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Preamble

"The Rotary Horizons" & links for this week which has been sent to all Rotarians.

This publication and past dispatches are available on the District 9500 website

at www.rotary9500.org

All items for The Rotary Horizons to be sent to the District Secretary by 12.00 noon Thursdays either by email secretary17-18@rotary9500.org (preferred) or post Rotary D9500 PO Box 6669, Adelaide Halifax St PO SA 5000 (AND allow time for delivery)



Diary Dates – Rotary Making a Difference, – March 2018

All of March - Water and Sanitation month

13 Fri April – Celebration of Rotaract's 50 years.

7 Sat – 8 Sun April – Combined District Presidents Elect Training – Adelaide Nazareth College

28 Sat April – Leading Rotary Now – Adelaide (St Michaels College)

6 Sun May - Leading Rotary Now – Whyalla (Uni SA Campus)

26 Sat May - Leading Rotary Now – Alice Springs (Time & Place TBA)

8 Sun July – DG's Change Over – Adelaide (Glenelg Golf Club)

From my desk.

Hello Readers – by District Secretary Jeff.

Another Wow – I survived last week's edition - no sacking.

As I write this weeks "My Desk", many of us are heading to this year's joint District Conference in the Barossa.

I am so looking forward to the great presenters and catching up with many new friends from District 9520. Not surprising that Rotarians from the other District are nice people (as we are here in 9500), having dealt with them on numerous District business, it is going to be great to spend some time with them over coffee and cake during the session breaks and the Saturday night dinner and getting to know them better.

Viewing the various club and district projects "House of Friendship" or what ever in the it is called now (I am sure I will know by the end of the week end), is also going to be very interesting.

This week's edition contains information, updates and request for support for the bushfires interstate and earth quakes in PNG, please read and support how best you can.

Thank you, DG Peter for allowing me to write your section, I now hand back to you supreme one.

Until next time, keep well... and keep Making a Difference...

Jeff Cluse

Gawler Light Quiz night

Join Gawler Light with their quiz night – Saturday May 19 2018 – 7.00 pm start

Gawler Tennis clubrooms – Victoria Tce, Gawler

Click Here for further information

Papua New Guinea Earthquake- Request for Donations

Rotarians will know that on 26 February 2018 an Earthquake of 7.5 magnitude occurred about 3.00am in an area of the Southern Highlands of Papua New Guinea.

Due to the isolated location access has been very difficult.

The PNG Army has been working with assistance from RAAF Chinook helicopters and C130 Hercules aircraft.

However due to landslides and damage to roads and bridges very little other support is getting through

The area is still suffering aftershocks, with villagers not prepared to go back to their homes.

The current death toll has risen to 125 with over 35,000 displaced.

District 9600 (which includes PNG) has established a fund through Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) to aid the recovery.

Past District Governor of D9600 Charles Guesdon is the Project Manager ably assisted by Assistant Governor and PNG Liaison Mary Grant.

Donations to this fund are tax deductible through RAWCS.

Clubs and members may make contributions through the following link:

<https://donations.rawcs.com.au/Default.aspx?ProjectNo=75&YearRegistered=2017-18>.

The Project name is:- Papua New Guinea Southern Highlands Earthquake recovery. RAWCS ref 75-2017-18.

Further details will be circulated as they come to hand.

PNG is an important part of District 9600 and they need our support following this disastrous event.

Please consider and give generously.

Together in Rotary Service, John Lane Governor 2017-18 District 9600



ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE (RLI)

Register NOW for the Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) Course at St Michael's College, Henley Beach

What is RLI (Rotary Leadership Institute)?

CLUBS – **INVEST IN YOUR MEMBERS** – CONSIDER HELPING THEM ATTEND – KNOWING TOO MUCH ABOUT ROTARY HAS NEVER BEEN A DRAWBACK TO CLUB DEVELOPMENT.

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a fast-paced, two-day course offered for Rotarians and Rotaractors to build on, and share, leadership skills and the understanding of Rotary.

It builds on PETs and LRN events and is ideal for a 'new Rotarian' or even a 'seasoned Rotarian' wanting to gain a broader understanding of Rotary and its programs.

The Course is topical, interactive, and geared towards Rotarians who want to be more knowledgeable and effective leaders and members of their Clubs.

This internationally recognised course is collaborative in approach and provides opportunities to learn more about Rotary, its structure, its programs and the role and function of leaders of clubs and beyond.

DETAILS

- Saturday May 19 and Sunday May 20, 2018 @ St Michael's College Henley Beach
- Morning Tea, Lunch & Materials provided
- Cost \$100.00 (Clubs are asked to support Rotarians interested in attending, especially Presidents Elect, aspiring leaders and new Rotarians)

DATE AND TIME NOT SUITABLE? WANT TO MAKE A FURTHER ENQUIRY?

- Contact D9500 RLI Registrar PDG Marie Dorrington at mdorrington@bigpond.net.au or 0417863316.
- DGN Jane Owens RLI Coordinator

Invitation to join Cystic Fibrosis SA and Adelaide Parks Rotary for Breakfast



Tuesday 1st May – 7.00am to 9.00am

Click Here for further information

Student Invention Summit - Funding Inventions for Social Good.

Rotary club of Gawler Light, Grameen Australia and the student-led Cognito Foundation in association with STEMSEL Foundation presents the Student Invention Summit.

The Student Invention Summit is a new initiative that encourages the next generation of change makers to help solve global challenges.

Click Here for further information www.sis2018.com

Vocational Training Team (VTT) to the Philippines

Vocational Training Team – Focus Disease Prevention & Treatment

Goal: Improving the Services of the Health Care Units in the Barangay's (Local Government Areas)

Expressions of interest are being sort for hosting the Vocational Training Team (VTT) which is currently being planned.

District 3770, a Philippines' District, has requested a VTT. The team composition is most likely to be made up of;

- 1 General Practitioner (local doctor)
- 2 Community Health Workers (e.g. nurse, mental health worker)
- 1 Midwife , pharmacist, or aged care worker
- 1 paramedic

Team Leader possible a doctor.

The duration of the visit is planned for four weeks and possible commencement is August/September. but this is subject to the appropriate clearances from DSCI.

Clubs wishing to be involved or requiring more details are requested to contact John Rowe (RC Port Pirie).

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NYSF Update

The National Science Summer School started in 1983 by the Rotary Clubs of Canberra. Its aim was to encourage high school science students to come to Canberra to study. In 1984, it changed to the National Youth Science Forum (NYSF). It is a not-for-profit organisation that runs a number of residential programs to encourage young people in their passion for science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM). I am beginning to add medicine and agriculture to these four because of their growing importance to Australia.

The flagship program is the NYSF Year 12 Program, which runs in January each year for students about to enter year 12. Since 1983, more than 11,000 young Australians have progressed through the NYSF Year 12 Program which is a 12-day residential program designed to give students a broader understanding of the diverse study and career options available in STEM and to encourage them to continue their studies in these fields. The program includes

- visit science and technology related laboratories and facilities
 - go on site tours,
 - listen to lectures,
 - take part in workshops,
 - go to social events, and
 - participate in group activities that improve communication and presentation skills.
- Participants also take part in sessions on entrepreneurship, critical thinking, how to work together effectively, and more. The focus is not solely on academic achievements, but on developing well-rounded individuals who have the skills and confidence to determine their futures.

The NYSF is run by youth for youth, with a certain number of participants being selected each year to come back and participate in our Student Staff Leadership Program in preparation to help run the program the year after they first attended.

Rotary is the Founding Partner of NYSF and today the 21 Rotary districts across Australia continue to conduct selections for the NYSF Year 12 Program on behalf of the NYSF. Rotarians support those students with part of the cost of the program and continue to encourage them after the program. Rotarians attend the sessions as Uncles and Aunties to provide pastoral care and first aid.

Applications to be a part of next year's programs have opened online (www.nysf.edu.au/programs/year-12-program) and will close on May 31st. Students are encouraged to nominate a Rotary Club as their supporting and mentoring Club. But Clubs can go out to their local schools and invite Year 11 students to take part.

Clubs usually provide mentoring and financial support to the tune of half of the cost (\$1,500) for each student. However, the NYSF committee is keen to have Clubs partner if they cannot find the full amount themselves.

If you have any questions or need any more information, please contact me as below. A member of the committee will visit your Club if you want.

Thanks,
Mike Stevens
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Calperum Newsletter – Autumn 2018

Health of The River Forum

To be held early November 2018

The forum is held at Calperum Station, the Australian Landscape Trust property. Calperum Station is located just north-west of Renmark in South Australia and is managed for conservation and research of the landscape and to facilitate community involvement in innovative land-management practices.

This forum is for year 10 students with an interest in the challenges and complexities of managing freshwater resources for successful and sustainable environmental, social and economic outcomes.

Get in touch with your schools now



Student from Modbury High School working with Chairman Dick

Please find attached the Autumn edition of the Calperum Newsletter

[Click Here for further information](#)

Tathra Fires

Many clubs and Districts have rung me offering support to the victims of the recent Tathra Fires. In consultation with the IPP of Bega Rotary club we decided not to set up a Rotary account for donated monies but to utilise the local Council Mayoral account that has been set up.

Any clubs or persons wishing to donate can do this through:

Bega Valley Shire Council Mayoral Appeal fund ANZ Bega BS 012525 Account Number 837535154

For information we do have several Rotarians living in Tathra that are members of the RC of Bega. They are all fine as are their families and none of them lost their homes.

Steve Hill (Colleen)

District Governor 2016 – 17 District Governor 2017 -18 District 9710 Ph: 0412854047



PETS 2018 - Accommodation

DGE David Egan has especially asked that all Presidents Elect come to Adelaide for the weekend of April 7 and 8 to take part in a combined Presidents Elect Training Seminar with D9520.

He and I realise that being in Adelaide for the two days plus the Saturday evening for the Dinner will pose accommodation issues for our country members.

Some will have relatives in Adelaide they could stay with, but others will be looking for a place to sleep.

We are asking if any of the city Rotarians could offer a billet to our country cousins.

If you can, please let Mike Stevens know on 04 1787 5095 or d9500LearningDevelopment@gmail.com at your earliest convenience. I will need to know your address, and phone number and how many you can accommodate for what period.

Thanking you all in advance,

Mike Stevens

D9500 Team Leader Learning & Development 17-18,18-19

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On This Day – 24- March

1952 The world's first rock and roll concert is held in Cleveland, Ohio

DJ Alan Freed presented the concert, which was closed down after only one song because of over-crowding.

1970 Earth Day is celebrated for the first time

The first edition was limited to some cities in the United States. Today, Earth Day is observed by about 1 billion people around the world.

1985 South African Police kill at least 21 black people commemorating a similar mass shooting 25 years before.

The Sharpeville massacre in 1985 had left 69 unarmed people dead. It was a turning-point in the history of South Africa.

2006 Jack Dorsey sends the world's first Twitter message, or tweet

The microblogging service revolutionized the communication and social networking landscape. In 2012, about 340 million tweets were posted per day

Births On This Day – 1960 Ayrton Senna, Brazilian race car driver

Deaths On This Day – 1843 Guadalupe Victoria, Mexican politician, 1st President of Mexico

Learning & Development Committees for next Rotary year.

Increasing the knowledge and skills of all members of the Rotary community is extremely important, as is giving them and their Clubs all the support they need.

As the Team Leader of L & D portfolio for the next Rotary year, in which David Egan will be the District Governor, I am keen to give anybody who wants to share in this important task the opportunity to do so. The only qualifications are that you share an enthusiasm for helping others to get the most out of their Rotary experience.

David and I need members for the L & D and the Visioning and Planning committees. The work will include designing and providing courses, assisting Clubs with their planning, and the logistical support required. The appointment will be for the next year, starting July 1st. There are vacancies at the moment on both these committees, so if you wanted to help out for the rest of this year, your involvement will be most welcome.

If you are interested, please send me your details and a brief statement of your skills and areas of expertise to d9500LearningDevelopment@gmail.com. If you want to talk about what is involved, please ring me on 04 1787 5095 or catch me at the Conference.

Thanks,

Mike Stevens

D9500 Team Leader Learning & Development 17-18,18-19

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Rotary District 9780

NEWSLETTER

WESTERN VICTORIAN BUSH FIRES 17th 18th 19th March 2018



THE AREA

The central district of District 9780 has been severely affected by 4 fires, caused by severe weather conditions and the effect of lightning strikes. High wind conditions on Saturday night, fuelled the fires on 4 fronts. Up to 40 rural communities were threatened. To date the fires are contained but not controlled and the danger remains.

The area is a significant dairy area known as the Heytesbury Region, producing 23% of Australia's milk supply. The returns of the farmers have been compromised by the actions of the processors such as Murray Goulburn, who have placed stress on farmers over the past 2 years.

The local Rotary Clubs have supported the farming communities with annual 'Dairy Days' sponsoring Free Activity Days, (\$12,000) for farmers and families to forget the stresses of farming for a day. Last year attracted 1500 persons.

THE FIRES

Then there are the Fires!

Of the 4 Fires which occurred, the Terang – Cobden - Scotts Creek, has caused the most impact to the Dairy Area. Power has yet to be reestablished for many dairies.

There have been the loss of up to 18 homes, 40,000 hectares of feed, equipment shedding, dairies, fences and wind shelter.

THE CHALLENGES

Immediate needs of food, shelter, power and feed are being met.

We are monitoring the requests for assistance locally.

These could take some time to evolve, including possible parent, children mental health challenges.

Fencing needs are significant, with many hundreds of kms @ \$10,000 per km, for both external and internal fencing, in need of being replaced. Whilst *Blaze Aid* is moving to assist with volunteer efforts, materials need to be purchased.

THE ASSISTANCE.

Cash donations provide the greatest flexibility.

We have an account assigned for receipt of donations.

Account: Rotary International District 9780 – bushfire appeal

BSB 035070

Account 179149

Contact

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District Governor District 9780

A reminder that this publication requires information from you – please send me your information about your club activities.

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