' experience in advertising, media research and content production. He is the chairman of the Advertising Standards Board, the president of Pan African Media Research Organization (PRSK), and a member of the oversight committee of Kenya Audience Research Foundation.



Joe is the District Governor 2019-20 covering Rotary Clubs in Kenya, Ethiopia, Eritrea and South Sudan; the Rotary International representative to UNEP; and a member of the Rotary International Membership Committee. He has presided as the chief judge of the Public Relations Society of Kenya (PRSK) Excellence Awards for 11 years as well as the chief judge of the Marketing Society of Kenya (MSK) gala awards in 2015. He was granted the MSK Marketing Warrior Award in 2010, has published several papers in local and international conferences, most recently on the subject of return-on-investment of advertising and social media marketing; served twice as a judge for the Top 40 Under 40 Women in Kenya and in the Top 40 Under 40 Men in 2016 and is a columnist for the Business Daily, covering topics in marketing.

John Hewko (Marga)
Rotary International
General Secretary



Rotary Club of Kyiv

From 2004 - 2009, John was vice president for operations and compact development for the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) established to deliver foreign assistance to the world's poorest countries.; and was the principal United States negotiator for foreign assistance agreements to 26 countries.

Prior to joining MCC, John was an international partner with the law firm Baker & McKenzie, specializing in international corporate transactions; helped establish the firm's Moscow office; was the managing partner of its offices in Kyiv and Prague. He holds a law degree from Harvard University, a Master's in modern history from Oxford University and a Bachelor's in government and Soviet studies from Hamilton College in New York.

John has been a public policy scholar at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, an adjunct professor of law at Georgetown University, and visiting scholar at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace; has published papers and articles in leading U.S. and international publications; has spoken extensively on political and business issues and is a member of the Council of Foreign Relations.

John is a Paul Harris Fellow. He and his wife, Margarita, live in Evanston.

Mike Webb (Alison)
The Rotary Foundation
Trustee 2017-2021



Rotary Club of Mendip

Mike was brought up in Middlesex and went to school in Harrow; served his articles in London and qualified as a Chartered Accountant.

Mike joined the Rotary Club of Mendip in 1976 and was President in 1981-82, District Treasurer for five years from 1986, District Governor in 1994-95, led a Group Study Exchange team to NZ in 1991, sat as a Justice of the Peace for 10 years and now serves his community as Trustee, Treasurer or Auditor for many charitable and sports organisations nationally and locally.

He has served Rotary International in Great Britain and Ireland as a member of the Finance committee 1995-98, Hon Treasurer 1998-2001 and President 2005-06.

Mike is a Rotary Foundation Trustee 2017-21. He is Vice Chair of the TRF Finance Committee, RI Investment Committee and Council of Resolutions, Rotary member of the Finance and Accountability Committee for the Polio Oversight Board and the Trustee Liaison to the RI Board. He was a Director of Rotary International 2013-15, has chaired the Humanitarian Grants Cadre of Technical Advisors for the Rotary Foundation, and served as a member of the RI Finance committee 2009-11 and Chairman 2011-12.

Alison is a nurse and between them they have four children and seven grandchildren.



*The Business Session (l to r):
 Maurie Stack, Jennifer Scott and
 Ken Hall*

BUSINESS SESSION REPORT

PDG Harry Durey

It is my pleasure to report on the Business Session Outcomes and Election Results.

Approximately two hundred (200) people attended the 2017 Business Session on Saturday 2nd September 2017 at the Darwin Convention Centre.

The 2016 Penrith Rotary International Zones 8 Institute Report, including the Audited Financial Statements, was **adopted**.

Three (3) resolutions were proposed:

1	The proposed resolution to amend the Constitution of the Rotary International Zone 8 Institute Ltd in order to bring the document up-to-date and correct errors identified by Members was Successful
2	The proposed resolution to rescind the proposal to form a combined Zone 7B and 8 Centenary History Committee, comprising a convenor and 8 members, and for RDU be requested to publish a book to commemorate 100 years of service was Successful
3	The proposed resolution for an additional Rule titled "Awards" be created and to establish two awards namely: Australian Rotarian of the Year Award and Australian Rotary Humanitarian Award was Approved

Severn (7) positions on the RI Zone 8 Institute committees have been filled, one (1) ballot was necessary.

The following nominees filled the vacancies on the various Institute Committees:

Committee	New Member	Term
History and Archives	PDG Judy Magub (D9600)	2018-2021
	PDG Harry Durey (D9650)	2018-2021
Records Management	PDG Jennifer Scott (D9685)	2018-2021
Insurance	PDG Peter Kaye (D9550)	2018-2021
RYPEN	PDG Marie Dorrington (D9500)	2018-2021
Australian Youth Advisory	PDG Ken McDonald (D9670)	2018-2021
	PDG Carol Lawton (D9810)	2018-2021

Two items proposed by RID Noel Trevaskis were discussed:

1.	Future Rotary Institutes when Australia and New Zealand become one Zone: RID Noel Trevaskis proposed that there be only one Zone 8 Institute each year located in Australia for 2 years then 1 year in New Zealand. The proposal was adopted as a non-binding decision. RID Noel noted some concerns.
2.	Indigenous Rotarian Members and appropriate funding: RID Noel Trevaskis spoke to the concept of Rotary for Indigenous members and the possibility of sponsorship and/or subsidies by other Rotarians and Clubs. After discussion, no vote was taken but RID Noel Trevaskis indicated that he heard the concerns expressed and would give them future consideration.

PDG Jennifer Scott thanked PDG Maurie Stack (Parliamentarian) and PDG Ken Hall (Recorder) for their assistance in the operation of the Business Session; DG Robert Tardiani and DG Peter Schaefer who conducted the count of votes for vacancies on the Institute Committees; and DGN Greg Marlow the independent impartial observer.

PDG Harry Durey
Resolutions Committee Chairman

INSTITUTE COMMITTEES to 30/6/2018 and from 1/7/2018

Committee	Membership to 30 June 2018 (Name and District)	Term	Membership from 1 July 2018 (Name and District)	Term
National Youth Science Forum Liaison Officer	PDG Robin Woolley (D9710)	2016-19	PDG Robin Woolley (D9710)	2016-19
The Science Experience National Committee Representative	PDG Marilyn Mercer (D9685)	2017-20	PDG Marilyn Mercer (D9685)	2017-20
History and Archives Committee	PDG Judy Magub (D9600) PDG Harry Durey (D9650) PDG Bill Forrest (D9650) PDG Marilyn Barton (D9465) PDG Ted Richey (D9830) PDG Bob Aiken (D9685)	2015-18 2016-18* 2016-19 2016-19 2017-20 2017-20	PDG Bill Forrest (D9650) PDG Marilyn Barton (D9465) PDG Ted Richey (D9830) PDG Bob Aiken (D9685) PDG Judy Magub (D9600) PDG Harry Durey (D9650)	2016-19 2016-19 2017-20 2017-20 2018-21 2018-21
Records Management Committee	PDG Euan Miller (D9520) PDG Barry Antees (D9675) PDG Ken Hall (D9650)	2015-18 2016-19 2017-20	PDG Barry Antees (D9675) PDG Ken Hall (D9650) PDG Jennifer Scott (D9685)	2016-19 2017-20 2018-21
Insurance Committee	PDG Peter Kaye (D9550) PDG David Tolstrup (D9810) PDG David Cook (D9685)	2015-18 2016-19 2017-20	PDG David Tolstrup (D9810) PDG David Cook (D9685) PDG Peter Kaye (D9550)	2016-19 2017-20 2018-21
RYPEN Committee	PDG George Papallo (D9685) PDG Tony Monley (D9810) PDG Ian Lomas (D9550)	2015-18 2016-19 2017-20	PDG Tony Monley (D9810) PDG Ian Lomas (D9550) PDG Marie Dorrington (D9500)	2016-19 2017-20 2018-21
Rotaract Representative Training Committee Chairman	PDG Rowley Tompsett (D9710)	2017-19	PDG Rowley Tompsett (D9710)	2017-19
Vocational Service Directors Guide Review Committee	PDG Ian Dyball (D9650) PDG John Leddy (D9600) PDG David Barton (D9465)	2017-20 2017-20 2017-20	PDG Ian Dyball (9650) PDG John Leddy (D9600) PDG David Barton (D9465)	2017-20 2017-20 2017-20
Australian Youth Advisory Committee	PDG Ken McDonald (D9670) PDG Judith Henderson (D9570) PDG Tony Monley (D9810) PDG Hank de Smit (D9455) PDG Graham Wilson (D9675) PDG Paul Reid (D9675)	2015-18 2015-18 2016-19 2016-19 2017-20 2017-20	PDG Tony Monley (D9810) PDG Hank de Smit (D9455) PDG Graham Wilson (D9675) PDG Paul Reid (D9675) PDG Ken McDonald (D9670) PDG Carol Lawton (D9810)	2016-19 2016-19 2017-20 2017-20 2018-21 2018-21
Australian Honours Advisory Panel	PDG Bob Aiken AM (D9685) PDG Len Goodman AO (D9710) PDG Noel Trevaskis OAM (D9710)	N/A N/A N/A	PDG Bob Aiken AM (D9685) PDG Len Goodman AO (D9710) PDG Noel Trevaskis OAM (D9710)	N/A N/A N/A

- * Filled under 7.11.2

Note:	<i>Current DGs will be PDGs by 1 July 2018</i>
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