

Rotary District 9700 Newsletter



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Assistant Governor Training
Cherry Blossom Motel, Young
Feb 21, 2014

President-Elect Training Seminar (PETS)
McCaughey Centre, Young
Feb 22, 2014 12:00 PM - Feb 23, 2014 04:00 PM

Rotary's Birthday
Feb 23, 2014

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Orange Civic Theatre
Mar 21, 2014 - Mar 23, 2014

Presidential Citation Applications to be with DG
Mar 31, 2014

RYLA - Wagga Wagga
Mar 31, 2014 08:30 AM - Apr 05, 2014 12:00 PM

District Foundation Grants Close
Apr 01, 2014

D9700 Board Meeting
Henry Lawson High School Library, Grenfell
May 03, 2014

District Assembly
Henry Lawson High School, Grenfell
May 04, 2014

District Changeover
Blayney
Jun 28, 2014 06:00 PM - Jun 29, 2014

District News

District Conference Registration Form

Feb 04, 2014
by Paul Cox

I am very pleased to advise that we are finally able to provide the Conference registration form. The conference is packed full of informative and entertaining speakers not to mention the opportunity to catch up your Rotary friends and at the same time meet some new ones. We do hope you can come and as Conference Chairman I promise you that you will not only enjoy yourself but you will go home satisfied that you have learned something. Complete your registration on this link and I look forward to seeing you at the Flavours of Orange Conference in just a few weeks time. Registration

Stories

District Governor's Message

Posted by Geoff Tancred on Feb 05, 2014

Our wishes to you for a very Happy New Year

- May you face challenges with courage and confidence
- May you spread love and affection to those near and dear
- May you have a year filled with success and prosperity
- May you pray for peace and a world filled with joy and happiness for all
- May you join the fight to end polio for the sake of all children in the world
- May you do good in the world and bring goodwill to all, and...
- May you experience the comfort and joy of Rotary friendship and fellowship.



DG Geoff Tancred and Betty

Celebrate a Rotary Day on 23 February

Posted by Geoff Tancred on Feb 05, 2014

With Rotary's 109th anniversary coming up on 23 February, every Club is encouraged to plan events on or around the day and to share the **End Polio Now** message. Some Clubs have arranged a pre release viewing of "The Monuments Men". The movie stars George Clooney, Matt Damon, Bill Murray, John Goodman and Cate Blanchett. Based on a true story of the greatest treasure hunt in history, The Monuments Men focuses on an unlikely World War II platoon tasked with going into Germany to rescue artistic masterpieces from Nazi thieves and returning them to their rightful owners. Sounds like great entertainment and an incredibly easy way to raise money for the End Polio program.



Beyond celebrating Rotary's anniversary, your Club can designate any day a Rotary day in your community. Your public relations plan for the event should focus on service, which will help communicate what Rotary is and does around the world.

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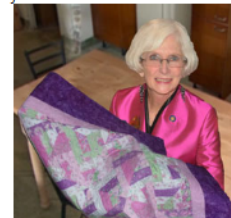
Posted by Geoff Tancred on Feb 05, 2014

Could all Raffle Ticket butts sold or unsold please be returned to me together with a cheque for the books of tickets sold by the end of February.

The raffle for the magnificent quilt valued at approx \$800 will be drawn at the District Conference in March.

I greatly appreciate your support.

Betty Tancred



apologise for the short window so act now and you will be in.

Rest in Peace kind lady

Feb 05, 2014

by Jill Funnell

Kathleen (Kathy) Armitage age 69 years was a long time Registered Nurse who specialised in city based Thoracic/Cardiac Nursing but it was the dedication to the care of the elderly that bought her back to the rural areas of Lake Cargelligo and West Wyalong.

Vale Brian Edward Parsons 17 October 1932 – 7 January 2014

Feb 05, 2014

by Brian Roberts

Brian Parsons was a long serving member of the Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga Koorringal and as such always had great respect for the commitment and efforts of its early members. A double-sapphire pin Paul Harris Fellow, Brian served with great passion, vigour and vision for what the club could do in the community.

Roaring Twenties and All that Jazz

Feb 05, 2014

by Leonard Wade

The Rotary Club of Wagga Sunrise are holding a "Roaring Twenties and All that Jazz" evening on Saturday 5 April 2014 at the new International Hotel in Wagga. Funds raised are to be shared equally between Polio Plus and the Wagga Wagga Base Hospital. Drinks and canapes will be served from 6pm, accompanied by suitable dress (optional), decorations and jazz with an opportunity for interaction, conversation and a really good time to be had by all. For further details

Our 1st Rotary Foundation Global Grant

Posted by Ian Simpson on Feb 05, 2014



On 27th December 2013, the Rotary Foundation awarded the Rotary Club of Orange Daybreak a \$40,230 Global Grant for two years Vocational training support for the Teacher Training program in Nepal.

\$20,115 was allocated by DG Geoff Tancred from the District Designated Funds (DDF) for 2013-14 and the balance provided by The Rotary Foundation of Rotary International.

Congratulations to Project Leader and Orange Daybreak Rotarian Mary Brell who has a strong belief in the benefits of educational training and their longterm impact on the day to day lives and futures of the remote and rural people of Nepal.

This is our first Global Grant under the 'new' Rotary Foundation model of supporting educational and humanitarian projects through District & Global Grants

Community Service Hours

Posted by Noelene Hogan on Feb 05, 2014

The Clubs in D9700 continue to excel in their service to the community, from small projects to large construction events, clubs have undertaken almost 10,000 hours of work during the first half of this Rotary year. That is a massive effort, which might be valued at \$199,880 if it was paid at \$20 per hour, or the equivalent of 20 people working for 9 and a half weeks. With 12 Clubs not responding there could be another 5,000 hours of voluntary work unreported. [Click HERE](#) for spreadsheet.

The Clubs that stand out for their effort and contribution include Orange, Wagga Wagga Sunrise, West Wyalong, Orange Daybreak and Griffith.

Clubs are encouraged to send their community service hours to me each month.

Noelene Hogan - District Community Service Director noels49@hotmail.com



for interaction, conversation and a really good time to be had by all. For further details contact Len Wade or go to the Sunrise website at www.rotarywaggasunrise/jazz

COOLAMON ROTARY CLUB INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

Feb 05, 2014

by John Glassford

Saturday, 10th May at the Ganmain Hall
Focus on Kenya with proceeds to aid endangered Rhinos and Elephants
AFRICAN - FOOD ROASTED GOAT
3 COURSE DINNER & AFRICAN MUSIC DANCING GUEST SPEAKERS.
\$35 PER HEAD.
Contact John Glassford. (02 6927 6027)
Email: john@glassford.com.au
Web Site: <http://www.endangeredrag.org>

Youth Program contacts

Sep 23, 2013

by Michael Milston

If you are looking for information about applications, closing dates, venues and program details of any Youth Programs please refer your questions to the Program Chair/Coordinator/Convener. These names and contact details are also in the D9700 Directory that has been made available for all members. The three page information and **Contact sheet for Youth Programs** can be downloaded [here](#)

Are you on Facebook?

Aug 22, 2013

by Julie Stott

Are you on Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn or Youtube? Well, Rotary is. The link below was sent in by District IT committee person Julie Stott. It is a PowerPoint presentation about Rotary and the Social Media. Click on it and check it out.



Noelene Hogan - District Community Service Director noels49@hotmail.com

The Billabong House of Friendship Sydney 2014

Posted by John Glassford on Feb 05, 2014

The Rotary Club Of Coolamon will have a booth in the House of Friendship promoting our Road MAPS to Africa projects including The ORK for the Viara School in Nairobi, Coolamon House in Hout Bay and Legacy Australia via our proposed Mount Kenya Climb in April 2015.

We are looking for volunteers from D9700 to help the Rotary Club of Coolamon to staff our booth during the Convention. A reduced entry fee possibly \$50 per day may apply for volunteers manning a booth in the House of Friendship.



The traditional House of Friendship has been renamed **The Billabong** for Sydney 2014. The 2014 Billabong will be located in the grounds of the Sydney Showground, part of Sydney Olympic Park at Homebush. Located in The Dome (a spectacular timber structure and the largest of its kind in the southern hemisphere) and Exhibition Halls 2, 3 and 4. The Billabong will have over 14,000 square metres of display space, and will be the place to meet old and new acquaintances. See exhibits or displays of Rotary work from all over the world, discuss projects and learn of the many opportunities provided to Rotarians.

Approximately one half of the Billabong will be dedicated to the work of Rotary International and Rotary clubs where you can pick up great ideas for new projects for your club and learn of the assistance Rotary International can provide to support this work. The other half of the Billabong will illustrate more great Rotary work and show many aspects of Australia and its Rotary clubs.

The Billabong will also feature examples of our unique Australian fauna and you will be able to shop for great Rotary jewellery, clothing and souvenirs.

There will also be the opportunity to sample a variety of excellent Australian wines.

Rest your tired feet and enjoy a wide choice of food and great Australian entertainment. The Billabong will be where the world of Rotary International comes together!



Please contact John Glassford: john@glassford.com.au (02) 6927 6027.

Celebration of Rotary in Nepal

Posted by Ian Simpson on Feb 05, 2014



District Directory

Jul 21, 2013

by Geoff Tancred



The 2013-2014 District Directory has been distributed to Club Presidents. We all realise that

any hard copy is out of date the moment it is printed. If there are any mistakes to your personal contact information, please login to the [district website](#) and update your details. If you have not logged in yet, this would be a good time. If you need assistance logging in, [click here](#).

If there are mistakes to your club information please contact your club Secretary and ask them to make the corrections.

If there are any mistakes to the District Committee information, contact District Secretary, Michael Milston with the correct information. All details of new members, deceased members, resignations or terminations are to be made on the [District website](#) and not on the RI Member Access site. The District Directory link has been adjusted for changes made to September 2013.

This is YOUR Newsletter

Jul 23, 2013

by Geoff Tancred

I advised the Presidents' Elect at the District Assembly **"this is your Newsletter not the Governor's"**. Therefore the Newsletter will be only as good as your input. Please forward articles which you consider to be of interest together with photographs to DG Geoff

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As a way of informing Clubs and members about the Rotary Foundation, the program focused on the humanitarian and educational assistance our District is providing for the people of Nepal and especially the Teacher Training Program for remote rural areas.

A highlight was a Skype conversation with the local project coordinator, Prakash Aryal in Nepal. Prakash told us of the great importance, benefits and impact of the health and educational projects that have been conducted by Vocational Teams from our District over the past two years.

Special guest was the Hon Consul General for Nepal Deepak Khadka who thanked our District its humanitarian and educational support for the people of Nepal.

There was wonderful backing from clubs in Groups 2 & 6 and visiting Rotarians travelled from Dubbo, Lightning Ridge and Sydney. Also attending were the local supporters of the Nepal Project and members of the Nepal and Indian communities of Orange.

The combined vigneron of Orange & District donated local wines for the charity raffle for the Nepal Project and The Rotary Foundation.

The organising committee of Jill Everett, Mary Brell, Robyn Murray and Graham Denny were recognised on the night for the success of the evening. Club Foundation Directors and Gr 2 and 6 Assistant Governors also played a major role in promoting this initiative.

"Books for Schools" Project - West Wyalong Rotary Club

Posted by Jill Funnell on Feb 05, 2014



The idea for this project came about following a conversation between our President Jill Funnell and her grandson Jack. Jack aged 7 is a prolific reader and just happened to ask his Nanny if she could find him some more books to read as his school library had run out of books suitable for his age.

Jill came up with the idea to raise funds to supply recreational reading material not only to Jack's school but to the other 8 schools situated in the Bland Shire.

Securing \$1275 from the West Wyalong Rotary Club and a donation of \$500 from the local Services & Citizens Club, the Club also submitted a successful application from District 9700 for a \$1500 District Grant, in all totalling \$3275.

Request for Club Bulletins

Jul 23, 2013

by Geoff Tancred

Please ensure that an electronic copy of your Club Bulletin is sent to : -
DG Geoff Tancred - gjt@bigpond.net.au
DGE David Kennedy - davidkennedy9700@gmail.com
DGN Gary Roberts - robwag2@bigpond.com
District Secretary Michael Milston - dibmilston@bigpond.com
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Each school was given a percentage of the funds in relation to its size. The teachers choose the books and supplied us with tax invoices. Each school was visited by Jill and other members for the presentations.

In summary 9 schools with a total of 956 students benefited from the program. Pluses to have arisen from this project have been books for the students and raising the profile of Rotary in our community through media coverage in school magazines, the local paper and by word of mouth.

The Club received a Community Service Award for this project in the recent West Wyalong Australia Day Awards - Congratulations to the West Wyalong Club

DARKNESS TO LIGHT 2013

Posted by Philip Cross on Feb 05, 2014



"From Darkness to Light" is a fully funded Project of the Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga. The Club's fourth Eye Camp was held from the 15th to the 17th November 2013 to help restore vision of the very poor people of the Yamuna Nagar District in northern India in conjunction with members of the Rotary Club of Yamuna Nagar Riviera in D3080 and the Doctors and staff from the Mohan Eye Institute.

The fantastic team of 14 people from 6 Rotary Clubs and 1 Inner Wheel Club comprised Dr Alok Sharma, PDG Bruce Barber, Ruth Barber, Philip Cross, Mary Ann Kelly, Daya Govender (Wagga Wagga); Marilyn Walter (Wagga Sunrise); Ron Walter (Wagga Murrumbidgee); PDG Neal Fogarty & Barbara Fogarty (Orange North); Garth Perkin & Marg Perkin (Coolamon); Sue Wegner (Griffith Avanti); and Evelyn Barton (Wagga Inner Wheel). All enjoyed the unique experiences of the Eye Camp as well as pre and post tours of Agra, Jaipur, Delhi, Shimla, Chandigarh and south India.

The tour highlights included the Festival of Lights for Diwali with our Enchanting India Tour Coordinator's family, Taj Mahal in Agra, the 96km Toy Train trip on the narrow

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The tour highlights included the Festival of Lights for Diwali with our Enchanting India Tour Coordinator's family, Taj Mahal in Agra, the 96km Toy Train trip on the narrow gauge railway line from Kalka to Shimla, the magnificent views of the snow capped Himalayan mountain range, a walk on part of the original Tibetan / Himalayan track through the cedar forest as well as the opportunity to taste the Indian cuisine and support the Indian economy through endless shopping.

The Eye Camps that started in 2005 have had excellent support from so many people, businesses and RAWCS and brought the total number of cataract operations completed to over 1,000, all without any cases of infection. This year's Camp was attended by over 2,200 people, enabled 334 cataract operations, 471 pairs of glasses prescribed and 1,412 medicines issued. A very unique opportunity was afforded to PDG's Neal and Bruce to witness the Yamuna Nagar's Club Eye Donation Project when the Club's President Dr Ish Chadha asked them to accompany him to the home of a 41yo deceased male who had donated his eyes. Dr Chadha and his wife own the Chadha Hospital where the Eye Camp was held and closed the hospital to allow Rotary to undertake its Camp.

The Camp's farewell function held at the Sapphire Hotel saw Dr Rajiv Mohan from the Mohan Eye Institute presented with a PHF and both Mr Rajiv Btatia Rotary Club of Yamuna Nagar Riviera and Mr Philip Cross (Rotary Club of Wagga Wagga) each presented with a Sapphire Pin.

To date the following Camp Statistics have been achieved from the four Eye Camps held in 2005, 2007, 2011, 2013 and the School projects in 2010, 2012 and 2013;

People who turned up	8,300
Cataract Operations	1,004
Sets of Glasses issued	2,100
Medicines dispensed	5,450

