



In This Issue...

- Message from Chairman Dick
- RC Prospect Visit to Calperum
- Volunteer Activities Calendar
- RC Adelaide Visit to Calperum

Prospect does Riseley Forest

Jeff Kluse, RC Prospect

The Rotary Club of Prospect (D9500) lead a group of four clubs to plant trees in the Riseley Forest at Calperum from Thursday 24th May to Sunday 27th May, 2018.

The group comprised of Jeff Cluse and Kevin Obst (RC Prospect), Russell Green (RC Regency Park), Peter Sowden (RC Walkerville), PDG Roberta & Geoff Ellershaw (RC Prospect Sunrise) and Monika & Wayne Goedecke (ex RC Woodville).



Peter and Jeff showing how it is done

Our tasks followed on from the previous efforts of the Rotary Club of Adelaide just the week before and we continued planting Maireana Sedifoila (Pearl Bluebush) and setting out new dripper lines to each of the new seedlings.

(Continued P2)

Message from Chairman Dick

Our last committee meeting was very productive, with a lot of time spent looking towards the future. Thank you to District 9520 and 9500 Governors Bob Cooper and Peter



Schaeffer, who both attended and participated with us. I would also like to welcome Bruce Cole to his first meeting of the committee, particularly when he volunteered to promote student and school activity at Calperum. Over the next few years, as the merger of our two districts develops, input from our district leaders will be very important, and involving a wider range of committee members will be necessary.

A lot of discussion was around how we could support the ROBIN and ACRE committees into the future. These have been active at Calperum over the years, and I know from personal experience that both have struggled to maintain membership and activity more recently. I thank Don Will for his work in looking at options for us to work together into the future, both at Calperum and more widely.

As a committee we have been active in seeking government funding to help our work at Calperum. Unfortunately we have not been successful at this stage. We have now decided to change the way that we seek this in the future. We will be working with Peter Cale and ALT to help develop their plans for the future, both in terms of programmes and facilities. Within this larger plan, we will then select, with Peter,

(Continued from Pr)

After direction from Calperum Manager, Dr. Peter Cale, we also removed a number of Dodonaea



The team receiving instructions from manager, Dr. Peter Cale.

Viscosa (Broad Leaf Hopbush) which is a weed type bush used to assist revegetating some of the barren patches of soil.

The weather was perfect with day temperatures in the high teens and at nights it didn't seem to matter, as the glasses of red kept most of the colder temperatures away. All who shared this experience had a great time and would recommend working at Calperum as a wonderful opportunity for any club to become involved in a most significant environmental project.



The Team enjoy the last supper before departing for home.

areas or programmes that we are best suited to follow up. We are told that groups like ours, working with larger organisations like Calperum and ALT, have a greater chance of success in getting money. Part of this is based on Rotary's general reputation, but it needs to be enhanced with a strong record of activity. We have this at Calperum, and I look forward to future success.

One area that we will continue to pursue at Rotary House is the provision of a new bathroom. Several ideas have been developed, and are being looked at in terms of what we need, ensuring that the new bathroom has access for those of us getting older, and has direct access from inside the house. Once we have decided on a design, we will be seeking support from clubs to build it. Our current handyman programme has a number of people who have the skills to contribute, and hence keep costs to an absolute minimum. Success in this small project will also enhance our chance of gaining funding for other building ideas that come from the overall development plan.

Our volunteers continue their work and I thank Elliott again for the great organisation that manages this for us, and for Calperum.

Don Will continues to promote the Riseley Forest at Calperum. We set a target of \$12 500 for 2 500 trees, grown from Calperum seed and then planted in Calperum. So far we have over \$6000, so are still looking for club support. A number of Rotarians have commented that \$5 is an expensive tree. However, this funds not just the tree, but follow up in terms of irrigation as needed, and tree guards for both animals and sun protection. This care significantly increases the chance of survival of each tree.

Donations can be made by contacting Don Will, at will4444sa@gmail.com. I encourage you to make a contribution, and that this will be a very long term reminder of Ian Riseley's Presidency.

Dick

Calperum News

Is issued periodically and is intended to provide up to date information about Rotary at Calperum. Please let us have the stories and photos of your times at Calperum

Please contact me, at 0418106673
or dickcuttle@gmail.com
for more information
or to arrange a guest speaker about
Calperum

Calperum Rotary Bookings and Availability as at 29 May, 2018

Please contact Elliot Dwyer (eadwyer@hotmail.com) for booking and related information

Rotary Club - Calperum Bookings: 1 July – 31 December, 2018... as at 29 May 2018

July 2018	2 – 5	n/a			
	6 – 10	FREE			
	21 – 22	Rotary District Governor	Rotary House	DG Kim Harvey 0435 014 403	District Leadership Training, kimjharvey61@gmail.com
	27 – 29	CATE Committee	Rotary House	Elliot Dwyer 0427 397 536	Calperum And The Environment committee
August 2018	30/7-3/8	Coromandel Valley		Jenny Francis 0438 108 202	4 – 5 Aug ... Club to confirm
	6 – 12	Mitcham	Rotary House	David Gooley 0418 539 496	
	13 – 16	Unley	Rotary House	Patsy Beckett 0407 249 850	Paint Rotary House Bathrooms and Foyer
	17 – 19	Murray Bridge	Rotary House	?	
	20 – 24	n/a			ALT Auditors 20 - 24 Aug
	27 – 31	Brownhill Creek	Rotary House	Allan Deverell 0448 881 817	H. 8277 5385, Activity and Dates ... Club to confirm
Sept 2018	3 – 7	Onkaparinga	Rotary House + Dorms	Dick Cuttle 0428 106 673	Camp Calperum - Students
	8 – 13	n/a			
	13 -16	Eastwood	Rotary House only	Elliot Dwyer 0427 397 536	Water & Tree monitoring
	17 – 30	n/a (Adel+Flinders Uni)			
October 2018	1 – 6	n/a			
	7 – 11	Blackwood RC	Rotary House only	Bruce Cole 0414 825 454	Activity???
	12 – 14	Casburn Family	Rotary House only	Briony Casburn - 8295 8227	Recreation
	15 – 21	n/a - ALT Trustees (19–21)			NOTE: from 2019, the week before Trustees visit is not available
	22 - 26	Flagstaff Hill RC	Rotary House only	Ian Milne - 0408 857 892	Maintenance
	24 – 26	McLaren Vale Primary School	Dorms		Non-Rotary
	26 – 28	LYE Committee	Rotary House + Dorms	Andrew Hardy 0419 807 967	Also referred to as YEP (youth exchange program)
Nov 2018	1 - 12	Health of River Forum TBA	Rotary House + Dorms	Bruce Cole 0414 825 454	High School Student science awareness. One week only.
	2 – 8	Health of River Forum	Rotary House + Dorms	Bruce Cole 0414 825 454	Planning in progress, 8 May
	16 - 18	Adelaide RC	Rotary House only	Bryan Harris 0419 853 220	Monitoring Ral Ral Creek ... TBC by ALT
	19 – 30	FREE			
Dec 2018	9 – 15	N/A (Earthwatch)			

Rotary Club of Adelaide Visits Calperum

Bryan Harris, Rotary Club of Adelaide

The clear blue skies, grey saltbush, red earth, lakes and the idyllic Ral Ral Creek of Calperum was a taste of the outback for a visit by a party from the RC Adelaide in May.



RC Adelaide members viewing Ral Ral Creek

Calperum ecologist, Rose Cullen gave a talk on the environment of Calperum Station and aims for its rehabilitation from sheep grazing to its natural environmental state as part of the Riverland Biosphere Reserve. After instructions from Rose, many hands were at work planting blue bush plants as part of RC Adelaide's contribution to the Riseley Forest.

The party then toured the Calperum floodplain, the lakes and



The Rotary members hard at work

regulators, and Ral- Ral Creek to see first-hand the issues for re-establishing water use for the environment to support plant and animal life. This was followed by lunch at the mess hall catered by the RC Renmark.

The party of thirty-seven members, partners and friends had travelled to Renmark for a weekend of fellowship, fun and learning about and engaging with the local environment in the Riverland region.



Calperum ecologist, Rose Cullen giving instructions on planting

The theme continued with a dinner at the Renmark Club with members of the RC Renmark and Guest Speaker Neil Andrew, Chair of the Murray Darling Basin Authority who spoke on the challenges of managing the river system for the environment and agriculture.

Bryan Harris

If you believe your club would benefit from such a visit to Calperum contact Elliot Dwyer at eadwyer@hotmail.com to make a booking

Calperum Rotary Activities

- Rotary Club Work Parties
- Health of The River Forums
- Camp Calperum Programme
- RYWELL - Rotary Youth Wellbeing
- Youth Exchange Schoolies Week
- International Student's Group
- RYLA - Rotary Youth Leadership Awards
- ROTARACT
- District Management Committee meetings
- PETS - President Elect Training Seminar
- Rotary Training Seminars

Contacts

- ❖ Stories, Reports & Photos for *Calperum News*
Rodger Hedley rghedley13@gmail.com
- ❖ District 9520 & 9500 Committee Chairman
Dick Cuttle dcuttle@gmail.com
- ❖ Club Bookings Elliot Dwyer eadwyer@hotmail.com