



D9670 District Governor
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SERVE TO CHANGE LIVES



From the DG's desk ...

G'day to all!

What an amazing month we had during November! Finally, we were able to leave our LGA enabling *Club visits face-to-face* where possible, travel through our rejuvenated landscape after some months of improved rainfall, renewing friendships with Rotarians and our community partners!

I have been privileged to welcome new members to Rotary, as well as celebrate some significant Club birthdays.

At RC Singleton I participated in a *Diwali candle lighting ceremony* as we inducted 3 new members to their Club, the first 3 with more to follow. Some Clubs across the District have held some very successful *Membership Information events* (both in-person or by Zoom).

Even if no new members join immediately, there is certainly a groundswell of willing bodies ready to *join us as friends in our local Rotary activities*. A big thank you to Carol Coffey and her Membership Team for their education and effort

to support Rotary Clubs interested in attracting new members and fostering new partnerships. I see evidence of Clubs embracing these and other membership ideas across the region, so I know Rotarians are *re-energised*

and ready to renew their work and enthusiasm to engage once again in our many projects... *well done!*

I am also very grateful that we had over **40 Clubs in our District register** to attend and vote at our AGM! Such an

important part of our journey towards a bright future as D9660. There are *some amazing opportunities anticipated* as we capture the talent and enthusiasm of member Clubs in planning "a brave new world" of Rotary service as we forge ahead.

Congratulations to those of D9670 who will be part of the *new District management* under DGE Neville Parsons, and for those who are also currently working on the *continuing vision* beyond that with DGN Alyn Miranda who is already looking forward to developing a *3-5 year plan* with the next train of Rotary leaders following his Governorship. History tells us that *co-operative and collaborative longer-term planning is the blueprint for future success*, be it in our personal lives, business efforts or Rotary service!

On our visits, IPDG David and I have also been very fortunate to receive some wonderful books, drawings and gifts which are of personal relevance to us, reminding us of our visits to the diverse communities within our present District.



DG Amanda with President Bill Gee (far right) and newly inducted Rotarians Shiraz Valtee, Jameela Charania and Kellie Wallis after a Diwali Light ceremony.

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From the DG's desk, cont...

I thank you all most heartily for this *generosity and thoughtfulness*.

Similarly, we have been fortunate to have either zoomed into or met face-to-face with *guest speakers of high interest* to us: Gemma Campion, our RIWA Young Rural Woman who presented on her scoliosis project; Rod Crowfoot from the very successful Macquarie Homestay hospital accommodation project; Brian Morgan who is running a very successful End Polio Now on-line Virtual Walk to raise funds. It is a pleasure to be part

of these meetings, recognising the *creativity and efforts Rotarians and their communities* are contributing to projects, acknowledging how people have continued to *strive forward even during difficult times*. "Roll on" 2022! I am sure many of our activities will be able to recommence in 2022 (albeit with regulations) so that we can renew our community service and fund-raising events, ensuring we get that *personal satisfaction from doing good work in the name of Rotary*.

December is the Rotary Month for **Disease Prevention and Treatment**, with January dedicated to **Vocational Service**. I had the privilege to attend the annual **Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM)** conference virtually this year. Such great work continues to be done in this area incorporating research, management, local training and support by Rotary – undoubtedly to become an even bigger area of focus for us in Australia into the future. As many of you would know,

I believe that our commitment to our *"neighbourhood"* across the *Asia-Pacific region* needs to be very strong, as a healthier neighbourhood means a robust community overall. I cannot stress too much how important it is to *strengthen our impact* within the 7 areas of Rotary focus in the membership of our neighbourhood – domestically and abroad. And as many of you may also know, I have a particular interest in Malaria, to *"Finish the Fight"*, from a personal

perspective, as one of our own children contracted Malaria when overseas doing "good works". There are so many opportunities for Rotary support and action.

In closing, I wish you all a wonderful Festive Season with family and friends, and hope that you return to Rotary life newly invigorated to start our 2022 good works as we **"Serve to Change Lives"**.

Cheers

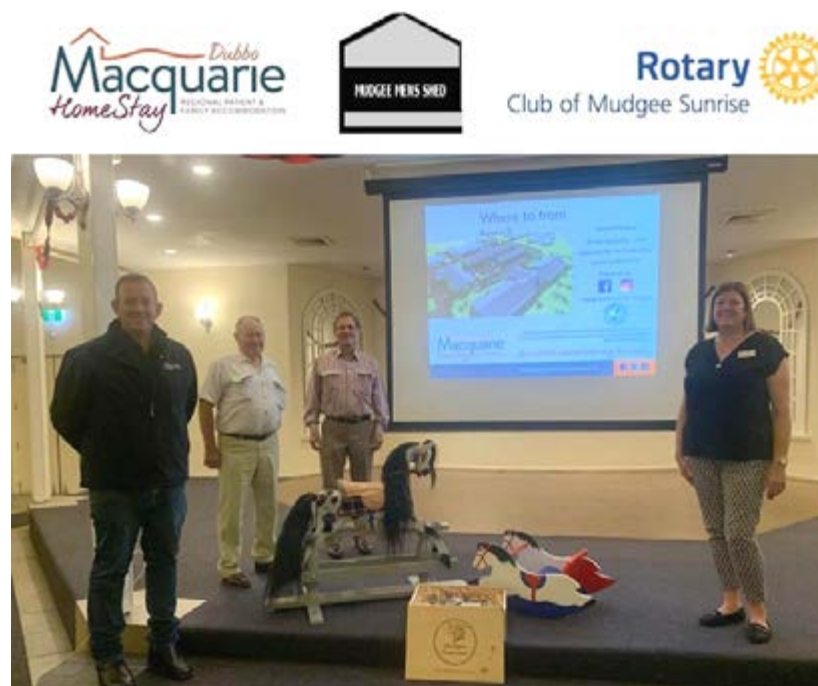
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The Peace Pole donated to Mudgee HS as a thank you from IPDG David Roach



DG Amanda with RC Dubbo Macquarie President Susie Rowley



RC Mudgee Sunrise with Rod Crowfoot CEO Macquarie Homestay, Mudgee Men's Shed representatives and President Carol Cockerill-Wright with the raffle for Macquarie Homestay hospital accommodation.



DG Amanda presenting the RC Rylstone-Kandos presidential citation to PP David Fuller

December: Disease Prevention and Treatment Month



in many cases is a preventable disease. Disease prevention is really a keystone to progress in other areas as well because of the interplay with other areas of focus like Water and Sanitation and Maternal & Child Health.

What can you do?

See what Rotarians are doing in [Disease Prevention and Treatment](#)

Learn more about our efforts to [End Polio](#).

Check out the [Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group](#) (WASRAG).

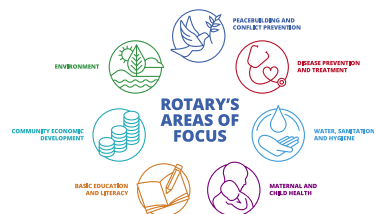
Browse [Rotary Showcase](#) for member projects helping to fight disease and see what other Rotarians and Clubs are doing.

Or you can [find a project](#) to sponsor on [Rotary Ideas](#).

You're a Rotarian.

You're a Difference Maker!

Christine Roach, TRF District Chair.



We've just celebrated World Polio December is Disease Prevention and Treatment Month

As you know, every month is dedicated to one of the major themes of our Rotary lives; this month the theme is that which RI is perhaps best known for, at least among non-Rotarians.

The eradication of polio has of course been Rotary International's major worldwide, corporate effort since the early 1980's. And remarkable progress has been made. The job is not finished however, and you can rest assured that we will not, cannot, set this torch down until that job is finished.

Disease prevention and treatment is one of the Rotary Foundation Areas of Focus. And for good reason. The health and vitality of a person, a family and a community can be seriously impaired by what

Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM)



The World Health Organisation (WHO) is calling on countries to step up the fight against malaria, a preventable disease that infects over two million people each year. I often hear "Malaria? That's something that my old dad came back from New Guinea with after WW2. Surely it's not a problem today!"

Yet, if you were to nominate an infectious disease for the "worst in the world" malaria would be the top contender. Every year it kills more than 400,000 people, mostly children, and yet it is entirely preventable.

So, why don't we get rid of it? The answer to that question is simple. Malaria is not seen as a priority by developed countries where it has been eliminated. Take the response to COVID-19 for example. The USA contributed 9 billion dollars in the past year trying to develop a vaccine, whereas in the past eleven years only 7.3 billion has been contributed worldwide to find a vaccine for malaria.

Rotarians Against Malaria (RAM) has accepted responsibility for prevention and eradication programs in our region. PNG, Solomon Islands, Timor Leste and Vanuatu. RAM raises funds

for projects and educational programs raising awareness and implementing preventative measures. Current strategies to eliminate malaria consist of the issue and use of insecticide-treated bed nets, early testing and treatment, indoor residual spraying, vaccines and education.

Besides just saving lives, by reducing school and work absenteeism education standards and overall productivity are improved. Malaria-free countries have five times greater economic growth. A ten percent decrease in malaria has been responsible for a three percent rise in GDP.

There are many flow-on benefits from RAM's work. Research into malaria is helping to develop Next Generation tools and strategies to help fight Zika, Dengue and other mosquito borne diseases and to prevent epidemics. RAM surveillance and response systems can identify and track transmission of other fast moving infectious diseases such as CV19. Rapid Diagnostics and advanced treatment help to allay the growing threat of resistance to anti-malarial drugs and insecticides.

Are you at risk? Yes. Seven percent of travelers to malaria endemic countries will contract malaria and you could be one of them regardless of taking preventative medication. I have suffered three primary infections necessitating intensive care and four relapses but our beautiful nineteen-year-old daughter was not so fortunate and did not survive.

So, what can your club do to assist?

- Help us plan an annual event for World Malaria Day 30 April next year
- Make an annual donation to RAM
- Or, RAM can help you to develop a Malaria project in either PNG, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu, Timor Leste or West Timor (Indonesia.) just contact

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Rotary Action Group (RAGs) for Family Health and AIDS Prevention (RFHA)

Topic: helping clubs and districts plan and implement large scale disease prevention and treatment projects.

Membership: In 2019-20, RFHA reported 1,478 members in 49 countries. Among those, 1,420 are Rotarians and 58 are non-Rotarian/non-Rotactors. The group's membership is concentrated in the United States, Canada, Nigeria, the United Kingdom, and South Africa. The group is administered by 12 Rotarian board members who are from the US, UK, South Africa, Nigeria and India.

Projects and activities: The group supported 469 projects in 2019-20: one TRF-funded project, two multi-district projects, six district projects and 460 club projects.

Type of assistance requested by clubs and districts: technical assistance to implement a project, monitoring of a project, data collection and usage, subject matter training workshops, awareness campaigns, guidelines, training manuals, compiled best practices, conference or learning event on a related subject, partnership with cooperation organisations, partnership with cooperating vendors.

Signature Initiatives: Rotary Family Health Days Africa – the aim of the Rotary Family Health Days Partnership Program (RFHD's) is to bring free, comprehensive and holistic health care screening, testing and referral services for communicable and noncommunicable diseases to people in disadvantaged communities in both a rural and urban context

outside of normal government health care facilities. Services included HIV counselling and testing, TB screening, cholesterol, blood pressure and diabetes screening, immunizations and Vitamin A drops, cancer screening, Hepatitis screening.

Other offerings include malaria (and provision of bed nets), screening for cervical/breast cancer, prostate cancer and more; and lifelong immunizations for polio, measles and other vaccines. Family counselling and distribution of condoms; deworming and vitamin A supplements provided. Dental and eye services are offered at select sites.

Educational and awareness services are also offered for young women and girls, VMMC for men, nutritional services etc.

In South Africa all primary and implementing partners within the country have remained on board with the addition of three new funding partners in 2019 to include the National Lotteries Commission, Dis-Chem Foundation, and Community Chest.

The aim for the 2019 campaign to align with the South African President's multisectoral initiative, Cheka Impilo, that encouraged Rotary clubs to place a special emphasis on targeting males and young adolescents to visit each of the 100 sites set up across all nine provinces in that country

In 2019 the South Africa Campaign served 31,989 people at 90 sites. The pilot program in the Country of Lesotho took place 16–18 October

2019 serving 1,696 people over three sites. The launch was initiated in Lesotho in a joint partnership with The AIDS Health Care Foundation (funding partner) Rotary clubs in Lesotho and South Africa, RFHA SA NPC, His Majesty King Letseii III of Lesotho, the Ministry of Health in Lesotho, the CDC, USAID, and other implementing partners on 9 August 2019. The Nigeria Program was held in October of 2019 serving 139,376 people at 134 sites.

The value of the Rotary Family Health Day program includes, but is not limited to, assisting in country Ministries of Health to achieve better health outcomes, strengthening of health systems by taking services closer to the people who need them the most, contributing towards achieving the goals of the National Development Plan (NDP) Vision for 2030 (Republic of South Africa), aligning to the United Nations Sustainable Millennium Goals, aligning with the National Strategic Plan (NSP) for HIV, TB and STI's 2017/2022 and, most importantly, assisting the Department of Health in addressing the crippling quadruple burden of disease in Africa: HIV and AIDS and TB; Maternal and Child Mortality; Non-Communicable Diseases or Lifestyle Diseases; Injury, Violence and trauma. In 2018-2019 the executed and planned campaigns provided over 500,000 clinical medical services delivered to 290,000 individuals.

In addition to creating this program and forming partnerships with the U.S. Mission, each country's Minister of

Health in alignment with the Country Operational Plans (COP), obtaining grants from the private sector and being part of the TRF global grant process, partnering with major media houses and in-country NGO's, RFHA has appointed a leader in each region of Southern Africa, East Africa, West Africa, South East Asia (led by a RFHA board member) who in turn forms an in-country management team led by a program manager for purposes of planning and execution.

Data collection and validation is a valued outcome of this program. RFHA continues to improve upon its data collection tool that was designed in collaboration with the CDC South Africa and the National Department of Health.

This tool (or a variation) was used by all countries in the 2018-19 program. Inputs tracked include: 1) total number of people reached, per country including region; 2) total number of people reached, per service, per country; 3) total number of people that tested positive to an illness, and how they were forwarded to follow on care. RFHA's team also created a template for a 90 Day Impact Analysis, using the data collection process as a baseline.

This analysis verifies the citizens' status of HIV, TB, Malaria, Diabetes, Hypertension, Cancers and more. It measures impact on general health, whether they went to follow on care, whether it increased their knowledge of safer sex practices and knowledge of other diseases, overcame public stigma of AIDS, and how many received immunizations that has lifelong impact.

RFHA has established international guidelines of the planning and execution of the Family Health Days, and this includes a branding guide to ensure there is consistency across the many countries which are implementing or interested in hosting a Rotary Family Health Day campaign.

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(Extract from the Rotary Action Groups Annual Report 2019-20)



“Our Club” ...in 100 Words ...RC Cobar

Rotary Club of Cobar

The Rotary Club of Cobar was founded in 1966, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Nyngan.

Our Club currently has twelve members who are all very much involved with our local community.

In earlier years, the Club conducted the famed Billy Can Bash, a 3-day guided tour around remote areas of western NSW.

This Bash was successful in raising funds for much needed projects in remote villages in outback NSW.

The Club played a significant part in the establishment of the Brennan Centre Retirement Complex at Cobar raising funds for the original building project.

The Cobar Club has played a crucial role in supporting farmers in the Cobar and adjoining local government areas through the last 3 years of drought.

The Club has been successful in sourcing and distributing over \$1 million dollars of drought aid in the form of fodder, food and drinking water packs and later food, fresh meat, fuel, and dog food vouchers to struggling farmers.

In more recent times with the

COVID-19 lockdowns affecting our local schools, the Cobar Club has stepped up to assist the schools by providing 50 Home Learning Kits to the 2 Primary Schools in Cobar.

These Kits were then issued out to vulnerable families in the Town and District.

The Club is currently supporting two remote primary schools in the District at Louth and Hermidale with the School in a Box Project.



District Conference Newcastle 18-20 March 2022



2022 District Conference

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“Our Club” ...in 100 Words ...RC Narromine

Rotary Club of Narromine

The major fund-raising activity of the Rotary Club of Narromine is a food van which attends events in the local community.

On four occasions in the last month, the food van has provided lunch for workers at the nearby Tomingley gold mine. The company in charge pays for all the food as a goodwill gesture for the workers. This started as a one-off special event, but proved so popular, Rotary is now invited back about three times a year.

The development and maintenance of the Narromine Wetlands, located on the southern outskirts of the town, is a major community activity for Rotary.

Prior to COVID-19 it had become an important recreation facility, but since COVID-19 its use has increased with dozens of people using it every day to walk their dog or exercise.



Zone A • Area Governor Report

As COVID-19 cases have settled down in the western region and restrictions have eased, most clubs have resumed face-to-face meetings, with some clubs offering to continue to use zoom for those members who aren't confident in meeting with others face-to-face.

There are still a couple of clubs who need to find a new venue for their meetings, due to circumstances changing for that business during the COVID-19-period or due to a fire at the venue. We will support these clubs so that they can find a suitable venue for them to use.

With restrictions easing in areas, many clubs have commenced with their fundraising and community activities – all adhering to the current COVID-19 regulations.

The Dubbo club has been conducting their Santa Paws photography for Christmas time, where the public can get photos taken with Santa and their animals.

Dubbo West is starting to commence their Trailer raffle, selling raffle tickets to the public at the local shopping centre. The raffle has changed from a Christmas draw to an Easter time raffle, due to the previous COVID-19 restrictions cutting their selling days.

Dubbo West is also preparing to hold the Community Carols by Candlelight for the public. Dubbo West recently held a Club Information night to engage new members to the club. This was a successful event where about 8 people attended. Unfortunately, a few other prospective members were unable to attend due to illness. We hope that these potential members join Rotary. The club aims to hold another one around March or April next year. Dubbo West is continuing with their Meals on Wheels deliveries, and have decided to commit to this fortnightly, on a Friday morning Frozen run, and pick up other meal delivery runs if required.

Dubbo Macquarie has been assisting the local community rotunda markets, by being COVID-19 marshals at the entry of the event. The gold coin donation from the public to attend the event goes to the club. Dubbo Macquarie has also assisted at an open garden and art exhibition recently, where funds went to dementia and Alzheimer's disease research.

The four Dubbo clubs have continued to support Macquarie Home Stay by providing meals to the guests during the COVID-19 lockdowns, by dropping off the meals, and the staff serving out the meals. As the restrictions

have eased, the clubs will be able to interact with the guests and serve the meals from December onwards.

At the rotunda markets last month, Wellington Rotary came over and used their new bbq for the first time for the public. It was a successful day for them.

Mudgee Sunrise Rotary club has been very active. They currently have an online raffle in progress, where funds raised will be going to Macquarie Home Stay in Dubbo. The first and second prizes are a rocking horse and rocker respectively, and third prize is a hamper of local products. The rocking horse and rocker were kindly donated to the club by the local Men's Shed, who hand-crafted these items. To purchase tickets, go to <https://rafflelink.com.au/rocking-horse-raffle>. The raffle will be drawn on 17th December 2021. Mudgee Sunrise club is also in preparation to hold their Community Carols by Candlelight, and recently held their Pride of Workmanship Awards.

It is great to have clubs be active again in their community and they are beginning to adjust to a new type of normal.

Nicole Shanks

Assistant Area Governor



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

1st prize



2nd prize



3rd prize



Rocking Horse
and Rocker
hand-crafted
and donated by



\$5 per ticket

drawn 17th December 2021

Buy your tickets from Macquarie Home Stay,
Mudgee Mens Shed, Mudgee Playgroup,
Mudgee Showground Carols or online
<https://rafflelink.com.au/rocking-horse-raffle>

all proceeds to support
Macquarie Home Stay western
regional patient and family
accommodation

Rotary
Club of Mudgee Sunrise



Zone B • Area Governor Report

Well, as we all prepare for the silly season, all clubs are working hard for their respective communities, along with several clubs inducting new members.

Singleton club inducted 3 new members at the recent DG's visit and 2 of these members gave everyone a small insight to their culture celebrating Diwali making for an interesting night.

The club has been out working with Wambo Mine catering for their training days doing both breakfast and dinners. The club is also hard at work organising the Lake Sinclair Charity Ride and with registration numbers up at this stage it could be a record event.

Singleton Sunrise has also been hard at work and having fun with Drag Queen Bingo with the funds raised being donated to End Polio Now and the local Hospital. With their "Lids for Lilly" and bra collection they held a packing night the other Monday and had approximately 8 Rota Kids in attendance to help clean and pack the lids. They also inducted a corporate member into their club this week. It was great to see the hard work of a member recognised in the awarding of a Paul Harris Recognition to Kevin McGree.

Singleton on Hunter has finalised the wash up of the Art Show and are now in the midst of donating some of the proceeds to community groups like Mercy Care in the way of a new shower chair. The club is meeting face to face and have had a number of interesting guest speakers. They have been continuing with the Broke Road clean up part of their environment program. The club is looking at participating at

the local Bunnings community market and information night.

All 3 clubs are working on a combined film night, "The Duke", to be shown shortly.

Merriwa club had a successful Calcutta night leading up to the Melbourne Cup. Some club members have been attending a Youth Mental Health First Aid Course.

They have obtained new signs for their Rotary Park. The club, like most clubs, are looking at supporting the local schools.

Scone club has been working with the district Disaster Aid Committee to find farmers and farm workers who may still need assistance in getting over the drought. The members are going to visit Belltrees PS, which they have been supporting by the way of such things as electric fencing for their gardens. The club has started on their annual Christmas Stocking raffle ticket sales. Muswellbrook Club is also back to meeting in person and are planning the MUNA program for early next year, hopefully, as the COVID-19 issues start to settle down. The club has inducted a new member with another one in the wings. They are also still planning to set up a "Feeding the Homeless" program.

Cessnock Club is back in full flight with their Wednesday lunch for vulnerable in the community. They have also started on the recycle bike project by attending a workshop on repairs and maintenance to help members make sure the bikes are ready to hand over to children that need them. The club is also back catering to assist groups like the Mark Hughes Foundation and

they will once again be on hand at the "Gardens Light Show" this year.

Kurri Kurri Club has been out at Coles doing their BBQs and are now organising the sale of tickets in their trolley dash. They are continuing the "Bags for Brains" program

Kurri Kurri Sunrise club is also back to meeting in person and have been supporting the community along with their supporters to hand out hampers to needy in the local area. They have also been out at Bunnings cooking up a storm, even in the rain, as a fundraiser. The club's craft group has been getting together when they have been able to and making items to be given to groups such as the residents at the Masonic Lodge.

Denman club has been hard at work in their community on several projects like supporting the local schools and along with the support they have received from a local mining company they are planning further programs. It is great to see how some clubs have adapted to the way they do things. With aging and declining numbers we all need to look at different ways to find money for our communities.

Philip Gorton, Area Governor



Zone C • Area Governor Report

The first face-to-face visit that Assistant Area Governor Pam Wellham and I were able to attend, since the lifting of COVID-19 restrictions, was to The Rotary Club of Raymond Terrace where we had a most enjoyable evening celebrating the Rotary's Polio Plus Campaign.

Members recognised the importance of this meeting by wearing something red and participating in some 'fun' activities especially the Polio Trivia Quiz, which really tested out our Polio knowledge.

Also, congratulations to Sue Bell on her Paul Harris Recognition and for her excellent efforts on behalf of the Polio Plus Campaign. Sue has made 3 visits to India to assist with Polio eradication.

A Zone C zoom meeting was held with DGE Neville Parsons, with representatives from seven of the

zone clubs attending to learn more about the merger of the 2 Districts and to listen to DGE Neville's plans for the 2022-23 Rotary year.

Feedback from the meeting's participants was very positive and I appreciated their constructive comments and questions which will assist club's understanding of our new 2022-23 District 9660 and its proposed structures and programs.

Last week, Pam and I enjoyed the company of members from the Rotary Club of Greenhills during breakfast at the Whistler.

Lots of collegiality and discussion of their activities prior to the Christmas break, most importantly their gardening working bee to assist the elderly in their own home gardens. A great initiative, supporting the less able in our community at very little financial cost to the club.

Despite the very wet weather conditions, the Rotary Club of Rutherford Telarah's major fundraiser for HMRI, the Bunker and Back Bike Ride and Run event, went ahead at the weekend at Tocal. Considerable organisation by club members ensured a successful event and it was great to see their new Rotary Catering Van being put to very good use catering to hungry participants at the completion of their 20-60 km ride or 20km run. Well done!

Also, congratulations to the Rotary Club of East Maitland on their 2 successful Government Grant applications to support club endeavours. They have been granted \$14,000 for a community mural and \$62,000 for a new catering van.

An informal visit with the Executive of Dungog Rotary to assist with their club planning was also a great

opportunity for me to be updated on club happenings.

Recently, a new member was inducted to join this small but hard-working team as they prepare for their Christmas Bike Ride event over the weekend of 11th / 12th December as well as their

excitement at being offered their first opportunity to cater for Australia Day activities in Dungog. Both wonderful opportunities to promote Rotary in their community.

Chris Walmsley, Area Governor



Zone D • Area Governor Report



Annual General Meetings; Christmas raffles and other fundraisers; collecting gifts for those facing a bleak Christmas and a gradual return to face-to-face meetings.

These are the things I'm hearing about within the zone and no doubt, typical of clubs around the world.

This AG is spending a lot of time in the big red chair and juggling that with regular work so I'm not getting to as many things as I would like.

I must say that Santa very much appreciated the gift of a Frosty the Snowman mask made especially by **The Maskateers** from Morisset club.

I've accompanied DG Amanda and IPDG David to three DG visits, Morisset vis zoom, Toronto for their return to face-to face meetings and Waratah for their final Zoom meeting before returning to face-to-face.

It's always great to hear about how clubs are engaging with the community and the difference they are making

beyond. A few other visits I would have liked to make unfortunately clashed with other commitments. *Such is life!*

On 8th November, Warners Bay had a very interesting guest speaker, *Detective Superintendent (Retired) Deb Wallace*. Although speaking on very serious topics, Deb's presentation was entertaining and often amusing. She has been the commander of the



Asian Organised Crime Squad, the Middle Eastern Crime Squad and more recently the Gangs Squad. Supt Wallace started as a probationary constable at Blacktown in 1983, was involved in the investigation of the Anita Cobby murder case. She progressively worked her way up through the ranks in a career that has also included roles in Internal Affairs and the Police Integrity Commission.

Congratulations to all who accepted

roles at the many AGMs being held presently.

Take the opportunity to avail yourself of all the online training available. It really is most helpful and you'll even get a little certificate for your Rotary portfolio.

Enjoy all of the upcoming pre-Christmas celebrations and stay safe!

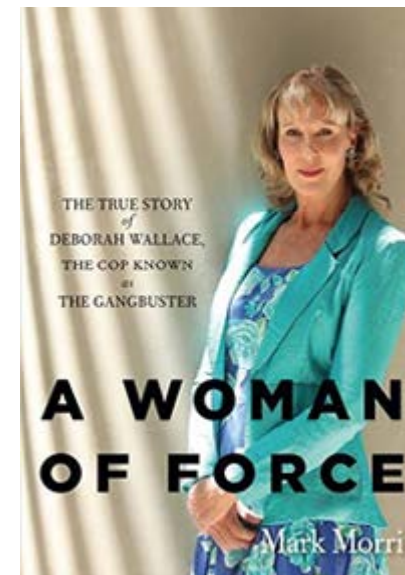
Please remember – I am here to help.

Craig Henningham, Area Governor

Deb Wallace:

They call her "the gangbuster"

Official autobiography: *"Woman of Force"* by Mark Morris



The police force can be a tough place for a woman, but Detective Superintendent Deborah Wallace rose to the top with grace, humour and an iconic sense of style.

In her incredible 36-year career with NSW Police, Wallace took on murderers and drug suppliers, and dismantled the state's most nefarious gangs.

Deb has also been involved with Father Chris Riley's "Youth Off the Streets", St Jude's refuge for Homeless Men, Bankstown, Casual Powerhouse Museum, Community Radio 2GLF (serving Liverpool & Fairfield LGAs), homicide victims Support Group – Grace's Place project.

