

Rotary District 9675



Greetings from the District Governor

Greetings to all our Rotarians, Rotaractors and Friends of Rotary

Firstly, may I say a big thank you to all who attended the District Conference. I might be biased but, to me, it was a huge success. See my report inside and a collection of Komander 'Paparazzi' shots at the end.

The conference was in shock on the Friday when we heard about the shooting incident in NZ. Our RI President's Personal Representative, John Prendergast and Donna had left their home on Thursday and had been re-routed via Melbourne, because of the storm. They didn't arrive until Friday and it was only then that this event unfolded. How professional of them both to carry out their duties and maintain their humour and grace whilst not knowing if anyone they knew had been affected.

I felt the need to reach out to the Muslim community and so sent a draft of my letter to the other DGs in case they wanted to use it. They asked me to send the letter on behalf of all Australian DGs to the Grand Mufti which I did. See the letter enclosed.

When we hear of these attacks whether on Muslims, Christians or any other group, it makes us realise how important it is that we work towards a more peaceful world.

Regards

DG Sue Hayward

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APRIL – MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH



Rotarians make a difference throughout the world. For example, the Bo Children's Hospital in Sierra Leone, built by the Rotary Club of Turramurra, is one of many projects through which we provide care, equipment, and training opportunities for health care staff to improve maternal and child health. Rotarians have also supported the renovation and refurbishment of the Reproductive Health Clinic in the Eastern Highlands of Papua New Guinea and continue to provide awareness programs for parents. There are also projects in the Solomon Islands and Kenya which support birthing and nutrition. Our own travellers to India saw a diagnostic health centre being built which will act as a centre for mothers and babies to attend for health checks. Maternal & Child health is a major focus for our Rotary Foundation. That's why we should be providing our support.

THE QUIZ



So, what do you really know?

- What is RAM?
- Why is 19 April important to Rotary and the world?
- What does your club need to do to become eligible to apply for a grant in the next Rotary year?

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

Peace Scholars Nominations Open

Applications are open for the 2020 Rotary Peace Fellowships. More than 1200 Alumni are working in over 100 countries promoting peace.

As of this month, the [2020 Rotary Peace Fellowship application](#) is now available. We need your help to find the next group of experienced global peace and development leaders! Circulate a [fellowship announcement](#) to contacts within your network or [refer a candidate](#) and the Rotary Peace Centers team will follow up. [Watch this video](#) to learn about some of the significant work being done by our fellowship program alumni.

Applications close on 31 May 2019 for the 2010-21 academic year. Please think carefully about whether you know someone worthy of receiving this significant scholarship and take action soon.

ALLOCATION OF DROUGHT APPEAL FUNDING

I thought I would update you on the allocation of the TV drought appeal funds. Please find below the details of who received the funds. Rotary did very well.

DROUGHT APPEAL DISTRIBUTION							
National Farmers Federation Grant Approvals							
	First Tranche	Second Tranche	Third Tranche	Fourth Tranche	Fifth Tranche	TOTAL	
	14 Aug 18	27 Aug 18	19 Sep 18	5 Oct 18	15 Jan 19		
1	Lions Club of Pakenham	500,000				500,000	
2	Lions Club of Pakenham					500,000	
3	CWA NSW	250,000	250,000		500,000	1,000,000	
4	CWA Q	250,000	250,000		200,000	700,000	
5	Drought Angels		250,000		200,000	700,000	
6	Salvation Army [NSWEA Drought Fund]		250,000		250,000	500,000	
7	RAWCS 59/2013.14		250,000			250,000	
8	RAWCS 59/2013.14			250,000		250,000	
9	RAWCS 46/2013.14		250,000			250,000	
10	RAWCS 46/2013.14			250,000		250,000	
11	RAWCS 2/2018.19		250,000			250,000	
12	RAWCS 18/2018.19		100,000			100,000	
13	RAWCS 28/2018.19		250,000			250,000	
14	RAWCS 33/2018.19		250,000			250,000	
15	RAWCS 37/2018.19		250,000			250,000	
16	RAWCS 38/2018.19			250,000		250,000	
17	Eyre Peninsular Charity Initiative		100,000			100,000	
18	Blaze Aid		250,000		250,000	500,000	
19	Salvation Army		500,000			500,000	
20	Salvation Army			1,000,000		1,000,000	
21	Uni Canberra Mental Health Mobile Unit		32,600			32,600	
22	Givit			250,000		250,000	
23	St Vincent de Paul			1,000,000	500,000	1,500,000	
24	WA Freight [Fodder]			250,000		250,000	
25	WQDC [Farmers]				300,000	300,000	
26	WQDC [Small Business]				112,500	112,500	
27	CWA Vic				27,450	27,450	
28	CWA SA				27,450	27,450	
29						0	
30						0	
31						0	
		1,000,000	1,500,000	1,982,600	3,750,000	1,867,400	9,632,600
							10,100,000
							10,100,000
							UNALLOCATED FUNDS
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ROTARIANS AGAINST MALARIA (RAM)

Despite a 60% reduction in the annual death toll from malaria, progress in a number of countries close to us (PNG, the Solomon Islands and Timor Leste) has stalled.

In PNG, over 12,000,000 bed nets have been distributed since 2009. and the PNG Department of Health is restocking clinics and hospitals with diagnostic kits and malaria treatment drugs.

Healthy Village kits have been distributed to over 160 villages in the Solomon, (with another 35 kits to be issued to qualified villages soon). RAM also supports a PhD candidate in researching mosquito movement around villages to design effective mosquito barrier screens.


The successful national malaria program in Timor Leste has been so effective that malaria elimination in the next 5 years is a distinct possibility. Border controls will be critical to detect and prevent the spread of transported infections.

15 Australian Rotary Districts, and many clubs, are supporting RAM in partnering with the Rotary Club of Dili Lafaek to provide bed nets and spraying equipment through a Rotary Foundation grant. The budget for this project is USD251,000.

Lastly, the Institute for Glycomics at Griffith University (Gold Coast) malaria vaccine project is proceeding well. Over ASD \$650,000 has been raised with more needed to facilitate the recruitment of more volunteers to test the vaccine.

To ensure that RAM can continue its good works, and further reduce the annual death toll in the South West Pacific area, Clubs are encouraged to plan Malaria Awareness Day activities on 30th April aimed at raising a minimum of \$500 per annum per club. Any questions? Contact the District 9675 RAM coordinator - Lloyd Chatfield (Rotary Club of Kiama) on lloyd.chatfield@bigpond.com

THE FOUR-WAY TEST

	<p>From the earliest days of the organisation, Rotarians were concerned with promoting high ethical standards in their professional lives. One of the world's most widely printed and quoted statements of business ethic is The 4-Way Test, which was created in 1932 by Rotarian Herbert J Taylor (who later served as RI President) when he was asked to take charge of a company that was facing bankruptcy. This 24-word code of ethics for employees to follow in their business and professional lives became the guide for sales, production, advertising, and all relations with dealers and customers, and the survival of the company is credited to this simple philosophy.</p> <p>Adopted by Rotary in 1943, The 4-Way Test has been translated into more than a hundred languages and published in thousands of ways.</p> <p>Take a pause and reflect as to whether you (in your private and professional life) and your Rotary Club are embracing the philosophy of The 4-Way Test.</p>
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ELECTION OPPORTUNITY

I'm too late for the NSW election, but I'm just wondering how many clubs do a sausage sizzle at a voting booth on election day? We'll be having a Federal Election soon and it might be worth asking if you can do one then. Have someone talking to those in line about your club projects. You have a captive audience... all those lovely people queued up for 15 mins waiting to cast their votes! What better things to talk about than 'Smelly Dollars'?"

Even if you don't have a BBQ, wear your Rotary hat or T-shirt when you go to vote. Use it as a conversation starter and talk to the people you meet about your club projects, and your 'Rotary moment', whilst waiting to vote. No one knows if you are going on to a Rotary function, or not. Be a walking promotion for our brand!

THANKS FOR A GREAT CONFERENCE

We were thrilled with the response to the Conference. To those who chose not to come, I do have to ask myself 'why?' Why would you not come along to hear some top speakers and learn more about what's going on in the world of Rotary and the broader world? The cost is negligible. \$210 for the whole weekend. You would pay that for an hour with some of the speakers we had. The opportunity to network and to also have some fun, surely makes this value in itself.

Next year, DGE Di North's conference will be at Wollongong. It will be a combined event with D9685 and is a good example of how the two districts might work together in the future if we combine. Please put the following dates into your calendar now...20-22 March 2020. Bookings open on 1 April.

I want to take this opportunity to thank Murray Kear, our hard-working Chair, and his committee, for the effort they put into the arrangements. It was a great event. It takes over 12 months to organise a conference of this size and my special thanks go to the following people:

Murray Kear – Chair – Rotary Club Campbelltown
Joanne Glaser – Vice-Chair – RC West Wollongong
Angela Bradley – Speaker Coordinator – Rotary Club Sydney Darling Harbour
Dot Hennessy – Sponsorship - Rotary Club Wollongong
Anita Robinson – Showcase - Rotary Club Gregory Hills Next Gen
David Guillaume – Registrar – Rotary Club Fairy Meadow
Lynne Gibson – Finance Manager - Rotary Club Sydney Darling Harbour
Margaret Noonan – Stage Manager - Rotary Club Five Dock
Nerrie Lacey – AV / Publications - Rotary Club Mt Druitt
Phil Lacey – AV - Rotary Club Mt Druitt
Warwick Richardson – Volunteer Coordinator - Rotary Club Wollondilly North
Ron Brown – President - Home of the DG - Rotary Club Sydney Darling Harbour
Peter Komander- Official photographer.

I was lucky enough, at the Conference Dinner, to be able to say thank you to Rosie Lotawa for all her work for ROMAC and for giving me my first 'Rotary Moment'. Rosie is an inspiration to many people for the care she has shown to children coming into Australia for surgery. Thank you Rosie.



ARE YOUR MEMBERS 'PEOPLE OF ACTION'?

Do you have any budding film makers in your club? No? Well how about someone who can use a phone to make a short 2-minute video? Maybe a 12-year-old neighbour or grandchild?? Please see details of an interesting competition attached as well as the latest newsletter with lots of information and ideas about our Public Image (PI) and branding. Speakers are also available... look inside.

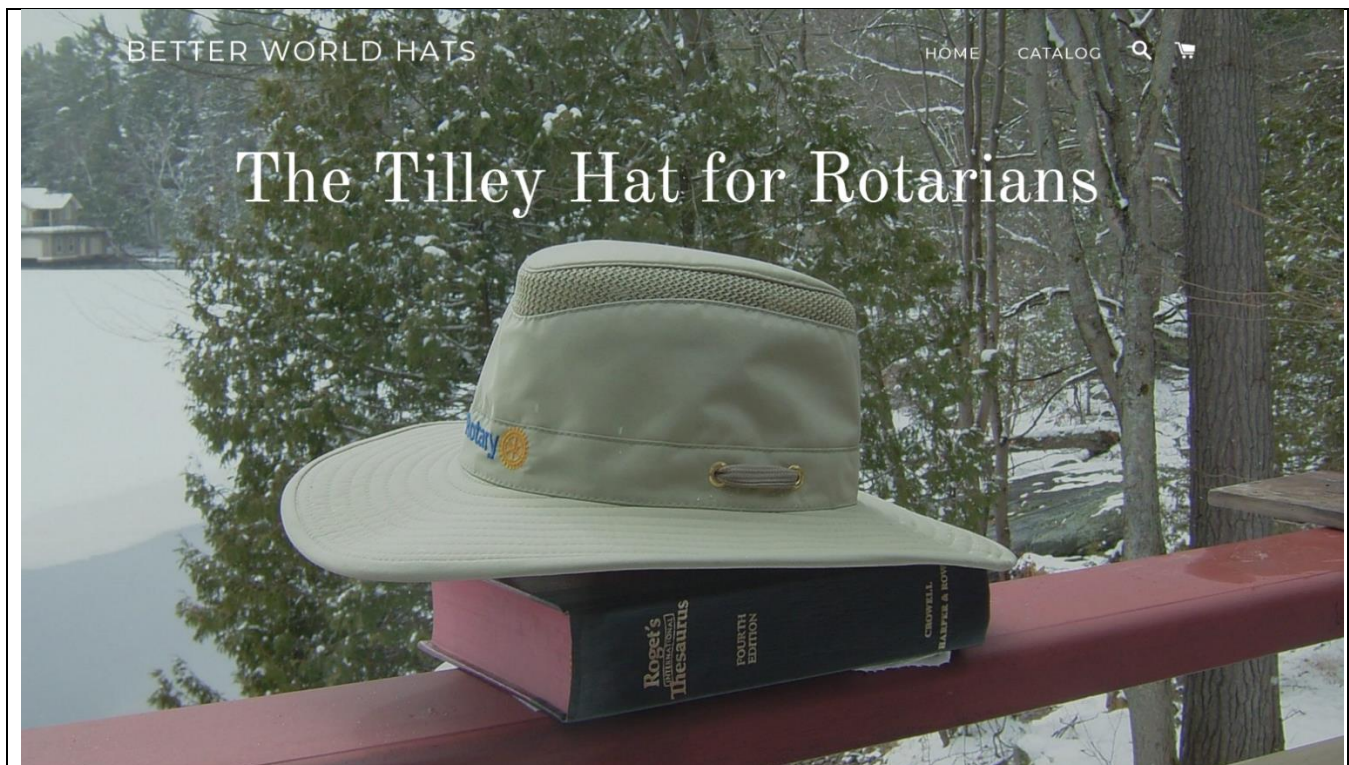


Zone 8 Video Clip
competition flyer.pdf



Zone 8 Public Image
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WANT A HAT TO LAST?



For those of you who don't know, the Tilly hat is a Canadian product worn by explorers, archaeologists, naturalists and anyone who likes the outdoor life.

There is a Tilly hat available with the Rotary logo on it. They aren't cheap, but they are a one-off purchase which will last a lifetime. They have a 'pocket' inside the top which is very useful. Click on the link to order one... <https://www.facebook.com/betterworldhats/>

ANSWERS TO THE QUIZ

- What is RAM?

RAM is Rotarians Against Malaria. See article in the newsletter above, but for more information visit the RAM site at: <http://ram.rawcs.com.au>

- Why is 19 April important to Rotary and the world?

This is Paul Harris' birthday. The Rotary world celebrates the fact that Paul Harris was one of the founders of Rotary in Chicago along with three of his colleagues. From that small meeting, we now have clubs in almost every corner of the globe working to make the world a better place.

- What does your club need to do to become eligible to apply for a grant in the next Rotary year?

The next Rotary Foundation training is to be held on Saturday 4 May 2019 at Bankstown Sports Club. One person from the club must have completed this training each Rotary year to qualify for applying for our grants. It's also a great way for new members to learn about our own charity, The Rotary Foundation. Come along, network and learn.

Regards until next time...



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