



“Coffey Break”

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Rotary
District 9670



Monthly Newsletter of District Governor 2018-19



When I took on this role as District Governor, I was told of the personal rewards and friendships that I would gain. Who ever thought that they would come so early!

In this first month, Carol and myself have been to every Club Changeover we could fit in – that was our choice. At the same time our District Governor visits commenced mid-month, with Singleton on Hunter welcoming Carol and myself – it was not as daunting as we expected.

The Rotary theme for 2018-19 is ‘Be the Inspiration’; International President Barry Rassin charged us with the challenge of going out and inspiring the clubs of our District to do even greater things than what we are currently doing. In visits to only 6 clubs – it is me, the DG who is inspired!

Members of Rotary District 9670, the commitment, dedication and community involvement that I have witnessed is nothing short of outstanding. I can only feel pride at being the District Governor of D9670.

To see a small club like Williamtown achieve so much in their community, encouraged me to put my personal commitments aside and ensure that their *Sailability* achievements are going to be part of the official Rotary Showcase on the Rotary International website – we need

to share this with the world! I have been able to call in a wonderful contact from Navy recruiting (I only met recently through an invite to a Muswellbrook Rotary function) to assist in the promotion of their new pontoon and ensure it gets the deserved local publicity. Chief Petty Officer Briony immediately responded with a resounding yes – this is inspiration!

To attend a morning meeting at Salamander Bay and listen as the Board meeting minutes of the previous night’s meeting are shared with the members shows efficiency and commitment that inspires me. /2

Rotary Club of Williamtown's current project is to replace the storm damaged pontoon on Grahamstown Dam.



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The receptions that Carol has received and the support for her partners project of Australian Rotary Health 'Lift the Lid' is giving her increased confidence that she has chosen a deserving charity.



Wherever we have been, the Assistant Governors have responded to their role of ensuring documentation was received in a timely manner and support of our role, while the clubs have responded with unexpected hospitality – for this we will always be indebted to the friendship opportunity that Rotary offers.

Clubs are seeing the need for planning, we freely share the RI and District Strategic Plan – a plan with simple survival goals of membership, community service and marketing. I have every confidence that the elected committees are striving for a dynamic club – and every club is doing it differently. We all have different members, different resources, different objectives and different communities – but we all have one thing in common and that is our joining oath to service in Rotary.

During this busy period, I have been fortunate to attend a welcome home changeover to the Lions District Governor at Warners Bay; I was invited to offer a toast to Lions International. My research led me to great parallels of these community organisations – we both have similar values and service goals, we both face the same challenges in membership. They truly welcomed us to their celebration.

For Rotary, I see the challenge is retention. To assist members, we have a lot of opportunity coming up with a new Membership forum, where we can look at what works, what doesn't, listen to your ideas and hear from our District legal officer on the importance of conciliation – before it gets too late.



In August, dates will be set for the Rotary Leadership Institute – a must for new members in your clubs who have been identified for leadership roles, and a marvellous learning and development opportunity for your new members.

Most clubs now have the Youth Exchange students arriving – while this is an exciting time for clubs capable of hosting, it can also be an opportunity to share with nearby clubs that are unable to host, the experience of hearing from your student.

There are so many opportunities for clubs to engage with each other. It is happening in Dubbo with the 'Tradies BBQ's', Mudgee with the movie nights and garden ramble, in Maitland with the 'Food for Thought' school breakfast, Kurri with the invitation to assist feeding tradies on the 'Build for a Cause' charity house construction, in Wallsend with the street parade invitation, in Newcastle with 'Light Up Newcastle', Warners Bay with 'Loop the Lake'.



These interclub engagements partially address our Rotary vision of 'Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change - across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves.'

I look forward to another busy month, learning and leaving in awe at the selfless achievement of so many dedicated brothers and sisters of Rotary. It all comes back to that famous anonymous quote,

*'Nobody can do everything, but everybody can do something'
don't have a Rotarian nobody in your club.*

Yours in Rotary, Brian

2018-19 DG PARTNER'S PROJECT ANNOUNCED

Each year, the partner of the District 9670 Governor chooses a cause to support, and seeks the help of Rotarians across the District to raise funds and promote the cause.

Carol Coffey (*photo below*), partner of District Governor, Brian Coffey, has announced :

Australian Rotary Health (Mental Health Research)

as the official 'Partner's Project' for the 2018-19 Rotary year.



Australian Rotary Health (ARH) is a national, not-for-profit organisation which funds health research and provides community education about health in Australia. Through the generous support of Rotarians, Rotary Clubs, Rotary Districts, individual, commercial & government supporters, Australian Rotary Health has funded over \$33 million of research since its establishment in 1981.

ARH supports work on a broad range of health problems, but from 2000, it began to specialise in support for mental illness research in recognition of the adverse effects that mental illness had on the health and wellbeing of children, youth and adults in Australia. ARH is currently the largest non-government funder of research in this area in Australia.



Each year approximately 1-in-5 Australians will experience a mental illness and in order to help future generations of young Australians, there is a need to look ahead through research and find out how this type of illness can be prevented from occurring.

Carol hopes that Rotary Clubs in our District will support the cause and contribute to the project.

**The preferred method to donate is by electronic transfer to:
Rotary International District 9670 Inc BSB 637 000 A/c 719445802.**

Reference: Your name or Club Name + PartP.

To ensure donation can be identified and allocated correctly, please also send details, by email to treasurer@rotary9670.org.au

Alternatively, cheques made payable to : Rotary International District 9670 Inc Partner's Project can be mailed to Treasurer Patrick Healey C/- 44 Turnbull Drive East Maitland NSW 2323

100% OF YOUR DONATION GOES TO RESEARCH



Mental Health Month is celebrated every October in NSW. This awareness month encourages all of us to think about our mental health and wellbeing, regardless of whether we may have a lived experience of mental illness or not. This month also gives us the opportunity to understand the importance of mental health in our everyday lives and encourages help seeking behaviours when needed.

During Mental Health Month in October, Australian Rotary Health encourages Rotarians and the general public to get involved in **Lift the Lid on Mental Illness**.

**Consider holding an event on World Mental Health Day
Wednesday 10th October**

For more information and how to get involved please click on the Hat (Right)



DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP

Each January & July, Rotary starts the six month period with a 3-5% loss of membership; across the world. Throughout the period, clubs are generally able to recoup members to keep the numbers stable at 1.22 million members.

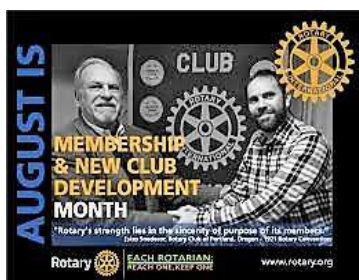


On 1st July, our District suffered a 3% reduction, but the number of new members joining clubs during July is very encouraging. Our end of July figures are expected to show a good resurgence.

Overall, we are still sailing too close to the 1100 members that initiate automatic redistricting by Rotary. We have once again started talking and planning a 2021-22 merger with District 9650 (above us), while the merged Districts of 9700 and 9710 (below us, except Central Coast and Sydney) have indicated that they would be keen to consider an amalgamation. Further talks will occur at the Australian Conference in Hobart during September.

August is Membership and New Club Development Month

Chartering new clubs allows us to attract a more diverse membership, explore new ways to incorporate flexibility, pursue new project possibilities, hear ideas from new leaders, and grow Rotary.



Join us for the webinar 'Building New Clubs Together' on Friday August 10 6am AEST, if you:

- Believe that adding a new Rotary club in your community will broaden your capacity for service
- Think a satellite club may allow more prospective members to engage with Rotary
- Want tips on how to charter a Rotaract club, or encourage Rotaractors to start their own clubs

Register at

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/1778368090084459778>.

All registrants will receive a copy of the recording and slides.



During 2017-18, the District Rotary Foundation Committee again ran a raffle to assist clubs raise funds for the Rotary Foundation. It was drawn on Changeover night 7 July 2018. The list of winners is on the District Website.

**The raffle realised a surplus of
\$23,433.20 after expense.**

This surplus represents a return of more than 87% of ticket sales with the money sent to The Rotary Foundation (TRF) Annual Fund and assigned to supporting clubs in proportion to the value of tickets sold by that club.

Over 80% of the District's clubs took the opportunity to use the raffle as a fundraiser to add to their contribution to the Foundation; we thank you for the District support. It must be remembered that 50% of donations to the Annual Fund are returned to the District in three years and are available for Rotary Grants.

Special thank you to our major prize suppliers who gave the TRF Committee extra special deals:

- Adam Pearson - Escape Travel Toronto, \$3000 first prize
- Andrew Robinson - Good Guys Warners Bay, Webber BBQ second prize

I'm sure they would appreciate your support of their businesses.

Also, thank you to Peter Raynor for organising the prizes and to Geoff and Judy Hicks for ensuring all tickets were accounted for and the raffle draw ran smoothly.

Trevor Lynch

Treasurer, Rotary D9670 Foundation Committee.

Rotary Friendship Exchange



While "doing the rounds" DG Brian has discovered that very few of us know of the Rotary Friendship Exchange.

This is an international self-funded exchange program for Rotary members and friends that allows participants to take turns hosting one another in their homes and clubs. Visitors enjoy warm hospitality and an international travel experience unlike any other, while hosts are rewarded with new friendships and cultural exchanges while showing their part of the world to visitors. The Bevans (Kurri RC) and the Bush's (East Maitland) recently returned from an exchange in New Zealand.

Contact *Patricia Moore (Newcastle Enterprise)*
0417407130 for more information.



DROUGHT RELIEF

With the current drought worsening, we have numerous clubs in the District already providing support or seeking advice on how best to assist. Dennis Trigg (Toronto) and Nicole Shanks (Dubbo West) are keen to get a project going for the District.

Sydney Rotary are the mainstay behind the Burrumbuttock Hay run, while many clubs chip in for the Buy a Bale fundraiser, and others are looking at expensive cotton seed protein.



In the past fortnight I have been contacted by District 9685 (below us Central Coast to Blue Mountains) to see how they can assist. They are looking at a Telethon and may ask for assistance in staffing phones.

I have been in contact with a service provider for the North West who advised that dog food, bottled water, and clean linen and towels were needed. In our own west, a contact in Trangie told me that money and bottled water were the best options. An important strategy she suggested was to provide important moral support to the farmers. The farmers are shooting 5 head per day on average – she said if we could send a team out to be with the farmers while they shoot the stock, or



even take on that task it would relieve a lot of stress. In addition, it was suggested that we bring a group out, put on a BBQ and beer for the farmers and just talk to them and let them know Australians are hearing them. Would anyone like to take this role on – maybe we charter a bus and have a weekend out there.

It was specifically stated by all – **do not send food parcels and household items** that will only impact on taking money away from the local community – **cash donations are best.**

District 9650 has started a RAWCS, Rotary Australia Community Grants project (2 of 2018-19), 'Drought Relief NSW'. The project is aimed at providing monetary & other assistance to Australian farmers who have been impacted by the current drought.

The options for our District 9670 are currently under review and a decision is pending.

DG Brian Coffey
July 2018

STOP PRESS

At the time of distributing this newsletter there was a significant development. See the next page (page 6) for details.

SEPTEMBER - ROTARY BASIC EDUCATION & LITERACY MONTH

During a recent visit to Warners Bay RC, rather than a bottle of wine or flowers, DG Brian & Carol were asked to autograph a book that was to be donated to a local school – what a great way to promote and encourage the importance of literacy.

This is a timely reminder that Basic Education and Literacy is the Rotary theme for September. The month also marks UNESCO's annual International Literacy day on September 8th.

This year, as an added incentive, the Literacy Rotarian Action Group (LitRAG) is awarding US\$500 to each of two clubs which best celebrate Rotary Basic Education and Literacy Month.

Here are a few suggestions for consideration:

- donate a book to new born children during the month
- organise a writing competition for children in your local school(s)
- run a spelling contest for children in a local school(s)
- hold a poetry festival
- donate books/dictionaries and maximize local publicity for their presentation
- obtain publicity for your *Basic Education and Literacy* projects
- promote your club *Basic Education and Literacy* projects on social media

- arrange for a limerick competition on social media
- recruit an educator to your club
- run a Literacy Seminar for clubs in your local area
- get Interactors involved in establishing a local literacy project
- work with Rotaractors to help with an adult literacy project
- establish a project to get club members and friends to listen regularly to children reading in schools
- visit a local prison and work out a plan to help inmates improve their reading and writing skills
- run a Project Fair and invite other reading charities/organisations to be involved
- cooperate with the Australian Literacy Educators' Association (ALEA) in a joint project
- send an article about your project(s) for publication in the LitRAG newsletter.

Details:

- Tell LitRAG how your club would use the US\$500 if successful.
- The closing date for receipt of your club entry is 31 October 2018.

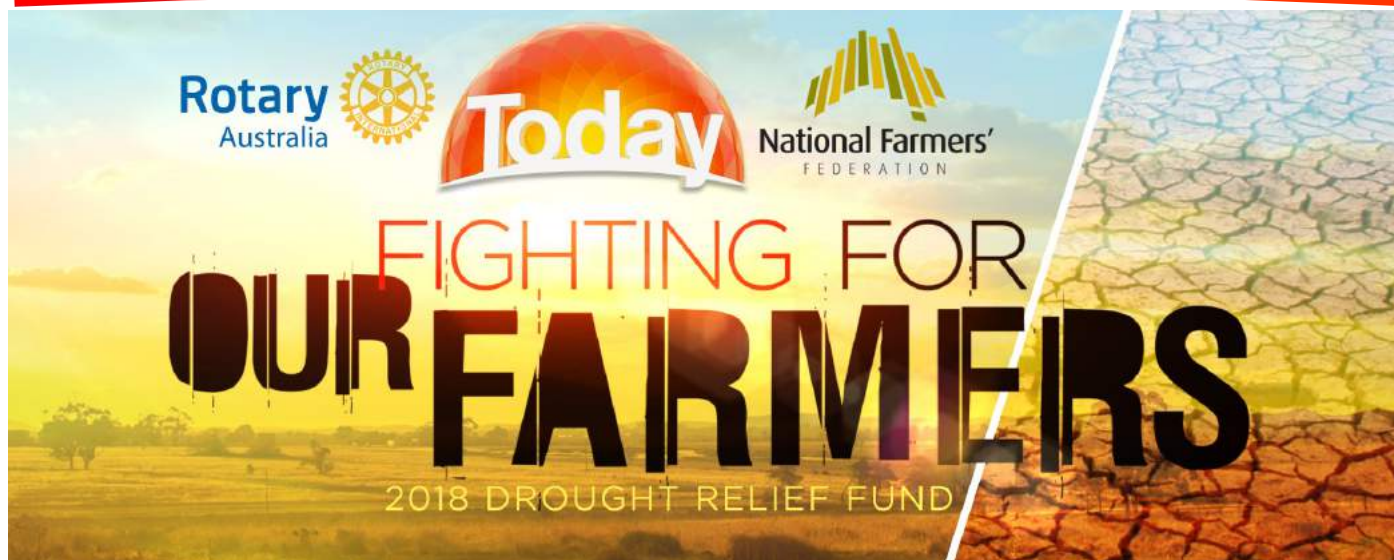
Send your entries, supported by documents and photographs, to LitRAG by email to:
rotary.tas@gmail.com

BREAKING NEWS

District 9670 Rotarians

I'm delighted to advise that a partnership has been formed between Rotary Australia, Channel 9 and the National Farmers' Federation to help our drought-stricken farmers. A fundraising appeal will be launched on Channel 9's Today show, tomorrow morning, Thursday, 2nd August.

DG Brian Coffey 1st August 2018



DROUGHT RELIEF FOR AUSTRALIAN FARMERS PROJECT 2018

Drought Relief Fund for Australian Farmers

Supported by Rotary in Australia, National Farmers' Federation & Channel 9

In Australia, farmers are the lifeblood of our country and they are in crisis. Record breaking heat and lack of rain means farmers are struggling to feed sheep and cattle, and keep crops alive. Families on the land are suffering and they need our help. Channel 9 and Rotary Australia have partnered with the National Farmers' Federation, launching an appeal to big business and everyday Australians, so we can provide some emergency relief. 100% of donations goes to the farmers and is tax deductible via Rotary and Rotary Australia World Community Service Ltd. (RAWCS).

The link for the donation page for the project is:
<https://donations.rawcs.com.au/17-2018-19>

or

Click here

This year's Rotary Citation process presents a more level playing field for small, medium-size, and larger clubs. Club's are strongly encouraged to report data on their achievements this year to help put themselves in line for a Citation.

2018-19 ROTARY CITATION

The **Rotary Citation** recognises Rotary clubs that support each of our strategic priorities by completing certain activities. Clubs have the entire Rotary year to achieve the citation's goals.

Rotary can automatically verify many of your club's achievements as long as you keep your club and member information up-to-date in **My Rotary**. You'll use online tools like **Rotary Club Central** to tell us when you've achieved other goals. To be eligible for the Rotary Citation, clubs need to begin the year as active clubs that are in good standing and remain throughout the year. Achievements will be compared with membership figures from 1 July 2018 and will be recognised after the 1 July 2019 numbers are final, on 15 August 2019.

This year, clubs can receive the **Rotary Citation With Presidential Distinction** when they achieve the Rotary Citation plus one to three additional goals.

1. SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN CLUBS

Achieve at least 3 of the following goals:

- Achieve a net gain of 1 member
- Maintain or improve your club's retention of current and new members:
 - * Improve your club's retention rate by 1 percentage point
 - or
 - * If your club's retention rate was 90 percent or more in 2017-18, maintain it
- Achieve a net gain in female members
- Have at least 60 percent of club members report their birth dates through My Rotary
- Sponsor or co-sponsor a new Rotary club
- Conduct a classification study of your members' occupations, and work to align your membership with the mix of businesses and professions in your community



2. FOCUS AND INCREASE HUMANITARIAN SERVICE

Achieve at least 3 of the following goals:

- Sponsor a Rotary Community Corps
- Sponsor or co-sponsor an Interact or Rotaract club
- Contribute at least \$100 per capita to the Annual Fund
- Increase the number of members involved in service projects
- Hold an event to raise funds for, or to increase awareness of, Rotary's work toward polio eradication
- Conduct a significant local or international service project in one of Rotary's six areas of focus



3. ENHANCE PUBLIC IMAGE AND AWARENESS

Achieve at least 3 of the following goals:

- Post successful club projects, with details about activities, volunteer hours, and funds raised, on Rotary Showcase
- Use Rotary's brand guidelines, templates, People of Action campaign materials, and related resources
- Arrange for the club's members to talk with the media to tell your club's, and Rotary's, story
- Host an event for Rotary alumni, and highlight Rotary's networking opportunities
- Continue or establish a partnership with a corporate, governmental, or nongovernmental entity and work on a project together
- Sponsor a Youth Exchange student or RYLA participant

Please do not miss the opportunity to recognise your Club's achievements this year.

If you are having difficulty setting up a My Rotary account or entering your Club's goals then please contact your Assistant Governor - "Help is at Hand."

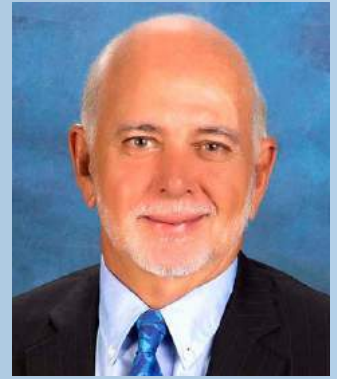
Go the next step.....

2018-19 ROTARY CITATION WITH PRESIDENTIAL DISTINCTION

This year, clubs can receive the **Rotary Citation With Presidential Distinction** when they achieve the Rotary Citation (*see previous page*) plus one to three additional goals. These goals are as follows:

SILVER (1 goal), GOLD (2 goals), or PLATINUM (3 goals) distinction

- Achieve a net gain of 5 or more members
- Show how your club's members are People of Action by promoting your club and its service activities on social media at least 4 times per month
- Initiate or continue a leadership, personal, or professional development program to enhance members' skills and the value of their membership



Stepping Forward to "Be The Inspiration"

A 19 year old Rotarian from District 9670 is running a Rotary Australia World Community Service (RAWCS) project in Morogoro, Tanzania. Working with the local Rotary club and Regional Referral Hospital her objective is to improve the community health services, particularly for women and children.

The following article by District Governor, Brian Coffey provides further information on this inspirational young woman.

"We are very fortunate in District 9670 to have so many young people in our clubs. Young people who have taken up District roles in RYLA, RYPEN, Rotaract Director, Marketing and Promotions, Finance and Youth Directors.

As District Governor I had the opportunity to nominate a young person for the '2018 Rotary People of Action: Young Innovators' awards.



Eleni Comino (Rotary Club of Morisset)

Six honourees will be chosen in September by a Presidential selection panel appointed by International President Barry Rassin.

On reading the nomination criteria we had a standout member, whom I believe is a worthy challenger for 'Young Innovator involved in a project that addresses a humanitarian issue impacting people either in their community or around the world.'

Eleni Comino is a 19-year-old Rotarian from the **Rotary Club of Morisset**. Eleni has a leadership role in a D9670 RAWCS Project in Tanzania.

A hospital 'work experience' visit as a 16-year-old saw her return, commence fundraising for her vision to assist the hospital, complete her studies, join Rotary, learn of RAWCS and commence a RAWCS project, market and promote her cause, attract a guest speaker and receive RAWCS recognition for her project amongst all the other established reputable projects within the Eastern Region. Tell me Eleni is not a person of Action!

I have worked with Eleni to submit what we trust will be a highly regarded nomination for Eleni, for Morisset, for District 9670, for RAWCS, for Rotary and most importantly for young people.

If successful, Eleni will be required to travel, (at her own expense – we will look at that later) to Rotary Day at the United Nations on Saturday, 10 November 2018 in Nairobi, Kenya.

Please join me in supporting Eleni and the Morisset Rotary Club in any venture they do to put one of our young members on the international stage. We wish Eleni well in the nomination process."

2018-19 DISTRICT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Following on from our July edition of this newsletter the profiles of other Management Committee members are shown for the interest of District 9670 Rotarians. The full composition of this year's Management Committee is as follows:

Brian Coffey	District Governor	Chair
Nicole Shanks	District Secretary	Secretary
Patrick Healey	District Treasurer	Member
Graeme Hooper	DGE	Member
David Roach	DGN	Member
Helen Ryan	IPDG	Member
Chris Bartlett	Eastern Division	Member
Sharon Chambers	Central Division	Member
Geoff Smith	Western Division	Member



DISTRICT TREASURER

Patrick Healey

Rotary Club of Greenhills Maitland

Joined Rotary: 2015

Profession & Qualifications:

Forensic Accountant
Bachelor of Commerce
Master of Fraud & Financial Crime
Certified Practising Accountant

Rotary Club roles:

Treasurer - Paul Tunn Dental Project Global Grant

Recognition:

Paul Harris Fellow 2018

Rotary District Roles:

Conference Treasurer 2016
District Treasurer 2018 & 2019
The Rotary Foundation's Cadre of Technical Advisors - Financial Auditing (2017-2020)

Interests:

Travelling, technology, learning new things and drinking beer (Member of the BREW fellowship - 'Beers Rotarians Enjoy Worldwide').



DISTRICT SECRETARY

Nicole Shanks

Rotary Club of Dubbo West

Joined Rotary: 2012,
Rotaractor from 2003-2012}

Profession / Qualifications

Admin & Accounts Officer- Meals on Wheels Dubbo
Certificate 4 in Business Administration
Certificate 3 in Business Administration
Current First Aid Certificate
Diploma in Community Services (Children's Services)

Rotary Club roles

Vice President 2018-19
President 2017-18
Facebook Editor 2012-18
Conference Committee Member 2016-17
Club Administration Director 2016-17
Youth Director 2014-16
Bulletin Editor 2013-14

Recognitions:

Paul Harris Fellow 2015

Rotary District Roles

Rotaract Committee 2012-14
Rotaract Chair 2014-18
Electronic Communications Committee 2012-17
Website and Facebook Editor 2012-18
District Rotaract Representative (DRR) 2011-12

Interests: Listening to music; Photography;
Travelling; Basic graphic design; Watching tv and movies



CLUB REPRESENTATIVE (West)

Geoff Smith

Rotary Club of Narromine

Joined Rotary: 2003

Qualifications Diploma in Financial Management

Rotary Club roles

President 2006, 07, 08.
Youth Director 2009 –
RYCAGS creator and coordinator 2009 –
RYCOTT creator and coordinator 2011 –

Recognitions

PHF 2011 – Double ruby
PHS 2014
Highly Recommended –Ken Schiller Award for Journalism - RDU 2011

Rotary District Roles

AG Zone 1 2007 – 09
Chair and Secretary Western Plains Science and Engineering Challenge 2008 – 2017
YEP- YEO for Finland, Sweden, Norway and Denmark 2010 – 2017
Deputy Chair YEP 2012 - 2018
Short Exchange Program Committee 2006 – 2012
Dream Cricket Committee 2012 –
Wrap with Love Coordinator for Zone 1 2010 –
Conference Chair for two District Governors
District Governor Selection Committee – Many

Interests Genealogy, writing and reciting bush poetry, freelance journalism, gardening, caravanning, Narromine Gorillas.

2017-18 "DG Partner's project" exceeds \$17,000



During the past 12 months it has been my absolute privilege and pleasure to travel with Helen to visit the Rotary Clubs in District 9670 and to promote my Partner's Project, The Rotary Foundation Endowment Fund.

I understand that neither every Rotarian nor every Club shares my enthusiasm for this particular Rotary charity and have nothing but admiration for the incredible amount of work that every Rotary Club does within their community. I am also a strong believer in the saying "You can't do everything, but you can do something". The Clubs in District 9670, through their members, families and supporters do a huge amount of "something" and have lived up to International President Ian Riseley's Theme of "Making A Difference".

I am both grateful and delighted to announce that during the past year the Clubs and Members of District 9670 have contributed just over \$17,000 to my Partner's Project. This money has been forwarded to the Rotary Foundation Endowment Fund where it will be invested and the earnings used to support both



Mike Ryan (partner PDG Helen Ryan)

international and local (D9670) projects into the foreseeable future.

May I ask you to consider holding an Immortals Meeting or Night each year to keep contact with those you have honoured with an Immortals Badge Award and to consider others in your community for such an award. I am sure PDG Alex McHarg has an ample supply of badges for that purpose.

And finally, please continue to "Be An Inspiration" to all in your community and support Carol Coffey's Partner's Project this year.

Many Thanks for a really interesting 3 yearsMike Ryan

Nominations for the Rotary Clubs of NSW Police Officer of the Year awards is open to nominations from Rotarians. Hosted by The Rotary Club of Sydney, the awards provide state-wide community recognition to sworn and unsworn officers for excellence in police service from across NSW.

As this is not a District 9670 event, it is the decision and cost of each Club as to whether they want to nominate a Police Officer or Public servant from the NSW Police Force for customer service excellence above and beyond what would be expected of them in their normal role.

Click the "nominate someone" button (right) for more details.



Key Dates:

Nominations Opened - 25 June 2018

Nomination Deadline - 7 September 2018

Awards Presentation: Friday 16 November 2018

Hyatt Regency, Darling Harbour, Sydney

- cocktail reception on arrival
- presentation of the awards
- three course meal with fine wines
- dancing to the NSW Police Band

Tickets sell out quickly - Order Online at \$100 per person

Proceeds of the evening will be shared between The Rotary Foundation and Police Legacy.



The annual District Governor's visits have commenced. Follow the progress in this regular monthly feature.



17 July Rotary Club of Mudgee

DG Brian and President Chris Stephens induct two new members, Jenny Davenport & Pam Williams.



16 July R C of Singleton on Hunter

Carol and Brian with (from left) Judi Priestly, AG Chris Bartlett (District Chair Rotary Health) President Sue & Stewart Ferguson



23 July R C of Raymond Terrace

DG Brian with President Steve Merritt, and Assistant Governor Sharon Chambers on receiving recognition for their contributions to the Rotary Foundation



17 July R C of Singleton Sunrise

AG Grant Jupe and DG Brian Coffey. Pictured with club President Karen Stout.



24 July R C of Salamander Bay

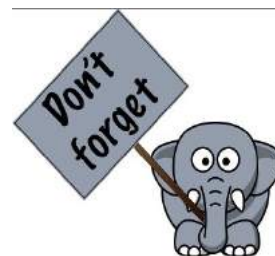
DG Brian pictured with Club President, Ina George.



25 July R C of Williamtown

DG Brian with Club President, Richard Byrne

DISTRICT PRESIDENTS, CHAIRS & AGs MEETING



ALL WELCOME

The first meeting of the new Rotary year will be held at Club Maitland on.....

Friday 10 August 7pm- 8:30pm.

(optional bistro dinner at 6pm followed by the meeting). This meeting will also be on Skype. The Agenda and Skype details will be forwarded to all Clubs, Chairs and AG's this week.

This meeting is open to all members.



30 July R C of Dungog

Ruth & AG Phil Gorton, President Bob Curtain,
DG Brian & Carol Coffey

Calling all Rotarians

Come join DG Brian, Carol &
Rotary Club of Wallsend-Maryland
in the Wallsend Village Grand Parade,
at Wallsend Winter Fair 2018, Sunday 12th August
At 8am at the Rotary Information marquee



**BE THE
INSPIRATION**

**Take Action, together
as one...**



ROTARY SHOWCASE OPPORTUNITY

Rotary Clubs of District 9670, particularly those close to Newcastle, have a wonderful opportunity to come together and show the community how big we are and what we do in the area. President Alan Miranda invites you to showcase our various marked up trailers at the Wallsend Fair Grand Parade – Sunday 12 August 2018. The DG will take the highly visible East Maitland Graffiti Trailer down and also have the Rotary magnetic signs on his car.

**For further information contact Wallsend-Maryland
President Alan Miranda 0447066229.**



31 July R C of Kurri Kurri

Carol Coffey, Lynne & President Paul Hughes,
DG Brian & AG Kerry Hayes.

Graffiti Removal Day Sunday 21 October

This is a great way for our Rotary Clubs to work with community volunteers and to be part of a great promotional day highlighting the communities disdain of graffiti. This Rotary based program is winning and site supervisors and volunteers are needed to continue the momentum on Sunday 21st October 2018. Areas calling for help include City of Cessnock Council, Cobar Shire Council, Dungog Council, Mid-Western Regional Council and Western Plains Regional Council.

To be put in contact with your nearest site supervisor contact PDG Barry Antees Deputy Project Manager / Volunteer Manager Graffiti Removal Day Mobile: 0413 880 267

Rotary Designated Months

Rotary has designated months to help clubs develop meeting agendas, projects, or public image campaigns based on these special occasions.



2018 Australia New Zealand Rotary Conference 14-16 September 2018 HOTEL GRAND CHANCELLOR, 1 Davey Street, Hobart, Tasmania



The Conference website
<http://www.rotaryinstitute.org.au/registration.html>
is now available for your registration



This year's Conference commences on
14 September through to 16 September 2018,
and the program includes:

- An update on The Rotary Foundation and its programs
- A report on our polio eradication efforts
- A five-year forecast presented by a director or other Board representative
- An open forum where participants can make recommendations to the Board
- Local and international speakers sharing information on relevant topics
- A chance to network, reconnect with friends, and find inspiration for continuing your service and leadership in your community
- Entertainment and social outings

The training portion of the Conference commences
on 10 September through to 13 September 2018.

The training includes:

- GETS - Governor Elect Training Seminar
- District Governor Nominee Training
- District Trainers
- Future Leaders

Schedule of District Governor Visits August - November 2018



Aug-2018

Date	Day	Club
2	Thu	Nelson Bay
6	Mon	Bourke
7	Tue	Narromine
8	Wed	Denman
9	Thu	Singleton
13	Mon	Waratah
14	Tue	Newcastle Enterprise
15	Wed	Morisset
16	Thu	Cessnock
20	Mon	Newcastle
21	Tue	Wallsend/Maryland
22	Wed	Maitland
27	Mon	Cardiff
28	Tue	Wellington

Oct-2018

Date	Day	Club
2	Tue	Merriwa
3	Wed	Scone
8	Mon	Belmont
15	Mon	Cobar
16	Tue	Dubbo Sth
17	Wed	Warren
19	Fri	Mudgee SR
22	Mon	Dubbo
23	Tue	Dubbo Macquarie Rylstone Kandos
24	Wed	Dubbo West
25	Thu	Muswellbrook

Sep-2018

Date	Day	Club
3	Mon	Toronto
4	Tue	Toronto SR East Maitland
5	Wed	Paterson
6	Thu	Greenhills Maitland
10	Mon	Rutherford Telarah
19	Wed	Newcastle SR Newcastle Harbour
24	Mon	Warners Bay
25	Tue	Maitland SR Charlestown
26	Wed	Kurri Kurri SR

Nov-2018

Date	Day	Club
12	Mon	Myall Coast



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Photos.**



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