



Rotary District 9675



### Greetings from the District Governor

Dear Rotarians, Rotaractors and Friends of Rotary

Firstly, can I say a big thank you to all those clubs who are focussed on the drought. There is one more initiative related to this, included in this newsletter, called 'Adopt-a-Town'. Thanks to Cathy Mason, from RC Caringbah, for this concept and all the work she has put into setting up the website and Facebook page. Please use the link to see how the system works.

Yes, I will definitely be riding the trains to End Polio, on 28 September and would love to meet clubs on the stations, or have you ride a few stations with me. See the District webpage for the train schedule.

Congratulations to Rae-Anne Medforth and her team for a very successful RIWA event. We had a huge number of nominations from all over NSW and the ACT. The event was sold out with a waiting list. Can't wait for next year!

Please visit the District website for complete details on some of the information below.

Here's the link. <https://rotarydistrict9675.org/>

Regards  
DG Sue Hayward

## Calendar

### September

New  
Generations  
Month



**October**  
Vocational  
Service  
Month



### DG Visits

#### RCs Bondi, Maroubra & Randwick

Sep 03, 2018 - 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

#### RC Blacktown City

Blacktown Workers Club

Sep 04, 2018 - 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

#### RC Wallacia Mulgoa

Mulgoa Valley Receptions

Sep 05, 2018 - 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM

#### RC Breakfast Point

Breakfast Point Country Club

Sep 06, 2018 - 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

#### DG Training and ANZ Conference

Hobart

Sep 10-16 2018 - Daily

#### RC Marrickville

Marrickville Golf Club

Sep 17, 2018- 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

#### RC Granville

Auburn Tennis & Recreation Club

Sep 18, 2018- 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM

#### RC Caringbah

Club Cronulla

Sep 24, 2018 - 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM

#### RC Dapto

Dapto Leagues Club

Sep 25, 2018 - 6:15 PM – 8:00 PM

#### RC Mount Druitt

Rooty Hill RSL Club

Sep 26, 2018 - 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM

## ADOPT-A-TOWN



Please click this link... <https://www.adoptatown.org.au/>

## DISTRICT GRANTS TRAINING



Please save the date for The Rotary Foundation training on 11 November at Bankstown Sports Club, which will include the qualifying training for Global Grants. District Secretary, Janice, will send out more information in due course, along with the link to register.



## MONTHLY THEME – NEW GENERATIONS

Most of you have close links with schools in your areas, but do you have Interact Clubs in those schools? With the focus on providing awareness and opportunities for service, many schools are receptive to forming new clubs. There is also an opportunity to contact your local schools to see if you can help with activities during the Invictus Games. Perhaps buying a flag for the school or sending students to the Games.

This month also gives us time to reflect on our relationships with our Rotaract clubs. If you are a sponsoring club, then make sure you are in regular contact with your Rotaract club. Attend meetings, share projects and activities, support their Board with guidance and advice. Invite the President, or Board members of your Rotaract club to attend your Board meetings as part of their professional development. Reach out to check that all's going well. You never know, you might just learn something from your Rotaractors that can help your club, also!

You will see that there are lots of opportunities to sponsor young people in this month's newsletter.



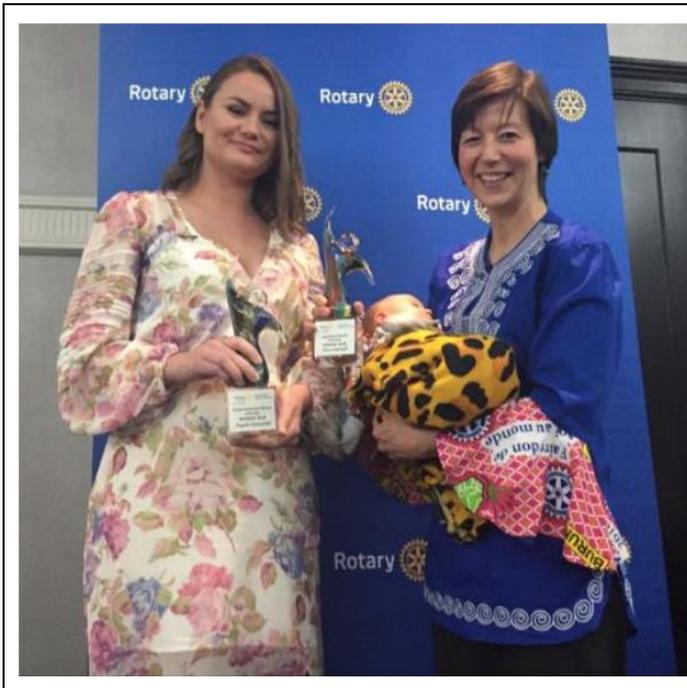
*So, what do you really know?*

So, you've been in Rotary for many years and you know all the answers...or maybe you're a new Rotarian. Take the quiz and see how up to date your Rotary knowledge really is. Don't know all the answers? RLI is for you!

- What is RYLA?
- What are the dates for RYLA next year?
- When should you start identifying RYLA Candidates?

*Answers to the Quiz are at the end of the newsletter.*

## RIWA WINNERS



### **Angela Stansfield: Young Inspirational Woman**

Angela works at the Sydney Children's Hospitals Foundation and raises funds for children with cancer. She organises fund raising events and helps to raise awareness in the community, particularly about homelessness, sick children and disadvantaged families

### **Dr Vera Sistenich: Inspirational Woman**

Vera is an Emergency Physician who works with developing countries in emergency medicine, particularly in the Democratic Republic of the Congo. More of Dr Sistenich's work can be found at

<https://www.sbs.com.au/news/australian-doctor-tackles-congo-health-crisis>

## VOLUNTEER HOURS

RI has asked us to identify and record the number of hours we devote to our activities. I am asking each club to enter your hours yourself, rather than passing them on to someone else to do. Here is some information supplied by RI.

*Clubs can enter details about volunteer hours in Rotary Club Central, the goal setting tool of My Rotary. However, volunteer hours have to be connected to a service project. They can't be reported as a stand-alone achievement.*

*Clubs will have to enter in a service activity and then they have the ability to enter in details about the number of volunteers, total number of volunteer hours, cash contributions and value of donated goods and services, so they aren't able to enter in 'volunteer hours' on a monthly basis in a traditional sense.*

*Here is a link to the definition of volunteer hours that Past RI President Ian used as part of his Citation criteria, which may explain a little more about what RI considers 'volunteer hours':*  
<https://www.dropbox.com/s/kOxg61l7aouhi3q/Reporting%20volunteer%20hours%20and%20service%20project%20contributions.docx?dl=0>

*Here is a link to a guide about entering in service activities:*

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/8zxuf1ds9qjobt2/How%20to%20Record%20Service%20Activities\\_EN.PDF?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/8zxuf1ds9qjobt2/How%20to%20Record%20Service%20Activities_EN.PDF?dl=0) If you need further help about this, please let me know.

## WHAT HAPPENS TO A GLOBAL SCHOLAR WHEN WE SEND THEM TO STUDY OVERSEAS?

This is an email from our Global Scholar from 2017, who is completing his year at Oxford University. There was a lot of competition when Mark was selected to go, and it looks as though he was a good choice and will continue his work supporting Pacific Island nations.

Here is part of his recent report...

*I am still in the thick of coursework. I finished exams in June and then started a professional placement with the UK Cabinet Office in London working at No. 10 Downing Street. I have a thesis due in the first week of September and will then be done.*

*I have plans to return to Sydney in March 2019. I was offered a place on a specialist six month postgraduate course at Oxford starting in October which is a training program for senior level diplomats. I will do the course 2-3 days a week, and work as a consultant for the International law firm Baker McKenzie in London at the same time advising developing country governments on how to generate finance for climate change mitigation and adaptation projects (including in the Pacific). I will continue working with Anna running Climate Policy Watch from London and will take over the leadership reins early next year when I return. It's set to be another packed year.*

*You will see in the final report, but overall the year has simply been fantastic, and I could not have imagined the professional development opportunities I have gained thanks to the global grant. I look forward to sharing more about my time here when I return to Sydney.*

*Best wishes*

*Mark*

PDG Paul Reid has Mark's contact details if you wish to book him as a speaker once he returns to Sydney next year.

## INDONESIAN EARTHQUAKE



Rowley Tompsett (Chair) has provided an update on ShelterBox's disaster relief efforts in support of those displaced by the Lombok earthquakes.

*ShelterBox has a Response Team in Indonesia, working with local government and local Rotarians. The Rotary support is being led by PDGs Eva Kurniarty and Al Purwa. Together, we are delivering aid to families in Lombok who have lost entire homes and we hope to be able to add to this with tents and tarpaulins. This aid will assist local families to start to rebuild their lives. On the ground, Rotary teams will be helping our ShelterBox Response Team to deliver relief to those families in desperate need. As ShelterBox Australia Chair, and a Rotarian, I am proud to see our two organisations joining in our efforts to assist the people of Lombok. This is the true essence of the Rotary-ShelterBox partnership.*

Rowley's contact details: Phone: +61 422 235 095 | Email: [rowley.tompsett@shelterbox.org.au](mailto:rowley.tompsett@shelterbox.org.au)



## GRANT OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEAFNESS PROJECTS

I am excited to share with you, information on two initiatives of the Deafness Foundation which you might like to follow up. They are:

### Grants Program

for Projects positively impacting people who are Deaf or Hearing Impaired. Grants may only be awarded to organisations, not to individuals.

### Education Encouragement Awards

for Deaf or hearing-impaired students at both Secondary (Year 11 or 12 in 2019) and Post-Secondary in 2019. These are valued at \$2000 for Secondary and \$3000 for Post-Secondary. Education Encouragement Awards are given to individuals.

As Rotary Clubs, we have strong connections to our local communities, many of us may be inspired to develop an innovative project with a partner or as a club in our own right to address a need related to deafness or hearing loss.

Attached are the Guidelines for both programs along with the Application / Nomination forms in word format. Applications are open until 31 October 2018, however may be lodged at any time from now through to then.

Jennifer Coburn, Executive Officer of the Deafness Foundation can be contacted on 03 9738 2909, or at [jennifercoburn@deafness.org.au](mailto:jennifercoburn@deafness.org.au) should you require any further information on either program. Please find the link below re the grants. [www.deafness.org.au](http://www.deafness.org.au)



Deafness Foundation  
Grants & Awards.zip

**Honeywell  
Engineering  
Summer School**  
6 - 11 December 2015

STEM subjects are getting a lot of focus currently. Applications are opening for the Honeywell Summer School at Sydney University to be held in December 2018, which informs high school students about careers in Engineering. Please find forms below for sponsoring students to attend.



Honeywell Summer  
School 2018 Flyer.pdf



HESS Program 2018  
draft.pdf

## ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ

- **What is RYLA?**

Rotary Youth Leadership Awards

- **What are the dates for RYLA next year?**

6-18 January 2019.

- **When should you start identifying RYLA Candidates?**

You should be promoting RYLA now so that you have time to identify, select and confirm your RYLA candidate/s. Numbers are limited, so don't delay. Here are key dates:

1. Applications close – 15th November 2018
2. Spaces are limited to 70X
3. Applications MUST be sent with payment (chq or copy of EFT attached) to be accepted.
4. Cost \$825, EFT: Rotary International District 9675 Inc, BSB: 062 200, ACC: 1036 1736
5. Send application to (with chq or copy of EFT ):
  - a) Email: [mark@tanner.net](mailto:mark@tanner.net)
  - b) Post: D9675 RYLA committee  
PO BOX 10  
Drummoyne NSW 2047
6. NO refunds can be issued for cancellations AFTER 21st December 2018.
7. Book & pay showcase lunch online by 7th January 2019.
  - a) Book lunch tickets here: <https://www.trybooking.com/390857>

Until next time....



**District Governor**

**Sue Hayward, & Mike**

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