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COMMUNITY, STRENGTH AND VALUES



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Welcome to 2014/2015!

The District Changeover attended by more than 200 people reflects **the commitment and strength** Rotary has within District 9670. something I hope to build on in my new role as District Governor.

This, my first message as your District Governor for 2014/15, is an opportunity to **embark on a journey** that I hope will conclude with even stronger membership; a broader understanding within our communities of what Rotary is about; **greater flexibility** within clubs; and connection between clubs to further advance the great work we do.

Firstly, it is not about me. Sure, the role of District Governor is one of tremendous honour and something I feel extremely privileged to be doing, but the most important component of Rotary is each **individual member**. Without your dedication to the philosophies of Rotary and your commitment, clubs would not be able to **achieve their goals**.

Without clubs **working together**, Rotary would not be able to achieve the great work it is already doing locally, nationally and internationally. We need each and every one of you to **put your hand up**, work for your club and turn to your communities. If a Rotarian sees a need in the community, we are fortunate

to know we have the capacity, like no other organisation, to **do something about it**.

I don't take my position lightly and intend to **work hard** and to **do my very best** in the name of Rotary.

Ideally, I would like to assist clubs in their corporate governance and strategic planning. **Succession planning** is another important issue we all face. How do we take **Rotary to the future**? Rotary International membership has been **stagnant** at 1.2 million members for the past 20 years and it is a fact that our membership is **ageing**. This issue must be addressed and maybe flexibility on meeting options is an answer. I am keen to hear any suggestions on how this issue can be addressed.

I am also looking for strategies on how we can **support our neighbouring clubs** better.

One (1) initiative I would like to introduce across our district is the **annual Rotary Day**. I was so impressed by the Loop the Lake initiative instigated by the Warners Bay Club that it has got me thinking...If the clubs in the Lakes district can combine their efforts to deliver such a publically successful event joined by thousands...imagine what we could **do together** for our District to fly the Rotary Flag...More on that later...

I sincerely thank the tireless work by

Kicking it off for the Rotary 2014/2015 year...District Governor Gerard McMillan, welcomes us all to another exciting Rotary year in District 9670! As we embark on a journey of commitment over 2014/2015 to "Light up Rotary" each of us are asked to share our service, strengthen our clubs and let our light shine into our communities...

our **past DG Brian Atkins and his wife, Madeleine**, for their great Rotary year. No doubt a great highlight for him was the announcement during his office of the **polio free declaration for India**—a worldwide elimination of this insidious disease is yet to be achieved but we are **excitingly close** and our work must continue.

I thank those in attendance at the Changeover for their **support** in my appointment and also to the many people who could not attend but took the time to offer me **words of encouragement**—it is genuinely appreciated. I would also like to thank the Board of Singleton Diggers who have allowed me to take on this role. For those of you who don't know, I am the Club's General Manager and will be attempting to combine the two (2) roles during my term.

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With this comment I jump ahead to thank **the incoming assistant governors and club administrators** who I know I will be relying on throughout my term. It is the administration staff that help the clubs connect and this connection is something I hope to **further enhance**.

As is tradition, the **partner of the DG** is given the opportunity to focus on a specific Rotary project and many have asked about Yvonne's project...

Having a background growing up on a sheep property, Yvonne is very well aware of the challenges that face our rural communities. A cause dear to her heart is a project with close connections to Singleton...**The Men's Health Education Rural Van (MHERV)**. The van was built by the new President of the Rotary Club of Singleton, Warren Deaves, and with health experts, travels to rural areas to **deliver health services to men**, many of whom have never gone to a doctor.

In one instance, a fellow was sent straight from the van to the local hospital, probably **life saving direction** and validation why this service is critical.

I know that you will all be **supportive of the project** and ensure it continues to do this much needed work.

In closing, I reiterate: Individual Rotarians are the **jewel of the crown**—if we don't have Rotarians we don't have clubs; without clubs we don't have Districts and without Districts we can not possibly achieve the great work of Rotary.

We all have a role to play—title of no title—and you know your commitments better than anyone.

So, my fellow Rotarians, let's get on with it in true Rotarian tradition—**service above self as we light up Rotary!**

Yours in Rotary

Gerard McMillan



Above: MHERVing it Up! Past DG Brian Atkins catching up with the MHERV men in Nyngan during his 2013/2014 club visits. DG's Partner Yvonne looks for all of our continued support for MHERV as her Partner's Project over the Rotary 2014/2015 year.

Opportunities working abroad...

*Do you know a young person looking for an overseas challenge? Well New Generations Service Exchange (NGSE) may just have the answer ...**Chair—Young Adults Vocational Exchange, Graeme Hooper**, lets us all in on the details of this progressive RI program that creates goodwill and promotes world peace through international understanding and vocational training.*

The New Generations Service Exchange (NGSE) program is for humanitarian or vocational experiences in another country. It is available for young people 18-30 years of age focused on gaining valuable experience in their chosen vocational field for between six to 12 weeks.

Rotary will find the placement for the suitable applicant; with board and lodgings provided by a Rotarian family. The candidate is responsible for funding the travel and insurance components of their exchange.

Here's what two candidates had to say about the program ...

From Meredith who went to England:

"The NGE program has been a truly re-

warding and life changing experience. I have met fantastic people, seen some incredible sights, and have had the unique opportunity to work overseas."

And from Juliane who came from Denmark:

"NGE was an overwhelming work opportunity, experience and I meet amazingly caring people! It is a work opportunity that makes you stand out!"

If you yourself, your Club, or someone you know, would like to know more about this exciting new RI program, then

send an email to Graeme Hooper at ngse@rotary9670.org.au or go directly to the "Youth" Section on the D9670 website.



NOTE: From 1 July 2014, New Generations Service Exchange (NGSE) is a fully recognised RI youth program. The information on D9670 website is to be updated in the very near future



1 July 2014

To the Rotarians of District 9670,

Dear fellow Rotarians,

Rotary is an organisation that has something for everyone. All over the world, in cities and towns, for well over a century, Rotarians have come together to serve. And in the years since Rotary was founded, countless Rotarians and others have discovered the joys of Rotary service through Rotaract, Interact, Rotary Community Corps, Youth Exchange and many other programs.

All of us are part of the family of Rotary. And we have all gained so much from our Rotary service. We've made friends, helped our communities and made the world a better, safer and healthier place. We've become part of a truly international network of volunteers and we've learned how much we can achieve when we put our differences aside and work together.

Many of the ideas and values we cherish in Rotary are not unique to Rotary. Perhaps the reason Rotary resonates so deeply with me is that I find many traditional Chinese values reflected in Rotary: values of service and responsibility, of respect for family and for others.

It is not surprising then, that the ideas of Confucius so often guide me in my Rotary service. To me, Confucius was the original Rotarian. More than two thousand years before Paul Harris was born, he said:

"To put the world in order, we must first put the nation in order; to put the nation in order, we must put the family in order; to put family in order, we must first set our hearts right".

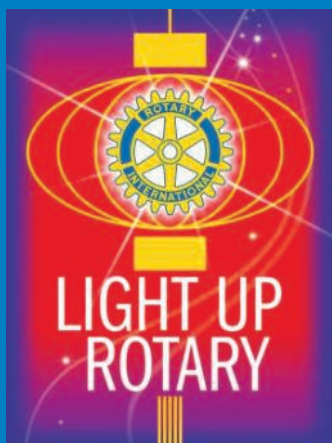
In Rotary, we set our hearts right by putting Service Above Self. And we recognise that in order to be ambitious in our service, we must first care for our own organisation and expand our family of Rotary.

In 2014-2015 I will ask all of you to **Light Up Rotary**—by sharing our service, strengthening our clubs and letting our light shine in our communities.

In this Rotary year, we will **Light Up Rotary** by reaching our goal of 1.3 million Rotarians, bringing in new members while working to keep the members we have. To do this, we'll need to approach membership in new ways, and try new ideas. Hold a Rotary Day to give your community chance to learn more about Rotary. Remember that Rotary is a family and is for the family: Encourage your spouse and other family members to consider joining and reach out to Youth Exchange and Foundation alumni. Focus on your own club, and look realistically at why members stay, and why they leave. What can you do to make being a Rotarian an appealing and attractive opportunity for busy professionals and those with young families?

We will also **Light Up Rotary**—and make history—by eradicating polio. Polio eradication within the next few years is absolutely realistic—if we keep up our momentum. So tell your friend, associates and elected officials how critical it is that we End Polio Now. Donate to the PolioPlus Fund and encourage others to do so as well. By meeting the newest challenge issued by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, we can make our money work three times as hard. Be an active part of the greatest public-private health partnership in the history of the world, and share in the pride when the job is finished.

In 2014-2015, as we strengthen our clubs and Light Up Rotary in more than 34,000 communities, our commitment and service will light up the world.



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Gary C K Huang

Learning to be a Leader...

Chair—Rotary Leadership Institute District 9670, Helen Ryan, congratulates all of the 2013 RLI graduates on a course well done. RLI is a 3-part course that assist in improving the Rotary knowledge and leadership skills of the future leaders of our Rotary Clubs. The 2014-2015 courses are filling fast...are you interested in making new contacts, developing fresh ideas and increasing your understanding of your potential as a Rotarian? Well maybe RLI is for you...

My congratulations to all those who have graduated from the first Rotary Leadership Course which was held in District 9670. The course is usually held over a period of 3-4 months in both Dubbo and East Maitland thus allowing easy and flexible access for all Rotarians.

It has been very successful and enlightening to see so many people partake in learning more about Rotary. The facilitators have excelled in their sharing of knowledge and encouraging the participants to join in the conversation. This has led to a very positive outcome for all.

One of the participants summed up the course in the following way:

"I recently completed the 3 part RLI course and would like to sincerely thank the facilitators for a wonderful course. It was engaging, interactive and informative. It was also a great opportunity to meet and interact with Rotarians from

other clubs and share experiences and knowledge that would not be possible if not for the RLI course. I gained considerable knowledge of Rotary and improved my leadership skills. I look forward to applying this knowledge within my Rotary Club and I thank the Club for giving me the opportunity to undertake this course which I recommend to all Rotarians whether or not they are new members."

The Rotary Leadership course is being conducted again this Rotary year starting in August and registration forms will be available from the district website and your club secretaries.

Link to District 9670 website:

<http://rotary9670.org.au/>

Contact email: heryan@iprimus.com.au

Mobile : 0409 842 455



Above: Congratulations 2013 RLI graduates! Participants have a blast improving their knowledge about Rotary and refining their leadership skills.



**HAVE A HAT DAY AT YOUR
WORKPLACE OR CLUB
FRIDAY OCTOBER 10TH**

With 1 in 5 people affected by mental illness, we're flicking the switch to shine a light on mental illness through research.

Hat Day on October 10th is a way you can get involved and show your support for people affected by depression, anxiety, schizophrenia, anorexia and many other serious conditions.

Hat Day is a fun and easy event at your workplace or club to help raise money. And every cent raised goes directly to mental health research.

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Upcoming Membership Reporting Changes for January 2015 SAR

In response to the clamour for a less complicated way of paying RI membership dues, beginning 1 January 2015, club officers will receive a simplified invoice clearly stating amounts outstanding.

The amount as billed will be the amount that is due and may no longer be adjusted as before. New members and terminations have to be reported by the Club secretary to RI within one month from addition or termination OR before 1 January/1 July, whichever comes first. This can be done online, via email or mail.

With membership updates being reported more consistently throughout the year, accurate membership details may be obtained more readily. Aside from these changes, the collection cycle will also be reduced from 6 months to 4 months with reinstatements only being possible within 5 months of termination. The cost of reinstatements will be at USD30/member.

If club officers have any query about their invoices, please refer them to the following ***New Club Invoice FAQs:***

What is the reason for the change?

The Rotary International Board of Directors approved this change in order to improve your club invoice experience. With timely new member updates, your club's new members will start to feel engagement with Rotary much sooner. In addition, your club will no longer spend time filling out worksheets, recalculating dues owed, or writing in new members. With the change, your club will read the one page invoice and pay the amount owed.

How does this affect me as a club or district officer?

Club secretaries are the primary officer with new duties. They are asked to make membership updates, including adding new members and removing terminated members, as they occur or within 30 days. Your club secretary also needs to report incoming club officers by 1 February each year.

The rest of the team plays an important supporting role, too. Club and district officers should be aware of these changes and assist club secretaries with making these timely membership updates as requested.

You say that this makes the dues process easier; explain how it does that?

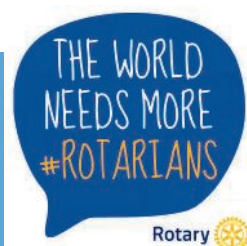
Beginning 1 January 2015, each club will receive a one-page invoice that clearly states the amount of membership dues, subscriptions, and any outstanding balances owed to Rotary. This will replace the current mailing that includes the semiannual report, 1-2 worksheets depending on your region, new member forms, the club roster, and a set of detailed instructions. You will no longer need to recalculate the amount your club owes. The invoice will use membership numbers received by Rotary by 1 January and 1 July of each year.

Where do I report members online?

Club officers can update membership on My Rotary by signing in and navigating to Manage>Club Administration>add/edit/remove member. If you need assistance with this process please contact your Club and District Support representative.

When will I see these updates reflected in my club's membership list?

Updates made in My Rotary are reflected in Rotary International's database immediately. Updates made via integrated local databases will require additional time for manual processing (see information on data integration in next page).





When is the last date I can report membership changes to ensure my invoice reflects the current membership list?

Membership updates made in My Rotary should be entered no later than 1 January or 1 July. New members added via integrated local databases, or any other membership changes that require manual processing (consult the integration options on the Member Data Integration site) must be received by Rotary International by 1 January or 1 July. Given the complexities associated with sending your changes via fax, mail, or data integration, you are strongly encouraged to provide these changes well before the received by Rotary International deadline of 1 July and 1 January.

What if my club doesn't have a secretary?

All club officers (president, secretary, treasurer, foundation chair, membership chair, and executive secretary) have access to edit membership data. If your club does not have a secretary, or your club's secretary is unable to make membership updates, the club can choose another officer who is qualified to help with this responsibility.

I would like to report changes to my club's membership list using Rotary's website, but I don't have an account. How do I set this up?

To create an account on My Rotary, use your internet browser to navigate to www.rotary.org/myrotary. From there, click on the Sign In/Register button. In the window that opens up, click on the Create Account button, at which point you will enter your first name, last name, email address, and certify that you are 18 years or older. The system will then send an email to your requested email address with a link to complete the registration process and to create a password and security question. Feel free to contact your Club and District Support representative with questions or problems.

I reported my membership changes using an integrated local database. Why doesn't RI have these changes?

The most common reason for changes not syncing with the RI database is because the local database has not been officially integrated. For data integration to work properly, a club officer will need to opt in to the integration by selecting the vendor of the local database in My Rotary (Manage>Club Administration>Add or remove vendor partner organization). The club must also opt in to direct integration via the local database, (instructions will vary based on the database used). Additionally, club IDs and member IDs must match the IDs listed in the RI database. Please consult with your local database provider if you have questions.

When will I receive the invoice?

Invoices will be emailed to clubs by the end of January and July.

Will I get a list of members with my invoice?

After the January 2015 dues period, the club invoice will no longer include a list of members. The invoice will show the number of members used to calculate the dues balance, but the roster will not be included with the invoice beginning July 2015. As a club officer, if you need to see a list of your club's official membership list used to calculate your invoice, navigate to Manage>Club Administration>Semiannual dues invoice>Print The Membership List.

When must my club's subscription preferences be updated in order to be reflected on the invoice?

Changes in subscription preferences should be made before each billing cycle. Clubs should indicate changes in subscriptions no later than 1 January or 1 July in order for those changes to be reflected on the upcoming invoice. The club will be subscribed to the chosen publication for the whole billing cycle and may change to a different publication for the next billing cycle by indicating this change before the next cycle.

Will there be someone on staff who can answer questions on this change?

Certainly. The following Finance Coordinators will be happy to respond to any query regarding Clubs' semiannual dues invoices and the upcoming changes effective 1 January 2015.

Zones	Finance Coordinator	Email Address	Phone No.
Philippines	Marissa Pili	Marissa.Pili@rotary.org	+61478939555 or 61288949801
7B & 8	Sally Furto	Sally.Furto@rotary.org	+61288949832

Collections for Zone 7B and 8 Regional Magazine Subscriptions to Commence on July 2014 SAR

Starting with the July 2014 Semi Annual Dues Invoice, Rotary International will be collecting subscription fees in behalf of the Regional Rotary Magazine, Rotary Down Under. This is on a pilot basis only through to July 2015.

As per Rotary International Bylaws Article 20.030.1 on Required Subscription:

Each member of a club not located in the United States or Canada and each member of an e-club shall become a paid subscriber to the official magazine of RI or to a Rotary magazine approved and prescribed for that club by the board. Two Rotarians residing at the same address have the option to subscribe jointly to the official magazine. The members shall maintain such subscriptions for the duration of their membership. Each member shall have the option to choose to receive either a printed copy by mail or an electronic copy via the internet where available.

Simply stated, Rotarians in Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands have the option of either subscribing to the Rotary Down Under or the International Rotary Magazine, The Rotarian. Joint subscriptions and electronic resources are also available to subscribers to Rotary Down Under. Rotary Down Under magazine is the RI licensed and approved regional magazine and source of regional Rotary news along with basic RI information and messages from the pages of the Rotarian.

For Australian clubs, the 10% Goods and Services Tax (GST) will be applied to the total outstanding amount and will be remitted by RI to the Australian Taxation Office.

Please make cheques payable to **Rotary International** and post together with the SAR worksheet for the Semi Annual Report Invoice to: **P.O. Box 1415 Parramatta, NSW 2124 Australia.**

If you have any queries regarding Rotary Down Under subscriptions, please contact RDU directly. RI does not have any information on subscriptions except for the quantity to bill for each club.

For queries on Semi-Annual Dues, membership adjustments or exchange rates, contact Sally Furto, Finance Coordinator at Sally.Furto@rotary.org or Grace Ramirez, Finance Manager at Grace.Ramirez@rotary.org at the South Pacific and Philippines Office of Rotary International with contact number (02) 88949800.



Lethal virus on the rise...

*While most of us would see cats and dogs as nice pets to have around our homes, the residents of Lucena City would probably see otherwise. **Emergency Medical Officer and Project Coordinator, RAWCS Grace Mejilla Maano, M.D** asks us all to consider supporting a Global Grants Application to provide vaccines to victims of rabies in the Philippines.*

Situated in the Southern Tagalog region of the Philippines between the Dumacaa and Iyam Rivers, Lucena City is home to a population of approximately 250,000 people. Home also to fertile soils, big factories and warehouses, Lucena City is a hub of heavily concentrated economic activity.

In the Philippines, the Department of Health institutionalised social health insurance through the National Health Insurance Program (NHIP) or PhilHealth. The NHIP aims to reduce out-pocket spending as well as the inequities in health financing. This is achieved by pooling funds from members who are healthy, and can afford health payments; in turn subsidising those who are sickly and cannot afford medical care.

Due to the increasing incidence of rabies in Lucena City, the City Health Office, is seeking funding to provide post-exposure prophylaxis (anti-rabies treatment) to animal bite victims. This treatment will be provided to indigent citizens who are not members of PhilHealth.

Rabies is a 100% fatal disease caused by

virus that comes from the saliva of animals (usually cats and dogs) when a victim is bitten. The virus goes straight to the brain and leads to paralysis which results in the death of the infected person.

All dogs are presumed rabid in the Philippines unless proven otherwise (which is never proven)...so once a victim is bitten, patients need to have 6 courses of anti-rabies injections. Unfortunately, most of these victims cannot afford the vaccines and hence do not complete the course. Untreated and with delayed treatment, RABIES is 100% fatal.

LUCENA CITY NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Through the RAWCS Eastern Region, a call has gone out for you and your clubs to help support the victims of rabies in the Philippines...

So far, some support has been received as follows:

- The Rotary EClub of Greater Sydney is in support of this Global Grant;
- District 9685 has pledged \$10,000

DDF that matched 1:1 by TRF will put the funds up to \$20,000;

- The Rotary Club of Gosford West has pledged \$1000.

The goal for the Global Grant is \$30,000...so, can your Club support this application and make a valuable contribution?

Remember, going in excess of \$30,000 will mean more vaccines and more patients served!

If you can help out, drop Grace a line at gmaano@gmail.com and pledge your club's support.



STOP PRESS: CAN YOU HELP...

The Hunter Rotaract Club is currently organizing a **charity art exhibition** to take place on **Saturday 16th August 12-4pm** at The Commons, 150 Beaumont Street.

The one-day exhibition will showcase the artwork of local artists, students and talented individuals of our community. All proceeds will be donated to the Newcastle charity, **CARE for Pets**, who offer assistance to elderly, disabled, and ill people and their companion animals.

I am seeking donations of **raffle prizes, art awards, food and beverages**.

All donations would be hugely appreciated, no matter how great or small. Please contact hunter.rotaract@gmail.com



The Iron Lung on Show...

*Featuring as a sobering reminder of years gone by, **Darcy Geale, member of the Hunter E-Club** enlightens District 9670 on the Both Cabinet Respirator or "Iron Lung", an Australian-made, lifesaving device that was critical to the fight against polio worldwide. On display at the 2014 Rotary Convention, the "Iron Lung" attracted much attention as a reminder of what was.*

Together with the assistance of my wife, (Robyn) and of two Rotary colleagues (Geoff and Nan Bassar and Mich Mace); staff from the Rotary Parramatta Office; Bunnings; Budget Car Rental and others, a vintage 1940 Both Cabinet Respirator (or "Iron Lung"), kindly donated to Rotary by The Prince Henry Hospital Trained Nurses Association Museum, was restored and displayed at the 2014 Rotary Convention.

The Both Cabinet Respirator was developed by Edward Both, OBE of South Australia, in the late 1930's to overcome supply issues associated with the more traditional round American "Iron Lung" and cost.

This unit was manufactured in Australia at 20% of the cost of the US unit and could be serviced locally instead of being shipped back to the US.

The Both Cabinet Respirator was made and distributed across Australia, and in New Zealand, UK and parts of Europe. Together with Sister Elizabeth Kenny (who pioneered physiotherapy in the treatment of polio) and Sir Clem Renouf (who as Rotary International President in 1978/79), Both initiated what was to become the Rotary Polio campaign (he was an ordinary bloke, a man who "just had an idea"). These three dedicated professionals became critical cogs in the treatment and near elimination of polio worldwide – all true Australians.

During the course of the 2014 Rotary Convention, the Both Cabinet Respirator attracted much attention. While talking to people about the unit and its role in treating polio, I heard many stories about the suffering of polio patients, details you will not normally find in other publications...

...I was told how the sight of the unit brought back memories of the treatment of

polio patients, about the never-ending noise of the air pumps; about the smell of the wards from the incontinence suffered by the patients; the frustrations of many patience because of their inability to even scratch their nose (or any other part of their anatomy); and of the suffering of the young children who struggled to understand their plight and the treatment.

...One gentleman told me how his sister was born inside an Iron Lung – conceived before she contracted Polio? And she was not the only one I heard of. Bedsores were a common story, as one would imagine.

...Another lady told of the ongoing physio and how difficult it was when it had to be done through the access portals on the side of each unit – she knew because she was a physio on the Polio wards.

...There were many stories of survivors still using Iron Lungs in the US—full or part time; of a lawyer in Texas who still works part-time out of the lung, returning when tiredness strikes. I heard of a lady who contracted Polio at the age of 3 and lived to be 63, only to die when the electricity failed one night and her back up generator also failed.

...I spoke with a man whose three brothers went off to war and returned – he was too young to fight but not too young to get polio because he stayed home

As terrible as these stories may sound they are nothing compared to the suffering of those who now experience Post Polio Syndrome (<http://www.polioaustralia.org.au>) or those in third world countries who did not get the vaccine soon enough. Stories of organ donation / stealing, slave trade (crippled beggars) and other activities in third world countries abound, sex trade

included .

The presentation by Ade Adepitan, who suffered Polio as a child and went on to represent the UK in the 2000 and 2004 Paralympic Games (see <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/eighty-percent-world-polio-free-two-three-strains-eradicated>) also highlighted the plight of polio sufferers / survivors in his homeland, Nigeria (repeated in may other countries).

Many visitors also spoke of their concern for those who oppose vaccination for whatever reason across the globe.

As many stories were told about Polio, surprisingly there were also many Rotarians who stopped to enquire about what Polio was; how it was treated then and now; and what role the Iron Lung or Cabinet Respirator played in its treatment.

This is a sobering reminder to all readers to ensure all those in your Club understand the implications of Polio and that it should never again be allowed to get out of control.

During its own life, the Ted Both Cabinet Respirator on display at the 2014 Rotary Convention was witness to much suffering and death. While restoring the unit I often felt I was never alone in my garage as the spirits of those who knew the respirator as patients kept me company.

Let us hope today, that it will soon stand as no more than a reminder of what was—rather than what still is.

The Cabinet Respirator is now controlled by Rotary International, Parramatta Office NSW. Access to the unit should be addressed through Mark Anderson (mark.anderson@rotary.org).



Left: A sobering reminder from the "Iron Lung" at the 2014 Convention. A restored vintage Both Cabinet Respirator unit proved to be an attraction of this year's convention.

Right: A how to guide to operating the "Iron Lung". Developed and manufactured in Australia, this life saving was critical to the treatment for polio worldwide.





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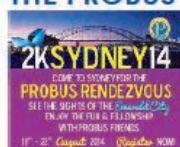
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Developing our Future

The **ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE** was founded to assist in improving the Rotary knowledge and leadership skills of the future leaders of our Rotary Clubs.

Mission Statement

The Rotary Leadership Institute is a grassroots, multi district leadership development program whose mission is to strengthen Rotary clubs through quality leadership education.

Who Should Attend RLI?

Rotary Clubs are encouraged to select at least two candidates for RLI annually. Participants return to their Club with enthusiasm, new contacts, fresh ideas, an increased understanding of their potential as Rotarians, and valuable skills impacting their potential leadership in the Club

In particular, new Rotarians and Presidents Elect are encouraged to attend.

The Program

The Rotary leadership Institute is a three part series of fast-paced, interactive, one day courses offered to refine a Rotarian's leadership skills and increase their knowledge of Rotary.

Topics Include:

- ☆ Creative Service,
- ☆ Healthy Rotary Clubs,
- ☆ Leadership and Team Building,
- ☆ Membership,
- ☆ The Rotary Foundation
- ☆ Effective Committees,
- ☆ Changing Rotary,
- ☆ Public Relations and Public Speaking,
- ☆ Leadership and Goal setting,
- ☆ Vocational Service and Ethics,
- ☆ International Service,
- ☆ Rotary beyond the Club and many more.

"I have recently completed the Rotary Leadership Course and found it to be engaging, interactive and informative. I gained considerable knowledge and the opportunity to share and learn from both the facilitators and other Rotarians was invaluable.

I recommend it to all Rotarians!"
- District 9670 RLI Participant



For more detailed information about the Rotary Leadership Institute contact Helen Ryan, heryan@iprimus.com.au for further information.

Scheduled training dates

Eastern Area:

Part 1: 10th August 2014

Part 2: 19th October 2014

Part 3: 23rd November 2014

Western Area:

Part 1: 14th September 2014

Part 2: 12th October 2014

Part 3: 16th November 2014

District Governor Elect Gerard McMillan is very keen to continue the Rotary Leadership facilitation and the following dates have been slotted into the calendar.

For the 2014-2015 Rotary year, we will be conducting two facilitation courses and the dates of the first course are listed below. We have decided to have different dates for the Eastern and Western parts of the district as a convenience for participants who may need to change days.

District Membership & Community Involvement

And the 2013/2014 year has come to an end... **Peter Sivyver, District Attendance, Participation and Contributions Chair** reports on how District wrapped up for the Rotary year and looks forward to receiving more information from each club each month next year.

CLUB STATISTICS - JUNE 2014

Every month, Rotary Clubs all over our District catch up at meetings, participate in community projects and donate their time, money and resources to causes far and wide.

★ Interested in what knowing how your club is participating? Why not head to our new District website to check out what's been reported at

www.rotary9670.org.au

Can't see your club's stats here? Why not send an update to ppsivyver@bigpond.com and we will add them to our next edition.

ROTARY CLUB	MEMBERS	HOURS	%	RANK
Adamstown New Lambton	26	76	90	2
Belmont	29		72.1	14
Charlestown	45		85.8	5
Cobar	14	80	87.18	4
Dubbo	23	16	77.27	10
Dubbo Macquarie	22		78.3	8
Dubbo South	42		93.45	1
Dubbo West	47	190	78.9	7
Kurri Kurri	21		82.82	6
Kurri Kurri Sunrise	25	20	55	21
Maitland	37	143	72	15
Merriwa	19		73.25	13
Myall Coast	28	104	78.26	9
Narromine	12	20	52	22
Nelson Bay	55		77.22	11
Newcastle Enterprise	24	273	69	18
Raymond Terrace	21	55	69.73	17
Rutherford -Telarah	34	185	71.4	16
Salamander Bay	24		65	19
Toronto Sunrise	31	231	63	20
Waratah	20		89.7	3
Williamtown	21	137	77	12

Do you have something to add to the District Digest?

Got an exciting event coming up? How about an outstanding project you would like some publicity for?

Well why not drop us a line at districtnewsletter@rotary9670.org.au and let us know what your up to.

All submissions need to be received by the **15th of each month** to ensure our editor has enough time to include them in the upcoming publication.

So hop to it...and drop us a line!



Adamstown / New Lambton
Rotary Club

Invite you to a Fundraising Event to support the
Hunter Dementia Centre

 All funds raised will go to the
2014 Hunter Memory Walk & Jog

Thursday 7 August 2014
Tower Cinemas – King Street Newcastle
5.00 - pm Arrival for entertainment, fabulous stalls to browse,
Networking, raffles and great prizes to win
6.00pm – Film commences
\$15.00 per ticket – purchase via www.stickytickets.com.au
For more information please contact Lyn Thorpe 0428 011 056



Starring Helen Mirren, Manish Dayal, Om Puri, Charlotte Le Bon
Genre: Comedy, Drama
Plot Summary:
In "The Hundred Foot Journey," Hassan Kadam (Manish Dayal) is a culinary genius with the gastronomic equivalent of perfect pitch. Displaced from their native India, the Kadam family, led by Papa (Om Puri), settles in the quiet village of Saint-Amand, Normandy in the south of France. Filled with charm, it is both picturesque and elegant – the ideal place to settle down and open an Indian restaurant, the Maison Mumbai. That is, until the chilly chef proprietress of Le Saule Fleuve, a Michelin starred, classical French restaurant run by Madame Mallory (Helen Mirren), gets wind of it. Her key person against the new Indian restaurant is a hundred feet from her own kitchen to all out war between the two establishments – until Hassan's passion for French haute cuisine and for Mme. Mallory's enchanting sous chef, Marguerite (Charlotte Le Bon), combine with his mysteriously delicious talent to weave magic between their two cultures and imbue Saint-Amand with the flavors of life that even Mme. Mallory cannot ignore. At first Mme. Mallory's culinary rival, the eventually recognizes Hassan's gift as a chef and takes him under her wing.

ROTARY CLUB OF KURRI KURRI'S TRIVIA NIGHT

16TH AUGUST 2014

AT KURRI KURRI BOWLING CLUB

6:30 PM FOR 7 PM START

\$10 A HEAD

5 MIN / 10 MAX PER TABLE

ENQUIRES PLEASE CALL ANTHONY BURKE

ON 0439601852

All correspondence on

District 9670 matters to be sent to:

PO Box 357, New Lambton, NSW, 2305



7th Movie Fundraiser Night
Hunter Dementia Centre
Rotary Club of Adamstown New Lambton
Tower Cinemas, King Street Newcastle
Lyn Thorpe

www.stickytickets.com.au

0428-011-056

10th RLI Training
Part 1—Eastern Region
Helen Ryan

heryan@iprimus.com.au

0409-842-455

16th v. Care—Charity Art Exhibition
The Rotaract Club of the Hunter
The Commons, Hamilton

hunter.rotaract@gmail.com

16th Trivia Night
Rotary Club of Kurri Kurri
Kurri Kurri Bowling Club
Nicole Whipps

n.whipps@bigpond.com

0437-279-901

24th Alzheimer's Australia Memory Walk & Jog
Speers Point Park, Lake Macquarie

www.memorywalk.com.au/hunter

29th— Inbound Exchange Student Orientation

31st Glenrock Scout Centre, Kahibah

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