

**Rotary**  
District 9800



**ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE**

## **Annual Report 2017-2018**



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# Rotary District 9800 Leadership Team 2017–2018



## DISTRICT BOARD MEMBERS

District Governor  
District Vice Governor and Learning and Development Chair  
District Governor Elect  
District Governor Nominee  
Immediate Past District Governor  
District Secretary  
District Treasurer  
District Director Foundation  
District Director Governance  
District Director Membership  
Director Public Image and Communications  
Assistant Governor Coordinator  
District Secretary Elect  
District Treasurer Elect

Peter Frueh  
Julie Mason  
Bronwyn Stephens  
Grant Hocking  
Neville John  
Marjorie Gerlinger  
Bernie Gerlinger  
Dennis Shore  
David Whiting  
Philip Archer/PDG Neville John  
Amanda Wendt  
Grant Hocking  
Jane Pennington  
Arthur Hubbard

## AVENUES OF SERVICE CHAIRS

Club Service  
Community Service  
International Service  
Vocational Service  
Youth Service

Yvonne Flynn  
Del King/David Bourke  
Ian Salek  
Alan Seale  
Maria Silber

## ASSISTANT GOVERNORS

Batman  
Beachside  
Calder  
Chirnside  
Eastside  
Gateway East  
Gateway West  
Goldfields North  
Goldfields South  
Heritage  
Hobsons Bay  
Port Phillip  
Riverside  
Stonnington  
Westside

Kate Strain  
Kerry Kornhauser OAM  
Graeme Batrouney  
Nicole Lake  
Jonathan Shepherd  
Henry Brockman  
Ejanul Haque  
Jill Barker  
Cliff Downey  
Anne King  
Peter Rogers  
Rosemary Waghorne  
Rosalind McMorrow  
Caroline Ord  
Rob Fava/Josephine Falzarano

## District Governor's Report

It has been an honour to be the District Governor during 2017-18. Anne and I have enjoyed meeting so many Rotarians, Partners and supporters in each of our Clubs. There have been many high points, learnings and challenges along the way. Being a Rotarian is such a privilege, to be able to learn and grow as a person by serving others. It has such a positive benefit to our communities, our Clubs but also ourselves and our families. What better way to lift up and encourage young people and those coping with hardship, than to help them through our projects and our friendship.

Our Board and District Leadership team have all made a significant contribution. They are active Rotarians in their own Clubs, but they step up to take on District Leadership roles. We thank them for their contribution. They are part of the glue which link Clubs together, whether by cluster or by function. Teams outperform individuals, and Rotary Clubs working together locally, nationally and globally can achieve much more together than in isolation.

Anne and I would particularly like to thank Club members and Club leaders who made us welcome at every occasion including changeovers, Club visits and Club events. I would like to recognise and thank the Club Presidents of 2017-18. For most it was a busy, fulfilling and challenging role. Some Presidents faced major issues within their Clubs and did their best to deal with them, with support from District and from elsewhere. It is how we deal with adversity that shows our character and our humanity.

## 2017-18 Rotary International Theme: "Rotary - Making a Difference"

How lucky were we to have a Victorian World President Ian Riseley this year? Ian and Juliet were inspirational, strategic and warm in their leadership, interaction and personal example.

Our theme summarised why most people join Rotary and stay involved. It also appealed to those humanitarians outside Rotary who are all trying to "Make a Difference" in their own way.

One of the inspirational aspects was the symbolic and practical step of Clubs across the world planting at least one tree for each member and promoting this publicly. This was widely taken up in our District and in other Australian Districts. Anne gave a seedling to each Club President in our visits and asked them to make it part of their planting efforts. Most seedlings seem to have found a home, though with our climate not all survived! Rotary getting involved in the environment more directly seems strategic, appealing to potential members and a way of addressing sustainability issues which impact all people on Earth.

## Strategic Plan

A three year strategic plan was launched at District Assembly and used in Club visits to emphasise the three strategic pillars of the Rotary International plan and how District can assist Clubs in these three key areas:

- Support and strengthen Clubs
- Focus and increase humanitarian service
- Enhance public image and awareness

These three areas support each other as strong Clubs, doing great projects and promoting them externally are likely to grow and prosper.

## Membership

Over recent years membership has been a major focus for Clubs and District. We have been in gradual decline and the trend continued in 2017-18. We started the year with 2,381 Rotarians and 65 Clubs and ended with 2,221 Rotarians and 63 Clubs with Bendigo Next Generation and Brimbank Central Clubs handing back their charter.

This loss of 160 Rotarians was very disappointing as most of this happened in the June month as Clubs cleared their books of non-active Rotarians. Unfortunately, many of our Clubs are facing issues as their membership average age increases, they lose their activity and visibility in the community and more and more rests on a few active members. This is happening across Rotary in Australia as well as other member based organisations such as sporting groups, social groups and other volunteer organisations.

In 2017-18 under Membership Director Philip Archer and then PDG Neville John, a number of Clubs sought and are now getting membership support as they look to revitalise their Clubs.

While we seek to support those Clubs seeking support, there is also the opportunity to offset natural losses by starting Satellite Clubs which can become new Clubs over time. Several Clubs have taken active steps along this path and these should help growth in the next few years. There are also a range of different styles of membership that Clubs are introducing such as Corporate membership, Family membership and Student membership.

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### Club Milestones

Several Clubs celebrated significant milestones during the year:

- Port Melbourne 10
- Albert Park 25
- Bendigo Sandhurst 30
- Glen Eira 30
- West Footscray 40
- Kyneton 50
- North Melbourne 50

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Each year some of our Rotarians are called to higher service and this year was no exception.

At the international level, the passing of Rotary International President Elect Sam Owori on 14th July 2017 was a shock to the whole Rotary world. A great person, he was to be the second African and first Ugandan to hold the office of World President of Rotary International.

At a District level Community Service Chair Del King passed away after a long battle with a rare disease. She was such an active Rotarian and great person.

Several senior Rotarians passed away, including Prahran President Claude Ullin, Melbourne Past President David Wittner, Williamstown and Bendigo Sandhurst PP Dowell Mitchell, Kew PP Roger Fasken and PP Jack Campbell, Caulfield.

### Rotary Foundation

Following the Centenary of the Rotary Foundation in 2016-17, during 2017-18 a high level of activity was maintained in both programs, grants and fund raising. District's Foundation Chair PDG Dennis Shore and his team were very active in promoting the Rotary Foundation within Rotary and more generally.

#### Some highlights were:

- The recommitment of D9800 as a Rotary Peace Centers Peacebuilder District with the donation of US\$25,000 from DDF. This reflects our District's unique position in nominating successfully Rotary Peace Fellows in every year since the program began. We are the only District in the world to do so. Fingers crossed for a November 2018 announcement!
- Donation of US\$38,000 to the End Polio Eradication Initiative. Matched 50% by the Rotary Foundation World Fund and 2 for 1 by the Gates Foundation, this will put US\$171,000 towards the final stages of eliminating Polio from the planet. This was supported by club and personal donations of US\$41,400 in response to a District challenge for clubs to support this program. (including almost US\$3,000 raised by District fundraisers)
- Dr Owen Tassicker a member of the Balwyn Club, left over A\$200,000 to the Rotary Foundation Endowment Fund. This fund grows over time and only its interest earnings are spent, half of which returns to the District ongoing. Truly the gift that keeps on giving.
- A Vocational Training Team (VTT) to Cambodia conducted two weeks training for 148 teachers from remote villages. This is part of a sustainable skills development program supported by the local educational authorities.
- We elected to apply for a lower Block Grant for District Grant programs than the previous year, which translated to A\$95,929. Across the board we achieved the goal of projects with higher impact and enhanced club participation. 33 grants were approved, including a new scholarship program for secondary school students, aimed at students with promise who might not otherwise be able to complete their schooling. A total of 21 students benefited at 13 schools. 15 of the grants were for international programs.
- We carried a net DDF balance across into the year of US\$159,064 after allowing for the Block Grant and approved but unpaid grants and there is a notional carryover into the 2018-19 year of US\$23,364. This balance is after provision for participation in two large multi-district Global grants, which are yet to be approved and for continuing to fund our status as a Peacebuilder District and to make a contribution of at least 20% of our DDF to Polioplus.

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## Public Image and Communication

Each Club is responsible for their own promotion of Rotary and their Club, through their events, by their website and social media, local media and by other communications. This provides authentic, local stories that resonate with the community.

At the District level the emphasis is on larger events and on training and supporting Club activities. In 2017-18 the Director Public Image and Communication was Amanda Wendt who did an excellent job. She introduced short videos and raised the standard of communications. Also new to the role of editor of Networker online was Lesley McCarthy who provided excellent content on major projects, events and general Rotary news, from a wide range of contributors.

The annual International Women's Day breakfast again had a over 1,000 attendees, mostly women and mostly non-Rotarians which was a great success.

Many Clubs and some Clusters organised public tree planting days which were a practical illustration of Rotary Making a Difference.

900 Rotarians and Rotaractors from across Victoria attended a reception by the Governor of Victoria the Honourable Linda Dessau for the World President of Rotary International Ian Riseley on 13th March 2018. Our thanks go to District Secretary Marjorie Gerlinger and the Melbourne Rotary Club for making the arrangements. During Ian Riseley's visit, a large fig tree was dedicated to him in Rotary Park, within the Botanic Gardens and he also gave the Angus Mitchell oration at a special meeting of Melbourne Rotary Club.

## Conference

The Balwyn Club were the main hosts for the 2018 D9800 Conference held in Warrnambool on 16-18th March 2018. More than 700 Rotarians, partners and guests attended. Approximately 20% were first time attendees.

The Friday evening welcome function held at the Flagstaff Staff Hill Maritime Village was enjoyed by all in a memorable setting with excellent food, drink and entertainment.

The Conference theme was "The Power to Make a Difference". This allowed speakers to explore how one person, with help from others can make a positive difference to the world.

The Rotary International World President's Representative PDG Brian Hall and Lynn Hall from D6840 (Louisiana and Mississippi) provided an international perspective and inspirational messages. PDG Murray and Irene Verso were welcoming Aides for Brian and Lynn Hall.

Warrnambool was chosen as a delightful coastal setting within easy reach and with excellent facilities. Home hosting and local event assistance was provided by Warrnambool Rotarians. The estimated financial input to the local community was approximately \$1M with ongoing tourism benefits.

The program was well received and most delegates were surprised at the high quality of the speakers, not many of whom were known. This was due to the good work and preplanning of the program committee, as well as previewing of key speakers.

There were a range of local tours arranged for delegates, which raised \$1,500 towards the Maremma Penguin Project. In the hands on project ForAMeal organised by Canterbury Rotary Club, 20,000 meals were packed for disaster aid, and volunteers enjoyed the opportunity to chat while doing hands on work.

Extensive planning allowed logistics to be well handled in almost all regards, with over 70 Balwyn Rotarians and partners involved. The nautical themed volunteer outfits were a highlight with tee shirts donated by Kookai and the vests were sewn by volunteers for "Days for Girls" which earned \$1,900 for their project. The vests are planned to be reused in future events.

The Conference Dinner was held at a new facility at Emmanuel College and the food was of high quality.

Mother nature came into play over the weekend. Hot and windy conditions prevailed on Saturday evening which caused serious bushfires, the most serious of the season in Victoria, but luckily without causing death or injuries. There was extensive stock, building and fencing loss, for which the Rotary Clubs and District provided \$16,000 to help support rebuilding, as well as hands on re-fencing assistance. One hundred packed lunches were provided to firefighters on the Sunday.

Major sponsors were the Warrnambool City Council, Haronvale Digital Media, Subaru and i-Travel/Avalon Waterways. Financially the Conference made a small profit and was able to return the Conference advance from District.

Congratulations go to Di Gillies as the Conference Chair and the volunteers from Balwyn and other clubs who made the event such a success.



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## Rotary International Convention in Toronto

Over 70 Rotarians and partners from D9800 attended the Convention in Toronto. There was a large contingent of Australians, to help celebrate the 2017-18 Rotary year under President Ian Riseley.

Toronto is a large city like Melbourne and the most multicultural city in North America, so a great host city for a Convention. Our District attendees all felt at home and the venues were good. We kicked off the Convention with a Down Under Breakfast for over 400 Australians and New Zealanders. Ian Riseley attended and gave his perspective.

Many of the D9800 attendees had special red Foundation End Polio tee shirts which stood out when we were together. There were the usual range of excellent speakers including Justin Trudeau, Laura Bush, Helen Clark, Princess Anne and heads of World Health Organisation and Unicef. Many Rotary speakers and partner organisations spoke about opportunities and challenges. Breakout sessions allowed delegates to pick topics of interest to them.

There were host hospitality events and many social engagement opportunities with Rotarians and partners from all over the world. The House of Friendship had many stalls with projects and ideas. It was a place to excite the mind, share a meal with friends and increase our commitment to make a difference.

For those who haven't yet attended a Rotary International Convention it is definitely something to consider doing.

## Awards and Recognitions

At District Changeover on 3rd June 2018, several major awards were made:

- PDG Dennis Shore received the Rotary Foundation Citation for Meritorious Service
- PDG Ian Knight received the Rotary Foundation Polio Pioneer Award, a special award to recognise his pioneering work against Polio which started 30 years ago
- District Secretary Marjorie Gerlinger and District Treasurer Bernie Gerlinger received a special Outstanding Service recognition for their volunteer work for D9800.

Bob Fels from Melbourne Rotary Club received an Outstanding Service Award presented by World President Ian Riseley for his contribution to the Peace Fellows program.

Also recognised were the following Clubs:

- Brighton for Bossalla and Kroa Cambodia
- Port Melbourne for Balibo Dental Clinic
- Central Melbourne for rebranding their Club image
- Bacchus Marsh for Historical Photo Poster Campaign
- Central Melbourne for Membership Recruitment and Retention
- Woodend for Membership Recruitment and Retention
- Bendigo Sandhurst for "The Ranch" shed for local knitting campaign
- Melbourne South for Greeve Street Op Shop supporting St Kilda Gatehouse
- Bacchus Marsh for Centenary of Armistice Flag Project
- North Balwyn Mongolia Student Exchange.

## Significant Events in 2017-18

There were many significant milestones, events and moments in this year, including:

- Opening of the Camp Getaway kitchen after three years volunteer work
- Movement of Donations in Kind from Shed 40 to Shed 39 which has much enhanced facilities and lower rental. This required a tremendous amount of effort from many Clubs and volunteers, well led by Bob Glindemann and Laurie Fisher.

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- The Youth Exchange Committee worked tirelessly with the other Victorian Districts to pass an audit and be recertified for the next five years to conduct school based youth exchanges.
- New policies were introduced to increase protection of children, as required by new Victorian legislation and our insurer.
- The Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA) team from D9800 was second in the national competition in Canberra.
- Bendigo Rotary Club with sponsors supported the Bendigo Youth Choir in performing at Carnegie Hall, New York.
- Bendigo Sandhurst with sponsors supported the opening of "The Ranch" for the work of Patti Cotton and her 400 knitters supporting mothers in East Timor.
- 88 Indian Rotarians and Partners from D3232 had a friendship exchange visit with our District. Coordinated by International Service Chair Ian Salek, this included a visit and tour of the MCG with a dinner in the Long Room. A number of Sister Club agreements were progressed.
- For the first time in Australia, Rotarians participated in a Pride march, in this case the Midsumma Pride march. This was coordinated by Prahran President Susie Cole.
- A first for our District was the Melbourne Star event organised by the Loryn Clark and the Albert Park Rotary Club. It was a fundraiser for Foundation and attracted 200 people, many non Rotarians and the Melbourne Star was lit up in the Rotary colours.

I would like to declare that Rotary International provided \$17,600 to offset costs and District 9800 provided a budget of \$16,800 of which I spent \$12,644. Funds provided were subject to strict guidelines and were paid on receipts for costs incurred.

My final thanks go to the DGEN Team of Neville John, Bronwyn Stephens, Grant Hocking and Philip Archer. Our District has a good approach of leaders working together to provide continuity and sharing of challenges and opportunities. I look forward to providing continuing support through the District Membership team and in other Rotary roles. Thank you for your support.



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Presentation of Royce Abbey Award to David Abbey



RI President Ian and Juliet Riseley tree dedication

DIK Ribbon cutting



District 3232 Friendship Exchange



Youth Exchange

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Leon and Victor



RC Albert Park Melbourne Star  
Foundation Fundraiser



Muna Team



RC Prahran at the Midsumma march



Bendigo Sandhurst knitters shed

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## 2017 - 2020 Strategic Plan

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## Message from the District Governors 2017-2020



**Peter Frueh**  
District Governor  
2017-2018

This District Strategic Plan links directly to Rotary International's Strategic Plan. Use it as a guide in developing your own Club's plan. Use District resources and guidance, to strengthen your Club and increase its humanitarian service. Tell your community about the great work your Club does. As social media grows in usage and influence, people find out about and act on shared stories and recommendations of friends. Individual Rotarians can best spread the story of Rotary by sharing their own Rotary moments and projects.



**Bronwyn Stephens**  
District Governor  
2018-2019

Rotary International has a proud history as the world's first and most effective service organisation. Formed in 1905 in Chicago by Paul Harris, it grew rapidly across the world. Our own District 9800 has the first Club in Australia, the Rotary Club of Melbourne chartered in 1921. We are the largest District in membership in Australia and are strong in many aspects.

However, as the world rapidly evolves, Rotary International needs to evolve with it. The world still needs the humanitarian services Rotary International can provide. The largest movement of people in history, environmental sustainability, need for peace, clean water, sanitation, education, health and economic development remain issues within Australian communities and especially in developing countries. With its global reach and influence across all borders, Rotary International can link together individuals and organisations developing solutions. We have shown this by our incredible program to eradicate Polio.



**Grant Hocking**  
District Governor  
2019-2020

The success of Rotary International is dependent on the success of its Clubs.

The "secret sauce" of Rotary is the autonomy of the Club. Every Rotary Club is unique:

- » Each Club develops its own character, friendship and fun
- » Clubs celebrate and use the diversity of vocations and increasingly, gender, age and interests of its members
- » Each Club chooses sources of project funding and which projects are undertaken
- » Yearly renewal of Club, District and worldwide leadership refreshes our perspective.

This allows Clubs to adapt in order to maintain relevance and vibrancy.

### **The District role is to support the Clubs by:**

- » Providing learning and development for new members, Club and District leaders
- » Supporting membership development and retention

### **Our Vision**

We will be the service organisation of choice with dynamic, action-oriented clubs whose contributions improve lives in communities worldwide.

### **Our Purpose**

We provide service to others, promote integrity, and advance world understanding, goodwill, and peace through our fellowship of business, professional, and community leaders.

### **Our Values**

**1. SERVICE 2. FELLOWSHIP 3. DIVERSITY 4. INTEGRITY 5. LEADERSHIP**

### **The Object of Rotary**

1. The development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service;
2. High ethical standards in business and professions; the recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations; and the dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society;
3. The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business, and community life;
4. The advancement of international understanding, goodwill, and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

### **Essence of Rotary**

A worldwide network of inspired individuals who translate their passions into relevant social causes to change lives in communities.



**OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO: 1. IS IT THE TRUTH? 2. IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED? 3. V**



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- » Sharing projects and passions in each avenue of service
- » Supporting the Rotary Foundation and its programs.

Increasing membership remains the number one internal goal of Rotary International. Increasing engagement of existing and new members is also critical. This increases the humanitarian service we provide and enhances membership retention. Clubs are giving this high priority and there are District support services for those Clubs who request assistance. New Clubs and satellite Clubs need to be established in areas of population growth or where Rotary is under represented.

The Rotary Foundation is Rotary's Charity. Donations are tax deductible and funds are used by Clubs within our community and throughout the world. "Doing Good in the World" has been its motto since it was established a century ago. Funds come from Clubs, individual Rotarians and non-Rotarians. We can only do what our Foundation funds allow, so please consider Foundation contribution levels in your planning.

**There are many opportunities for Rotarians and Clubs to reach out and engage more widely:**

- » With other Clubs and Districts in Clusters, at District Assembly, MultiDistrict President Elect Training, Conferences and other events
- » Through Multi-Club or Multi-District projects such as Donations in Kind, Shine On, Victorian Police Mentoring, Busyfeet and increasingly sharing District skills
- » Through Rotary launched organisations such as Probus, Australian Rotary Health, Interplast, etc
- » Through new or existing Youth Programs such as Youth Exchange, Rotary Youth Leadership Award and Youth Forums.
- » We are reaching out for Victoria wide collaboration and beyond, on projects, programs and major events.

Don't be afraid to change the traditions of your Club. We need to adapt to changes in our communities, if we wish to attract, engage and retain new members and those who support our Clubs. Consider changing meeting formats, more social, project or vocational activities, use of conferencing for speakers, meetings or committees, etc. Showcase events and engage local partnering organisations (schools, local government, support services). Increasingly, digital media will give us access to volunteers. Consider ways of embracing this and invite people to join us in community service.

Please share your ideas with fellow Rotarians and help make your Club the best it can be. We feel very lucky to share your Rotary journey in the years ahead.



**Our Strategic Goals and Objectives**

Rotary's strategic plan identifies three strategic priorities supported by 16 goals. They represent what Rotarians have asked to be done to ensure a strong and vibrant Rotary going into the future.

**Support and strengthen clubs**

- » Foster club innovation and flexibility
- » Encourage clubs to participate in a variety of service activities
- » Promote membership diversity
- » Improve member recruitment and retention
- » Develop leaders
- » Start new, dynamic clubs
- » Encourage strategic planning at club and district levels

**Focus and increase humanitarian service**

- » Eradicate polio
- » Increase sustainable service focused on programs and activities that support youth and young leaders and Rotary's six areas of focus
- » Increase collaboration with other organizations
- » Create significant projects both locally and internationally

**Enhance public image and awareness**

- » Unify image and brand awareness
- » Publicise action-oriented service
- » Promote core values
- » Emphasise vocational service
- » Encourage clubs to promote their networking opportunities and signature activities

WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS? 4. WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

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## Rotary District 9800



### Our core values

Our values are an increasingly important component in strategic planning because they drive the intent and direction of the organisation's leadership.

Fellowship and  
global understanding  
*We build lifelong  
relationships.*

Ethics and integrity  
*We honour our  
commitments.*

Diversity  
*We connect diverse  
perspectives.*

Vocational  
expertise, service,  
and leadership  
*We apply our leadership  
and expertise to  
solve social issues.*

All of these core values are reflected in the Object of Rotary and The Four-Way Test, which we use in our daily lives. They inspire us to foster and support the ideal of service for developing and maintaining high ethical standards in human relations.



## 2017-18 D9800 One Page Plan

### What does success look like?:

More, visible and engaged members, Making a Difference.

Objective Measures	Where are we now?	Support & Strengthen Clubs	Focus & Increase Humanitarian Service	Enhance Public Image & Awareness
<b>Nett membership</b> +100 June 2018 & +300 June 2020	<b>Thriving Clubs</b> grow & extend	Two new clubs & six satellite clubs established	Increase Foundation Personal (Centurion) & Club giving	Club projects showcased
<b>Engagement</b> 60% June 2018 & 80% June 2020	<b>OK Clubs</b> re-energise & extend	Increase member engagement	End Trachoma 2020 supported Australia wide	Increased use of videos on websites & social media
<b>Community Reach</b> +100% June 2018 & +300% June 2020	<b>Struggling Clubs</b> change and re-energise	Increase member diversity	Strengthen club support for Donations In Kind	

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**Rotary International District 9800 Inc**  
**ABN 30 764 979 582**

**Financial Statements**

**For the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

**Peter Frueh**  
**District Governor**

**Bernie Gerlinger**  
**District Treasurer**

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc**  
**ABN 30 764 979 582**

**COMMITTEE'S REPORT**

Your committee members submit the financial report of ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc for the financial year ended 30th June 2018.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Peter Frueh	District Governor
Marjorie Gerlinger	Secretary
Bernie Gerlinger	Treasurer
Bronwyn Stephens	District Governor Elect
Grant Hocking	District Governor Nominee
David Whiting	Director Governance
Amanda Wendt	Director Public Relations and Communications
Dennis Shore	Director Foundation
Philip Archer	Director Membership
Neville John	Immediate Past District Governor

**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES**

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were to provide administration services to the Rotary Clubs in Rotary District 9800.

**SIGNIFICANT CHANGES**

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

**OPERATING RESULT**

The surplus (deficit) from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to \$9,674 (2017 deficit \$25,791)

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.



Peter Frueh  
District Governor



Bernie Gerlinger  
Treasurer

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2018

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc**  
**ABN 30 764 979 582**

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT 30th JUNE 2018**

	<i>Note</i>	<i>2018</i> \$	<i>2017</i> \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at Bank	2	437,752	332,769
Receivables	3	—	136
Prepayments		30,706	28,333
Sundry Debtors	3	2,805	18,472
Loan Vic Multi District Conference 2019	8	10,000	
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>481,263</b>	<b>379,710</b>
<b>NON CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Plant and Equipment (at written down value)		—	—
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>481,263</b>	<b>379,710</b>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Creditors and Accruals		8,500	24,757
Disaster Relief Fund	4	23	3,319
District Grants in Escrow	9	60,432	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>68,955</b>	<b>28,076</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>412,308</b>	<b>351,634</b>
<b>MEMBERS FUNDS</b>			
Opening Equity		310,974	336,765
Future Conference Reserve		91,660	40,660
Profit (Loss) from Ordinary activities for the year		9,674	(25,791)
<b>TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS</b>		<b>412,308</b>	<b>351,634</b>

*To be read in conjunction to the notes to the accounts*



**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc**  
**ABN 30 764 979 582**  
**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 2018**

	<i>Note</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2017</i>
		\$	\$
<b>INCOME</b>			
Members subscriptions		184,424	186,921
Interest		2,903	3,096
Insurance Levy		60,942	57,181
Conference Surplus 2017		–	82,160
Conference Surplus 2018 Conference Returned		15,000	–
Conference Support		36,000	36,000
Rotary Leadership Institute		–	6,930
Club Vision Program		–	110
Sundry Income		–	250
		<b>299,269</b>	<b>372,648</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>			
Administration Expenses		87,565	92,588
Communication Expenses		1,068	748
Community Service Expenses		882	1,058
Club Service Expenses		679	1,630
Depreciation		–	1,409
Rotary Leadership Institute		–	2,740
Rotary Foundation Expenses		6,078	3,442
Governance		1,347	767
International Service Expenses		4,064	640
Marketing Expenses (includes website)		14,884	38,949
Membership Expense		645	1,248
Membership Grants and Membership Retention		3,563	–
Membership Grants 16-17		–	25,000
Youth Service – Rotaract		625	997
Youth Service – General		4,381	350
Vocational Service Expenses		2,129	(222)
District Conference Support		36,000	36,000
Insurances		60,960	56,259
Officer Costs	7	49,611	44,812
Sundry Expenses		114	1,548
Donations – Foundation		–	32,001
Foundation Dinner		–	815
Conference Surplus Paid To 2017/2018 Conference		–	15,000
Conference Surplus transferred Future Conference Reserve		15,000	40,660
		<b>289,595</b>	<b>398,439</b>
<b>Surplus (Deficit) from ordinary activities</b>		<b>9,674</b>	<b>(25,791)</b>
Retained profits at the beginning of the financial year		310,974	336,765
Retained Profits at the end of the Financial Year		320,648	310,974

*To be read in conjunction to the notes to the accounts*

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc**  
**ABN 30 764 979 582**  
**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 2018**

*Note 1 – Statement of Significant Accounting Policies*

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in accordance with the Standing District Resolutions on finance and to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012, Victoria. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity.

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The accounting policies have been applied on a consistent basis.

	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
<i>Note 2 – Cash balances</i>		
Investment account	57,703	56,454
General accounts	380,026	272,996
Disaster Relief Fund	23	3,319
	<b>437,752</b>	<b>332,769</b>

*Note 3 – Receivables*

Sundry debtors (including ATO)	2,805	18,472
Accounts Receivable	–	136
	<b>2,805</b>	<b>18,608</b>

*Note 4 – District Disaster Relief Fund*

As a result of the devastating bush fires in 2009 and floods in 2011 in Victoria and further similar disaster events in Tasmania in 2012 and New South Wales in 2013, the District launched separate appeals for funds to assist in each of these affected areas. Initially a separate bank account was established for each appeal. As the funds from these fundraising appeals have now been disbursed as intended the remaining balances have been consolidated into a single account for ease of future administration. A further bushfire appeal was held in March/April this year as a result of fires in the Warnambool Victoria and Bega NSW areas. All funds were distributed equally to Districts 9780 and 9710.

	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Unexpended funds at start of the year	3319	2,436
Interest	3	3
Donations Received	12,701	880
Funds Distributed Equally to		
Districts 9780 and 9710	(16,000)	–
<b>Total Funds Distributed</b>	<b>(16,000)</b>	<b>–</b>
Unexpended funds at end of the year	23	3,319

*Note 5 – Other District Cash Funds*

The District has several Sub-committees that operate independent working cash accounts which have not been consolidated into the District's financial reports for either operating activities (receipts and expenses) or cash holdings at the end of the financial year. The activities of these sub-committees are essentially run on a break-even basis and the cash holdings at the end of the financial year are in the nature of floats to enable work for the following year's activities to be commenced prior to raising new fee invoices. The cash holding balances at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 are:

	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Rotary Youth Leadership Award (RYLA)	8,731	8,232
Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment (RYPEN)	19,506	27,360
Model United Nations Assembly (MUNA)	7,056	8,398
District Foundation Committee Grant Funds	38	7
District Foundation Committee Global Grants	83,019	118,566
World of Difference	76,067	61,199
Youth Exchange Committee	35,323	27,930

*Note 6 – Other Entities*

Camp Getaway is a separately constituted incorporated entity and prepares its own financial reports. A copy of their unaudited financial reports is attached to these accounts to provide a more comprehensive view of the District's activities and transparency and accountability to the District Membership.

In addition District 9800 is Trustee of a charitable trust fund to provide financial support to assist financially or physically disadvantaged students to participate in Youth programs.

The cash balances held by these entities at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 are:

	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Rotary District 9800 Youth Exchange Trust	66,324	55,329
Rotary Youth Camp Inc (Camp Getaway)	146,524	114,913

*Note 7 – Officer Costs*

	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
AG and DLT Training	–	476
Assistant Governor Costs	12,500	13,600
Australian Regional Institute	14,775	10,965
District Governor Elect	7,291	6,695
District Governor Nominee	2,400	2,526
District Governor	12,644	10,550
	49,610	44,812

In Addition (Memo Only)

Rotary International provided District Governor funding		
In the amount of	17,598	18,833

*Note 8 – Loan to Multi District Conference 2019*

Districts 9790, 9800, 9810 and 9820 have decided to conduct a Multi-District Conference in February 2019. It was agreed in an agreement dated 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017 that each District would equally provide initial funding by way of a non-interest bearing loan to be repaid as soon as cash flow permits.

The loan outstanding as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 was \$10,000.

*Note 9 – District Grants in Escrow*

Foundation Rules require all funds be expended in the financial year of approval or be repaid to the Foundation. A number of Grants were in progress at year-end or requiring their final acquittal prior to payment. In order to comply the funds were transferred to District in Escrow who will facilitate payment on completion.



**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc**  
**ABN 30 764 979 582**

**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 2018**

	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
	\$	\$
<b>Cash Flow from Operating Activities</b>		
Operating Surplus (Deficit) for year	9,674	(25,791)
Adjusted for Depreciation	—	1,409
(Increase) Decrease in Receivables	5,803	(13,080)
(Increase) Decrease in prepayments	(2,373)	(375)
Increase (Decrease) in Creditors and Accruals	44,175	5,839
<b>Net Cash Provided By (Used in)</b>		
<b>Operating Activities</b>	<b>57,279</b>	<b>(31,998)</b>
<b>Cash Flow from Investing Activities</b>		
Receipts for Disaster Relief Fund	12,704	883
Payments made from Disaster Relief Fund	(16,000)	—
Payments for Fixed Assets	—	(493)
Future Conference Reserve	51,000	40,660
<b>Net Cash used in Investing Activities</b>	<b>47,704</b>	<b>41,050</b>
<b>Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash Held</b>	<b>104,983</b>	<b>9,052</b>
Cash at the Beginning of the Year	332,769	323,717
<b>Cash at the End of the Year (Note 2)</b>	<b>437,752</b>	<b>332,769</b>

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc**  
**ABN 30 764 979 582**

**STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 1 to 8:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc as at 30th June 2018 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Committee and is signed for and on behalf of the Committee by:



Peter Frueh  
District Governor



Bernie Gerlinger  
Treasurer

Dated this 17<sup>th</sup> day of September 2018

**Rotary International District 9800 Inc  
Youth Exchange Trust  
ABN 60 036 165 859**

**Financial Statements**

**For the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

**Peter Frueh  
District Governor**

**Bernie Gerlinger  
District Treasurer**

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc**  
**Youth Exchange Trust**  
ABN 60 036 165 859

**TRUSTEE'S REPORT**

The Trustee is ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc whose Directors submit the financial report for the financial year ended 30th June 2018.

The names of Directors of the Trustee throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Peter Frueh	District Governor
Marjorie Gerlinger	Secretary
Bernie Gerlinger	Treasurer
Bronwyn Stephens	District Governor Elect
Grant Hocking	District Governor Nominee
David Whiting	Director Governance
Amanda Wendt	Director Public Relations and Communications
PDG Dennis Shore	Director Foundation
Philip Archer	Director Membership
Neville John	Immediate Past District Governor

**PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES**

The principal activities of the Trust, during the financial year, was to provide financial support to financially or physically disadvantaged students in participate in Youth Programs.

**SIGNIFICANT CHANGES**

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

**OPERATING RESULT**

The surplus from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to \$10,995.  
(2017 deficit \$1.939)

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Directors of the Trustee.



Peter Frueh  
District Governor



Bernie Gerlinger  
Treasurer

Dated this 17 day of September 2018

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc**  
**Youth Exchange Trust**  
 ABN 60 036 165 859

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT 30th JUNE 2018**

	<i>Note</i>	<i>2018</i> \$	<i>2017</i> \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash at Bank	2	66,227	55,229
Receivables	3	97	100
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>66,324</b>	<b>55,329</b>
 <b>TRUST FUNDS</b>			
Opening Balance		55,329	57,268
Profit (Loss) from Ordinary activities for the year		10,995	(1,939)
<b>TOTAL TRUST FUNDS</b>		<b>66,324</b>	<b>55,329</b>

*To be read in conjunction to the notes to the accounts*

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc**  
**Youth Exchange Trust**  
 ABN 60 036 165 859

**STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 2018**

	<i>2018</i>	<i>2017</i>
	\$	\$
<b>INCOME</b>		
Interest	995	1,061
Donation Received	10,000	—
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>		
Donations	0	3,000
 <b>Surplus (Deficit) from ordinary activities</b>	 <b>10,995</b>	 <b>(1,939)</b>
Retained Funds at the beginning of the financial year	55,329	57,268
Retained Funds at the end of the Financial Year	<b>66,324</b>	<b>55,329</b>
<i>To be read in conjunction to the notes to the accounts</i>		



**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc**  
**Youth Exchange Trust**  
ABN 60 036 165 859

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30th JUNE 2018**

*Note 1 – Statement of Significant Accounting Policies*

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The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012, Victoria and the requirements of the Australian Accounting Standard, AASB 101 Presentations of Financial Statements. No other accounting standards have been applied.

The accounting policies have been applied on a consistent basis.

	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
<i>Note 2 – Cash balances</i>		
Investment account	49,278	48,286
General accounts	16,949	6,942
	<b>66,227</b>	<b>55,228</b>
<i>Note 3 – Receivables</i>		
Accounts Receivable	97	100
	<b>97</b>	<b>100</b>

**ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc**  
**Youth Exchange Trust**  
**ABN 60 036 165 859**

**STATEMENT BY DIRECTORS OF THE TRUSTEE**

The Directors have determined that the Trust is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the Directors the financial report as set out on pages 1 to 6:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc Youth Exchange Trust as at 30th June 2018 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that ROTARY INTERNATIONAL DISTRICT 9800 Inc Youth Exchange Trust will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the Directors and is signed for and on behalf of the Trustee by:



Peter Frueh  
District Governor



Bernie Gerlinger  
Treasurer

Dated this 17th day of September 2018

## **To the members of Rotary International District 9800 Inc**

### **Report on the Financial Report**

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a general purpose financial report of Rotary International District 9800 Inc (the association), which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018, the Income Statement and Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the Committee's Report.

### **Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report**

The Committee of the association are responsible for the preparation of the financial report, and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1, is appropriate to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*. The Committee's responsibility also includes such internal control as the Committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

### **Auditor's Responsibility**

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

Our audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view, in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances but not for the purpose of expressing the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the Committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

### **Independence**

In conducting our audit, we have complied with the independence requirements of the Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

### **Auditors Opinion**

In our opinion the financial report of the association has been prepared in accordance with the *Association Incorporation Reform Act 2012* including:

(a) giving a true and fair view of the entity's financial position as at 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018 and of its performance for the year ended on that date; and

(b) complying with Australian Accounting Standards as referred to in Note 1 to the financial statements.

**Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution**

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Rotary International District 9800 Inc. to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*. As a result the report may not be suitable for another purpose.



D Park  
Chartered Accountant  
Honorary Auditor

Dated this 17th day of September 2018