



Neil Murray

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Governor Introduction

Kia ora koutou.

How are you? How are you really?

We Rotarians know that The Rotary Foundation (TRF) must be the most remarkable charity in the world, remarkable for its universal involvement in peace and humanitarian programmes which never stop.



Last month TRF came to town! Past Rotary International President and Rotary Foundation Chair Barry Rassin was our guest at a TRF Recognition Dinner at the Cordis Hotel in Auckland. It was one of four Recognition events in a row in Christchurch, Auckland, Sydney and Brisbane where US\$2.2m in bequests was pledged, more than half of it from NZ.

It was an opportunity to honour our major donors and those who have given their Rotary lives to TRF and devoted themselves to many, many projects including of course End Polio Now. In his address Barry Rassin said that the World Health Organisation estimates that the world will be polio free by 2026, thanks to Rotary. WHO also acknowledges that the task of worldwide immunization could never have been achieved without the help of Rotary.

Just about every article in this newsletter relates back in some way to TRF. It is mostly devoted to our people, the ones who make TRF happen, especially Lindsay Ford (and Alison). They say a picture is worth a thousand words. I will let the pictures of our people speak for themselves. We owe each of them a heartfelt thank you. At the same time, I urge you to never stop supporting our charity of choice. The Rotary Foundation.

Tempus fugit! 2023 is coming to an end. It is also a special time of the year, a time for family, a time for giving, and a time for a break from work to refresh and renew in anticipation of the New Year. Remember, the good that you do for others will always-

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Merry Christmas.

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Governor - District 9910
2023-2024



*Wishing you all
a safe and
Merry Christmas*



Rotary Foundation Recognition Dinner

At our Rotary Foundation Recognition Dinner, Past Governor Lindsay Ford was presented with the Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award.

The Rotary Foundation Distinguished Service Award is the Rotary Foundation's highest level of recognition, and it honours members who have exhibited exceptional service to the Foundation and who passionately demonstrate the values of Rotary in their districts.

Hundreds of members worldwide are nominated for this award each year, but only 50 recipients are selected annually. This award builds on the Citation for Meritorious Service that Lindsay had previously received and illustrates his continuing dedication to the Foundation programs that change people's lives.

The award was presented by past RI President and current Rotary Foundation Chair of Trustees Barry Rassin. Congratulations Lindsay from all your friends at District 9910.

Response from Lindsay Ford

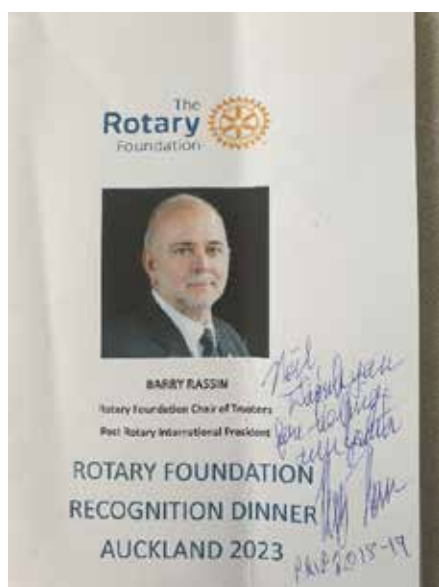
Very proud to receive on Saturday Night, The Rotary Foundation highest award, Distinguished Service Award, from Past Rotary International President, and current Rotary Foundation Chairman, Barry Rassin.

It was an honour for me, an acknowledgment for my Wife Alison, my Norfolk Island Rotary Club, my Rotary District 9910, and for every person who has supported and walked this Rotary Journey with me.

The Rotary Foundation is by far the most outstanding NGO in the World, giving Hope, opportunities, and changing Lives for so many.

Be guaranteed that 100% of funds raised goes to either Local Projects or in the case of International Projects, 93% goes to the coal face of the Project, unmatched by others. Rotary is spearheading the eradication of Polio from the world, from 360,000 cases each year, at a high point to now, just 10 worldwide, we are so close.

Thank You, and please support the Rotary Foundation as your charity of choice.





The Vanuatu Experience

My club visits to the Rotary Clubs of Vila and Santo were always going to be novel for me. I had heard numerous stories from our D9910 Rotarians, many of whom have spent a lot of time over many years completing water and sanitation projects, building and rebuilding schools, hospitals, installing water tanks, equipping libraries, training the local communities, and doing humanitarian work. But I had not been there myself until now.

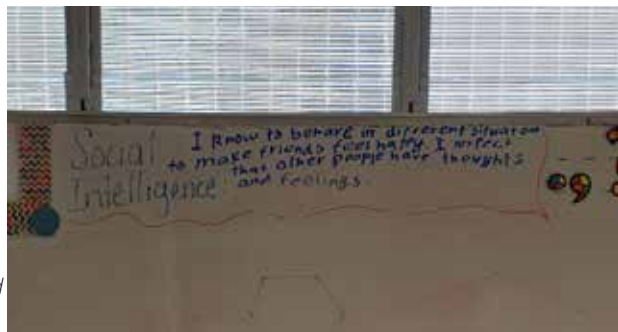
Originally it was planned that our D9910 group-Vanuatu Project lead PDG Lindsay Ford (and Alison), Foundation Chair PDG Grant Smith, Foundation Steward Keith Day-and maybe immediate past RI Board Director Jessie Harman-along with Santo Rotarians, President Heinrich Seosse (AG) and Ruffino Pineda would travel to Pentecost Island for the opening of the Enkul Water Catchment Project, an RI global grant project in partnership with the Vanuatu Government. But nature, in the form of Cyclone Lola, put paid to that. Most of the local Enkul village was devastated.

My visit to the Port Vila Club was attended by Dr. Elizabeth Webb, a specialist dentist who is working with the Ministry of Health on a free dental programme for children with is attached to a denture clinic for adults. Liz has great support from the club. I also caught up with the NZ Deputy High Commissioner and spoke about our contribution to training and education. On Luganville the Santo club has been working very hard. Once I got over the kava ceremony, I visited the hospital (where the Rotary built kitchen had been destroyed by a cyclone), two schools, including an interesting language based school run by VSA volunteers, and a kindergarten which was built with funding from the NZ Government and Rotary. (*1 and *2)

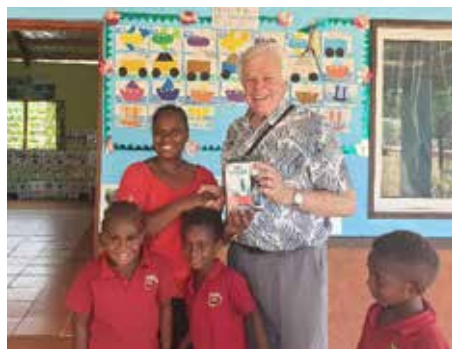


The roofs of these classrooms were lifted off in a cyclone. Rotarians with grant funding refurbished them

A sign in the little International School put up by the children reminded me of Cat Levene. It says "I know to behave in different situations to make my friends feel happy. I respect that other people have thoughts and feelings"



The purpose of the school and kindergarten trips was to hand out water purifiers. The purifiers are guaranteed to remove 99.99% of impurities and last for 10 years. At the schools we were always surrounded by beautiful smiling and laughing children who gravitated to you naturally and wanted to hold your hand. They jumped in the cab of the truck or the tray just to go for a joy ride. It becomes easy to want to help such people who show the world their constant resilience in the face of hardship.



Water purifiers for the kindergarten. Posing with the teacher alone was impossible-but who cares with such beautiful smiling kids

The water purifiers have been donated and sent from Darwin Rotary clubs. They are imported from the U.S at a cost of around \$60.00 each . They fit onto a tap or a hose and filter 20 gallons an hour, removing 99.99% of bacteria, salmonella and e-coli. I hope clubs can raise \$500-\$600 each to buy these.



Foundation Chair Grant Smith has to drink kava for this. He affixed a Rotary sign to Ruffino's truck but failed to take into account that the truck was on a slight incline.

You know you are in the tropics when there are fresh flowers on all the tables, in your room, in the bar, everywhere,



Hot off the Press

The Vanuatu Project team Led by PDG Lindsay Ford has just applied for and had approved a Disaster Relief Grant of US\$25,000.00 from Rotary International. The grant is for Pentecost Island, which was hit the hardest by Cyclone Lola, but which for various reasons seems to have received the least help. To give you an idea of the aid being given by our District, here is a preliminary breakdown of where the recovery funds are being spent -

SAINT HENRY PIMARY SCHOOL (SOUTH EAST PENTECOST)

Santo Hardware : VT 923 339 - Hardware stuff

2/ ENKUL COMMUNITY (Central Pentecost):

LCM : VT 593 426 - Food ration
 Santo Hardware : VT 173 156 - Hardware stuff
 Wilco Hardware : VT 227 627 - Hardware stuff
 Melcoffee Sawmill : VT 376 630 - Treated timber
 Lucky Yao : VT 206 000 - Roofing
 3/ Freight cost :
 Santo Rotary Club : VT 484 822 - Freight cost

Total amount = VT 2 985 000



FOUNDATION MOMENTS

Quick insights into your charity — The Rotary Foundation

WHAT IS POLIOPLUS?

Ending polio is Rotary's main humanitarian goal, and PolioPlus is the program that supports these efforts.

It was launched in 1985 with help from Dr. Albert Sabin, the developer of the oral polio vaccine, as a worldwide program to protect children from the paralyzing consequences of polio. Rotary later became a founding member of the Global Polio Eradication Initiative.

Since then, the incidence of wild polio cases has decreased by 99.9% and the wild poliovirus remains endemic in just two countries, Afghanistan and Pakistan.

The processes Rotary helped build to fight polio have also been used to protect communities from COVID19 and other diseases. This illustrates the Plus in PolioPlus.

But polio anywhere is a threat to children everywhere. Only global eradication will ensure that no child suffers its devastating effects ever again.

Learn more about Rotary's efforts to eradicate this disease at endpolio.org.

< Visit my.rotary.org/donate

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District Diary

19 December	Rotary Milford birthday (chartered 1967)	26 February	Rotary Noumea birthday (chartered 1962)
28 December	Rotary Waipap birthday (chartered 1994)	4 March	Rotary Satellite Henderson-South Kaipara (chartered 2015)
6-20 January	Rotary National Science & Technology Forum	6 March	Foundation Day
15 January	RDU copy deadline for next month's magazine	8 March	International Women's Day
25 January 25	Rotary Orewa birthday (chartered 1964)	15 March	RDU copy deadline for next month's magazine
8 February	Rotary Mangawhai (chartered 2023)	18 March	Global Recycling Day
11 February	Rotary Bay of Islands birthday (chartered 1963)		Rotary Whangarei South birthday (chartered 1975)
15 February	RDU copy deadline for next month's magazine	22 March	World Water Day
17 February	PETs Training	5 April	Rotary New Lynn birthday (chartered 1958)
23 February	Rotary Day	7 April	World Health Day
25 February	Rotary Whangarei City birthday (chartered 2010)	15 April	RDU copy deadline for next month's magazine

Events

Events in the district can be found on the district website at the following link [District 9910 Diary](#)
 - clubs who want their events here should send information/flyers to District Administrator,
district9910@gmail.com

Introducing Carla, Lars & Sidone - Here until July 2025



MEET OUR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS



We have six inbound students who arrived in our district in July 2023 and are adapting to their new homes and schools around our district. Our students are currently away on a tour of the South Island for 2 weeks with District 9920 & 9930. Recently they experienced a weekend on the Pehiaweri Marae (Whangarei) and got to challenge themselves to Waka Ama paddling in beautiful Kowharewa Bay in Tutukaka.



We introduced 3 of our new inbounds in our October newsletter. Irene from Spain is hosted by Whangarei Sunrise Rotary, Mathis from Germany is hosted by Mangawhai Rotary, and Maisa from Finland is hosted by Devonport Rotary. Here are our additional 3 inbound students enjoying Northland!



Our District 9910-9920-9930 Students enjoying the South Island tour and seeing the sun, (at last) at Punakaiki Rocks on the west coast and visiting the International Antarctic Centre in Christchurch.



Clara from Sweden enjoyed watching the soccer World Cup and cheering her home country to victory! Here she's helping plant trees in Motutapu. Clara is sponsored by East Coast Bays Rotary Club and attends Hobsonville Secondary School.



Lars from Switzerland is hanging out (in this image) onboard the R.Tucker Thompson with his school colleagues from Otamatea High School.

Lars got to spend a week on board enjoying the Bay of Islands and learning new sailing skills. Lars is sponsored by Mangawhai Rotary and brought his musical talents to our shores - he plays the French horn.



Sidonie from France who enjoyed sailing in her home country got some time at the helm in the Bay and visiting NZ popular tourist movie set - Hobbiton.

Sidonie is sponsored by Keri Keri Rotary Club and attends Kerikeri High school . She would like to be a marine biologist and enjoys the outdoors.

Our Districts Outbound RYE Students in January 2024

These lovely nine "Outbound" Rotary Exchange Students are our first group since 2020 after a three year recess due to Covid. They depart in January 2024, along with nine other students from Districts 9920 and 9930 who will be experiencing life in another country for the next 12 months for turning on January 2025. They depart Auckland for Dubai prior to their departure to their Europe destination. Chaperoned by Jan Hewitt and husband Tony Collins The students will be liaising with Dubai Rotary Clubs during their time and hope to experience a Safari trip, the gold souks, Budja Khalifa and other top tourist hot spots during their four day layover. Jan was recently appointed as Chairperson after Sandra Woods resigned to focus on family obligations, however Sandra will continue to assist where she can and is a great RYE resource should your Club need any information about our programme.

INTRODUCING OUR DISTRICT STUDENTS -OUTBOUND 2024



Ariella Ripahou is Head Girl of KeriKeri High School is our first outbound student to Spain! Ariella is going to Vigo, a port city on the west coast of Spain, about half an hour north of Portugal. Ariella is sponsored by Keri Keri Rotary.



Anika Sinclair - Heading to Nevada, USA. Anika is a young entrepreneur and invented her own water bottle to help fundraise for her trip. Anika is sponsored by Devonport Rotary club and as a student at Takapuna Grammar.



Jaime Warrington- Grace is sponsored by Mangatoroto Rotary and is their club's first RYE student! Jaime is learning French for her new home in Belgium and currently attends Otamatea College.



Taylor Jury attends Mahurangi College in Warkworth and is sponsored by Mangawhai Rotary, another new sponsor to our RYE programme. Taylor is outbound to Switzerland and looking forward to meeting her community in Staufen, about 30 minutes from Zurich.

Continued..



Danielle Hall is sponsored by Sunrise, Rotary Club and attends Sacred Heart College in Lower Hutt. She is learning Swiss-German which will be her new language in Switzerland.



Sebastian Kashammer and is looking forward to experiencing his new life in Halle Westfalen located in Northwestern Germany. Seb attends Rodney College and his sponsor club is Orewa-Millwater.



Staria Korewha is sponsored by Warkworth Rotary Club and attends Mahurangi College. She was excited to learn she has ancestors in Lapland so was even more excited when she found out her new host country was Finland and she will be hosted in Helsinki.



Harry Trubshaw is sponsored, by Sunrise Rotary Club and is outbound to Bressuire a town near Nantes in France. Harry attends Pompellier College in Whangarei and looking forward to putting his French lessons into practice.



Charlotte Wadsworth is bound for the city of Karlskrona in Sweden and getting helpful tips from Clara (inbound) to help her prepare for her year ahead learning the Swedish language! Charlotte is sponsored by East Coast Bays Rotary and has just graduated from Hobsonville Point Secondary school.

Have you packed your bag yet?

Our outbound students met for their final debrief at DGE Jenn Wong's home recently. There was a mixture of expectation, anxiety and excitement in the room-and that was just from the parents! The students practised their speeches and were reminded to be at Auckland International Airport on 18 January



Some Outstanding Rotarians



Alison Waugh received a Paul Harris Sapphire Award from her Club for her tireless contributions to her club and her community service. Alison is seen every week in Milford in her Rotary viz jacket gardening and weeding, planting shrubs, smiling and chatting to the shoppers around her.



Anna Wallace has received a PHF from her Westhaven Club for her outstanding work on the Hawkes Bay Recovery Project (see later). Along with Nadia Lehmann, Anna has driven project funding, facilitated four volunteer trips for 33 volunteer participants and monitored 973 volunteer hours



Ian Hacking received a multiple Paul Harris Sapphire award from Tim Brooks, President of his Whangaparaoa Club. The Certificate of Appreciation in Ian's hands reads "Ian Hacking has rendered significant and meritorious service by his devoted duty to his community and Rotary International for over 50 years". There was a memorable moment with the award of a PHF to Ian's wife, Jennifer for her years of support to Ian in Rotary.

Halloween Meeting

My visit to the Milford Club coincided with Halloween. In keeping with the spirit of the day most dressed up in true trick or treat fashion. However, one member did call in to say he had been hanging around for a while and couldn't make it.



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Disaster Relief

When it comes to disaster relief I am at a bit of a loss for words. The trauma of the Anniversary Day floods and slips around Muriwai and Sunnynook where lives were lost, and the destruction caused by Cyclone Gabrielle in the Hawkes Bay continue to affect all of us. When thinking of New Zealand's, Rotary's, and our own reaction to these disasters various words, phrases and questions spring to mind: What can I do? How can I help? People are overwhelmed. Show compassion. Show understanding. Give.

What a small number of Rotarians from D9910 have done over the last 8 or 9 months in the Hawkes Bay has been well documented. But rather than explain I thought the words and actions of those who have helped, given so much and led the way for us, should speak for themselves. In spearheading the D9910 Hawkes Bay Recovery Project, Anna Wallace (Westhaven) and Nadia Lehmann (Bay of Islands) have shown great courage and leadership. I should let their words speak for themselves.

1. Anna: (What can we do?):-

Volunteer hours - summary

- The Hawkes Bay Recovery Project has facilitated four volunteer trips with 33 (individual) volunteer participants.
- Three volunteers have attended two volunteer trips including Anna Wallace (Westhaven), Marty Smith (Birkenhead) and Peter Garnett (East Coast Bays)
- Nine 9910 clubs have had volunteer representation on our trips including Bay of Islands (x2), Birkenhead (x1), Browns Bay(x2), Devonport (x13), East Coast Bays (x3), Henderson (x2), Henderson Rotalite (x1), North Harbour (x1) and Westhaven (x6). One 9920 representative from Auckland City Rotaract (x1) has participated in our trips.
- Over the four trips, groups have given 16 volunteer days, equating to approximately 973 volunteer hours.
- The largest trip was Trip 4 attended by 13 volunteers from Devonport who volunteered over 5 days collectively contributing 455 volunteer hours.

The impact:

- Through our volunteer effort we have assisted approximately 10-12 families remove silt from their homes, salvage belongings and materials for re-use, undertake light interior demolition ready for rebuilding, or demolition where rebuilding is not allowed. We have cleared out agricultural sheds, fence lines, stock pens and have spent many hours restoring gardens back to life by strimming, chain sawing out dead trees, pruning, mowing and mulching!
- We have worked on residential homes, small block holdings, a business and a family who owned a brewery and restaurant. Some will rebuild, others are yet to determine their fate. Some were insured, others were not.
- We have made strong connections with 9930, particularly Stortford Lodge and Ahuriri Sunrise.
- Stortford Lodge assisted the project team with homestay accommodation for 7 volunteers over 6-8 nights and partnered with us on our volunteering days.

Next steps:

- Seek to use the remaining \$1,573 of project funding to assist 5 more volunteers committing to 3 volunteer days or more. Once funding is expended, this will conclude the Hawkes Bay Recovery Dragons Den Project as it stands.
- To continue to promote 9910 volunteering effort in the Hawkes Bay.
- To work with 9920 who have expressed an interest in running a similar initiative.
- To work with Stortford Lodge to develop a framework for Rotary Districts and clubs to mobilise quickly in emergency assistance and recovery activities.



2. Nadia: (How can I help? - Nadia arranged vouchers for Christmas for the families where relationships had been formed.)

Here put the poster. Followed by-

Overall, we have raised \$3,520 to date for our Hawkes Bay Christmas Voucher Collection! \$1,200 was donated from the District funds through yourself and the District Committee. A further \$2,320 has been generously donated by our fellow district Rotarians.

On Nadia's recent trip to the Hawkes Bay (1-5 December), she took down our printed Christmas cards and purchased \$2,400 in vouchers which was the amount of funding we had received at the time. Please find attached copies of three receipts to demonstrate how the \$1,200 of district funding was spent. 2 x \$100 vouchers (a mix of Pak'n'sav and KMart or the Warehouse) were packaged with a card, ready for gifting to the families. Stortford Lodge contacts are working with Martha from the Clean Up Crew to deliver these packages over this week and next.

We are currently also working with Stortford Lodge to purchase further vouchers and to organise their distribution to ensure the full allocation of the additional \$1,120 of donations received since 1 December.

We will also do a thank you post to the 9910 Facebook page to provide an update of our progress.

Thank you for your on-going support and if you have any further questions, please let us know!
Anna and Nadia

3. Nadia: (compassion/understanding):

Hawkes Bay Flood Recovery Christmas Vouchers: "They were ever so grateful and all three of us had tears rolling down our cheeks. No photos, too emotional. Thank you to all those who have donated so far, it means a lot to the recipients."

Bless all of you involved and committed Rotarians as you continue to

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NZ Herald

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Cyclone Gabrielle: Rotary donates radios to Hawke's Bay surf life saving clubs for search and rescue future needs

Story by Michaela Gower • 1w

Hawke's Bay Surf Lifesaving clubs have received a \$20,500 donation towards their communication equipment from Hawke's Bay and Auckland Rotary Clubs.

The surf lifesavers played a key role during the cyclone and were able to jump into action and rescue people from their homes and rooftops and get essential supplies to isolated communities across rivers.

Hawke's Bay Search and Rescue (SAR) coordinator Jess Bennett said the unprecedented weather event and loss of communications at the time highlighted the clubs' need to have more reliable and versatile equipment.



<https://www.msn.com/en-nz/news/other/cyclone-gabrielle-rotary-donates-radios-to-hawke-s-bay-surf-life-saving-clubs-for-search-and-rescue-future-needs/ar-AA1lamqM?ocid=socialshare&pc=DCTS&cvid=40589025140043ce9129eccc8963ccf5&ei=48>

And the St. George's Presbyterian Church at Takapuna led by Rotarians Beverley, Gordon and Cheryl gave \$3,000.00 to D9930 for the Esk Valley and \$3,000.00 to the Sunnynook Community Centre where there are still many yellow stickers.



Presbyterian Church
of Aotearoa New Zealand

ROTARY NATIONAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY FORUM TRUST

This purpose-built Trust organised and run by Rotary, AUT, Massey and Auckland Universities for aspiring scientists kicks off on 7 January and runs for two weeks. Not only does the Forum enhance scientific knowledge and learning it also grows leadership and social skills among the participants.

Here is what some students have said....

"Over the two weeks of the Forum I not only learnt about science and technology, but also learnt about myself, about life and how to make the most of it".

"I wouldn't have changed my experiences at Forum for the world. It was, quite honestly, one of the most memorable, worthwhile, and beneficial experiences I've ever had".

"How can I place words around the most incredible, inspiring and eye-opening experience of my life!"

"I have gained a new direction in life and know where I want to place my focus and energy".

"Forum's highlight was being around people with a passion for learning about the world we live in".

"I was amazed at how much we managed to do in a day and how much fun we had".

"The Forum was extremely well organised and I would like to thank the Rotary organisers".

"I hope Rotarians realise how much they have done for us!"

This year will be no exception. Here is a letter to President Kay of the Warkworth Rotary who is sponsoring Mia.



Mia Cooper

Mon, 6 Nov,
12:48 (1 day
ago)

to me

Dear Kay and the members of the Warkworth Rotary Club,

It is with so much gratitude that I write this letter to thank you all for this incredible opportunity you have given me to attend the upcoming Science Forum, which is to be held in January at The University of Auckland.

While I have a very keen interest in all aspects of science, in particular, biology and physics, I have been in a real quandary this year (year 12) having to narrow down my subject courses and determine what I want to focus on in the final year of school in order to plan out a career path in the sciences.

It has been really difficult, as I know that my decisions now will have an impact on what courses I will be able to get into at university. As a 16 year old, how would I know what opportunities are out there and what focus I should be taking?

This Science Forum really couldn't have come at a better time for me. When I applied it was like a beacon of hope for me and to be accepted means so much. This forum will give me an incredible insight and better understanding of all the various opportunities that are available in the sciences and I will walk away from it feeling so focused, motivated and have the clarity I wouldn't have otherwise had.

I really am so excited about it and I am so grateful to you all for giving me this incredible opportunity.

I look forward to visiting you all in February and I will be able to tell you all about it and give you an insight into my experience.

With so much thanks,

Mia Cooper

A photograph of three people—two women and one man—smiling and working together at a table outdoors. The woman on the left is wearing a white lab coat over a grey top. The woman in the center has curly hair and is wearing a blue top with a patterned scarf. The man on the right is wearing a light blue button-down shirt. They are looking at papers on the table, which also has coffee cups and a bowl of fruit. In the background, a yellow sign with the word "Terra" is visible.

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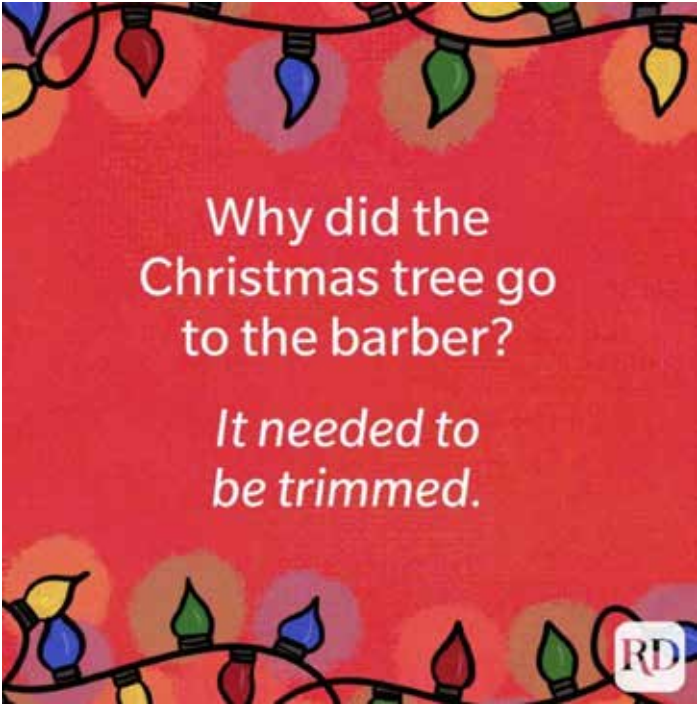
What happens if
you eat Christmas
decorations?
You get tinselitus.

What says
'Oh Oh Oh'?

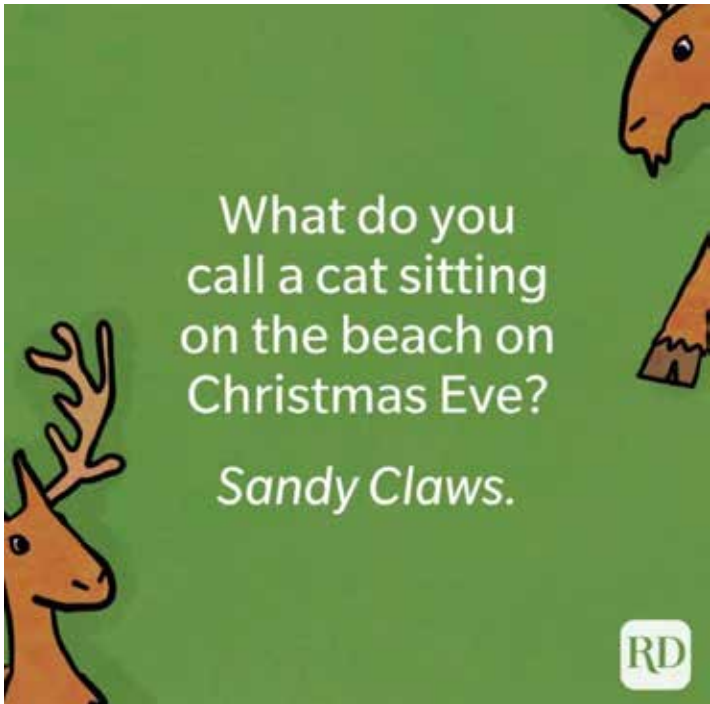
Santa walking
backwards!




CHRISTMAS JOKES - WWW.PUN.ME



Why did the
Christmas tree go
to the barber?
*It needed to
be trimmed.*



What do you
call a cat sitting
on the beach on
Christmas Eve?
Sandy Claws.



Why didn't the
skeleton go to the
Christmas party?

He had no-body
to go with.

CHRISTMAS JOKES - WWW.PUN.ME



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when you cross
a Christmas tree
with an apple?
A pineapple!



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Kirsten has secured 20 Seats for the **Rotary International Convention** which is to be held in **Singapore 25-29 May 2024**.

Once the first 20 seats are sold, Singapore Airlines will look at another 20 seats.

The package includes return economy Airfares on Singapore Airlines 24-29 May 2024, Accommodation, Transfers and Breakfast.

Optional upgrades to Premium Economy and Business class are available.

At time of booking a deposit \$400 per person, as well as passport copies, will be required.

To register for the conference itself, participants will need to complete their own at:
<https://convention.rotary.org/>

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Greetings Friends:

The Rotary International Convention is our foremost opportunity for thousands of members from more than 130 countries to connect with each other and be inspired; it is where we share experiences and expertise, learn from the brightest minds, and celebrate our works of service.

The Rotary convention in Singapore 25-29 May 2024 will be no exception. And, as always, the convention offers the chance to explore a world-class host city with stellar dining and cultural attractions. Singapore is also a great stepping off point to explore Southeast Asia should you wish to extend your stay in that part of the world.

With that in mind, I invite you to register for the 2024 Rotary International Convention. Then, encourage your district's members to do the same by using these promotional materials and sharing the link to the convention website, convention.rotary.org, where they can register.

As a Rotary leader, you're in a unique position to enlighten your members about the inspiration and excitement that our convention delivers. Let's join together in Sharing Hope With the World in Singapore at this year's convention. I look forward to welcoming you and your members to celebrate our year together.

With every best wish,
Gordon

Gordon McNally
President, Rotary International, 2023-24

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