



*For those who don't know me.....here I am at Changeover! Please come and say hello whenever the chance arises.*

### ***Greetings from the District Governor***

Greetings Rotarians, Rotaractors and Friends of Rotary

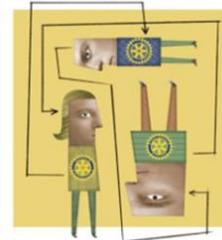
Well, after two and a half years of planning and preparation, the day has finally arrived where Mike & I take up our new roles in the District. It's been a long time which has gone by in a flash and I don't doubt that the next twelve months will continue that way!

As our monthly theme says, this is Changeover month and the past few weeks have been taken up with attending Changeover functions. It's been fabulous to see just how many, and how varied, the achievements are in each club. The excitement of a new enthusiastic President and the genuine thanks to those who have completed their year as office bearers is heart-warming. Congratulations to outgoing Presidents and please don't sit back and rest on your laurels.....this is the time to get really active and support your club to the max.

My thanks to the members of the 'DG Train' IPDG Stephen B, DGE Di, DGN Warwick and PDG Stephen H who shared the responsibility of attending Changeovers. Between us we attended over 43 Changeover events. I know that there were a couple of clubs who missed having one of of us attending, but it can be physically impossible to be in two places at one time. Please make a note to put in your invitation early, with your specific date, if you would like a member of the 'DG Train' to attend your club changeover next year.

## Calendar

### July Changeover month



### August Membership & Extension Month



#### DG Visit St Marys Rotary Club

Twin Creeks Golf Club

Jul 10, 2018

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

#### DG Visit Five Dock Rotary Club

Five Dock RSL

Jul 16, 2018

6:45 PM – 8:30 PM

#### DG Visit Campsie Rotary Club

Rotary Community Centre

Jul 17, 2018

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

#### DG Visit Strathfield Rotary Club

Massey Park Golf Club

Jul 18, 2018

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

#### DG Visit Camden Rotary Club

Camden Golf Club

Jul 19, 2018

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

#### DG Visit Parramatta Daybreak Rotary Club

Di Pacci Espresso Bar

Jul 20, 2018

7:30 AM – 9:00 AM

We have some exciting things happening in the District this year and I look forward to sharing details about them with you as each one approaches, and I'll ensure I give you reminders of these each month.

There are however some deadlines that we should be aware of right now. Please visit the District website for complete details on some of the information below. Here's the link. <https://rotarydistrict9675.org/>



RYPEN, The Rotary Youth Program of Enrichment, is for young people aged 14 to 16 years and caters for teenagers who have shown qualities of decency, courage, persistence, sincerity, and application in everyday life, which deserve further development.

RYPEN uses the common bonds of learning, co-operation, and friendship to design activities which facilitate trust and self esteem. RYPEN seeks to broaden each participant's horizons culturally, socially, and academically, providing the inner foundations for a strong future.

To apply to attend, please complete the [Application Form](#).

Applications close **20th July 2018**, unless all positions are filled.

**For further information, please contact:**

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**Mark Tanner** (Registrar) - [mark@tanner.net](mailto:mark@tanner.net) - 0418-226-177

## City2Surf



The City2Surf will be held on Sunday 12 August and we can volunteer as marshals, which will raise money for our clubs. Spots are still available at Hyde Park from 6-10am paid at \$50 pp.

Why not pop along for the excitement at the start of the 5<sup>th</sup> biggest running event in the world and go on for breakfast with your Rotary friends after?

How does eggs and bacon at Circular Quay, the Botanic Gardens or the Art Gallery sound as a good finish to the day?

Great teambuilding and great fun.....you don't have to run to be part of it.

Contact Russell Paine on [russell.paine@gmail.com](mailto:russell.paine@gmail.com) or

Tony Benner on [sydneyrotary90@gmail.com](mailto:sydneyrotary90@gmail.com) to find out more about registering.

See you there!



## Inspirational Women's Awards



### Rotary Districts and Clubs of NSW 2018 Inspirational Women's Awards

*We gratefully acknowledge the support of our Patron, Mrs Linda Hurley*

#### What are the Inspirational Women's Awards?

The Inspirational Women's Awards (RIWA) have been established to recognise women and young women who best exemplify Rotary's motto of *Service Above Self* (i.e. the community service the individual performs above and beyond their normal role.

The Awards are an initiative of the Rotary Districts and Clubs of NSW.



Nominations have closed for the RIWA awards this year and judging is taking place as I write. The Awards lunch is booked for Sunday 26 August at The Epping Club. Please save the date. Information about booking will be distributed later. Remember that these awards are for non-Rotarian women who have contributed to their communities. We have nominations from all over NSW and the ACT this year. I would like to say a big thank you to all clubs and individuals who nominated people.

It's the role of the Committee led by Rae-Anne Medforth to arrange transport and accommodation for the finalists. To fund this, we need sponsorship. Please contact Rae-Anne if you are able to support these awards or know of anyone else who might do so. Rae-Anne's contact details are: [raeanne\\_medforth@worksight.com.au](mailto:raeanne_medforth@worksight.com.au).

### **Princess Anne thanks Rotary at the Toronto RI Convention**

The Toronto Convention lived up to the reputation of all Rotary International Conventions by providing the very best of speakers, including Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Laura Bush and Princess Anne. 20 Rotarians from D9675 attended and they've all come home fired up. Here's the link to Princess Anne's speech. She's so spot on and no, we don't have to graduate from carparking to the more important jobs! See what she says.....

<https://www.rotary.org/en/princess-anne-thanks-rotarians-polio-fight>

Next year we are off to Hamburg and I'll provide more information as it comes to hand.

### **Rotary Leadership Institutes**

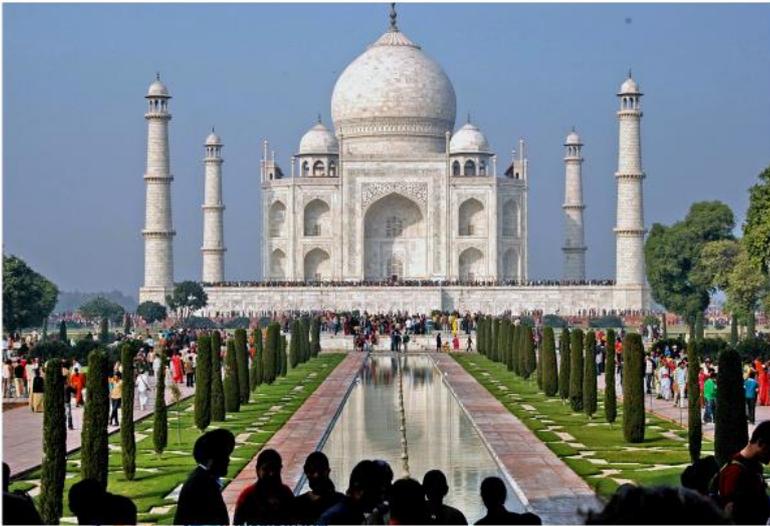
I like to think of these as Rotary Learning Institutes where Rotarians, new and experienced, can get the important information they need about our wonderful organisation. Every organisation and profession uses acronyms and you'll have noticed that I've used some, relating to Rotary, throughout this newsletter. Do you know what they mean? Come to RLI and you'll find out! But wait.....there's more.....

Not only will you find out about Rotary, but you'll also mix with other enthusiastic club members who will share their ideas, experiences and club activities with you. Next time you go to a Rotary function you'll have made a new network of friends to meet and greet, and that's what Rotary is about.

The next RLI is being run on 4 August at Camden Golf Club, Lodges Rd, Narellan. Now you may say that's a long drive, but do you know that it's on those long drives that we connect with people, get to know more about them and share our ideas for our club. Save the environment and carpool!

Please contact Bruce Farquharson to find out more about RLIs and future dates. [brucevet@ispdr.net.au](mailto:brucevet@ispdr.net.au)

## Mega Polio Campaign – Agra, India – 4-6 January 2019



We have been invited to participate in a Polio Immunisation Day being organised by the RC Agra Taj mahal in the first weekend in January. There are a couple of options for arranging travel and I'll distribute these as soon as we have confirmation of our attendance. Christine McSeveny [mcseveny@bigpond.net.au](mailto:mcseveny@bigpond.net.au) is compiling a list of the names of people who are interested in coming along. We need to inform our host club of our numbers so that we can reserve our places, so please send your Expression of Interest to Chris ASAP.

If you haven't been to India before, coming along with your friends for a specific purpose is the way to go. Do join us!

### *RI Monthly theme*

August is Membership and extension month. What better way to start the Rotary year than by sharing the joy?

Our RI President Barry Rassin has asked us, this year, to Be The Inspiration. Are you the inspiration? Do you share your enthusiasm for Rotary with the people you meet?

Could you honestly say that your family, friends and colleagues know about your commitment to Rotary and the joy you get from being a Rotarian?

Tell people about this and give them the chance to experience that too. Invite them to join you in a project and share your 'Rotary moment' with them. **You** be **their** inspiration!

Talk next month.....



District Governor Sue Hayward & Mike