



DISTRICT 9465 CONFERENCE

ENGAGE ROTARY - MEET UP IN MANDURAH

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Fellow Rotarians, welcome to the 5th Update on progress with the District 9465 Conference to be held in Mandurah in March 21 to 23.

In this issue, consistent with our RI theme for the 2013-14 year of "Engage Rotary, Change lives" and the Conference objectives, short articles are included on the activities and background of three more of our key presenters and how their contributions are relevant and inspirational for Rotary in and beyond District 9465 now and into the future. These include feature on

- The Senior Scientist at the Rotary Cord Blood Bank of WA;
- An outstanding Western Australian who has dedicated his life to helping Young People in Need
- A switched-on Rotarian from Melbourne who is RI's Zone Public Image Coordinator and coordinator for Rotary's Club Visioning; and
- A special feature on Mandurah Rotarians who have formed their own Yachting Fellowship Group.

Special reminders are also included to encourage Rotarians to lodge their Registration and book their own accommodation.

And again, information is provided on the "Fish Challenge" as a bit of fun and inter-club rivalry.

Conference Organising Committee is proud to announce THREE more sponsors for our Conference, Western Power, St George Finance and Lotterywest. Look for their logos in the blue margin band.

The dress standard for the Conference is Smart casual including the Friday Night and Saturday Night functions. There is no theme for the Saturday Night Banquet other than to enjoy yourself.

Conference Program Highlights

Gail Lazzaro – WA Cord Blood Bank

Gail Lazzaro is the Senior Scientist and Manager of the Rotary WA Cord Blood Bank Project in Perth. Gail was the author of the project submission that was chosen by Rotary in 2004 to be launched as a Rotary International Centennial Project at its conference in 2005. Gail has been involved with the project from the concept planning stage, through the construction of the state-of-the-art Rotary WA Cord Blood Bank Facility. She is now involved in the validation and licensing of the cord blood banking program.

Gail has been employed by the Australian Red Cross Blood Service since 1996 when she was appointed to specifically establish a stem cell





Registration:

Rotarians it is now time to commit to attending what will be an outstanding District Conference. Please Register now. To do so:

1. Visit the District website, District Conference folder and download the Registration Form.
2. Complete the form, scan it or photocopy a copy for your records.
3. Email or mail the completed form to Conference Registration Officer **Wayne Hand**. conferencereg@rotary9465.org.au

Payment :

Can be made by:

- Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT) or
- Cheque.

(Instructions are on the form.)

Accommodation :

Rotarians wanting good quality accommodation at reduced rates are encouraged to arrange their bookings through the Mandurah and Peel Tourist Organisation (MAPTO).

You should make your bookings now by visiting their website

<http://www.visitmandurah.com/accommodation>

Here people will be able to book and look at reviews and prices.

program. Her previous appointment was with Royal Perth Hospital in the Department of Haematology where she specialised in laboratory aspects of Bone Marrow and Peripheral Blood Stem Cell Transplantation.

Gail is a Founding Member and Secretary of The Bone Marrow Transplant Scientists' Association of Australasia, a member of the International Society of Cellular Therapy, and is proud to be a Paul Harris Fellow.

Gail is pleased to be able to explain the success of the Cord Blood Bank and how, by engaging the community, this state now has the facility to be able to change lives.

Mark Anderson – Fairbridge

JMark Anderson is the CEO of Fairbridge Western Australia Inc, a charitable organisation for youth in WA, and has worked in the community sector of WA for over 30 years.



His involvement with the youth includes the Lord's Taverners Peel Branch and National Board; the State Youth Affairs Council of WA, the State Council of Police and Community Youth Centres, the Commonwealth Family and Community Services Advisory Group, and the Board of the Peel Development Commission.

Mark is currently working to raise millions of dollars for the (i) Fairbridge Village Redevelopment Program; (ii) Fairbridge Centre for Excellence for Major Regional Festivals & Events; (iii) Fairbridge Renewable Energy Research Park and (iv) Sir Charles Court Fairbridge Sustainability Initiative.

Mark has a Bachelor of Social Science with a Major in Youth Work, and is undertaking a Masters Degree in Leadership and Management. In 1986 he received a Rotary Youth Leadership Award. In 2006 he won an "Under40 Business Leader Award" and was named as one of the "Inspirational West Australians."

Mr Mark's passion is enabling young-people-in-need to reach their full potential, and is committed to achieving this by establishing effective partnerships between the community, corporate and government sectors.

Phillip Archer – Rotary Public Relations

Philip has had a major involvement with Rotary International for many years. At a Club level, he is a Charter Member of the Rotary Club of Southbank, Melbourne. At District level, he has been an Assistant Governor and held various Board positions. At a Rotary International level he is Director for Marketing and Membership and External Relations Director District 9800, and RI's Regional Public Image Coordinator. He is also Southern Regional Coordinator for Club Visioning.

Philip has a strong personal interest in providing the guidance and support that aids the development of leadership careers. He is Managing Director of The Archway Group, a human resource firm that focuses on building teams for businesses. His additional role includes being Chairman and shareholder of Sustainability Business Group Australia Pty Ltd.





A key aspect of his consulting services is assisting organisations with their business and strategic planning, training, restructuring and change management. Phillip also acts as a mentor and coach to leadership groups and individuals. Phillip has been invited to speak to industry forums, organisations and associations on various human resources and business issues, and is Board Chair for the KIDS (Kids in Dangerous Situations) Foundation.

Phillip will talk on how Rotary can much more successfully reach out to and involve the community and so guarantee greater success in its community work.

Extra Fun at the Conference

A Fun Challenge for Clubs to Support Rotary Foundation

As part of the fun at Conference, DG Erwin invites Clubs to enter the “Fish for Foundation Challenge”.

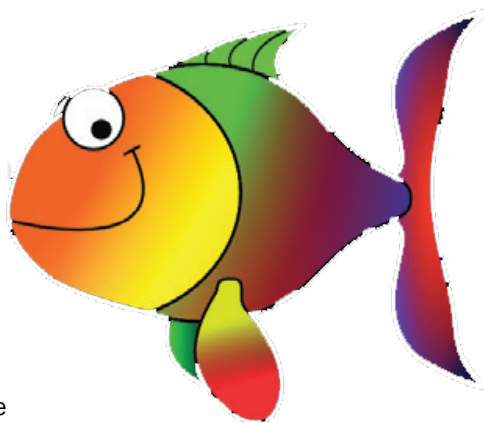
He is a very keen, if somewhat under-achieving Trout fisherman!!

Clubs are invited to create and decorate a fish for display in the Conference Showcase. The entrance fee is \$50 and all proceeds will be donated to Foundation. Donations in lieu of fish entries will also be kindly accepted.

Winners will be selected by asking all delegates to vote for the “Peoples’ Choice Award” and there will also be a District Governor’s Award, selected, of course by DG Erwin.

Examples for the fish sculptures could be: School of Fish (for Literacy); Fish out of Water (for Water and Sanitation), or Fish Market (for Economic and Community Development).

Application Forms can be downloaded from the District website or provided by contacting PDG Jodie Sparks.



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International Fellowship of Yachting Rotarians – IFYR

IFYR is the RI’s International Yachting Fellowship of Rotarians, has been active in the Western Australia for thirty-odd years, and is based around the Swan River.



The IFYR South West Western Australian Fleet was formed in Mandurah in February 2010. The South West Fleet has 27 members, plus partners (see photo). In the photo are Past Regional Commodore, (PDG) Reginald Willis (centre front), and past commodore of the WA Fleet and Commodore of the SWWA Fleet, PFC Kerran Campbell (behind Reg).

To become a member one need only have an interest in boating. IFYR Fleets build friendships while sharing an interest in boating.

Western Australian IFORIANs (as they are known) have visited IFYR fleets in the Philippines and Italy, and have reinstated IFYR Area 3 meetings (i.e., SE ASIA, Western Pacific, Australia and New Zealand). The 2014 Area 3 AGM will be held during a cruise from Shanghai to Singapore, and the International AGM of IFYR will be held in Sydney during the RI Convention in June, 2014.

The Conference Organising Committee and IFYR SWWA are hoping some of their vessels will be on show at the MPAC wharf during the Conference. (Watch this space!)

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