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Wyong Golf Club
Apr 05, 2013

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Collaroy Centre
Apr 06, 2013

DIK Open Day
Apr 06, 2013 09:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Golf Ball Drop
Collaroy Centre
Apr 06, 2013 11:30 AM

Lindfield Fun Run
Roseville Park
Apr 07, 2013 08:00 AM

Pride of Workmanship and Community Awards Dinner
The Warringah Golf Club
Apr 08, 2013 06:30 PM - 10:30 PM

Seminar - Chatswood International
Kam Fook Restaurant
Apr 09, 2013 06:30 PM

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Innsbruck, 2013

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Governor's Message

Posted by Peter Tang on Apr 03, 2013



Dear Rotary Friends and Friends of Rotary

For this fortnight, I thought a bit of a potpourri of news from throughout the District would be interesting.

The end of March saw the closing of Foundation grant applications for the year. Regarding **District Simplified Grants**, I am very pleased that all but a \$1,000 of our budget of \$23,420 was contributed to projects suggested by 10 Clubs across the District. For example, Chatswood's Toilet project in East Timor, Beecroft's Indigenous Health Care initiative in Brewarrina, St Ives' SES project, and Wahroonga's provision of security for a women's refuge.

Of our **Matching Grant** budget of \$65,000, \$62,540 was allocated to projects suggested by 13 Clubs. These covered all sorts of projects from provision of solar power to a school (E-Club), Brett Lee's "Mewsic" bus in India (Castle Hill), rabies elimination program in The Philippines (Gosford West), 2,036 school desks in India (St Ives) and a vocational project in the Ukraine (Norwest Sunrise). With matching funds from the Foundation, the total of Foundation funding is \$213,483 to projects totaling \$325,657.

That's a lot of good done in the world through OUR Foundation and the efforts of our Rotary Clubs. Congratulations to our Foundation Chair PDG Tony Castley and Chair of the Grants Committee PDG Barry Philps. Hopefully other Clubs will see the benefits of Foundation supported projects and develop applications for the new year (what does your Club's Foundation Chair do?). However, giving to the Foundation is somewhat behind targets and it would be appreciated if Clubs and members could consider giving as 30 June approaches.

<p>Rouse Hill Rotary Trivia Night Rouse Hill Anglican Church Apr 13, 2013 12:07 AM - 11:00 PM</p>
<p>District Assembly Baulkham Hills High School Apr 14, 2013 09:00 AM - 04:00 PM</p>
<p>Presidents' Meeting Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club Apr 19, 2013 06:30 PM</p>
<p>Council of Legislation Chicago, Illinois Apr 21, 2013 - Apr 26, 2013</p>
<p>Aust Rotary Health Awareness Race Day Rosehill Gardens May 11, 2013</p>
<p>PDGs Meeting May 18, 2013</p>
<p>Century Challenge All details and registration at centurychallenge.com.au May 19, 2013</p>
<p>Manly Scenic Fun Run South Steyne beachfront opposite Corso. May 19, 2013 08:00 AM</p>
<p>Novus Gala Dinner May 25, 2013</p>
<p>Eat A Meal - Save a Child's Life Boxhill Nelson Community Centre May 25, 2013 07:00 PM - 11:00 PM</p>
<p>Presidents' Meeting (Awards) Ryde-Eastwood Leagues Club May 31, 2013 06:30 PM</p>
<p>Rotary International Convention Lisbon, Portugal Jun 23, 2013 - Jun 26, 2013</p>
<p>Changeover - D9680 to D9685 Castle Hill RSL Club Jul 05, 2013 06:00 PM</p>
<p>National Skills Week Aug 26, 2013 - Sep 01, 2013</p>
<p>Hat Day Oct 11, 2013</p>
<p>2014 District Conference The Concourse Feb 23, 2014</p>
<p>Rotary International Convention Sydney, Australia Jun 01, 2014 - Jun 04, 2014</p>



Next is **Presidential Citations** for Clubs. These are coming in, but must get to me **by 15 April** for me to submit to RI. What has been gratifying has been the follow ups to me from Clubs, not just the form filling. As an example, Dee Why Warringah have participated in 21 Community projects, Pride of Workmanship and four vocational visits, a dozen International programs including dental work and toilets in Nepal, hosted a student from Sweden and had candidates at NYSF, RYPEN and RYLA, as well as having a full program of speakers and social events.

I can visit just about every Club of the 67 in the District and see a similar full schedule of service activities and social events. That was the point of my Zone DG visits earlier in the year: to showcase what our clubs are doing and to enable members to see that they are part of a successful and vibrant organization. Add in the Foundation projects above and Multi District activities like ShelterBox and Probus and we should be very proud of our achievements.

Then for a bit of **cooperation between clubs**: Gosford North have been working hard in Madagascar, a country hit by storms and floods. Peter Pearce has been doing coordination work for ShelterBox and extracting donations of blankets, wheelchairs and domestic supplies. He just needed a bit more \$\$\$ to get this all transported to where it is needed. I was very pleased to see a number of clubs contributing to this effort and it seems all systems are "Go". This maybe shows what we can achieve when we think outside our familiar boundaries.

Last night was the farewell for the **GSE team** from Turkey. What a great group they have been! I think the real effect shows with the hugs and tears between the team members and those Rotarians who have done so much to organize their schedule and opened their homes to host them. We obtained a fascinating glimpse of Turkey which was quite an eye opener of a beautiful country of amazing history and adoption of modern industrialisation. Our Outbound Team is looking forward to their month in Turkey, including being at Anzac Cove on 25 April.

Team leader PP Gul Kircil felt, "You are all part of my family" and team member Dr Tuba Alpyildiz felt they "came as guests and left as friends". International Understanding, Goodwill and Peace are our lofty ideals. GSE has been one way of building that road towards Peace through Service.

I must end on a sad note. PDG Bruce Allen would be well known across the District and Australia as the Australian face of the Rotary Foundation. His beloved wife Dita suffered a "stroke" and passed away over the Easter weekend. Dita and Bruce had just been at our District Conference in Nowra and at the PDGs dinner that followed. Bruce was on Rotary work in WA when events occurred, but was able to be with Dita, family and friends until the end.

Dita always struck me as a woman with her own views, but who worked in a real partnership with Bruce on all his projects, particularly in India. She seemed to me like a bird: eyes always darting and inquisitive: very perceptive of the world around her.

It has been magnificent to see the Rotary family rally around Bruce. He has been stoic in his usual way, but has obviously been cut to the core. Our thoughts are with Bruce and his family. Consistent with their giving nature, Bruce has asked for flowers to be replaced by donations to the Rotary Foundation. Perhaps Clubs might make a special effort for a very special lady.



Yours in Rotary

John Dodd

District Governor 2012-13

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April's Membership News

Posted by Les Walsh on Apr 03, 2013

Membership is the engine that powers Rotary. Without it, we have no one to do the work; we have no money to support the worthwhile projects that so desperately need to be done, we have no creative ideas for solving problems.

[Download the latest edition of Rotary on the Move](#)



DIK Open Day - this Saturday

Posted by Les Walsh on Apr 02, 2013

The second day for DIK Open Day for Rotarians is this coming Saturday 6 April from 9-12.

Our RAWCS Chair, Miriam Jacka would love to have people pop along, especially those who have never been to the

Minchinbury Warehouse.

See [this flyer](#) for more details



Invitation to Volunteer

Posted by Les Walsh on Apr 02, 2013

Rotarians with a desire to work in an International Humanitarian Team Project are invited to Volunteer to join a RAWCS team to travel to Diani Beach/ Ukunda, Kenya.

The team will erect a perimeter coral brick and mesh fence on a 17 acre property - the future home of Umoja Orphanage. No further building can proceed without the security this fence will provide.

More details are available [in this flyer](#).



2014 Rotary International Convention Sydney

Posted by Les Walsh on Apr 02, 2013

Some useful links:

The official promotional video for the 2014 Sydney Convention - [click here](#)

International Fellowship of Rotarian Convention Goers - www.conventiongoers.org

[Click here to see the list of fellowship members](#)

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Volunteer Grants 2013

Posted by Les Walsh on Mar 29, 2013

Another round of the Commonwealth Government's \$16M Volunteer Grants Program was announced on 15 March 2013.

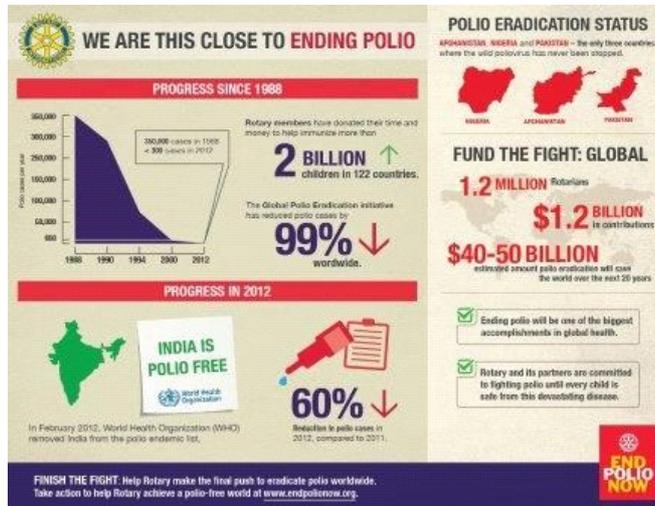
As part of the Australian Government's ongoing commitment to supporting and encouraging volunteering, grants between \$A1,000 and \$A5,000 are available to help eligible community organisations purchase essential equipment and services.

Further information about Volunteer Grants 2013, including the application form and guidelines, is available on the Department of Families, Housing, Community Services & Indigenous Affairs' website at <http://www.fahcsia.gov.au>

Applications close Friday, 24 April 2013 at 5.00pm.

This close!

Posted by Les Walsh on Mar 29, 2013



How far have we come in the fight to end polio? What type of progress was made in 2012? Find out in this new infographic.

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Bushfire Update from Tasmania

Posted by Les Walsh on Mar 28, 2013

The third edition of the Bushfire Bulletins issued by the Rotary Tasmania Bushfire Relief Committee is now available.

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Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award

Posted by Les Walsh on Mar 15, 2013



Harminder Singh Dua

The Rotary Foundation Trustees are pleased to announce the selection of Harminder Dua as the recipient of the 2012-13 Global Alumni Service to Humanity Award. Dr. Dua is an ophthalmologist in Nottingham, England. He serves as the chair and professor of ophthalmology at the University of Nottingham, Queen's Medical Centre. He is renowned as a world authority on corneal disorders and performs advanced surgeries. While living in India, he provided free eye care to needy patients in rural areas. He was a 1980-81 Group Study Exchange team member from India to the United States.

The Rotary Foundation Trustees are also pleased to announce the selection of The Rotary Foundation Alumni Association of District 6560 as the recipient of the 2012-13 [Alumni Association of the Year Award](#). The association is located in Indiana, USA, and its mission is to maintain and strengthen the contact between alumni and Rotary. The 120-member group strives to be a bridge between recipients of Foundation grants and local Rotary clubs. It meets quarterly to conduct a range of social and humanitarian projects.



TRF Alumni Association of District 6560 (Indiana, USA)

The awards will be presented to Dr. Dua and the Alumni Association of District 6560 in June at the 2013 RI Convention in Lisbon, Portugal.



Our Foundation newsletter

Posted by Les Walsh on Mar 28, 2013

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Register for the District Assembly

Posted by Les Walsh on Mar 28, 2013

The purpose of the District Assembly is to prepare incoming club leaders for their year in office and to build their leadership team. It also gives the incoming District Governor, and the incoming Assistant Governors and District Team the opportunity to motivate club leadership teams and build their working relationship.

District Assembly provides vital training. This coming Rotary Year sees many new challenges and opportunities comprising the creation of a new District 9685, introduction of The Rotary Foundation Future Vision Plan, changes to legislation concerning Child Protection and as well as legislation and a District focus on Abuse and Harassment Prevention. There have been changes to RAWCS funding which may impact your members' involvement.

In addition Assembly allows Avenue of Service Directors to learn about and assess new and existing programs

The District Assembly will be held on 14 April at Baulkham Hills High School for an 8.45am start. Registration from 7.30am. Finish at 2.45pm.

It is essential that each club send the relevant Director or Avenue of Service Chair to the Assembly for the entire day. If that is not possible, please ensure that someone attends each session whether or not there is a specific person with that responsibility in your club.

Register your commitment to attend by going at assembly.rotarydistrict9685.org.au

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April messages from RI leaders

Posted by Les Walsh on Mar 28, 2013

Rotary International President

Rotary service means being *ichiban*. It means doing your best, and being the best you can be. It means working as hard as you can – not for yourself, but for others. It means achieving as much as you can, to make other people's lives better.

[Click here for the full message from RI President Tanaka](#)

Foundation Trustee Chair

Very few initiatives don't require funding. Your Foundation is often able to help, whether it's with a district grant or a much larger global grant. Your contributions to the Foundation provide a potential source of funding that can help a club's members do good in the world.

[Click here for the full message from Foundation Trustee Chair Wilkinson](#)

Manly Scenic Fun Run

Posted by Peter Tang on Mar 26, 2013



A Manly Sunrise Rotary Club Project "Serving the Local Community"

The Manly Scenic Fun Run and Walk is held on the third Sunday in May- this year on Sunday May 19.

Starting and finishing on the ocean beachfront opposite the Corso, it's a great day out for people of all ages and fitness levels - either individually or in teams.

Whether you're a simple fun runner or wanting to push yourself really

hard, you'll finish up a winner. All participants will receive a special medallion. Then there's the scenery you'll enjoy along your route. There'll be prizes for the best individual and team fund-raisers. And all of those funds will go directly to our nominated charities or those you support.

So get involved! And bring along your family, your friends, or make up a team. You'll be glad that you did.

[Click here for event details](#)

[Click here for on line registration](#)

Road Safety Education - March Newsletter

Posted by Peter Tang on Mar 26, 2013



The latest Road Safety Education Limited Newsletter is up online. The March Newsletter outlines recent events and developments with Road Safety Education Limited (providers of the RYDA Program) in Australia and New Zealand. We encourage you to share this information with your colleagues and friends. **View the Newsletter [here](#).** Hard copies are available upon request.



Register by 31 March to save on Lisbon Convention

Posted by Les Walsh on Mar 26, 2013

Register for the 2013 RI Convention by 31 March to save up to US\$50 off the onsite registration fee. You'll have an opportunity to join business, professional and community leaders from all over the world to share ideas, learn about service projects, and be inspired to action. In your free time, discover Lisbon and see for yourself why it is an explorer's paradise.

[Read more at this link](#)

'Preventing Mental Health Disorders' - our 10th Symposium

Posted by Peter Tang on Mar 25, 2013



Australian Rotary Health has been hosting symposiums for the discussion of relevant health topics since its foundation in 1985. Subjects have included: the vulnerability and resilience of adolescent health, the environment, health and the elderly, and the relationship between health and the family. Symposiums are an opportunity to announce new research and place important topics within public discourse.

This year Australian Rotary Health will hold its 10th Symposium, one of their major events for 2013. It will be held from Wednesday May 1st to Friday May 3rd at International House on the campus of Australian National University, Canberra, ACT. 25 researchers, 5 policy makers and 3 funders will come together for presentations and discussions on the title: 'Prevention of Mental Disorders Across the Lifespan: Setting New Directions for Research'. They will explore Mental Health during five phases of life: prenatal and early childhood, childhood (5-12 years), adolescence, adulthood and old age.

For further information, please contact Joy Gillett, Australian Rotary Health CEO on 02 8837 1900 or email joygillett@australianrotaryhealth.org.au

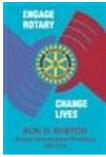


2014 District Conference
Posted by Les Walsh on Mar 19, 2013

The history making inaugural Conference for Rotary District 9685 will be held in Chatswood on 23 February - just for one day!

[More details here](#)

Stay tuned!



Presidents Elect Help Desk
Posted by Les Walsh on Mar 04, 2013

Looking for the presentations from PETS? [Click on this link to get all the material.](#)

All other material is available at the Help Desk. [Click here to get help](#)



Doing good in the world
Posted by Les Walsh on Mar 04, 2013

View the series of short videos made by The Rotary Foundation [by clicking here.](#)

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Interested in Peace - apply for a scholarship
Posted by Les Walsh on Feb 05, 2013

Applications are invited for 2014 Rotary Peace Fellowships

The Rotary Peace Fellowship is the premier educational program of The Rotary Foundation and supports Rotary's mission to advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace. It is intended for individuals who have chosen a career related to international relations, peace, and conflict resolution; who have work experience in these areas; and who have a commitment to community or international humanitarian service and working for peace. Applicants should consider these objectives carefully before applying.

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- 1 Have a good look around the administration site

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