



Rotary International District 9670 Inc

PETER RAYNOR  
District Governor 2012-13

May, 2013

Welcome to the May District Governor's Newsletter.

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We hope that you enjoy reading the May edition of the DG's Newsletter. Please note that the submission deadline for each edition is the 10th of that month. Please put **DG Newsletter** and the **relevant month** in the subject line. Please submit in Word only with minimal formatting. Captioned photos are very welcome.

Thank you.

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[Message from the DG](#)

Dear Rotary friends,

As we enter May of each Rotary year, we take the opportunity to reflect on the year's achievements and to build that special plank for our Presidents Elect and the new Board to traverse into the oncoming year.

I take this opportunity to congratulate DGE Brian and Madeleine and the Development Team for a job well done in preparing our 2013-14 Presidents and their boards for the well-being and management of the Clubs in what promises to be a very special Rotary year as we "***Engage Rotary – Change Lives***"

Our existing Boards in many cases will be meeting to discuss the disbursement of hard earned funds to appropriate and worthy recipients. While there are many worthwhile charities doing good work I urge all Clubs to consider remembering our very own Rotary Foundation doing good in the world in the 6 areas of focus and not to forget our commitment to end Polio. For each \$US1,000 given in donations to The Rotary Foundation, credits to allocate a Paul Harris Recognition are achieved.

For those Clubs wanting to give closer to home, can I suggest consideration to our two Youth Trusts?





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**ROTARY DISTRICT 9670  
LEADERSHIP 2012-2013**

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**Ron Glascott and Lynne**  
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[Message from the DG \(Cont.\)](#)

Lotte Thorkilgaard – Founded in 1975 and named after a Youth Exchange Student from Denmark – Lotte had a wonderful exchange in our District and regrettably passed away from a brain haemorrhage only six weeks after returning home. Lotte's Father established a Memorial Trust to ensure no eligible person should be precluded from participating in Rotary Youth Exchange for pecuniary reasons. Since its inception, this fund has supported many students, allowing them to fulfil their dreams and enrich their lives with a 12 months overseas exchange.

John H Algie Trust – This fund was established to take in the broader spectrum of our District Youth Programs and allows funds to be used also for financially needy students to participate without the restriction of program parameters. Over the years again many students have accessed the short term New Zealand Exchange, National Science Programs, RYLA (Youth Leadership), RYPEN (Youth Enrichment) and RELAYID (for those with disabilities).

Both funds are administered by the same Trustee (District Governor, Immediate Past District Governor and District Governor Elect) and are subject to a means test and enjoy total confidentiality.

We are indeed fortunate in our District to have established these Trust Funds but it is equally important to maintain the levels of reserves. Regular annual small donations from Clubs would ensure the good work continues well into the future.

Whatever the decision of our Clubs, I know the beneficiaries of the funds raised are given appropriate consideration, to ensure the work of Rotary continues to be a shining example to the world of philanthropy.

Last month alone with only 20 of our Clubs reporting - 3,558 Rotarian hours were worked and \$73,317 donated to Charities. As next month marks the end of the Rotary year I ask all clubs to consider their position and report their hours worked and financial contribution for the year.

When these figures are aggregated, I believe it will show Rotary is truly the greatest humanitarian organisation in the world and our District can stand proud as part it.





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### Partners Project

Margaret has chosen to support medical research for Macular Degeneration as her Partner's Project for this Rotary Year. We know that 12% of Australians over 50 years (approx. 900,000 people) show evidence of early MD. Normally there are no symptoms with early MD, but there is a risk of progression. It is the leading cause of blindness in Australia, affecting central vision.

Macular Degeneration results from a very complex cascade of events with many factors impacting upon each other. While it has been possible to develop treatments that affect a part of the process, no treatment has been able to alter the entire process. This means that so far, the disease can be slowed down but not stopped or cured.

In the past number of years there have been great steps forward in diagnosis and treatment of MD, however the answer is to help fund research so that our children and grandchildren, and all Australians, will be able to see a future without Macular Degeneration.

Your Club is invited to support Margaret's project and can do so by direct deposit to the District account: 'Rotary District 9670' – BSB 637000 – A/c 719 445 802. Please make a notation on the deposit 'Partners Project'.

### E-Club Update

Soon to be the newest club in our District, Rotary eClub 8 for 9670 is getting closer to launching, with more than 10 Charter members signed up, and a number of others showing interest. This is a great option for those whose family, work or travel commitments render them unable to attend weekly meetings, but who still want to be Rotarians and part of this great organization.

If you, or someone you know might be interested in joining the eClub, jump on to <http://www.rotaryclub8.com/> or contact Club President Shari Tanzer on 0438 787 343. Rotary eClub 8 always meeting.

We are also looking for presentations/articles which showcase the great work in our District, to share with our members and guests, to assist them in building networks with traditional clubs. Our members or guests may be able to assist your club as part of our commitment to service. If you have a project or concept that you would like to showcase for your club, please send the embedding source or content to [rotaryclub8@gmail.com](mailto:rotaryclub8@gmail.com)

Vocational Youth Exchange is pleased to announce Wallsend/ Maryland Club is sponsoring Mathew Robinson, a 25 year old environmental sciences graduate from Newcastle University who hails from Valentine on Lake Macquarie.

Mathew has spent one year as a volunteer missionary in Thailand in 2010 teaching English as a second language. He also put his environmental skills to good practice teaching the Thai farmers how to use renewable compost and fertilizer.

He is excited at being placed in Denmark to further his knowledge of the utilization of clean energy – Follow Mathew's journey on his blog <http://denmarkenergy.blogspot.dk/2013/05/introduction-to-vejle.html> or <http://denmarkenergy.blogspot.dk/>

Our District is looking for other suitable candidates aged 20-25 to undertake unpaid work experience in another country for a period of 8-12 weeks. Please contact Graeme Hooper on 02 49505699 or [hoopergs@gmail.com](mailto:hoopergs@gmail.com)





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Wrapped with Love – I know many of our Clubs support this wonderful program and I include a short update note from District Governor 9750 Bill Salter:

*Dear Rotarian*

*As I did last year, I am contacting you regarding the Multi District community project across NSW, 'Wrap with Love', to advise you that the Rotary Club of Sydney Cove is again the coordinating contact for NSW Rotary Clubs on behalf of the volunteer organisation Wrap with Love, to ask Rotary Clubs to take responsibility for delivery of the community knitting from their areas into the Wrap warehouse in Sydney .*

*This year the ABC will not be hosting a Knit-In themselves but will promote via radio the community Knit-Ins being held in libraries, community centres, schools and retirement villages across the state.*

*The reason for this email is to alert you to the possibility of clubs within all NSW Districts being contacted by a Rotarian from the Sydney Cove Club, asking for local Rotary Clubs to make contact with the same community drop off points as in 2012, confirming their participation again in 2013. It is then asked that local Rotarians organize their network of service to deliver the community knitting into Wrap with Love at Unit 4/4 Huntley Street Alexandria by the end of August 2013.*

*This is the fifth year Rotary will be involved and is the 21<sup>st</sup> anniversary of the volunteer Wrap with Love organisation. Last year more than 40,000 wraps were collected and dispersed by aid agencies and individuals across the world.*

*Rotary has also been asked by Wrap with Love to make all Rotary Clubs aware that these hand knitted wraps are available for distribution on any International or national Rotary project where people need warmth whether for hospitals, orphanages, or families. The only request is that the wraps not be sold , but be given away...with love; the website is [www.artsandcraftsnsw.com.au/Wrap.htm](http://www.artsandcraftsnsw.com.au/Wrap.htm) Phone contact Jayne Goodes (02) 83993000 or email [wwl@pacific.net.au](mailto:wwl@pacific.net.au) . Rotary contact Meg Gervay 0412 910 045.*

*In the past clubs around NSW have supported the 'Wrap with Love' project by transferring the items from the regional depots to the Sydney warehouse and I hope they can again support this segment of the distribution chain for this simple and effective volunteer program.*

Kind regards,

*Bill Salter*

So, until next month – stay safe, enjoy life and your Service above Self.

*Peter Raynor*

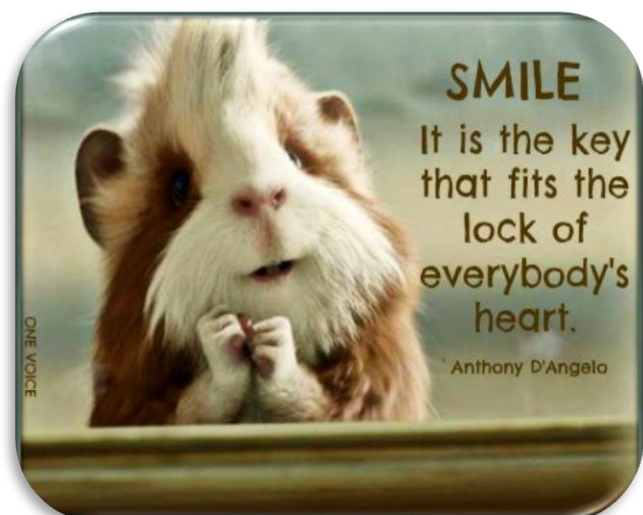
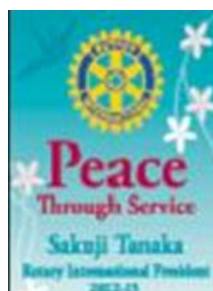
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**mrag**  
MAITLAND REGIONAL ART GALLERY



**Q&A Fundraising event: 6pm, Saturday 1 June 2013**

**Q&A**  
**FUNDRAISING EVENT**  
**6PM, SATURDAY 1 JUNE 2013**  
**Tickets \$95**    **RSVP 24 May**  
**food, wine, music,**  
**lively discussion, spirited**  
**debating, prizes, auctions**

**mrag**   
**PH: 02 4934 9859**

This dynamic and unique evening is presented by the Rotary Club of Maitland Sunrise Inc as a fundraiser for Maitland Regional Art Gallery (MRAG) education programs.

**Wonderful food and wine will complement the lively discussion and spirited debates of the Q&A, while more fun will accompany the auctions, raffles and wonderful prizes of the evening.**





## Q&A

Hosted by:

PAUL BEVAN

1233 ABC Newcastle

Maitland's very own version of the popular ABC program Q&A will throw together a bunch of thinkers and doers to discuss, debate and generally thrash out an array of hot topics.

Questions from the audience encouraged!

Panelists:

BOB CAMERON AO

Business and Community Leader

JOE EISENBERG

Cultural Director Maitland Regional Art Gallery

JOSH CALLINAN

Sports Journalist

EMMA SWAIN

Journalist

KELLIE TRANTER

Legal Activist

After canapes and champagne at the art gallery, guests will move across to Maitland Town Hall for dinner and debate with our special guest panel, interspersed with the fund-raising activities of the evening.

The visual and mental stimulation of this evening mirrors how education is seen at Maitland Regional Art Gallery - key to all exhibitions and central to the experience of gallery visitors in providing relevant and thoughtful opportunities for making, looking at and discussing art.

The education programs at MRAG are designed provide a multitude of value-added experiences to our audience - from babies up and across all age-groups - when they visit the gallery.  
The funds raised from this evening will go towards enhancing our existing and planned education programs.

We believe that these programs are essential in providing diverse opportunities for all sections of our gallery audience so that they can gain on-going meaning and enjoyment from their involvement with Maitland Regional Art Gallery.

**This unique event is to support a unique cultural hub of Maitland!**





# The Challenge

**2013 Ausgrid Newcastle Science and Engineering Challenge**  
**CALLING FOR ROTARY ACTIVITY ASSISTANTS**



Challenging students to build a future in Science and Engineering  
[www.newcastle.edu.au/challenge](http://www.newcastle.edu.au/challenge)

We invite you and your partner to be part of the 2013 Ausgrid Newcastle Challenge as a daily Activity Assistant from Monday 22 July to Friday 26 July from 8:00am-3:00pm. The Challenge will be held at The University of Newcastle's Forum Sports and Aquatic Centre, Callaghan.



The 2013 Newcastle Challenge Program has the largest student participation in Australia.

- A Newcastle-based national community program
- A community partnership with The University of Newcastle and Rotary Clubs of the greater Newcastle area in District 9670
- 40 high schools competing over Challenge 5 days
- Students from Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Lower Hunter and Port Stephens areas
- Support your local school and their students in experiencing "The Challenge"
- No cost to your Rotary Club! No cost to you!
- We even supply morning tea and a hot lunch!



Become part of the solution!



## 2013 AUSGRID NORTHERN NSW SUPER CHALLENGE SERIES

Twenty four of the highest scoring high schools competing from 13 to 15 August 2013 at The University of Newcastle's Forum Sports and Aquatic Centre, Callaghan.  
Daily Activity Assistants are welcome and would be appreciated.



For information contact:

District Governor Elect, District 9670 for 2013-2014 Brian Atkins Newcastle Regional Chair of the Science and Engineering Challenge Coordinating Committee and Rotary Club of Waratah Email: [briankatkins@bigpond.com](mailto:briankatkins@bigpond.com)

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For further information contact Deputy Chair, Paul Griffiths Rotary Club of Williamtown Phone: 02 4920 1149, Mobile 0408 431 323 or Email: [pawma@bigpond.com](mailto:pawma@bigpond.com)





## 2013 NEWCASTLE SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING CHALLENGE DINNER INVITATION

The Challenge  
**The Challenge**

The 2013 Newcastle Science & Engineering Challenge Dinner will be hosted by the **Rotary Club of Belmont** on **Monday 15 July** at Belmont 16 ft Sailing Club at 6:00pm for 6:30pm., the cost being \$30.00 per head with drinks available to be purchased from the bar. The Rotary Club of Belmont Inc and Newcastle Challenge Coordinating Committee warmly invite all Rotarians, partners, guests and sponsors to the dinner as an **introduction to this amazing Challenge program** and the **announcement of the 2013 Naming Rights Sponsor**. This will be a night of fellowship, fun and combined with a challenging table experiment!



### **A great night of Rotary in action.**

The guest speaker for the evening will be **Professor Andrew Partiff Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Academic)** from The University of Newcastle.

Invitations to the Rotary Clubs in Newcastle, Lake Macquarie, Lower Hunter and Port Stephens areas will be forwarded by email from the Rotary Club of Belmont shortly.

**For more information on the Challenge Dinner please contact**

**Newcastle Challenge Team Member Penny Black, Rotary Club of Belmont**

**Phone 02 4972 2143, Email [g.j.black@bigpond.com](mailto:g.j.black@bigpond.com)**

**P.O Box 70, Belmont NSW 2280**

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**Phone: 4952 3220, Mobile: 0447 523 220**



**Join in the fun of competition and assist  
at the Newcastle Science and Engineering**

**Challenge Newcastle and Maitland Discovery Days 2013**

**Newcastle Science and Engineering Challenge Discovery Days 2013 for Year 6 Students**

**Newcastle: Monday 2 to Friday 6 September at Kahibah Public School Hall, Kahibah**

**40 Primary Schools invited**

**Maitland: Monday 16 to Thursday 19 September at All Saint's College St. Peter's Campus,  
Maitland**

**32 Primary Schools invited**

**For further information contact Deputy Chair and Discovery Day Coordinator  
Earl Heckman - Rotary Club of Maitland, Phone 02 4930 7716, Mobile 0422 479 757**

**Email [heckman@bigpond.net.au](mailto:heckman@bigpond.net.au)**







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District 9670



# WHOLE BEANS

## ROTARY CLUB SPECIAL PRICING



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500 gram \$14

250 gram \$9

100% high altitude Arabica coffee grown as nature intended





These beans started their journey in a village set high in the mist covered mountains of Papua New Guinea's Eastern Highlands.

It is here that this coffee is harvested and prepared for you by local farmers and their families.

Ethica kopi and the Rotary Club of Williamtown are working to secure a fairer deal for our neighbours in PNG.

Funds raised will support the following projects of the Rotary Club of Williamtown :

- Local community projects
- Sailability Port Stephens
- Australian Rotary Health
- Rotary Foundation
- ShelterBox

# ethica

## KOPI

...because it's fair



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**District 9670**





# ORDER FORM—WHOLE BEANS

## WILLIAMTOWN ROTARY CLUB



**NOTE:**  
**THIS PRICING IS**  
**FOR ROTARY**  
**CLUBS ONLY**

**ethica**  
**KOPI**



...because it's fair

### ORDER FORM (ROTARY CLUB SPECIAL PRICING)

COFFEE	PRICE	QTY	PRICE
500 gram WHOLE BEAN (Roasted)	\$ 14.00		\$
250 gram WHOLE BEAN (Roasted)	\$ 9.00		\$
Shipping (TBA)			\$
TOTAL			\$

#### Direct Deposit Details

Account Name: Williamtown Rotary Club  
 BSB: 032 505  
 Acct No: 135636

**Please advise by email deposit details  
 and name of Club.**

#### Sales:

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**or**

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**THE ROTARY CLUB OF SALAMANDER BAY  
PRESENTS**



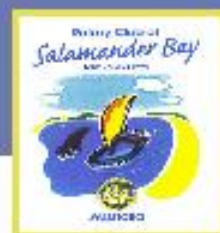
**A LIFE CHANGING JOURNEY  
WALKING THE KOKODA TRACK  
JUNE 4TH • 6.30 FOR A 7.00 PM START**

**SALAMANDER SHORES HOTEL.  
147 SOLDIERS POINT ROAD, SOLDIERS POINT.**

Having returned from his challenging ANZAC trek of the Kokoda Trail, Pastor Bill Brill will share his amazing experience with us. In addition to hearing this great speaker, the \$50 pp includes main meal, dessert along with tea and coffee. All funds raised will be used to purchase and supply a Mobile Literacy Van to change the lives of those living in poverty in Port Moresby.

RSVP to Ken - Email [windever@netscape.net](mailto:windever@netscape.net) or phone: 0402 075 552 by 29th

**\$50**



Community Involvement: April

CLUB NAME	CONTRIBUTIONS		COMMENTS
	HOURS	FINANCIAL	
Adamstown-New Lambton	30.00		BBQ Bowel Scan
Cessnock	160.00		RAWCS (110 hours) Members Night /Admin
Cobar	26.00	\$608.70	Brennan Centre (\$308.70)Cobar Show Junior Awards (\$300)
Dubbo	50.00	-	Catering One Night Stand Concert
Dubbo South	458.00	\$63,000.00	Concert / Royal Flying Doctor Service. RFDS-\$43000-00. RFDS-\$20000-00
Kurri Kurri	320.00		
Kurri Kurri Sunrise	88.00	\$400.00	RYPEN \$400/ School Breakfast/Book Sale
Maitland Sunrise	200.00	\$200.00	RYPEN \$200/ Q&A Ball/Graffiti Removal Fund raising/ Pets
Muswellbrook	60.00	\$500.00	BBQ/School.BBQ/Run for Life and \$500.
Myall Coast	50.00	\$500.00	BBQ Surf Club/RYPEN/ MUNAprep TRF \$500/School Reading/ Bowel Scan
Narromine	38.00		
Nelson Bay	667.00	\$6,000.00	Project Neighbour/BBQ/Golf day/ Adopt a Road/Administration. Prostrate Awareness Group \$6000-00
Newcastle Enterprise	246.00	\$4,750.00	TRF \$3850/Toilet TrailerAshisland \$150,D.G.Partners Appeal \$750
Newcastle Sunrise	184.50		
Raymond Terrace	65.00		Community BBQ
Rutherford Telarah	337.50	\$120.00	YEP\$120/Graffiti removing/Bowel Scan. Fundraising
Singleton on Hunter - March	144.00		Catering District Training/Fund Raising Bunnings
Singleton on Hunter- April	24.00		Roadside Clean-up/Landscape Hospital
Wellington March/April	269.00	\$250.00	Markets/BBQ/Fair/Boot Races. Overseas Student Support \$250. Wellington Show
Williamtown	141.00	\$2,239.00	Port Stephens Sailability
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,558.00</b>	<b>\$78,567.70</b>	

## Attendance Report: April

ROTARY DISTRICT 9670			
CLUB	MEMBERSHIP	April %	Rank
Adamstown New Lambton	28	72.1	13
Cardiff	15	67	19
Cessnock	23	70	15
Cobar	22	63.75	22
Dubbo	24	73	11
Dubbo South	49	93.15	2
Dubbo West	49	86.59	3
Kurri Kurri	14	94.29	1
Kurri Kurri Sunrise	25	58	25
Maitland	35	76.4	6
Maitland Sunrise	39	65	21
Merriwa	21	75	8
Muswellbrook	22	68	17
Myall Coast	25	50	27
Narromine	13	61	24
Nelson Bay	54	78.06	5
Newcastle Enterprise	29	70	15
Newcastle Sunrise	21	75	8
Raymond Terrace	23	78.26	4
Rutherford-Telarah	26	75.54	7
Salamander Bay	32	54	26
Singleton	42	72	14
Singleton on Hunter	28	67.86	18
Toronto Sunrise	35	62	23
Waratah	19	75	8
Wellington	33	67	19
Williamstown	21	72.4	12
March information received after 10th April March 2013 - Dubbo Macquarie 23 Members 86.91% Attendance March 2013 - Singleton on Hunter 26 Members 74.04% March 2013 - Toronto Sunrise 33 Members 60% March 2013 - Wellington 32 Members 67%			

The support given by the above named Rotary Clubs is very much appreciated,

Email address for Attendance: [ppsivyer@bigpond.com](mailto:ppsivyer@bigpond.com)

Please note that the submission deadline for the next newsletter is the 10<sup>th</sup> June. **Please put DG Newsletter and the relevant month in the subject line.** I kindly ask that you submit in (simply formatted) Word or PDFs that are mainly images. PDFs that are complicated with text do not translate very well into the newsletter document. Captioned photos are very welcome. Thank you,  
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