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#### INTRODUCTION

This handbook is a guide to the policies, management and operation of all activities promoted and conducted by Rotary International District 9500Inc. While it is not a binding document, common sense and the need for continuity and consistency suggests that the in formation it contains should not be ignored or discarded with out good reason. It complements, but does not duplicate or supersede, the Manual of Procedure, the RI Code of Policies, other RI publications or the District Constitution and By laws and is to be use d in conjunction with the District Leadership Plan. In the case of conflict between information printed in this handbook and these other listed RI documents, the information in the RI documents takes precedence.

The Manual of Procedure contains the Rotary International Constitution and Bylaws, the standard Club Constitution and Club Bylaws, the Bylaws of the Rotary Foundation and a summary of the more significant Rotary Policies. The Rotary Code of Policies and Rotary Foundation Code of Policies are much more extensive documents that provide in more detail the policies and practices of RI and the Foundation as regularly reviewed and decided by the RI Board or Foundation Trustees.

The Manual of Procedure is revised every three years and a copy is issued to every Club on disc. Further copies may be purchased from Rotary International. All of these documents are available on the Rotary International website, <a href="www.rotarv.org">www.rotarv.org</a> and may be downloaded. The Rotary Code of Policies is revised after every RI Board Meeting.

There are a wide range of RI Manuals and Handbooks such as the District Committee Manual, the Assistant Governor's Manual and the District Training Manual published and revised regularly that contain further information.

Much of the content of this handbook is a record of, or reflects decisions made in the past at appropriate forums, such as District 9500 Conferences and District 9500 Assemblies or are traditional practices that have evolved overtime and from experience.

Additions or changes to any item, policy or practice detailed in this Handbook may be made by decisions of the District Management Committee (DMC) or District Committees acting on behalf of the program or project for which they are responsible or as a result of decisions made by the Board of Rotary International or the Foundation trustees. Changes may be made as a consequence of decisions made by the boards of Multi District Rotary activities or Rotary supported activities. Such changes may be made with out reference to the Clubs or appropriate District Officers. They also may be made by Rotarians or Clubs of the District voting at a District Conference, District Assembly or by ballot by mail and then only after appropriate notice as defined by RI Bylaws or policies has been given.

It should be noted that no changes can be made to this Handbook that affect the District Constitution or Bylaws.

Rotary is not a static organisation and changes are regularly made and new initiatives introduced. For these reasons, this handbook may not necessarily be up to date.

Where the masculine gender is used in this publication, it also means the feminine gender.

# DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR ELECT (DGE) AND THE DISTRICT GOVERNOR NOMINEE (DGN)

The duties of the DG, DGE and DGN are defined in the Manual of Procedure including the maintenance of adequate records for the benefit and continuity of the leadership and management of the District.

#### **District Governor – Elect (DGE)**

The District Governor Elect's principal duty is to prepare for his year as District Governor. This includes, but is not limited to:-

- Attend the International Assembly, usually held in the United States early in the calendar year.
- Attend the Governor Elect Training Seminar (GETS) normally held preceding the Rotary Zone Institute usually in November.
- Arrange and conduct the Presidents Elect Training Seminar (PETS) District Assembly and District Leadership Seminar.
- Arranging and conducting Assistant Governor Training which is usually held at the District Conference site on the day preceding the commencement of the Conference
- Appoint the District Secretary and District Treasurer to serve during the DGE's term as DG.
- Appoint the District Training Chairman to serve during the DGE's term as DG.
- Appoint the District Conference Chairman to serve during the DGE's term as DG.
- Appoint the Assistant Governors to serve during the DGE's term as DG.
- Appoint all District Office bearers to serve during the DGE's term as DG.
- Appoint all District Committee Chairmen and committee members to serve during the DGE's term as DG.
- Prepare the District Directory to be issued at the District Assembly if possible but certainly not later than July 1<sup>st</sup>.

It is obvious that the DGE will find it difficult to discharge all of these responsibilities alone. The DGE is expected to liaise with the current, DG, AGs, current and future District Officers and District Committee Chairmen and where appropriate, PDG's, in dealing with these matters to ensure continuity of the functioning of the District.

#### **District Governor - Nominee (DGN)**

The District Governor Nominee's principal duty is to become familiar with the structure and operation of Rotary International and the Clubs and activities of the District. The DGN has no executive or management role other than that he may already have as a consequence of an existing District appointment. The DGN should:-.

- Become familiar with the details of the Manual of Procedure (MOP)
- Become familiar with the detail of the District Constitution and Bylaws
- Become familiar with the District Leadership Plan.
- Become familiar with the District Administration Handbook.
- Become familiar with the Rotary Code of Policies.
- Become familiar with The Rotary Foundations and its programs.
- Become familiar with Australian Rotary Health (ARH) and its programs.
- Become familiar with Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) and its programs
- If requested by the DG, attend the two day DGN training preceding the annual Rotary Zone Institute usually held in November.
- Visit as many of the District's Clubs as possible to become familiar with the Clubs and Rotarians of the District.
- Attend, as an observer, at as many District Committee meetings as possible to become familiar with the Committee's purpose and operation.
- Consider potential District appointments to all key District positions
- Liaise with the DGE and DG to ensure continuity of the leadership and management of the District.

## DISTRICT POLICIES AND PRACTICES

This section contains District policies and practices that have evolved over time and become accepted as District policy or practice. Some may have been established as a consequence of resolutions or decisions made at District Conferences or Assemblies held in the past. They may be amended, overturned or modified by formal decisions made at a District Conference or District Assembly.

#### Responsibilities of the District Finance Committee (DFC)

In addition to the responsibilities stated in the Manual of Procedure the Finance Committee or Treasurer need to consider the following:-

- All committees must prepare a budget to be submitted to the DGE for inclusion in the
  District Budget being presented at the District Assembly. No allocation of funds will be
  made to any committee not presenting their budget within the requested time frame.
- In order for payment to be made by the District Treasurer, payments / spending by each
  committee must be recorded in the committee minutes. These payments must be in
  accord with the accepted budget unless there has been prior approval given by the
  DFC/DMC.
- All applications for reimbursement must be on the appropriate District Form.
- RYLA, RYPEN, YEP and VTT can spend their surplus money but not exceed their budget without authority from the DFC/DMC.
- In conjunction with the Disaster Relief Committee collect and distribute contributions
  made by Clubs for District or Rotary designated disaster relief. The DG may authorise
  expenditure of up to \$4,000 but further amounts must be approved by a two thirds
  majority of the DMC.
- Meet the cost of a modest gift of appreciation to the retiring DG at the end of his term of office.
- Keep separately identified funds of suspended or deferred District activities or projects until a District Management decision is made on the future of the activity or project.
- Any funds so held on behalf of a suspended activity or project shall be transferred to
  the District Reserve Account upon such District management decision. It is recognised
  that there will be an overlap between the actions and activities of the Finance
  Committee of one year and the Finance Committee of the following year and common
  sense dictates that the two committees liaise.

#### The District Governor's Allowance

The District Governor receives an allowance from Rotary International to meet specified out of pocket costs necessitated by due performance of the DG's specified duties as required by Rotary International. Details are given in the Manual of Procedure (MOP) and are listed in the Rotary Code of Policies.

Other costs not included in the RI allowance but met by the District include travel and accommodation cost for the DG's spouse or partner when accompanying the DG on official visits to Clubs, costs associated with attending Club change over functions, Club special events such as anniversaries, Intercity meetings, District Committee meetings and activities, representation of the District at public or community events etc. Where travel is involved the vehicle allowance per kilometre travelled is approximately 50% of that provided by RI and predetermined at the start of each Rotary Year. Air travel is by cheapest available economy class fare.

This allowance does not cover costs of a personal or non-obligatory nature such as a DG's jacket, gifts such as ties, scarves, theme pins etc, nor entertainment of Rotarians.

#### The District Governor Elect's Allowance

The District recognises that the District Governor Elect incurs some expenses in preparing for his year in office and provides for reimbursement to cover these up to a predetermined budgeted amount. The District Governor Elect's duties may involve travel, telephone and postage costs, attendance at Club and District meetings etc. A District allowance is made to cover these costs. Where travel is involved the allowance is the same as that provided for the District Governor.

#### The District Governor Nominee's Allowance

The District recognises that the District Governor Nominee incurs some expenses in preparing for his year in office and provides for reimbursement to cover these up to a predetermined budgeted amount. This may involve travel, telephone and postage costs, attendance at Club and District meetings etc. Where travel is involved the allowance is the same as that provided for the District Governor.

#### **Rotary Zone Institute Allowance**

It is mandatory that the DG and DGE attend the training seminars associated with the annual Rotary Zone Institute where this is held in Rotary Zone 8.

Rotary International Zone Institutes are meetings designed for participation by past, present and incoming District Governors and are held each year at appropriate locations within the zones.

It is not mandatory for spouses/partners to attend but is strongly supported and recommended. The District meets all reasonable costs for them to do so. These costs cover registration fees, accommodation and travel by the best available discounted economy airfare or a vehicle allowance the same as that provided for the District Governor except that the total travel allowance shall not exceed the best available discounted economy airfare, accommodation and reasonable meal costs.

Attendance of the DGN and spouse at the Institute and associated training are not obligatory but if the DG agrees that they should attend, then their expenses are met to the same extent as those of the DG and DGE.

The District Trainer may, at the discretion of the District Governor Elect, attend the District Trainer training conducted in association with the Rotary Institute. The costs of this attendance will be met by the District to the same extent as those of the DG and DGE.

In all cases, expenses are paid by the District Treasurer on presentation of detailed and acceptable invoices.

## **PETS and District Assembly Subsidy for Distant Clubs**

The District provides a subsidy to Clubs whose representatives are required to travel by air or by road further than 250Km in each direction, to attend the PETS and District Assembly. The Subsidy is calculated as follows:

Club members	Delegates Allowed	No of Cars
1-10	2	1
11- 20	3	1
21 or more	4	2

Air fares at best available discounted economy fare.

Where vehicle travel is involved the allowance is the same as that provided for the District Governor. The total vehicle allowance shall not exceed the best available discounted airfare. Accommodation is for one night at \$50 per delegate.

If the DGE decides to take the training to the remote clubs this allowance is not available. If RI provides an allowance for distant training, these subsidies are not available.

Reimbursement is made by the District Treasurer after presentation of a detailed claim with supporting invoices.

# District Assembly – Encouragement of Recently Joined Members to Attend.

Any Rotarian who has been inducted since the most recent District Planning Day shall be encouraged to attend the next District Planning Day with costs levied for the Planning Day being met by the District.

## Conference Registration Fee.

The DG may set conference fees in a manner that adequately meet the needs of the conference. Exchange students are expected to attend and concessions may apply at the discretion of the DG. Visiting GSE teams are guests of the conference and should be home hosted where possible.

The fee should be set at a level to cover the costs of the Conference only. The fee should be inline with that charged at previous conferences. Any sponsorship or other income should be used to reduce the registration fee. It is contrary to Rotary Policy for the club or clubs managing the Conference to deliberately use the Conference as a club fundraising activity.

At the end of each Conference any surplus Conference funds shall be divided with one half being used for any projects supported by the club running the Conference and the remaining half reverting to the District for the sole purpose of reducing future conference registration fees.

## **District Conference Advisory Committee**

A District Conference Advisory Committee is established to assist and guide the Club managing the District Conference. (adoptedDistrictConference2006) It is recommended that the DGE and DGN or their representative should be members of this Committee.

## District Conference Aide to the RI President's Representative

The President of Rotary International is expected to attend every District Conference. Obviously this is impossible, so the President appoints a representative who is accorded the same respect as would be given to the RI President.

The District Governor must appoint a Rotarian to serve as the Aide to the President's Representative. The Aide must be a Rotarian who has registered to attend the Conference, and paid the appropriate registration fee. The custom and courtesy in District 9500 is that this Rotarian is the Immediate Past District Governor if available.

The duties of the Aide and partner will vary with the country of origin of the Representative, but include if necessary:-

- If possible, and through the District Governor, introduce himself to the President's representative before he arrives.
- Provide the President's representative and partner with the hospitality normally given to visitors to the District.
- Meet the President's Representative and partner at their airport of arrival and transport them to the Conference accommodation and venue.
- Assist them to settle into their accommodation.
- If appropriate, advise them of local customs and procedures.
- Be accommodated at the same venue as that provided for the President's Representative.
- Assist the President's Representative and partner with personal matters such as arranging hairdressing, dry cleaning etc.
- Transport and accompany the President's Representative and partner to all Conference activities.
- Introduce the President's Representative to the District Governor and as many of those attending the Conference as possible.
- Ensure that an appropriate gift is provided to the President's Representative as a token of appreciation from the District.
- Unless specifically requested not to by the President's Representative, accompany him to the appropriate airport for his departure.

While the Aide is expected to be a fully paid Conference Registrant, it is recognised that this responsibility may incur additional travel and accommodation expenses over and above the normal costs associated with Conference attendance. The Conference is expected to meet these reasonable additional costs. Travel at the same rate as that provided by the District for the DG.

#### **District 9520 Conference Guest**

It is an established courtesy that the District Governor of District 9520 and spouse are invited to attend the District 9500 Conference as guests of the Conference. The Conference meets the cost of their registration and accommodation but not travel. This courtesy is usually reciprocated by District 9520. It is also practice and courtesy to provide an aide to the visiting DG.

#### **Club Groupings**

For administrative convenience the Clubs of the District are divided into Groups, traditionally between three and eight Clubs, each group being the responsibility of an Assistant Governor. The groupings are arranged by the District Governor based on social and geographical factors and in consultation with the Clubs concerned. These Groups may be reviewed to accommodate changing social and geographical factors and the formation of new Clubs or the closing of existing Clubs.

The established groupings are as follows:-

Adelaide, Adelaide Light, Adelaide Parks, Adelaide South, Adelaide West
Henley Beach, Kangaroo Island, Kidman Park, West Torrens
Charles Sturt-Grange, Largs Bay, Port Adelaide, West Lakes
Elizabeth, Mawson Lakes, Playford, Salisbury,
Adelaide EDGE, Prospect, Prospect Sunrise, Regency Park, Walkerville
Golden Grove, Makin EDGE, Tea Tree Gully, Modbury,
Maitland, Northern Yorke Peninsula, Peterborough, Port Pirie
Port Augusta, Port Lincoln, Roxby District, Whyalla, Whyalla Norrie
Barossa District, Barossa Valley, Clare, Gawler, Gawler Light, Kapunda
Alice Springs, Alice Springs Mbantua, Stuart Alice Springs

## **DUTY STATEMENTS FOR DISTRICT OFFICERS.**

All District appointees will be active members of a Club in the District, be of good standing, should ideally have been in a Club in the District for three years, be willing and have the ability to accept the role and responsibility and have the ability to manage the task.

#### **District Attendance Officer**

To receive monthly attendance reports from Clubs, maintain adequate records and report the Club's summaries for publication in the DGs newsletter. Advise the DG of the recipient of the District Attendance trophy. Details are given in the Manual of Procedure.

#### **District Insurance Officer**

To advise Clubs and District Committees on insurance matters and assist with the preparation of claims. The person appointed to this position should preferably have current experience in the insurance industry, and be familiar with the Rotary National Insurance Scheme.

#### **Property Officer**

To be responsible for the care and maintenance of District Property and keep an up to date inventory of all items of equipment, furniture and decorations. The use of District Property, decorations and equipment is confined to Official District functions and permission to use it must be obtained from the District Governor. Liability for loss, repairs and transport costs are the responsibility of the Club or Committee using the property.

## **Child Protection and Persons at Risk Officer**

To advise the District Governor and Clubs of all legal and ethical requirements expected when dealing with any Rotary project or activity involving legal minors or persons at risk. The person appointed to this position should ideally have professional knowledge of the law pertaining to child protection and shall have successfully undertaken an accredited course of instruction by an authority approved by the DG.

#### The Family of Rotary

To encourage and promote the concept and value of The Family of Rotary to the Clubs of the District.

The Family of Rotary is defined as all non-Rotarians who have had contact with, or have been served by, Rotary Clubs other than through Rotary Foundation programs. This includes, but is not restricted to, past Rotarians, the families of present or past Rotarians, past Exchange students, Rotary Youth Leadership (RYLA) Awardees, Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN) course attendees and National Youth Science Forum attendees.

#### **District Electronic Communications Committee(e-Comms)**

To maintain the District member website and to advise Clubs on their use of information technology. To maintain the District database and ensure the security of the District's intellectual property, access to which will be determined by the District Governor. The person appointed should ideally have professional knowledge and experience in the field of information technology.

#### Web Presence Committee

To maintain the Public website and to encourage and advise clubs on the use of social media as effective communication tools.

#### **DG's Newsletter Editor**

To prepare and distribute the monthly DG's newsletter as required by Rotary International as defined in the MOP and for which financial provision is made in the Rotary International DG's allowance.

# **Rotary International Convention**

To promote the annual Rotary International Convention and encourage participation by Rotarians of the District and organise group travel by Rotarians if there is demand. Advise on what to expect at the Convention including Convention associated activities and functions. The person appointed should ideally be planning to attend the next Convention or at least have attended a recent Convention.

## **Council on Legislation Representative**

This is a Past District Governors elected every third year by the District by the procedures defined in the MOP and who performs duties as defined by the Rotary International Bylaws. The Council on Legislation is Rotary's "Parliament" which reviews and if necessary changes the Constitution or Bylaws of Rotary International. It also makes recommendations for action by the RI Board.

## **District History and Records**

This officer selects and preserves appropriate records of District and Club activities as the District's archives.

#### **RDU Magazine District Representative**

This officer has the responsibility of providing the RDU Magazine editor news worthy articles, illustrations and information on District activities or activities by Clubs within the District.

# **District Resolutions Committee**

This Committee informs the Clubs and District Committees of their right to present items of concern for consideration at the District Conference and District Assembly and the time by which they must be submitted. The Committee shall ensure that proposals submitted are in accordance with the Constitution and By laws of Rotary International and worded in such a manner that their intention is clear and capable of implementation.

The Committee will manage and conduct any duly convened meeting at which resolutions are considered, including at the District Conference.

# DUTY STATEMENTS FOR REPRESENTATIVES ON NON ROTARY MANAGED PROGRAMS AND COMMITTEES

The District has representation on a number of non Rotary Boards and Committees. These are organisations whose activities the District has agreed to support at both District and Club level

Rotarians are appointed to these committees by the District Governor but may not serve more than three consecutive terms. Unless indicated, no specific qualifications are required for Rotarians to serve in these positions other than being Rotarians of good standing within the District.

## Association of Community Service Organisations(ACSO)

This is an organisation of representatives of recognised service clubs that aims to foster goodwill, co-operation and understanding between each organisation and the community they serve. It may also liaise with Government agencies. Currently, Apex, Kiwanis, Lions, Rotary, Soroptimist and Zonta are members.

The Rotary representative should preferably be a Past District Governor or an experienced Rotarian possessing abroad understanding of Rotary, District organisation and Rotary's activities.

#### **Australian Medical Alert Foundation**

Medic Alert was established by Rotary in South Australia and the St John Council in 1971, but it is now operated by the Ambulance Service in each State. Medic Alert records a person's medical details which can be made available to doctors, hospitals and emergency service providers in cases of accident, unconsciousness, shock or hysteria. Persons registered with Medic Alert wear an engraved emblem with an identity number and medical details. Further information - www.medicalert.com.au

#### **PROBUS**

The establishment of this organisation of retired professional and business persons was promoted by Rotary. It is now an organisation in its own right. Rotary maintains a relationship, particularly in supporting the efforts to establish new PROBUS Clubs.

## **Foodbank**

Foodbank(SA) is a not for profit, independent organisation that facilitates the efficient flow of surplus food from food suppliers to member welfare organisations that work with people in need. It has aboard of management that includes a Rotary representative from each of District 9500 and 9520.

## The Science and Engineering Challenge.

This program has been developed by the University of Newcastle and promoted by Rotary District 9670. It engages teams of year 9 and year 10 students in a full day of practical science and engineering challenges.

The program in South Australia is conducted by the Investigator Science and Technology Centre and supported by Engineers Australia, Rotary and other bodies.

Rotary has a member on its Co-ordinating Committee. Rotary Clubs may be asked to assist with student travel from their schools to the challenge or with other expenses. Rotarians may be invited to assist as judges at the challenge.

## **DUTY STATEMENTS FOR DISTRICT COMMITTEES**

There are two types of District Committee. The first are Committees conducting Rotary managed programs. These may be programs of Rotary International, programs conducted by groups of Districts in Australia or programs conducted only in District 9500. The second are programs conducted by other organisations who may have Rotarians on their management boards or committees but are not managed by Rotary, but for whom Rotary provides major support.

A common duty of all Committees is to promote to Rotary Clubs in the District the activities and programs for which the Committee is responsible. This may be done by direct contact with Clubs, providing speakers at Clubs or District functions, through the DGs newsletter or on the District's website. The District Governor is an ex-officio member of all District Committees.

The chairman and member so fall District Committees are appointed by the District Governor under the terms of the Manual of Procedure. The minimum recommended qualification for appointment to a District Committee is membership, other than honorary, in good standing in a Club in the District. Common sense suggests that usually these appointments are made after consultation with the appropriate Committee chairman and District Co-ordinator. Unless indicated, no specific qualifications are required for Rotarians to serve on these committees other than that members are Rotarians of good standing in District 9500.

It is a responsibility of all committees to ensure continuity by recommending new members for their committee.

District Committees are grouped, with each group having a Chairman with responsibility for the overall functioning of the Committees in his/her group.

Minutes to be taken in common format and sent to District Chair and then to the DG on a regular basis; reports at Chairs Meetings to include reference to these.

It is the responsibility of each Committee to prepare a draft budget for inclusion in the District Budget as/if required.

#### **Committee Groups**

The groups and their component committees are:

## Club and District Administration

Insurance

Electronic Communications and District Member Website maintenance

District Resolutions

RI and District Awards

Rotary International Convention

District Property

**District Training** 

District History and Records

## Membership Development

Membership and Extension

Family of Rotary

**District Attendance** 

The Rotary Foundation Alumni

Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI)

ClubVisioning

## Marketing and Promotions

Rotary Image

The Voice of Rotary

DG's Newsletter

District 9500 public website and social media

**RDU Magazine District Representative** 

## Service Avenue - Youth Services

Child Protection

National Youth Science Forum

The Science Experience

Science and Engineering Challenge

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)

Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN)

Rotary Youth Driver Awareness (RYDA)

Rotary Youth Wellbeing (RYWELL)

Rotaract

Interact

Youth Exchange Program

Family of Rotary Alumni

# Service Avenue - Community

Australian Rotary Health

Indigenous Health Scholarships

Bowelscan

**Environmental Projects** 

- o Preserve Planet Earth
- o Australian Campaign for Rabbit Eradication (ACRE)
- Rotary's Native Bird Nestbox (ROBIN)

Association of Community Service Organisations

Medic Alert

**PROBUS** 

Disaster Recovery

Foodbank

**Emergency Medical Information Book** 

Shelterbox

Disaster Aid Australia

## Service Avenue - Vocational

Student Journalism and Integrity Seminars

# Service Avenue -International

**RAWCS Promotion** 

Safe Water Saves Lives

**Project Volunteers** 

Donations In Kind

Rotarians Against Malaria

Rotary Friendship Exchange

Concentrated Language Encounter

**ROMAC** 

Interplast

# The Rotary Foundation

District Fundraising

Polio Eradication

**Global Grants** 

**District Grants** 

Vocational Training Teams and Scholarships

Peter Sutton Memorial GSE Safari Fund

The Australian Rotary Foundation Trust

Every Rotarian Every Year / Centurion Club

# **Rotary Programs**

## Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA)

This Rotary International Award recognises young people in the age range18-25 who are taking leadership roles in their community or place of employment.

The Awards are made by Rotary Clubs who seek and nominate suitable recipients from within their community.

The Award takes the form of sponsorship to attend a District conducted seminar that provides assistance in further developing the Awardees leadership skills. The live in seminar runs for five days and provides a variety of activities ranging from lectures from suitably qualified people to workshops, discussion groups and includes entertainment and physical activities.

The District Committee consists of a Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer and at least two Rotarians. The Committee meets monthly to plan and organise each seminar and is supported by selected past Awardees ("Rylarians") who will act as mentors during the seminar.

The Committee is self funded by the fees paid by Clubs to sponsor their awardee.

The seminar is conducted by the RYLA Committee. A Host Club is selected each year which provides a suitable member and partner who act as Administrators. The Host Club also host the Awardees at their Rotary Club meeting during the week of the seminar.

## Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN)

The objective of this program is to cultivate all that is best in young people aged 14 to 17.

Clubs may nominate and sponsor suitable young people. The program covers a residential weekend at which the participants take part in a range of activities that provide ideas and experiences designed to assist them to form their own social and moral values and standards among their peers.

Participants should not be high achievers or have taken leadership roles but should have demonstrated a commitment to work hard and succeed.

The weekend is conducted by RYLA mentors, and is supervised by a Rotarian and spouse from a host Rotary Club, who act as Administrators and Counsellors.

The program is self funded by the fees paid by Rotary Clubs sponsoring participants.

The program is managed by the RYLA Committee who combines the dual responsibilities of RYLA and RYPEN.

#### Membership and Extension.

This is a Rotary International requested Committee. Its responsibility is to encourage membership growth and retention in existing Clubs, and seek to extend Rotary by establishing new Clubs. Full detail of its functions and responsibilities are given in the Manual of Procedure.

#### Rotary Leadership Institute RLI.

A faculty which provides ongoing Rotary education and training to Rotarians who wish to develop and expand their knowledge of Rotary, particularly those who become or will become office bearers in their Club or District.

## Peter Sutton Memorial GSE Outback Safari Fund.

Peter Sutton was the President of the Rotary Club of West Lakes. He was a pilot and was killed in 1985 in a light aircraft crash together with the leader of a visiting Group Study Exchange team. A Trust fund was established by the West Lakes Club in his memory. The object of the fund is to provide visiting GSE Teams with an opportunity to travel in the outback. Contributions may be made by any Rotary Club or individuals.

The trust is administered by trustees appointed by the DG and who meet as and when necessary.

#### Australian Rotary Health (ARH)

Australian Rotary Health is a community service of the Rotary Clubs of Australia.

The vision is "To encourage and stimulate the promotion of good health in Australia".

It is one of the largest independent health research funds in Australia and since establishment has given many millions of dollars to Australian health research.

#### The fund:

- Provides funds each year to support research projects and provide scholarships.
- Supports PhD research studies for students
- Works with Rotary Clubs to fund research projects in all health areas
- Organises community forums to create awareness of health issues
- Works with governments and private health agencies to promote good health
- Provides Scholarships to Indigenous Australians studying for health related degrees
- Promotes the Bowels can program providing screening for bowel cancer.

The committee encourages Clubs to support the fund both financially and through participation in the programs.

Meetings are held on a regular basis to assess developments, club activities and contributions

The committee may seek re-imbursement from the district for costs associated with the running of an annual seminar, workshops or information meetings.

Further information: refer to the ARH website www.australianrotarvhealth.org.au

## Indigenous Medical Scholarships

This is a combined District 9500 and 9520 ARH Committee. Its objective is to provide a scholarship fund that can be used for the purpose of assisting aboriginal students to undertake study to obtain qualifications in a wide range of health related professions.

Funds are provided by interested Rotary Clubs and Federal and State subsidies. Committee out of pocket expenses may be provided from District funds.

The Committee consists of Rotarians from both Districts. It is desirable that some members come from locations where there are Aboriginal populations. The committee normally meets quarterly.

As election committee of Rotarians and members and Aboriginal Service Liaison personnel interview and select suitable candidates for scholarships.

#### Preserve Planet Earth

"Preserve Planer Earth" is a term used by RI to identify programs that provide environmental preservation and conservation activities. The Committee is a combined D9500 and D9520 committee that co-ordinates and promotes activities in both Districts. These activities include, but are not confined to tree planting, Clean up Australia and Landcare projects. Students are sponsored to attend Environmental forums at Renmark and Albury Wodonga.

Projects and activities are organised by participating Rotary Clubs. Funds to support activities and costs are met by the Clubs or participants.

The Committee consist of Rotarians who meet as required to arrange activities.

## Rotary Native Bird NestBox (ROBIN)

This is a joint District 9500 and 9520 Committee. It supplies nest boxes for native birds and animals and supports research on the habits and preservation of endangered species. It operates in conjunction with university and government departments and organisations conducting such research.

It is funded by Rotary Clubs and from private sources.

The committee meets as needed. Preparation meetings are held depending on the specific project and the skills and expertise of individual members.

## Australian Campaign for Rabbit Eradication (ACRE)

A joint District 9500 and 9520 Committee working to bring about community awareness of the destruction of the environment by wild rabbits.

It is funded by Rotary Clubs who support their activities.

The Committee consist of Rotarians and selected non Rotarian advisers who have extensive experience as members of the Animal and Plant Control Commission specialising in rabbit Control.

The Committee meets as needed.

#### Disaster Recovery

This committee forms part of a 'Disaster Support Plan (Sub-plan of the SA Government Community Services Functional plan) and operates under a 'Memorandum of Understanding' with the Department for Families and Communities.

The committee assists clubs to learn about the State Disaster organisation, the role of Rotary in a major emergency or disaster, and to prescribe the coordination and call out arrangements as defined in the SA Government Community Services Emergency Plan.

The committee consists of Rotarians who will:

- Inform Clubs about the role of Rotary in a disaster
- Attend participating agency forums to gain an understanding and discuss the requirements and roles of each agency in particular events
- Provide assistance to the District Governor in the event of a disaster
- Maintain a register of participating clubs and available resources Meetings are held about four times per year or as necessary.

# Youth Exchange Program (YEP) - LongTerm

The objective of this program is to forge international understanding. Rotary Clubs sponsor a student to live and study overseas for a year and inturn host a student from overseas for a year. The students learn of the country they visit and inturn impart information of their own country.

A Club participating in this program must provide a counsellor for both the sponsored and hosted students. The counsellor is responsible for the welfare of the student while on Exchange. For the hosted student they must proved home accommodation, a monthly pocket money allowance, meal costs when attending a Rotary meeting, and the cost of attendance at the District Conference.

Travel costs and insurance of the sponsored student are met by the student but a Club may meet other costs if the Club so wishes.

The Committee has Rotarian members and their spouses. Each Rotarian member is responsible for students to and from specific countries and liaises with their counter parts in those other countries and also the student's counsellors.

The Committee meets at least five times a year. Meetings usually coincide with student interview day, a briefing weekend usually in September, a briefing day in December, and a de-briefing day for returned student in February. These functions are attended by students, parents and counsellors.

The Committee Chairman is expected to attend an annual meeting of the YEP Chairman from the 22 Rotary Districts in Australia, and also a national travel Conference.

The Committee is funded by a fee charged to the parents of each sponsored student plus fees paid for attendance at student and parent briefings.

## Youth Exchange Program (YEP) - ShortTerm

This program for Year 10 students is to forge international understanding. It is a 10 week exchange and has usually provided for exchanges between Australian and New Zealand, but has included other countries.

This program is currently suspended in District 9500 but may be resumed if there is interest expressed by Rotarians of the District.

#### Rotaract

Rotaract is a Rotary International program that provides young adults between 18 and 30 years of age an opportunity to enhance and develop their skills and address the physical and social needs of their community. Rotaract Clubs are sponsored and mentored by Rotary Clubs.

#### Interact

Interact is a Rotary International approved program for young people dedicated to service and international understanding. Interact Clubs are sponsored by RotaryClubs and are for students aged 13 to 18. They may be formed in schools subject to agreement by the schools concerned.

#### Concentrated Language Encounter (CLE)

This Rotary International program promotes, publicises and implements its campaign to alleviate mass illiteracy across the developing world

## Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd. (RAWCS Ltd.)

RAWCS Ltd., is a national organisation that co-ordinates a number of Rotary activities providing humanitarian and educational services in under developed countries, particularly those in the nearby Asian and Pacific area. It operates through a number of regional Committees. District 9500 is a member of the Central Regional Committee that also includes District 9520. The Regional Committee has a number of subgroups dealing with specific RAWCS activities. The Chairman of each subgroup is a member of the regional committee.

The Regional Committee meets about eight times a year.

Funding for RAWCS comes from contributions made by Clubs and from individual Rotarians who volunteer to work on RAWCS activities in the countries where activities take place. For specific activities some funds are obtained from the Rotary Foundation and occasionally from Government agencies. Donations may be tax deductible through the Rotary Overseas Aid Fund

For detailed information visit www.rawcs.com.au

#### Donations In Kind (DIK)

This RAWCS committee provides services and equipment for people in developing countries particularly, but not restricted to, the Asian Pacific region.

It receives useful donated medical and educational equipment from schools, libraries, hospitals and businesses. This materia lis sorted, repaired or reconditioned if necessary and packed for transport to communities in developing countries.

It operates from facilities at Edinburgh Park, South Australia.

Funds to cover transportation costs are sought from Rotary Clubs.

Rotary and other volunteers are always required to assist with sorting and packing.

Committee members are expected to attend bi-monthly meetings.

#### Rotarians Against Malaria.(RAM)

The objective of this RAWCS program is to raise the awareness of the risk of Malaria in the Australian community, support medical research activities in the search for vaccines and appropriate treatments, and encourage Rotary Clubs to support antimalarial projects in selected countries.

The program works with the World Health Organisation and Australian health organisations. At times it has support from Donations In Kind.

The Committee encourages support, both financial and in-kind, from Rotary Clubs and individuals. Donations are tax deductible through the Rotary Overseas Aid Fund.

The regional Committee comprises a Chairman and at least one member from each of Districts 9500 and 9520 and meets at least twice a year.

# Safe Water Saves Lives(SWSL)

This national RAWCS program works to provide safe clean drinking water in underdeveloped countries where un-clean drinking water causes significant health problems.

The program is funded by support from individual Rotary Clubs, members of the public, schools, and privately.

The Committee meets monthly.

# Project Volunteers (formerly FAIM)

This RAWCS Committee identifies needs and opportunities for Australian Volunteers to work in developing countries overseas on humanitarian aid projects.

It recruits and carefully trains teams of Rotarians or other volunteers to carry out projects especially in the field of health, education and water supply.

The Committee meets as required, and is self funding.

#### **RAWCS Promotion**

This Committee promotes the work of RAWCS to Rotary Clubs in D9500 and D9520 and the community.

It provides guest speakers to Clubs, provides a newsletter and organises the annual RAWCS dinner.

The Committee has Rotarian members representing both Districts. It meets six times a year.

The Committee is self funding.

# Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC)

ROMAC is an association of Rotary Districts across Australia that brings selected children from overseas for medical treatment which can not be provided in their own country to address life threatening conditions and disfigurements. This involves identifying children needing treatment, arranging treatment in Australia and funding travel and medical costs. It may also include arranging for Clubs to provide home hosting for the patient and accompanying parent where necessary.

The Company operates through regional Committees. D9500 is a member of the Central Region Committee, together with District 9520. The committee meets when necessary to manage the needs of patients.

Funding is from contributions from Clubs and donations from interested individuals and corporations.

#### Interplast

This committee promotes the work of Interplast within Rotary Clubs. Interplast Australia sends volunteer medical teams overseas to undertake surgery and training of local staff in areas where trained medical staff are not yet available.

For further information visit website www.interplast.com.au

#### Rotary Global Networking Groups

This program provides an opportunity for Rotarians around the world who shares a common interest, hobby or profession to communicate and possibly meet with each other and share their interests. The list is significant ever changing.

Any Rotarian may join any fellowship that interests him or her.

The complete list of fellowships and contacts are on the Rotary International website <a href="https://www.rotary.org">www.rotary.org</a>. Search for "Rotary Global Networking Groups"

#### Rotary Friendship Exchange

This program facilitates the participation of Rotarians and their families in experiencing another culture first hand by reciprocal visiting and living with Rotarians in another country. Exchanges may be individual, but are usually in small groups and last two or three weeks.

The "Home Exchange Fellowship" is open to any Rotarian wishing to avail themselves of the benefits of exchanging their homes with a Rotarian in another country for a holiday period.

The cost of the exchange is born by the participating Rotarian.

The Committee assists Rotarians wishing to participate in the program by facilitating and co-ordinating the exchanges with the District Chairmen in the countries involved.

Further information can be found on the Rotary International website <a href="www.rotary.org">www.rotary.org</a> and Search for "Rotary Friendship Exchange."

## The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International (TRF)

The objective of this Foundation is, "To do good in the world. "It is an international trust that provides over US\$100,000,000 annually to support a wide range of Rotary humanitarian and educational programs and activities worldwide. A key focus is the elimination of Polio worldwide. The Rotary Foundation is considered to be Rotary's charity.

RI requires that a PDG is appointed to serve as District 9500 Foundation Chairman for a period of three years. The District Foundation Chairman is responsible for co-ordinating the District Foundation activities and liaises directly with the Foundation staff.

Funds for the Foundation come from donations by Rotary Clubs, Individual Rotarians and other philanthropists. A donation of US\$1,000 may be recognised with a Paul Harris Recognition.

The Rotary Foundation programs and activities are currently being revised inline with the Foundations Future Vision Plan with the objective of simplifying the programs, seeking a balance of local and global activities, focusing on significant and sustainable outcomes, and shifting decisions away from the Foundation itself and closer to the Districts. The revised program is being trialled in100 Districts worldwide and District 9500 is one of them.

Comprehensive information on the Rotary Foundation and its many activities is found at <a href="https://www.rotary.org">www.rotary.org</a> and a number of publications available from RI.

Funds donated to the Rotary Foundation are held and invested for two years. In the third year 50% of the funds contributed by the District is made available to the District to be spent on Foundation approved programs chosen by the District. This fund is known as the District Designated Fund (DDF)

## Vocational Team Training (Formerly Group Study Exchange)

Vocational Team Training provides an International Exchange of four to five weeks duration for a team of a Rotarian and four or five business or professional people aged between 25 and 40 who share a common vocation. The exchange provides the opportunity to experience the culture, geography, economy, and education of another country and also provides opportunities to engage in vocational interests. The objective is to forge friendships and build bridges between two countries.

The Rotary Foundation provides detailed guides and handbooks

The District meets the team travel costs to and from the District from District Designated Funds. Travel within the District and accommodation while on exchanges is provided by Rotarians of the hosting District.

The District provides funds for the administration of the program in the District, based on the needs of both incoming and outgoing teams.

The Committee meets monthly. It invites Clubs in District 9500 to nominate a Rotarian as Team Leader and to nominate team members. It interviews and selects successful team members. It conducts a briefing weekend to prepare the outgoing team. It seeks Club support for hosting and helps Clubs develop appropriate hospitality. It participates in welcoming and farewelling functions for both teams.

#### Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarships

This Committee is responsible for the administration of the Rotary Foundation scholarships programs. Ambassadorial Scholars are post graduate students awarded a scholarship to study for at least a year at a university in a country other than their own.

The objective of this program is to encourage understanding and good will between countries.

The Committee is responsible for the selection of suitable candidates for these scholarships on the occasions when the District decides to support these programs through the use of District Designated Funds.

The Committee is responsible for arranging host Clubs for Ambassadorial scholars studying in our District and advising host Clubs of their obligations and responsibilities. They are responsible for the supervision of these hosted students.

Sponsoring and hosting Ambassadorial scholars does not necessarily place any financial obligation on a supporting Club.

Committee members meet as required but to interview and select potential scholars.

Under the Future Vision program this activity is being phased out.

## Rotary World Peace Scholarships.

Each year two-year scholarships are offered world-wide to selected candidates to study at one of a number of Rotary sponsored Centres for International studies. It is a two year master's in international studies, peace and conflict resolution.

The Committees responsibility is to select one suitable candidate for nomination from our District each year.

## Rotary Global Grants

Global Grants are funded by the Foundation and 50% of SHARE. Global Grants are centred on six "Areas of Focus":

- Peace and Conflict Prevention/Resolution
- Disease prevention and treatment
- Water and Sanitation
- Maternal and Child Health
- Basic Education and Literacy
- Economic and Community Development.

This Committee advises Clubs on the processes to be followed to obtain a Global Grant from the Rotary Foundation,

The Committee assists Clubs in preparing the necessary documentation required when applying for a matching grant.

The Committee meets as required to consider requests from Clubs seeking to participate, and assist the Clubs in preparing the necessary applications and documentation.

#### Rotary Foundation Alumni

Rotary Foundation Alumni are persons who have benefited from Rotary Foundation programs. These include Group Study Exchange Team members, Vocational Training Team members, Ambassadorial and Peace Scholars, Rotary Volunteers and others.

The Committee maintains a database of the Foundation alumni, which is available to Clubs who may wish to invite alumni to attend Club meetings as speakers.

The Committee also attempts to maintain contact with alumni to maintain their interest in Rotary.

# Every Rotarian Every Year - The Centurion Club.

RI encourages Every Rotarian to donate \$100 to the Rotary Foundation each year. In Australia a person who makes this non-binding commitment becomes a member of the Centurion Club

Each Club maintains records of its member Rotarians who have committed to this program.

## Shelterbox

Shelterbox is a Rotary International promoted activity which provides on a worldwide basis humanitarian aid and relief in the form of material and equipment that provides shelter, warmth and comfort to people displaced by natural and other disasters. Shelterbox is based in the United Kingdom and managed by Shelterbox Trust UK.

## **District Supported Programs**

#### National Youth Science Forum (NYSF)

This committee encourages clubs to select and nominate year -11 students who are interested in a career in science. Selected students attend the two weeks National Youth Science Forum. In January each year two forums are conducted by the Australian National University in Canberra whilst a single forum is conducted jointly by Curtin University and the University of WA in Perth. The management and operation of the NYSF is undertaken by the National Science Summer School Council and Rotary acts as its agent in selecting, financing and preparing the students who attend.

Clubs are invited to nominate suitable students and financially sponsor them.

The Committee may seek funds from the District to meet out of pocket costs.

The Committee meets four to five times a year, usually in the June to September period. Committee members are expected to participate in the interviewing and selection process. Depending on the number of nominations from Clubs, this could involve a weekend, usually at the end of August.

Committee members are expected to attend the orientation day for selected students, usually at the end of September.

The Chairman is expected to attend a meeting of all Australian District Chairmen, held in February each year.

Further Information see NYSF website www.nysf.edu.au.

#### The Science Experience

The Science Experience, an Australian wide activity, provides a three day, hands-on science program for students about to enter Year-10 arranged in association with participating Rotary Clubs. The Science Schools Foundation is responsible for the overall organization of the program. Rotary provides a Local Organising Committee in each State. Our Committee is a joint Committee with District 9520, and works with the three universities in South Australia. The program takes place on University campuses and is conducted during the January School holidays.

Applications are received through schools and Rotary Clubs.

A comprehensive organiser's handbook is provided by the Science Schools Foundation.

Funds come from the fees paid by participants to attend, and may be sponsored by Rotary Clubs.

The Committee consists of six or more people. It meets three or four times a year, and also liaises with the universities. In addition the Committee is expected to be available to supervise the event on the three days of the experience.

Further information is available on the Science Experience web site www.scienceexperience.com.au

## **Club Projects**

A number of Clubs have projects that they are prepared to share with other clubs or which they may promote to other clubs. In some cases these are projects carried out in other Districts in Australia where detailed information can be obtained.

### Learning Assistance Program (LAP).

This program aims to assist participating primary schoolchildren improve their reading skills. Interested adults, which includes Rotarians, attend schools to read to children or listen to them read. Further information is available from the Rotary Club of Barossa District.

# Emergency Medical Information Book (EMIB)

This book is distributed to those who may need emergency medical service. It contains specific information on the holder's medical history and medications. The Project is now Australia wide, and further information is available from the Rotary Club of Tea Tree Gully. Refer website <a href="https://www.emib.org.au">www.emib.org.au</a>

## Rotary Youth Driver Awareness (RYDA)

This program is active in many Australian Districts. It is a voluntary organisation that provides a program to help educate young people on Road safety. It is often conducted in schools. Further information is available from the Rotary Club of Barossa Valley.

Refer website www.ryda.org.au

#### Disaster Aid Australia

This program provides innovative Australian-based humanitarian packages that help family units survive in post-disaster circumstances with dignity. The family aid packs provide shelter and equipment appropriate for the conditions.

Further information is available from the Rotary Club of Endeavour Hills, Victoria

Refer website www.disasteraidaustralia.org.au

## **DISTRICT AWARDS**

The following perpetual awards are provided for competition between Clubs of the District to encourage their participation in the various programs and activities of Rotary. The performances are judged for activity during the Rotary Year. Where submissions for awards are required the submission should be concise and be detailed on only one A4 page. The judges will contact Clubs if they require further information or detail. The District Governor may co-opt others to assist with judging or may appoint others to judge in his place if he or she wishes.

By a decision of a District Conference there will be no more than fourteen awards provided and if a new award is provided it will be at the expense of one existing award.

#### **Club Performance Award.**

Initiated by the Rotary Club of Henley Beach to commemorate the services of the late PP Merv Croxton and presented to the Club for the best Club activity and accomplishments, display of Club Fellowship and/or demonstration of the most significant "Service Above Self" in their community.

## **Rotary Foundation Award.**

Initiated by the late PDG Bob Perryman of the Rotary Club of Adelaide East and presented for the best Club involvement in all facets of the Foundation including funding and participation in Club Centurion with the size of the Club being taken into account. A concise statement should be sent to the District Rotary Foundation Chairman. Only Clubs that have made a financial contribution to the Foundation in the current Rotary year are eligible.)

## **ARH Perpetual District Trophy.**

Presented by Australian Rotary Health (ARH) this trophy will be awarded by the District Governor and presented at the District Conference to the Club which has rendered the most significant assistance to ARH or its work in Research and Mental Health in the current Rotary year.

Such assistance may take the form of:

- Per capita donations in the current year.
- Innovative projects which maximise District fundraising
- Effective public relations which raise community awareness of the ARHF specific activity which translates Research results into local projects.

The decision of the District Governor in awarding this trophy is final.

#### **Public Relations Award.**

Presented by the late PDG Dean Whiteford of the Rotary Club of Henley Beach and presented to the Club considered by the District Marketing and Promotions Committee, in conjunction with the District Governor, to have planned and initiated a successful program of Marketing and Promotion, or to have achieved this through an innovative or special Rotary project. Consideration will be given to the level of awareness created within the geographic region of the Club.

#### **Conservation Award.**

Initiated by PDG Don Sarah of the Rotary Club of Hindmarsh and be presented to the Club considered by the District Governor to have achieved the greatest success in one or more "Preserve Planet Earth" projects or have actively participated in Conservation Plans aimed at a better quality of life and environment.

#### Youth Activities Award.

Presented to the Club considered by the District Governor to have the best overall Club involvement in youth activities. A concise statement of club action in youth should be forwarded to the District Governor.

## **Club History Award.**

Initiated by the late PP Colin Brideson of the Rotary Club of Adelaide and presented to the Club considered by the District History and Records Committee in conjunction with the District Governor to have made the most significant progress during the year in the areas of preservation of their Club's history and making the Club members aware of their Club's history.

## World Community Service (International) Award.

Incorporating the former International Service Award presented by the late PDG John Evans of the Rotary Club of Barossa Valley and presented to the Club undertaking the best International or Rotary Australia World Community Service activity. A concise statement of Club activities should be submitted to the District Governor. Supporting evidence will be provided by the Central Region RAWCS Committee Chairman.

## **Community Service Award.**

Initiated by the late PDG Phil Kearns of the Rotary Club of Adelaide and presented for the best Community Service program undertaken by a Club. A concise outline of Community Service for your Club should be sent to the Chairman, District Community Service Committee.

# **Vocational Service Program Award.**

Initiated by the late PDG Clair Rogers of the Rotary Club of Adelaide and presented to the Club undertaking the best Vocational Service program. A concise statement of Club activities in Vocational Service activities should be submitted to the District Governor.

#### Interact / Rotaract Club Performance Award.

Initiated by the Rotary Club of Woodville to acknowledge their PP Michael Reith and presented for the best over all performance and accomplishments of a Rotaract or Interact Club in the District.

### Club Attendance Award.

Initiated by PPB rian Croucher of the Rotary Club of Enfield and presented to the Club having the highest percentage attendance at Club meetings, taking into account the various sizes of Clubs. No action required by Clubs as this will be calculated from attendance figures.

#### Club Bulletin Award.

Initiated by the late DG Jack Turner of the Rotary Club of Adelaide West and to be presented to the Club which is judged to have the best Bulletin of the year (Printed or Electronic Version).

Criteria: An introduction that gives details of the Club, District Governor and RI President. The contents should include information on Club activities, District activities, matters of general Rotary information and important dates in the Club, District and Rotary International calendar. It should provide for members opinions on Rotary matters and should include personal information on Club members. It should be well presented and easy to read and it should contain some humour but not of a type that would be offensive to the principles of Rotary, that is non-religious, non-sexist, non-racist, non-political, or of a type offensive to the majority of members.

Judging will be carried out by a committee setup by the District Governor Elect. In addition to the District Governor, clubs should forward a copy of their bulletin to the District Governor Elect.

# **Club Membership Award.**

Presented by the Rotary Club of Adelaide West, to the Club showing the greatest membership improvement. Formula for calculation will include two factors- the number of new members and the percentage increase in Club membership. Clubs chartered during the ear will be considered on membership growth from charter presentation onwards. No action required by clubs for entry.

# **BOUNDARIES OF DISTRICT 9500**

AUSTRALIA –That part of SOUTHAUSTRALIA west of longitude 139°21'E from the Queensland/South Australian border to the main road from Walker Flat to MtPleasant and north of a line consisting of:-the road west through Angas Valley, Mt Pleasant, Birdwood, Gumeracha to Gorge Road, south-west along Gorge Road through Cudlee Creek and Castambul to the eastern boundary of the City of Campbelltown, north along that boundary to the River Torrens, south-west along the River Torrens to Hackney Road, south along Hackney Road, Dequetteville Terrace and Fullarton Road to Greenhill Road, west along Greenhill Road to Anzac Highway, south-west along Anzac Highway to the Sturt River, north-west along the Sturt River to Anderson Avenue, west along Anderson Avenue extended to the Gulf of St Vincent; plus Kangaroo Island; and that portion of NORTHERN TERRITORY south of the 21st degree of latitude.