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With the new Rotary year underway, we trust you are enjoying your new found roles, or enjoying “retirement”. With a plethora of new resources, online tools and the refresh of [Rotary Club Central](#), now is a great time to jump online and see for yourself all the wonderful materials you can use in your Club or District.

For those attending GETS in a few short weeks, please take the time to look over these resources and familiarise yourselves so we can hit the ground running. Please ensure you are aware of your login email address and password prior to arrival.

In May this year, many of you were invited to participate in the International Office awareness survey. This survey was the first of its kind, distributed for all International Offices to gauge awareness from Rotarians of the regional office at Club and District level. Thank you to everyone who participated.

We are continuing to review the data and work toward addressing any issues brought to our attention. Some items have been addressed immediately, whilst other items are already in the pipeline. Thank you for your patience whilst we continually work on improving the support and services from our office.

In short 338 respondents, 92% were aware of the office in Parramatta and of those, 61% rated our services Very Good or Excellent, with a further 31% rating Good. We will conduct the same survey in 12 months’ time to gauge our performance.

ANDREW BEST

Supervisor—Club & District Support



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Message from
RI Director RY 2016-2018, Zones 7 and 8
Noel Trevaskis
Member: Rotary Club of Bega



The recent passing of Rotary International President Elect Sam Owori is very sad and tragic for his family and the Rotary world. Sam was much loved throughout the world. The dedication and commitment that he put into Rotary was quite incredible.



A lot of people have been asking where they send condolences to and how they can contribute to the memorial fund in honour of Sam. Details are below. The election of the new President Elect will take place in Evanston on the 8th August.

Condolences may be addressed to Mrs. Norah Agnes Owori, c/o Institute of Corporate Governance of Uganda (ICGU), Crusader House, Plot 3 Portal Avenue, Kampala, Uganda or via email to: sam.owori@rotary.org.

Memorial contributions in honour of Sam will be directed to the Sam F. Owori Memorial to Polio. This fund has been established to honour his commitment to Rotary's polio eradication efforts. Sam was a member of both the Africa Regional PolioPlus Committee and the International PolioPlus Committee. You can make online contributions to the fund [here](#).

All District Governors have commenced their club visits while Governors Elect are preparing for their year. Everything is in place for an exciting Governor Elect training Seminar for the DGsE and the DGsN in Darwin. PDG David Anderson and his team have been working hard at making sure the whole event of GETS and the Institute is a great time for all of you.

As the new Rotary year has commenced can I encourage you all to give a lot of emphasis on the awareness of supporting the eradication of polio and the need to increase our membership in Australia and New Zealand. The Philippines and Indonesia are surging ahead with their membership in those countries. The Coordinator team in Zone 7A has been working hard with all district leaders to ensure that they do fulfil their goals during this year. In Zone 7B and 8 the Coordinator team is there to help and support you all as well. You just need to ask them.

I wish you all great success in the year ahead as we all endeavour to "make a difference".

Regards,

Noel

Noel Trevaskis RID Zones 7 and 8



REGIONAL MEMBERSHIP OFFICER UPDATE

New! Rotary Basics

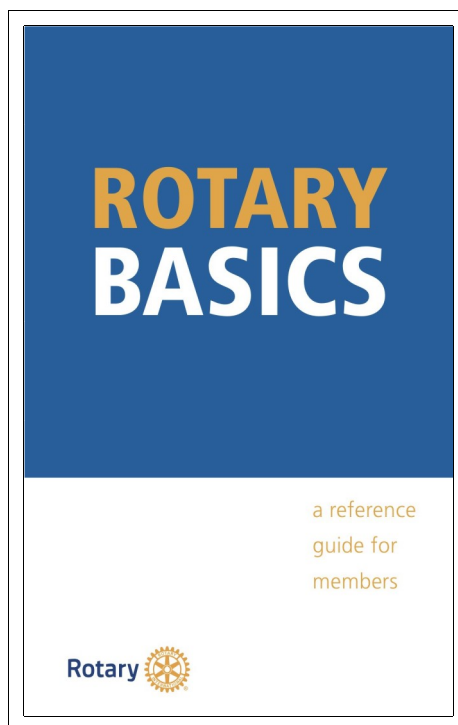
New members can feel overwhelmed trying to understand their club, the Rotary lingo, and how they fit in. [Rotary Basics](#) is a comprehensive guide to all things Rotary. It covers everything from how Rotary began to how you can optimize your membership experience. It's great for new members to have for reference and look at on their own time. Purchase copies (US\$2 each) from shop.rotary.org to give to new members or simply send them the [link to the downloadable pdf](#).

Membership Start Figures

As a reminder, official 1 July membership figures will not be ready until **15 August**. As you run membership reports in Rotary Club Central, please keep in mind that membership numbers are subject to change. Staff are working diligently to process end-of-year membership changes like new club charters, member terminations and new member additions that are submitted in a variety of forms (online, email, fax and post). If you have any questions, please contact me.

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ANNUAL STATEMENT AND REPORT OF DISTRICT FINANCES

Immediate past district governors, It's important to know that once your expense report has been processed by CDS staff at Parramatta, you need to include your total reimbursed Rotary Funding amount in your annual statement in your report of district finances.

This document must be independently reviewed and submitted to your clubs for approval. In addition, the Board is now requiring district governors to provide the CDS team with a copy of their independently reviewed annual statement and report of district finances to encourage better oversight of the use of Rotary Funding for governors and more financial transparency for the clubs.

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**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**

ANNUAL STATEMENT AND REPORT OF DISTRICT FINANCES

You will need to either:

- Submit a copy of your independently reviewed annual statement and report of district finances to the CDS team at Parramatta by 30 September along with evidence that it has been provided to each club for adoption at a future district meeting. Note: it can be adopted by the clubs at a later date;
- or
- If you can't provide a copy of the statement by 30 September, you need to inform the CDS team a future date it will be shared.

If you aren't able to do either of the two above alternatives and you haven't already been paid your reimbursement by 1 October, we won't be able to pay you any outstanding reimbursement.

Ultimately you'll have until 30 June next year to notify us that your annual statement and report of district finances has been adopted by your clubs.

If you have any further questions don't hesitate to contact the CDS staff at SPPO office. Our email address is risppo@rotary.org

WORLD POLIO DAY—OCTOBER 24th

World Polio Day is once again upon us, and it's time to start thinking about the many ways we can get the story across to our supportive communities.

Last year there were something like 1,400 events organized by clubs in support of World Polio Day and more than 30 of those were in our region. It's a good opportunity to sell the Polio message and maybe generate a few dollars to keep the end result squarely in the public's eye. There's a link to register your event on the End Polio Now website at the address below:

www.endpolionow.org/register-your-event

Also, you might note that Rotary is again hosting a special event to celebrate World Polio Day. This year it will be held at the Gates Foundation in Seattle, USA and will be live-streamed.

More details later but time is precious if you want to plan that special event.



RECORDS TUMBLE AS NEW HEIGHTS ARE REACHED

The outstanding performances from both The Philippines and Indonesia, coupled with solid performances from Australia and New Zealand, has produced the highest level of Annual Fund giving on record. Our aim was to reach the previously unheard of \$8 million mark but unprecedented support for The Foundation's Centenary Year has swept the total well beyond that straight into the \$9 million-plus area.

For the first time ever, The Philippines came in ahead of Australia in US dollar terms and that's a remarkable achievement. There are just 23,000 Rotarians in The Philippines versus 29,000 in Australia and that produced a spectacular *per capita* result of \$182.20 for our friends from the north. Indonesia was not far behind with \$175.73.

There are far too many great district results to mention them all and they are evident in all four countries and territories. District 3830 in The Philippines was the star performer with an Annual Fund contribution in excess of \$900,000, and a Total contribution of \$1 million-plus. Districts 3820 and 3800 made the most of the fight with strong results and many others came to the fore.

The performance from the "Down Under" districts were also incredibly strong and this played a significant role in the overall result. New Zealand came home strongly to grow contributions by 10% and districts 9910 and 9930 played a good part in this. This was a very good result and a sign of things to come in the future. New Zealand clubs haven't yet reached one million dollars in Annual Fund giving yet but one gets the feeling it will happen within the next year or so.

The Australian result was just 3% up on the previous year but we shouldn't lose sight of how important this result is to the overall region result. The Australian clubs are contributing big dollars and it's good to see them edging forward under some difficult conditions. District 9800 led the way in dollar terms but district 9600 almost doubled their previous year. Plenty of good results here but also plenty of room for improvement.

I can't speak highly enough about this result and the commitment of all Rotarians in our region. You have all done a magnificent job and I thank you most sincerely for the support you have given your Foundation.

PDG BRUCE ALLEN

Supervisor—The Rotary Foundation



ANNUAL FUND - YTD MAY 2017			
AUSTRALIA			
DISTRICT	YTD JUN 16	YTD JUN 17	INCREASE
9455	183,943	177,381	-3.6%
9465	123,130	119,610	-2.9%
9500	154,921	134,468	-13.2%
9520	210,870	118,345	-43.9%
9550	96,915	104,498	7.8%
9570	73,482	73,001	-0.7%
9600	162,985	324,577	99.1%
9630	391,378	238,398	-39.1%
9640	127,524	121,756	-4.5%
9650	131,557	122,673	-6.8%
9670	101,620	92,929	-8.6%
9675	194,269	249,367	28.4%
9685	393,662	378,470	-3.9%
9700	98,715	84,075	-14.8%
9710	131,430	142,757	8.6%
9780	200,050	229,783	14.9%
9790	134,841	177,273	31.5%
9800	375,719	489,451	30.3%
9810	216,570	212,105	-2.1%
9820	124,313	158,187	27.2%
9830	108,338	92,418	-14.7%
TOTAL	3,736,232	3,841,523	2.8%
NEW ZEALAND & PACIFIC ISLANDS			
DISTRICT	YTD JUN 16	YTD JUN 17	INCREASE
9910	106,128	158,267	49.1%
9920	125,893	132,330	5.1%
9930	112,558	138,504	23.1%
9940	119,913	107,847	-10.1%
9970	74,911	76,941	2.7%
9980	132,458	127,337	-3.9%
TOTAL	671,862	741,226	10.3%
PHILIPPINES			
DISTRICT	YTD JUN 16	YTD JUN 17	INCREASE
3770	56,120	93,466	66.5%
3780	336,395	338,795	0.7%
3790	300,641	346,646	15.3%
3800	190,364	618,998	225.2%
3810	336,848	592,265	75.8%
3820	293,529	688,914	134.7%
3830	443,415	914,070	106.1%
3850	163,164	162,588	-0.4%
3860	216,114	332,000	53.6%
3870	49,692	122,781	147.1%
TOTAL	2,386,284	4,210,524	76.4%
INDONESIA			
DISTRICT	YTD JUN 16	YTD JUN 17	INCREASE
3410	77,344	217,328	181.0%
3420	110,162	180,707	64.0%
TOTAL	187,506	398,035	112.3%
TOTAL ALL REGIONS	6,981,884	9,191,307	31.60%

PER CAPITA GROWTH ALL ROUND

The year finished with a real flurry and it was great to see all countries growing in the area of per capita giving. The overall result for our region was a leap up from \$110.33 to \$145.84 and that's a fantastic way to wrap up the year.

We'll talk about The Philippines/Indonesia first because they've been the real drivers of the overall result in 2016/17. From a mark of \$103.66 in the previous year they've powered up to \$181.63 last year, which is a staggering rate of improvement. While Philippine results were great, Indonesia chipped in with \$175.73 on their own so it's a super result from Zone 7A. Top district was 3830 with a \$338.42 result so hats off to IPDG Edna Sutter and her hard-working team. District 3800 came in second with \$262.51 and district 3820 third on \$229.56.

Australian districts also improved their standing with a highly respectable \$131.59 which is by far their best ever. Good competition here saw districts 9600 and 9630 fighting it out all year but 9600 poked their nose in front when it counted and came out on top with \$220.95. That left district 9630 in second place on \$211.53 and district 9800 came in third with \$202.42. Well done IPDG Alan Stephens and the team. A great all-round effort.

It was also good to see our friends from New Zealand racing up the ladder with yet another year of improvement. They finished on \$87.65 against \$78.99 for the previous year and that elusive \$100 mark doesn't seem too far away. Top district was 9910 on \$144.80 and IPDG Peter Smith's 'warriors' gave that final burst in June to see off the opposition. Mind you, district 9980 hung in to finish the year on \$103.53 and that was a particularly fine effort.

Onwards and upwards for 2017/18!

PDG BRUCE ALLEN

Supervisor—The Rotary Foundation

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PER CAPITA YTD JUNE 2017		
AUSTRALIA		
DISTRICT	YTD JUN 16	YTD JUN 17
9455	\$146.34	\$147.33
9465	\$97.72	\$93.96
9500	\$132.75	\$121.69
9520	\$160.36	\$92.60
9550	\$98.29	\$105.02
9570	\$65.43	\$67.97
9600	\$106.88	\$220.95
9630	\$343.92	\$211.53
9640	\$104.79	\$97.64
9650	\$85.48	\$80.60
9670	\$82.55	\$78.16
9675	\$116.33	\$159.34
9685	\$191.75	\$188.39
9700	\$86.67	\$78.87
9710	\$96.29	\$107.82
9780	\$107.61	\$129.24
9790	\$75.67	\$102.35
9800	\$156.68	\$202.42
9810	\$182.61	\$185.89
9820	\$89.63	\$115.04
9830	\$80.37	\$70.93
TOTAL	\$ 124.77	\$ 131.59
NEW ZEALAND & PACIFIC ISLANDS		
DISTRICT	YTD JUN 16	YTD JUN 17
9910	\$97.45	\$144.80
9920	\$84.66	\$87.81
9930	\$65.71	\$82.54
9940	\$68.40	\$61.63
9970	\$61.60	\$64.17
9980	\$106.14	\$103.53
TOTAL	\$78.99	\$87.65
PHILIPPINES & INDONESIA		
DISTRICT	YTD JUN 16	YTD JUN 17
3770	\$31.90	\$46.90
3780	\$154.88	\$141.99
3790	\$109.44	\$132.71
3800	\$77.07	\$262.51
3810	\$128.03	\$194.95
3820	\$102.63	\$229.56
3830	\$157.02	\$338.42
3850	\$127.37	\$126.72
3860	\$88.64	\$133.66
3870	\$38.97	\$97.99
3410	\$60.24	\$188.33
3420	\$101.16	\$162.65
TOTAL	\$103.66	\$181.63

POLIO ERADICATION BATTLE GOES ON

The speech by Bill Gates Jr. at the Atlanta Convention left no doubt about the high level of intensity still surrounding this challenge. In spite of the many contributions announced from governments around the world, we still have a gap in required funding and Rotary must play its part in helping to bridge that gap.

It's been a year of progress but problems keep cropping up. The latest case in Afghanistan takes that country up to five for the year (seven for the whole year in 2016) and three in Pakistan (20 in 2016). Enormous pressure is being directed towards those countries in an attempt to finish it once and for all so let's keep working towards a good outcome.

The Australian polio money was just behind last year and that's good to see. There's been a slight backward trend over the last couple of years so it's good to see it hold above the magic million mark. Some great results but with just half of our districts passing last year's mark.

The Philippines again proved it can be done. It all started in The Philippines so they are really determined to be part of the finish and are prepared to put in the dollars required. Indonesia was a little off the pace in 2016/17 but they'll be back with a bang this year.

The Pakistan result is a fantastic outcome when you consider recent history:

2012	58 cases
2013	93 cases
2014	306 cases
2015	54 cases
2016	20 cases
2017	3 cases

That's what you call real progress!

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Supervisor—The Rotary Foundation



POLIO CHALLENGE - YTD JUNE 2017



AUSTRALIA

DISTRICT	YTD JUN 16	YTD JUN 17	INCREASE
9455	66,581	64,736	-2.8%
9465	204,451	44,447	-78.3%
9500	21,651	33,982	57.0%
9520	45,763	24,705	-46.0%
9550	55,537	38,530	-30.6%
9570	16,300	30,106	84.7%
9600	48,056	44,311	-7.8%
9630	183,310	93,716	-48.9%
9640	40,553	81,983	102.2%
9650	39,843	18,993	-52.3%
9670	29,268	36,259	23.9%
9675	38,686	56,435	45.9%
9685	107,168	143,069	33.5%
9700	13,994	28,031	100.3%
9710	58,411	85,263	46.0%
9780	64,337	94,979	47.6%
9790	67,618	43,310	-35.9%
9800	44,117	53,724	21.8%
9810	36,659	63,012	71.9%
9820	51,265	28,768	-43.9%
9830	12,466	2,943	-76.4%
TOTAL	1,246,033	1,111,303	-10.8%



NEW ZEALAND AND PACIFIC ISLANDS

DISTRICT	YTD JUN 16	YTD JUN 17	INCREASE
9910	20,903	25,154	20.3%
9920	40,134	44,566	11.0%
9930	32,261	40,435	25.3%
9940	43,825	26,269	-40.1%
9970	18,238	29,156	59.9%
9980	20,909	26,728	27.8%
TOTAL	176,269	192,309	9.1%



PHILIPPINES

DISTRICT	YTD JUN 16	YTD JUN 17	INCREASE
3770	6,454	7,511	16.4%
3780	576	7,199	1150.5%
3790	15,618	12,420	-20.5%
3800	57,408	24,422	-57.5%
3810	21,982	36,135	64.4%
3820	1,480	27,136	1733.0%
3830	19,763	78,551	297.5%
3850	3,928	4,562	16.1%
3860	16,435	55,766	239.3%
3870	3,915	12,012	206.9%
TOTAL	147,559	265,714	80.1%



INDONESIA

DISTRICT	YTD JUN 16	YTD JUN 17	INCREASE
3410	18,276	28,577	56.4%
3420	12,870	23,342	81.4%
TOTAL	31,147	51,919	66.7%
ALL REGIONS	1,601,008	1,621,244	1.30%

FINANCE MATTERS

Club Invoice for July to December 2017

In the next few days, Club officers can already access their July club invoices in MyRotary. This will shortly be electronically sent to them as well to the email addresses listed in RI's database. Paper versions will still be sent however to the club's registered address by the end of the month unless previous officers have opted out of paper.

To view Club Invoices on MyRotary, under Manage, click on Club Administration. Club Finances is at the top of the list. Click on Club Invoice.

The screenshot shows the MyRotary interface. At the top, there is a breadcrumb trail: Home | Manage | Club & District Administration | Club Administration. Below this, the main heading is 'CLUB ADMINISTRATION' with a 'PAGE GUIDE' icon to its right. Underneath, the section 'CLUB FINANCES' is highlighted. A star icon is next to the 'Club Invoice' link, which is followed by the text 'View your club's invoice, pay dues with a credit card, or update invoice preferences'. Below this, there are four links: 'Club invoice', 'Daily club balance report', 'Edit invoice preferences', and 'About the club invoice'. At the bottom of this section, there is a link for 'Rotary exchange rates'.

Officers will then be directed to the following page:

Account Overview

Rotary Club Of Rowville-Lysterfield (balance as of 19 July 2017)

Please confirm your payment amount and currency under Make Payment, and click continue. You'll be asked to enter your credit card information on the next screen. If you want to make a partial payment, uncheck the individual line items to change your payment amount. Please contact your [Financial Representative](#) for assistance or questions.

ITEM NUMBER	ITEM DATE	ITEM DESCRIPTION	USD AMOUNT
		Outstanding Balance	0.00

At this time your club balance is either zero or a credit. No further action is required from you. If you have any questions please contact your [Financial Representative](#) for assistance.

Download View Current Invoice View Current Invoice Details View Previous Invoice View Previous Invoice Details	Make Payment Payment Amount <input type="text" value="0.00"/> Australian Dollar ▾ USD equivalent 0.00 Current RI Exchange Rate per USD 1.32 Dues are calculated based on RI membership information as of 1 January and 1 July. Payment is due upon receipt. If you have questions about your account, please contact your Financial Representative .
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Click on the boxed hyperlink to view the July 2017 invoice.

From this same page, officers can use their personal credit cards to pay for their club dues. This is the easiest method of payment. The payment confirmation page can then be printed and used as supporting document for club reimbursement.

For other payment methods, please refer to the bottom portion of the invoice.

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Membership Dues for Rotary Year 2017-2018

	FOR AUSTRALIAN CLUBS ONLY		
	Dues** US\$	GST US\$	Total with GST US\$
Jul17-Dec17	30.00	3.00	33.00
Council on Legislation levy (RY2017-2018)*	1.50	0.15	1.65
Jan18-Jun18	30.00	3.00	33.00
Total for the year	61.50	6.15	67.65

*COL is billed together with the July 2017 Club Invoice

**Dues applicable to all clubs. GST applies only to clubs in Australia.

Change in RI Exchange Rates Policy

In mid-June, the RI Board approved changes to the RI exchange rate policy. To summarise:

- The Rotary Exchange Rates will be set five business days before the new month.
- They will be based on the market exchange rates versus US Dollars on the day before they are set.
- There will be no 3% threshold to change the exchange rates. This will likely result in new Rotary Exchange Rates every month.

Please note that the rate that will be applied will be the prevailing rate on the date that this office receives your dues payment or contribution. So please try to avoid sending cheques just a couple of days before month end where the likelihood of delays in the post may result in a variance in what is due in US dollar terms. When doing funds transfers or direct deposits, please ensure that you email the Finance Coordinator concerned a copy of the transaction receipt.

Should further assistance be required, please contact the following Finance Coordinators for the respective countries:

Country/Zone	Finance Coordinator	Contact Details
Australia (Zone 8), New Zealand and the Pacific Islands (Zone 7B)	Sally Furto	Sally.Furto@rotary.org T: 61288949832
Philippines	Rosalyn Ong	Rosalyn.Ong@rotary.org T: 61288949831 M: 61478939555

Tax Statements for Recurring Contributions to TARFT in FY2017

Tax Statements have now been sent to all Rotary Direct enrollees. These have been sent out via email from Giftacknowledgement@rotary.org. To ensure that it is received, kindly add this email address in your contacts list so that your email software doesn't automatically direct it to the junk mail folder. For queries and further assistance on tax receipts, please contact Melissa Asanza at Melissa.Asanza@rotary.org.



The Rotary Foundation Centennial Commemorative Medallion

This limited-edition medallion is a keepsake of The Rotary Foundation Centennial. Display it with pride and be inspired by the tireless efforts of those who make the Foundation a force of good. Comes with plastic stand for display.

US\$26.50

Please remember that all items for sale in the Rotary Shop are shown in USD, please use the exchange rates below to calculate the amount in AUD (plus GST), NZD or PHP if paying by Bank Deposit or Cheque.

Thank you.



DATES TO REMEMBER		
Date	Meeting/Event	Venue
29-31 August 2017	GETS Zone 8	Darwin, Australia
1-3 September 2017	Institute Zone 8	Darwin, Australia
5-7 September 2017	GETS Zone 7B	Auckland, NZ
8-10 September 2017	Symposium Zone 7B	Auckland, NZ
28-30 November 2017	GETS Zones 6B, 7A, 10B	Taipei, Taiwan
1-3 December 2017	Institutes Zones 6B, 7A, 10B	Taipei, Taiwan

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE RATES AGAINST THE US\$			
Date	Australia	New Zealand	Philippines
July 2017	1.32	1.37	50.00
August 2017	1.26	1.34	51.00

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE RATES—PER KM RATE			
Date	Australia AU\$	New Zealand NZ\$	Philippines PHP
June 2017	0.66	0.73	23.52
July 2017	0.66	0.73	23.52

