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THE GUARDIAN

From the desk of
District 9670 Governor,
Graeme Hooper
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Welcome to 2019-20 as “Rotary Connects the World”

Welcome to “Manaia”, our District 9670 newsletter for 2019-20. To kick off the year, we celebrated with a fabulous Changeover function held at the Toronto Workers Club. As with any major event, there is always a lot of effort to make things happen. And how good were the goldfish on the tables? And what words of wisdom did your fortune cookie have for you? Thank you to my own Rotary Club of Toronto Sunrise for a very well received successful lunch date. There was certainly a lot of happy chitter chatter happening. We whole heartedly thank everyone for their messages of congratulations and good wishes, and now we’re out to “enjoy the ride”. Check out the gallery on pages 7 and 8 for a few highlights.

This time of year we tend to focus on our achievements. For Sue and myself we feel we have been very well informed about our year ahead. It’s time now to find the spanner and take off the training wheels. Brian and Carol have been marvellous mentors for which we thank them immensely and wish them well in their DG retirement. With enthusiasm and collaboration, we are now looking forward to working with David and Amanda as the year moves forward.

I invite all Rotarians to participate in sharing and working with RI President Mark Maloney’s 2019-20 theme, “Rotary Connects the World” and together, let’s put it “*out there*”, that we are, “*people of action*”. Build on, and increase your own connections within your local communities to engage and fulfil their lives so we may

collectively empower others to reach out and have an impact locally and globally.

The District leadership has been restructured to reflect a more strategic approach to assist in the adaptation of moving our District forward to achieve outcomes for the next 12 months. Negotiations and discussions are continuing at a higher level with regard to redistricting and I will keep you informed of the progress. For operational matters at a Club level, there is no apparent difference to the way you currently function – *continue to be ordinary people doing extraordinary things*.

Rotary International continues to broaden their organisational partnerships. From 1st July, Toastmasters and UNICEF will be Rotary partners just like ShelterBox and others are. Kicking off with Rotaract, they will be the first to be offered participation in Toastmasters leadership programs; and UNICEF will be much more to the fore.

As much as Sue and I are seasoned travellers, it will be interesting to swap wings for wheels. As we move around our vast and diverse District, we are looking forward to meeting our Rotarian colleagues and experiencing what you are up to in your own communities. It is a privilege and an honour to be your District Governor (Manaia), for the next 12 months.

Happy Rotary Days



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August issue close date for submissions
Friday 19 July

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Dear fellow Rotarians,

When Gay and I began practicing law, we joined my father-in-law, Gilmer Blackburn, in his law firm. He had been practicing law in Decatur, Alabama, for more than 25 years and, in that time, had also served for six years as the mayor of our city. One of the first things he taught us when we joined the firm — something he never stopped teaching, by word and by example — was the importance of paying what he referred to as our “civic rent.”

He considered paying your civic rent an obligation similar to paying your taxes or contributing to your place of worship. You benefit from being here, and those benefits are not free. You need to give something back for the privilege of being part of your community.

Organizations like Rotary allow us to pay our civic rent to our local and global communities. And when we join Rotary — when we work to keep the organization itself strong, when we give back through Rotary with our abilities, our time, and our resources — we are declaring that we know that our presence in this world carries with it the obligation to serve.

All of the service that Rotary does, all of the lives we change, all of the children in the world who will never, ever get polio — all of this happens because we, joining together through Rotary, are strong. Because Rotarians, with the family of Rotary, have risen to the challenge and with each passing year strive to make our world a better place.

As a global organization with over 1.2 million members, *Rotary Connects the World*. You help make that connection last and ensure both Rotary's legacy and its future.

Kindest regards,

Mark Daniel Maloney
Rotary International President, 2019-2020



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Rotary Designated Months

Each month during the Rotary year, there are designated themes to assist Clubs with developing meeting agendas, projects, marketing campaigns etc. The concept works as a ready reckoner for types of service projects which could be undertaken to assist in planning activities.



SAVE THE DATE!

Join us for dinner with Rotary
International President for
2019-2020, Mark Daniel
Maloney



**Monday
23rd September 2019**

Rotary International President for 2019-2020, Mark Daniel Maloney will be in Sydney to address a special dinner to be held at the Epping Club on Monday, 23rd September 2019. This is an opportunity for Rotarians and guests to meet and hear from our international leader.

Further details and how to register will be advised shortly.

For more information contact PDG Gina Growden on 0412 328 106 or gina.growden@bigpond.com



A penny for your thoughts ...



Rotarians are invited to submit for publication a Rotary related comment in 25 words or less—it may be something controversial, good news, a burning issue, or words of wisdom. Name and Rotary Club to be submitted for publication. Depending on space and quality, up to five submissions will be considered for publication in each issue of “Manaia”. Send submissions to:

districtnewsletter@rotary9670.org.au



Rotary International Convention

“Aloha Rotary”

Honolulu

6-10 June 2020

<http://riconvention.org/en/honolulu>

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<https://www.rotaryoceania.zone/page/rotaryzone8conference>

District 9670 Conference

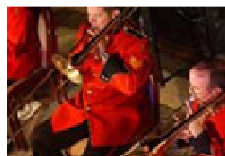
Be sure to register for our “Breaking Through Barriers” Conference at:

<http://www.trybooking.com/ZWHT>

An exciting program is being planned by the organising committee to bring you an exceptional Rotary experience.

Included in your early bird registration is a discounted admission to the concert on Friday 20th March. Entertainment for the evening is being provided by the Australian Army Band Newcastle, and proceeds from the evening will be supporting Sue's partner project, Isda and PTSD.

Saturday evening's entertainment is again being provided by AABN with dinner music followed by a rev up of the repertoire to party the night away.



DG Partner's Project



It is said that a dog is man's best friend. Welcome to Isda, Sue's best friend for her partner's project. Isda will be travelling around with DG Graeme and Sue on their adventures around the District and beyond over the next 12 months.

Isda represents Integra Service Dogs Australia, a registered charitable organisation providing fully trained service dogs for veterans and first responders suffering from post traumatic stress disorder, or more commonly known as, PTSD.

Integra dogs are young, reclassified Labrador dogs sourced from established partnerships with organisation such as Guide Dogs Victoria, Australian Border Force Detection Dog Program, Seeing Eye Dogs Vision Australia, and private registered breeders. They are not pets. They are working dogs and each dog is carefully matched to their new owner.

Watch this space to read about Isda's travels and what she gets up to, and having fun along the way. Isda's guardian is Sue, and she is seeking your support in being able to fund a canine guardian to transform and enrich the life of a veteran/and family, residing in our Rotary District.

You can learn more about Isda's friends at: <https://isda.com.au/>



INTEGRA
SERVICE DOGS AUSTRALIA



DG Graeme and Sue's Road Map



July

Morning	Midday	Evening
MYALL COAST		Mon 8 July
TORONTO		Mon 15 July
WALLSEND-MARYLAND		Tue 16 July
MORISSET		Wed 17 July
PATERSON		Wed 24 July

September

Morning	Midday	Evening
BOURKE		Mon 2 Sep
NARROMINE		Tue 3 Sep
WARREN		Wed 4 Sep
SINGLETON ON HUNTER		Mon 9 Sep
SINGLETON SUNRISE		Tue 10 Sep
KURRI KURRI SUNRISE		Wed 11 Sep
NELSON BAY		Thu 12 Sep
CHRISTCHURCH Aust/NZ Training + Conference		Sun 15 – Sun 22 Sep
MUDGEES		Tue 24 Sep

November

Morning	Midday	Evening
NEWCASTLE		Mon 4 Nov
MUSWELLBROOK		Thu 7 Nov
DUNGOG		Mon 11 Nov
MERRIWA		Tue 12 Nov
CHARLESTOWN		Tue 19 Nov
WARNERS BAY		Mon 25 Nov

August

Morning	Midday	Evening
DUBBO		Mon 5 Aug
DUBBO MACQUARIE		Tue 6 Aug
WELLINGTON		Tue 6 Aug
SCONE		Wed 7 Aug
RUTHERFORD-TELARAH		Mon 12 Aug
RYLSTONE-KANDOS		Tue 13 Aug
DENMAN		Wed 14 Aug
CESSNOCK		Thu 15 Aug
WARATAH		Mon 19 Aug
NEWCASTLE ENTERPRISE		Tue 20 Aug
NEWCASTLE HARBOUR		Wed 21 Aug
RAYMOND TERRACE		Mon 26 Aug
MAITLAND		Wed 28 Aug

October

Morning	Midday	Evening
TORONTO SUNRISE		Tue 1 Oct
KURRI KURRI		Tue 1 Oct
SALAMANDER BAY		Tue 8 Oct
WILLIAMTOWN		Wed 9 Oct
SINGLETON		Thu 10 Oct
BELMONT		Mon 14 Oct
MAITLAND SUNRISE		Tue 15 Oct
EAST MAITLAND		Tue 15 Oct
GREENHILLS MAITLAND		Thu 17 Oct
COBAR		Mon 21 Oct
DUBBO SOUTH		Tue 22 Oct
DUBBO WEST		Wed 23 Oct
MUDGEES SUNRISE		Fri 25 Oct
CARDIFF		Mon 28 Oct
CHARLESTOWN		Tue 29 Oct



Newcastle Sunrise TBA



The Rotary Foundation Raffle

The draw for the raffle took place at Toronto Workers Club on Sunday 23 June 2019 and the winners are:

- 1st prize \$3,000 travel voucher courtesy Travel Associates Toronto
Warren Oliver, Toronto Rotarian
- 2nd prize \$500 EFTPOS card
Louise Tull, Dudley—ticket sold by Belmont Rotarian
- 3rd prize \$100 Bunnings voucher
Rotary Club of Dubbo West



A big thank you to Adam Pearson, Travel Associates Toronto, for his support towards the travel prize. Thanks also to Judy and Geoff Hicks for organising our sponsors and the raffle. Participating Clubs did a fabulous effort in raising approximately \$21,000 to assist The Rotary Foundation to continue its work as "People of Action" in local and global communities.

Is your Club using the correct Rotary Branding?

Having a consistent brand image is important to all organisations and Rotary is no exception. In 2013, a new logo and brand image pack was developed to ensure every Club, in every District, across the world, could have the same high standard of brand recognition.

Over the past few months we have been completing health checks, and it is very noticeable that there are many old style graphics being used in various publications including newsletters and flyers, and hardware items such as banners. Could all Clubs please check all of their Club's portfolio and make the correct changes. When posting anything on social media, or submitting items to the District newsletter, please make sure they are updated.

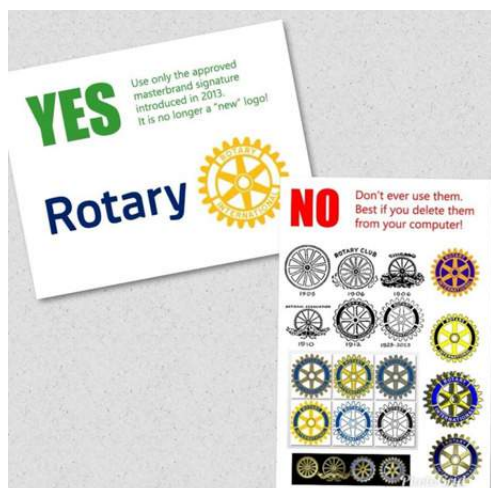
If you're in doubt, download Rotary's official Voice and Visual Identity Guidelines **or check with our D9670 Marketing and Communications team.**

<https://brandcenter.rotary.org/Asset/DownloadMaster/118>

<https://brandcenter.rotary.org/en-GB>

Email: Shaun Stoneman marketing@rotary9670.org.au

or: Jesse Lackey socialmedia@rotary9670.org.au



Our Marketing and Communications team is working with our Leadership and Development team to bring you training in this area. Clubs are encouraged to nominate a "Branding Champion" within their ranks to oversee this important part of how we present ourselves to the public. *Please embrace this initiative positively.*

World Polio Day

"Paint it Red for Polio"

Wednesday 24 October 2019



With your enthusiasm and help, District Polio Coordinator, Kerry Hayes, and our Marketing and Communications team, are going to "Paint it Red for POLIO". Rotarians, it's time to get ready and purchase your red polio t-shirts. We'll all be out for a good walk to raise polio awareness. Watch this space for updates. Make sure you save the date and have your red polio shirts looking their best.

Something you didn't know about DG Graeme and were too afraid to ask ...

Born and raised in the North Island of New Zealand, the land of the long white cloud. Graeme's first adventure in Rotary was participating in a stock drive to raise funds for polio eradication in 1986.



... and Sue

Born in Warrnambool in Victoria's Western District and raised in a local Soldier Settler's farming community.



Construction Zone

Did anyone notice these on the DGE's table at Changeover?



The witch's hat is Graeme's hazard zone area ...



The hard hat belongs to Sue for the fallout!

“Manaia” the Guardian

In keeping with my heritage, I have chosen a Maori name for this year's Governor's Newsletter. The Manaia is an ancient mythical being with a bird's head and a human form. It is said to be the messenger between the earthly

world of mortals and the domain of the spirits. The Manaia is a holder of great spiritual energy and is a guardian against evil. *Graeme*

Your District Management Committee has the following Rotarians for 2019-20:

District Governor:	Graeme Hooper	Rotary Club of Toronto Sunrise
District Governor Elect:	David Roach	Rotary Club of Rylstone-Kandos
District Governor Nominee	Amanda Roach	Rotary Club of Rylstone-Kandos
District Secretary:	Geoff Alderdice	Rotary Club of Morisset
District Treasurer:	Tim Rossington	Rotary Club of Toronto
Immediate Past District Governor:	Brian Coffey	Rotary Club of East Maitland
Club Representative East:	Phil Gorton	Rotary Club of Wallsend-Maryland
Club Representative Central:	Christine Walmsley	Rotary Club of Maitland Sunrise
Club Representative West:	Nicole Shanks	Rotary Club of Dubbo West

L-R: Brian, Graeme, David, Amanda—taking some time out in Hamburg following the Rotary International Convention in Hamburg, Germany, June 2019



Classifieds

Positions Vacant

The following District positions are still to be filled. If you consider you have the right skill set, please contact DG Graeme to express your interest: 0417 203 603 or governor2019-20@rotary9670.org.au

- ◆ District Newsletter Editor
- ◆ Membership Development Chair
- ◆ Men's Health Educational Rural Van (MHERV) Coordinator
- ◆ Days For Girls (DFG) Coordinator
- ◆ Donations In Kind (DIK) Coordinator
- ◆ Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children (ROMAC) Coordinator
- ◆ Rotarian Action Groups Coordinator

Notices

- ◆ If you have a current unique photo of “People in Action” from providing Rotary service, we'd really like you to send it to us with a short maximum 25 word caption so we can share your good news Rotary story. Please send your article to: districtnewsletter@rotary9670.org.au before Friday 19 July.
- ◆ Club Runner—please ensure all personal profiles and Club information is current.

Lost and Found

Lost: Dog bone belonging to Isda. Somewhere in this publication. Reward for finder determined by lucky draw. Finder/s please email governor2019-20@rotary9670.org.au before Friday 19 July and tell us where it was buried.



Treasury

Clubs are reminded to pay their RI, RDU and District membership fees when invoiced and definitely before the end of July. Thank you for your prompt attention to this matter.

Milestones & Celebrations

Gerry Wubbels, Rotary Club of Belmont

50 years Rotary service

Rotary Club of Rylstone—70 years

Rotary Club of Waratah—50 years

New Rotarians—welcome to making new connections

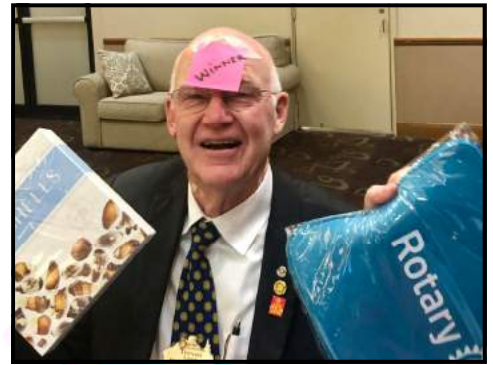
Please let us know of your special occasions so we can spread the word.

Changeover time for Clubs is an ideal time to thank and recognise Rotarians and community people by way of a Paul Harris Fellow. We congratulate awardees on their achievements.



District Changeover, Sunday 23 June 2019

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