



## From DG Ron



Welcome to the first of our fortnightly news where we will share information with the club presidents from across the District.

The new Rotary year has seen many of our clubs involved with their Changeovers and Deb and I, along with representatives from our Governor team, have enjoyed the hospitality extended to us. Most inspiring has been the wonderful array of awards that clubs have seen fit to bestow upon members and those within their community who have been doing tireless work in the interests of others.

Sincere thanks!

It is clear from the club newsletters I have received that we have moved seamlessly into the new year with service work well underway. My best wishes for your projects and please remember to reach out to the **District Support Team** if guidance or support to enhance your work is required.

The official District Governor visit to clubs will commence in August and District Secretary, Jane, has been busy coordinating the visitation program. Please ensure your visit is locked away as my calendar is filling fast.

Our District Update is scheduled for circulation fortnightly, being sent to Club Presidents and Secretaries. Keeping our members informed is most important and I ask that you ensure the contents of the update are communicated to your members and that their attention is regularly drawn to:

- The District 9800 Website
- The monthly edition of Networker
- The People of Action D9800 Facebook page

It is through these avenues that we intend to keep everyone informed and will be encouraging the sharing of the wonderful community service and humanitarian work our District is well known for.

Thank you for what you do and best wishes for a wonderful year to come.

*Ron*

## District Governor Visits

Most clubs have now confirmed with Secretary Jane their scheduled visit by District Governor Ron and Deb.

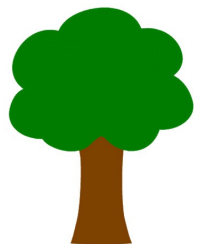
Presidents have been requested to complete and forward the **District Governor Club Visit Report** to Ron and their Assistant Governor no later than a week before the due visit.

Ron intends to meet with the Board or Club Executive for about 30 minutes prior to or after the general club meeting in order to discuss the club plan for the year and to discuss how the District Team can best support members in achieving a successful year.

Following this meeting Ron will provide a presentation on District directions to those attending the general meeting. Please ensure your club plan for the visit takes account of this arrangement.

## Tree Planting—Can you help?

Rotary Kew would love to hear from any other Club who is interested or involved with tree planting. Is this your Club? If so, please contact President Kim at [kimrotarykew@gmail.com](mailto:kimrotarykew@gmail.com)



## Insurance Certificates of Currency

All Club Insurance Certificates of Currency are on the District Website ready for you to download your own Club one.

<https://www.rotarydistrict9800.org.au/sitepage/district-information/insurance>

The District Conference will be in:

12—14 April  
2024

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## District Governor Visits in early August

- 2 Malvern
- 2 Albert Park
- 3 Brighton
- 7 Canterbury
- 9 Camberwell
- 10 Kew
- 10 North Balwyn
- 15 Central Melbourne
- 16 Melbourne
- 16 Essendon North
- 17 Caulfield
- 17 Brighton North



October is:

### End Polio Month

I am the End Polio Coordinator for D9800 and am very happy to inform you that our virtual walk will again be happening with details to come out very soon for how you can register and participate.

Virtually walk by yourself during the week and then participate in one or more of our face-to-face walks each weekend in October, in different places in Victoria.



I know of several walks which are in the planning stages for October.

Action Needed—please send me the details for any walks you are planning so I can put together a comprehensive calendar to make sure dates don't clash!!

Many thanks  
Jane Pennington ([Jane.Pennington@rotary9800.org](mailto:Jane.Pennington@rotary9800.org))

### Next steps for Regionalisation pilot

Since the Zone 8 Regionalisation Pilot project received financial support from the Rotary International Board in April 2023 a large amount of work has been happening behind the scenes.

Club presidents and secretaries and members of the pilot reference group have received regular monthly updates since then with information as it comes to hand.

One of the key pieces of feedback received from Rotary and Rotaract members is that information is hard to find.

Therefore we can now share that we have recently added a significant amount of information to the [Creating Rotary Tomorrow's](#) website under the "what is happening" tab. You will find this at the top of the homepage. There are now web pages dedicated to information on the Regional Council, Community group and leaders, what the specialist network will do and other key aspects of the pilot.

You will be receiving updates over the next months so I encourage you to share these with your club members, discuss them and send your questions via the email - [rotaryregionalpilot@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryregionalpilot@gmail.com). We also encourage you to go to the website and have a look and, if you are not already, become part of the reference group by [subscribing here](#). If you have any questions please reach out to the Regionalisation team via the website feedback form or as mentioned above, via emailing [rotaryregionalpilot@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryregionalpilot@gmail.com).

The Zone 8 Regionalisation Pilot Team.

### The Rotary International Convention

In Singapore

25—29 May 2024



### My Rotary

There are six clubs who have not listed a Club Secretary in My Rotary. This means you may miss out on vital communication from RI and hence it would be ideal for you to go and update your records asap.

### Logos

Would you like to create your own logos such as these? Put in your own club name and a different Rotary or partner logo.



You can do this in the Brand Centre on the Rotary International website:  
<https://brandcenter.rotary.org/en-us/templates>

### Networker Info

"Does your club have a story to tell?"

Then we would love to share that story in Networker.

Simply use the [Networker Template](#) to record the relevant information, include a couple of good quality photos, and our Editors, Cheryl and Rosemary, will give your article the final touches. You can email your stories and articles to [Networker@rotary9800.org](mailto:Networker@rotary9800.org)

We look forward to supporting you in sharing your club news.

The link for the [Networker Template](#) in case it breaks on its travels to you is:

<https://clubrunner.blob.core.windows.net/00000050232/en-au/files/homepage/networker-template/Details-for-your-story-in-Networker.docx>

### Rotary Leader

Helping Club and District Leaders Achieve Success July 2023

[Read Rotary International President Gordon McInally's bulletin here](#)