



Happy Christmas and a very prosperous New Year to all!

A.G.M.

The AGM has been conducted with an excellent response from the clubs, for which many thanks. As you were all aware, the AGM this year was conducted electronically, the reason for this change to the constitution was to save people travelling a long way for a very short meeting. I am delighted to say the result of this method has been very encouraging.

In summary 32 Clubs submitted votes. - 1/3 quorum of 17 fulfilled.

Motion 1 carried 34 for the motion, 1 abstained, 0 against.

Motion 2 carried 35 for the motion, 0 abstained, 0 against.

Motion 3 carried 34 for the motion, 0 abstained, 1 against.

Redistricting

As RI Director Noel says; How fitting is it, that, as we move toward a second century of Rotary service 'down under', we stand on the brink of the most exciting time of change in the history of Rotary in this part of the world!

Since my last newsletter we have continued to have discussion with R I Director Noel about the planning of this event. The positive attitude of the combining Districts is excellent, and we see this venture as a very good step for Rotary. At Governance level it will be a smoother management and structure. While I was in Port Macquarie recently we had a meeting with the Governor and Governor Elect from District 9650 to initiate discussions re our merging. This was very productive and has given us very firm groundwork for ongoing discussions with the merging of the two districts.

Visit by Past Vice President of Rotary International Jennifer Jones

This was very special, and we were very honoured to have Jennifer as guest speaker at the Million Dollar Dinner and then locally at the Paul Harris Society dinner. During her visit Jennifer was able to call into the Rotary Club of



DISTRICT DIARY

January, 2018

14 - YEP 2017 outbound return home

19 - 2018 outbound students depart

February, 2018

09 - Presidents and Chairs

meeting, Rutherford

10 - Presidents and Chairs meeting,
Dubbo

16-18 - YEP Terra Australis Conference

23 - AG's Training, Singleton

25 - Chair's Training, Singleton

March, 2017

07 - YEP information session 2019

16-18 - District 9670 Conference

April, 2017

07 - PETS West, Dubbo

08 - District Assembly

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Rutherford Telarah to witness the induction of 9 people to the Satellite Club of Rutherford Telarah and address them. A great opportunity for the new Rotary members to meet an International Rotarian and learn from her wisdom.

Membership

Mark in your diary February 4, 2018 for a discussion on Marketing Your Club with PDG Tim Moore, zone coordinator. Another positive way in Making a Difference

Presidential Citation

Each year the International President asks the Governor to encourage all the clubs to apply for a Presidential Citation. This document was given to all Presidents Elect at PETS training and is also able to be downloaded from Rotary International website. I encourage all to look at this offer and apply for a Citation, as it is a recognition of the work that the club has done over a period of 12 months.



As Rotarians, we do so many wonderful things each and every day. One of the most remarkable things we have ever done, and continue to do, is the fight against the Polio virus. December is a time for us to reflect on that work – and renew our commitment to End Polio Now. With every gift, we are that much closer to eradicating this dreadful disease.

However, Rotary's commitment to disease prevention and treatment is not just about the individuals we help. It is about the families, the communities, and the overall human condition. Did you know that more than 100 million people are pushed into poverty each year because of medical costs? We help prevent the spread of major diseases such as Polio, HIV/AIDS, and malaria.

While Rotary's top priority is the eradication of polio, our members take on far greater responsibilities to fight disease. They set up health camps and training facilities in undeveloped countries and communities struggling with HIV/AIDS and malaria.

They design and build the infrastructure for doctors, nurses, governments, and partners to reach the one in six people in the world who cannot afford to pay for health care.

Disease prevention and treatment takes on many forms, from supporting studies to helping immunize people to improving drinking water and the sanitation infrastructure. The world relies on Rotary to tackle these global challenges, and to set an example for others to follow.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE MARCH 16-18, 2018

Time is running out.

Conference early bird discounts end 31st December, 2017.

Please remind your members.



<https://www.rotarydistrict9670conference2018.org/registration>

As you continue Making a Difference I wish you a Happy Christmas and all the best for the New Year

Helen

Training tip

Trainers love the Practice Lab

The Practice Lab trains your clubs and districts in Rotary's online tools, topics, and resources, including:

- My Rotary and your online profile
- Club and district administration
- Rotary Club Central (new version coming soon)
- Member leads
- Delegation
- Rotary Showcase
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9670 OUTBOUND STUDENTS



ROTARY OUTBOUNDERS: Sara Schofield, Scone; Holly Meier, Scone; Navajo Higgins, Singleton; Sophie Arvidson, Denman and Meg Rankin, Muswellbrook.

There are 16 students from Rotary District 9670, have been selected for the upcoming Rotary Youth Exchange program .

Five from the Upper Hunter will live with a couple of different families, learn the local language and attend the local schools.

Sophie Arvidson, Denman, to Brazil, Scone's Sara Schofield and Holly Meier will travel to Austria and the Netherlands respectively, while Singleton's Navajo Higgins will live in Slovakia and Muswellbrook's Meg Rankin will reside in Sweden.

Rotary Youth Exchange committee chair David Roach said the program was "brilliant".

"The students invariably come back and say it was the best thing they've ever done in their lives, it's literally a life changing experience," Mr Roach said.

Good Luck and have a great time.

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ROTARY DISTRICT 9670				
NOVEMBER, 2017				
CLUB NAME	MEMBERSHIP NUMBER	ATTENDANCE %		COMMUNITY HOURS
Belmont	25	93.6		46
Cardiff	12	72		88.5
Cessnock	20	65		150
Denman	19	83		220
Dubbo	25	70.24		364
Dubbo Macquarie	21	82.14		92
Dubbo South	62	72.77		227
Dubbo West	42	82.26		370
East Maitland	38	78.5		275
Kurri Kurri	18	50		166
Kurri Kurri Sunrise	17	70		95.5
Maitland	37	72.6		308
Maitland Sunrise	29	72		99
Mudgee	27	62		97
Myall Coast	22	79		140
Narromine	12	58		116
Nelson Bay	51	74		235
Newcastle Enterprise	26	54		173
Newcastle Harbour	18	85		136
Raymond Terrace	24	75		170
Toronto Sunrise	28	60.7		45
Wallsend Maryland	32	85		300
Waratah	20	83.96		102
Williamtown	13	83		218
Kurri Kurri -- -October	18	61		184
Toronto Sunrise October	18	60.7		81