

Dear fellow Rotarians, partners and friends of Rotary,

We have had a quiet start to the year with all meetings taking place over zoom. I would like to express my extreme gratitude to you all for your cooperation and patience as we navigate this new world.

Jenny & I are still continuing with our DG visits, albeit in this new format. Once the risks associated with COVID have reduced, we will arrange to meet up with the clubs we have missed in a more casual setting. We are currently starting to discuss with clubs returning to face-to-face visits where these can be done safely and the members are comfortable with this.

Many of you would have had the opportunity to watch the Australia Day Rotary webinar. This was an excellent program highlighting the many projects that Rotary is doing throughout our zone. There were some very engaging speakers and once again we had the opportunity to learn more about what Rotary is doing.

I am sad to advise that Fiona Biedermann has, for personal reasons, stepped down from her role as Chair of the District Membership and Public Image Committee.

Fiona has had a profound impact on Rotary at district level as District 9520 Membership Chair, the first District 9510 Membership Chair and more recently in her current role as District Membership and Public Image chair. Fiona will be very much missed, and we thank her for her enormous contribution.

For the remainder of this Rotary year, **Dannielle Camporeale** – **RC Port Pirie**, has kindly agreed to chair the District Membership committee and **Julie Johnson** – **RC Adelaide**, has kindly agreed to chair the District Public Image committee.

I would like to take the opportunity in this month's edition to highlight the important work being done by the Public Image committee, now under the leadership of Julie Johnson as mentioned above. They are a small committee but are continually searching out ways to promote Rotary and support clubs with their Public Image. Our Public Image team will have a stand at the Conference and will have a brief session where they can share with us their plans to support Rotary branding in our District.

The team is prepared to come to your club to speak with you and assist you with any questions you have about Public Image.

I challenge all clubs to continue to keep Public Image as a high priority on their agenda. The work that Rotary does in our community and around the world has a significant impact. It is imperative that we take all steps necessary to ensure that our promotion and branding highlights the work that we do.





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Unfortunately, the decision has been made to cancel RYLA in April and notification has been sent to all clubs. I would like to assure clubs that this decision was made due to many factors that were impacting the safe and economical running of the RYLA program on this particular occasion. The decision was made with full support and consultation with the RYLA leadership team and as a District we fully support this decision.

It is important to emphasize that this is not a reflection on the ability of the RYLA leadership team to carry out their roles. We also acknowledge the amount of hard work that has been done by the team in preparation to deliver this program. The good news is that we have a strong team already planning for the RYLA which will be delivered in September and we know that will be a great success.

Now that many of the COVID restrictions are lifting, we need to be vigilant as the virus is still very much present in our community. I encourage clubs to continually review their policy and processes with regards to COVID. I know that many clubs are now considering returning to face-to-face meetings however, I encourage you to review these decisions carefully and in consultation with your members. It will still be important to maintain guidelines as set out by the Health Department.

With regards to District meetings, these will still be continuing via zoom, however the Board will review this over the next few weeks and send out advice to all committee chairs when this changes. I congratulate the majority of clubs that have been able to work successfully throughout these difficult times.

Registration for the conference (1st – 3rd April) is still open and can be accessed on our District website. This is a great opportunity to catch up with fellow Rotarians. We are working hard to ensure that this event proceeds safely and that we are meeting all of the guidelines and recommendations of SA Health of our District Leadership Team and Rotary International.



#### "Opportunity to promote your business at the conference"

It is less than 5 weeks to our D9510 conference. The conference committee would like to offer an opportunity for Rotarians to promote their business by placing a small gift or discount voucher in the Conference bag. We have more than 360 registrations so far.

If you are interested in taking advantage of this opportunity please contact our **conference sponsorship coordinator Jeff Blanco** on 0418 807 040.

Yours in Rotary

DG Jeff Neale

Our District 9510 Conference in the Barossa Valley is fast approaching (1st – 3rd April 2022). Registration for the conference is still open and can be accessed on our District website.

The line-up of Conference speakers includes:

#### Philip James Hoffmann AM

Managing Director Phil Hoffmann Travel

#### **Dr Leanne Beagley**

CEO of Mental Health Australia

#### **Elaine Bensted**

Chief Executive Zoos SA

#### **David Paterson**

Chief Exectutve Officer of the YMCA

#### Ian Henschke

Chief Advocate for National Seniors Australia

#### **Kay Danes OAM**

Yours in Rotary

HD (Law & Justice), Human Rights Advocate

#### Tanya Hosch

Executive General Manager of Inclusion and Social Policy at the AFL



Program timing is to be as follows:

Friday 1:00 - 5:00pm Saturday 9:00am - 12:30pm Sunday 8:15am Multi-faith

Sunday

8:15am Multi-faith Service

9:00am - 12:30pm



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### **Hideaway Hut**

Hideaway hut at Calperum is being refurbished by members from **RC Regency Park, Prospect** and Walkerville under the leadership of AG Jeff Cluse.

The hut, presumed to be a former musterer's hut, was transported many kilometres from the Mallee part of the station down to the homestead area on the river flats in the 1990s by the **RC Loxton**. It was used for research staff accommodation and even a library for station staff in past times.

Its location in the bush, near Rotary House on Calperum station, makes it ideal as a tourist rental property for couples wishing to enjoy the ecology and environment of Calperum.

The three clubs have embarked on refurbishing the hut itself (which has an en suite) and building an adjacent deck, bath and outdoor shower as well.

A working group will spend a week in mid-March completing most of the major works with follow up work on the outside features in April/May. It is expected the hut itself will be ready for rentals after the mid-March work.

Grenville Smith, President of RC Prospect is using his contacts in the building trade to get donations of building supplies.



Hideaway Hut planned layout



Site works undertaken last month

# Drought Communities Outreach Program on tour through the Murraylands.

The Drought Communities Outreach Program is now continuing to assist people in rural areas that have been affected by drought. Despite the unusual recent summer rains, the areas are still in drought, a drought that has lasted over 4 years.

The touring team of **Rotarians Jerry and Briony Casburn, and Sam and Elizabeth Cozens** was supported by the Commonwealth Government through the RAWCS organisation to distribute \$500 debit cards to drought affected families in Lameroo, Alawoona, Nildottie, Sedan, and Palmer. The team made contact with 179 farmers, farm workers, and farm contractors in the first instance to give them a small encouragement boost with the \$500, but equally important bring them in contact with a range of other support organisations who were travelling along with the team.

In total an amount of \$89,500 was injected into the local community, and the various government and private agencies were able to give advice to support these important businesses in the short term, and planning advice for longer term viability.

Rotary Clubs of West Lakes, Loxton, Gawler Light, Onkaparinga, & Murray Bridge also provided free BBQ's at Riverland/Murraylands towns of Lameroo, Alawoona, Nildottie, Sedan & Palmer.

Rotary District 9510 has distributed 950 Rotary \$500 gift cards valued at \$475,000 to farming families affected by drought over the past 2 years in 30 locations in the drought affected areas with 23 Rotary Clubs providing free BBQ's.

Sam Cozens RC Murray Bridge

From left Briony and Jerry Casburn, Elizabeth and Sam Cozens





## 9510 District Governor 2024-25

Marie-louise Lees has been selected to be District Governor 9510 2024-25. She is a member of **RC Gawler Light**, and current President 2021-2022

Marie-louise is the Chair of D9510 The Rotary Foundation.

## **Rotary on Coast FM 88.7**

The highest rating community radio station in Adelaide, now has a Rotary program on the third Wednesdays of each month at 9:15am with presenter **Rob McLennan, RC Adelaide Light.** 

Rob presents a magazine program every Wednesday on the station together with music from the 60s, 70s and 80s. The program likewise is pitched at a mature audience and has an average listener number of 52,000 at any one time.

Content for the program is arranged in conjunction with the Public Image committee. If any club would like to appear on the program with a Rotary story contact a member of the committee through the district website.



## The Rotary Foundation – District update

Summer is here! Longer and warmer days (as well some sneezing from those 'blooms') and welcome changes to COVID-19 restrictions with the reopening of the borders and outdoor gatherings expanded for businesses including cafes.

Fellow Rotarians, we will hear a lot about targets on climate next few months as world leaders met for the highly anticipated COP26 summit. Climate change isn't just bad for the planet's health-it's bad for people too. Trauma from floods, drought, and heat waves can lead to mental health issues and other diseases. While many climate solutions require leadership from governments, we Rotarians and Rotary Clubs, also need changes within our regular fundraising activities to tackle climate change. The Clubs can help to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by recycling responsibly to lessen landfill waste and reduce the use of single-use disposable plastics.

It is good news that The Rotary Foundation Trustees and Rotary International Board of Directors have both unanimously approved adding a new area of focus: supporting the environment. Supporting the environment becomes Rotary's seventh area of focus, which are categories of service activities supported by global grants. It joins peacebuilding and conflict prevention; disease prevention and treatment; water, sanitation, and hygiene; maternal and child health; basic education and literacy; and community economic development.

The Rotary Foundation has continued to support Clubs in the district and encourage the Club members to support the Rotary Foundation, a wonderful concept to assist financially the administration and grants in Rotary.

By any measure, 2021 has been successful and active year for the Foundation supporting programs for the Rotary Clubs and organising End Polio Now campaign. During the year, the Foundation Committee approved grants to 26 projects, and some of them never funded by Foundation before. The funded projects undertaken by different Rotary Clubs were very competitive and met all areas of focus as stipulated under The Rotary Foundation guidelines. The Foundation encourages the clubs to continue visit the Foundation page to familiarise with information on district and global grants or the areas of focus. The website has been modified to put the district grants information at the top of the webpage.

However, despite that progress in End Polio Now Fundraising Campaigns, we cannot afford to be complacent. We know that giving the chance for the world children to live free from being disabled by Polio hinges on getting the Polio Virus under control. Unfortunately, cases are still there, particularly in communities with very low vaccination rates in Afghanistan.

It is with sincere pleasure working with the talented, funny, smart and dedicated Foundation Committee 2021-22. Sam Cozens (VTT and Scholarships), Lee Camporeale (Giving), PDG Jane Owens (Chair- Grants Committee), Joseph Masika (Publicity/Newsletter), PDG Bob Cooper (End Polio - Ute Relay), Darryl Webb (Promotion), PDG Jerry Casburn (Support). The Grants Committee Maureen Phillips (Global Grants) Ken Parcell, Peter Schaefer and Jeanette Rich.

Above all, they are committed to being steadfast and supportive to Rotary Clubs and members. Feel free to contact them or me at any time for any information you need in relation to the work of the Foundation or district and Global Grants. We are always ready to help you.

I would like to take this opportunity to formally thank all our volunteers for all the ways in which you work voluntarily to support our clubs and community. Thank you for the time and love that you give to our Rotary Clubs.

Thank you,

Marie-louise Lees

Chair- The Rotary Foundation

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## **Rotary Club of Kapunda to hand in its Charter**

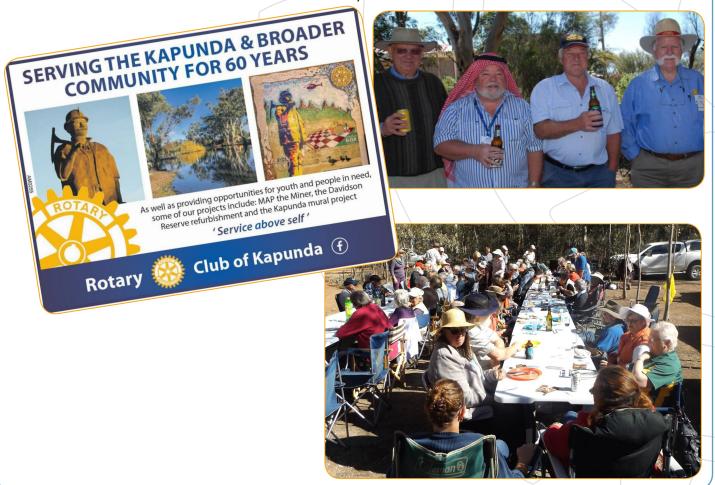
After sixty-three years of serving the Kapunda Community, the **RC Kapunda** will be handing in its charter with the 16th of May 2022 being the last meeting of the club. The club's inability to attract new and younger members was a factor in arriving at the decision and with only seven current members and five of those being over seventy years of age, it became apparent that the club was unable to do the things that Rotary should be doing.

The Rotary Club of Kapunda was formed in 1958/59 the sponsor club being the Rotary Club of Gawler and Past president Harvey Kelly was appointed as the Governor's representative for the formation of the new Kapunda Club.

The Presentation of Charter was held on Friday, 23rd January 1959 and was presented by past District Governor Arthur Sampson. Eli Hambour was then inducted as the first president of the club. District Governor David Clarkson inducted the members of the Kapunda Club. The club had twenty-seven members and was admitted to Rotary international on the 29th August 1959 forming part of District 250.

The club has had a strong presence in the local community and has enjoyed strong support in return. It has raised funds for local projects with the most significant being the commissioning and erection of 'Map Kernow' the seven-metre statue at the southern entrance to Kapunda and an everlasting symbol of the town. The organising and building of the Kapunda Hospital Helipad with approximately 100 community volunteers assisting was another. It has contributed to both the Rotary Foundation and the Australian Rotary Health Foundation as well as the "End Polio Now" vaccination initiative. In 2022 a conservative estimate is that the club has generated the equivalent of in excess of \$1.2m in benefit for the local and broader community.

The Rotary Club of Kapunda's members, partners and supporters over the years can be rightly proud of their contribution to the betterment of the community.



## Rotary helps bring in the vintage at Boston Bay Wines

Every vintage, Boston Bay Wines uses casual labour from local organisations, sporting and service clubs to pick grapes for the vintage. It's one of our best fundraisers which enables community projects to be implemented throughout the ensuing year.

Each Sunday morning during February and March, members of the **Rotary Club of Port Lincoln**, with partners and friends, amongst the other groups, gather to pick the fruit.

Most years, the club arranges through one of its members, a team of visiting medical students to the Eyre Peninsula Local Health Services, to assist the club in this fundraiser.

Everyone enjoys the casual friendships, the camaraderie and the special hospitality of our host on these occasions.

# FIRST PICK AT BOSTON BAY VINEYARDS





GRAPE PICKING PARTY SUNDAY 13 FEB.

Including Nine Young doctors under the wing of Rtn Kay Ajao ...Thankyou so much!

Jim Kay Kay Ojao John Myers Elly Colin West Tony Thorpe Vishak Gary Liam

Bob Sorensen Bev Carey Pat Callaghan Corey Fielder

Sophie Bec Erin Charlotte Amelia









# **Rotary Clubs Barossa Valley and Barossa District** (raise funds for POLIO Eradication) Reporter Peta-Marie Philippou

The (Borossa) Leader, Wednesday Feb 2, 2022

# Rotary raises polio awareness

By Peta-Marie Philippou

Although the Barossa was short of tourists this Australia Day, the Rotary End Polio Now global project managed to receive great exposure.

Rotary Club of Barossa Valley and Rotary Club of Barossa District each took turns in loaning the district's Rotary Polio Ute last Wednesday and Thursday - Wednesday being at the Tanunda Visitor Information Centre (VIC) and Thursday being at the Coop, Nuriootpa.

Mrs Sandie Simons, Rotary Club of Barossa Valley secretary said it was great to see the ute roll into the Barossa

"The ute was loaned to us by Paradise Mazda, Adelaide," she said.

"There's only one ute in the district and the district is quite large.

"It goes as far as covering Alice Springs to Victoria, so to have it here was special.

Mrs Simons thanked The Barossa Council for its support and last minute changes on Australia Day.

"Initially, we were given space to have our display at The Barossa Council Australia Day awards breakfast at the Tanunda Show

"Due to COVID, the awards didn't go ahead as planned, so The Barossa Council were great in letting us set up in Murray Street outside the VIC."

Mrs Simons said although not many donations were given over the two days, many people stopped by for a chat and more information.

"The project is a huge initiative that has happening place been going since 1988," she said.
"Last Australi

"The onus is for each Rotary Club to sell tickets as best as they can, so that when the tourists, we didn't. ute is set up, it's usually around an event or



Rotary Club of Barossa Valley members: Marie Rothe, Peter Perkins, Sandie and Bill Simons.

'Last Australia Day, we sold out of raffle tickets, but this time, due to a shortage of

"It was a bit disappointing but we are

"Polio is only left in two countries now: be constantly monitored.

kistan and Afghanistan. "We look forward one day to seeing a polio-Pakistan and Afghanistan.

"We will still be actively raising funds free world."

grateful for the awareness on polio the ute brought. throughout the world for this project because it's a surveillance thing and has to

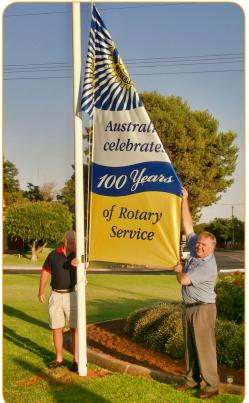
#### Tables turned at Waikerie

Most Australia Day events in 2022 were cancelled or scaled back and many Rotary clubs missed their opportunity of being involved.

However at Waikerie that tables were turned. This year the Waikerie Australia Day committee decided to cook the BBQ and invited the Rotary Club members as the guests of honour!

They enjoyed a cooked breakfast at the Waikerie Football Club. Bacon, eggs, toast and champagne to recognise and thank the **Rotary Club of Waikerie** for their continued service to the town. The Rotary Club of Waikerie also held their annual Australia Day flag raising ceremony in the middle of the town's main roundabout with 40 Rotarians & guests in attendance.

PDG Ian Oliver had the honour of raising the flag this year and explained the history behind this annual event. The flagpole was erected as a Rotary project to commemorate 100 years of Rotary International in 2005. Incidentally The Rotary Centenary Flag was raised on the 23rd February 2005. For the past 17 years, the club has made the raising of the Australian Flag an annual tradition with Rotarians gathering on the roundabout to the entrance of Waikerie and making a toast.



PDG Ian Oliver raising the Flag on Australia Day - an annual tradition since 2005 held on the towns roundabout.

2005 - the new flag pole and centenary flag commemorating 100 years of Rotary - PDG Ian Oliver and PP Errol Matschoss raising the flag.

2005 - our charter President from 1962 the late Rex Andrew had the honour of raising the Australian Flag on the new flag pole on the roundabout.



January 26, 2022 Rotarians and guests gathered for the annual tradition of raising the Australian Flag followed by breakfast!



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