# Rotary Matters



January 2021 DG Newsletter

Dear fellow Rotarians and friends of Rotary,

I trust you and your families have all enjoyed Christmas and Lyn and I wish you every happiness and success for the year ahead.

Even though we are in the midst of a COVID-19 Pandemic across the globe, as Rotarians, we should look forward to the new year with optimism and hope. The work that we do through our Rotary Clubs – supporting and providing basic health care, clean water, shelter and education to people in need both locally and internationally, continues to make a positive difference. We must continue to serve humanity through Rotary, and always look for opportunities to make our world a better place. The combined effort of 1.2 million individual Rotarians does have an impact.

#### **Polio Ute Relay**

The Polio Ute Relay launched in Alice Springs on World Polio Day 24th October has made its way through Clubs within the District. The event has served several purposes.

Firstly, to raise much needed funds for End Polio Now, secondly, promote polio awareness, highlighting the global efforts toward a polio-free world and honour the tireless contributions of those on the frontlines in the fight to eradicate polio from every corner of the globe, and thirdly, the Centenary of Rotary Baton that accompanied the Ute created awareness to our forthcoming 100 Year Celebration of Rotary in Australia and New Zealand. I personally thank PDG Bob Cooper (Burnside) for his management of the event, his team including Sarah Walsh (Glenelg) and Carola Sanders (Mt Barker) for their significant contributions, and the Area Governor team and Clubs for embracing the event. The Relay ended at the Glenunga Hub Market on December 19th where the Raffle draw took place. See separate report from Bob detailing winners.

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A happy Bob Cooper at the end of the Relay. Job well done Bob!

#### January is Vocational Service Month

By bringing together people from diverse professions and backgrounds, Rotary recognizes the importance of all skills and occupations. In Rotary, your professional life and vocational service go hand in hand. Members have a dual responsibility to represent their occupations within their club and exemplify the ideals of Rotary in their places of work. January is Vocational Service Month, a great time to use the <u>Vocational Service in Action handbook</u> and share it with your fellow club members. It can help you learn more about vocational service and offer ideas.



#### GLOBAL GRANTS - 7th Area of Focus

The Rotary Foundation is moving forward on Rotary's new area of focus! You can now find more information about how we'll protect the environment in the updated Area of Focus Policy Statements.



This new cause empowers Rotary members to address specific issues that have detrimental effects on the environment comprehensively and opens an opportunity to build on the environmental work we are already doing in our communities.

The RI Board and Rotary Foundation Trustees added the environment as an official cause earlier this year, and clubs and districts can apply for global grants in this area beginning 1 July 2021. We encourage everyone who wants to apply for a global grant to carefully review the policy statements to ensure that their proposed projects are eligible. <u>Learn more about protecting the environment</u>.

#### **DISTRICT GOVERNOR 2023-24**

The District has opened nominations for our District Governor for 2023-24 and each member was emailed the application and position description in an email via Club Runner on Wednesday 2nd December. Under the new District 9510 Bylaws there is also an opportunity for 2 Rotarians to nominate to be on the Selection Committee. This process was outlined in the same email.

- Applications for District Governor 2023-24 close 6th February.
- Applications for Selection Committee close 31st January.

Please direct applications and any queries to
District Secretary David Fenton secretary20-22@rotary9510.org

#### ROTARY LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE - 6th & 7th February

Charles Campbell College, Paradise Cost per Rotarian - \$180

Registration https://rotary9510.org/event/rotary-leadership-institute/





Yours in Rotary

DG David Jones



### **Notice Board**





## Banking details for transfer of proceeds to The Rotary Foundation END POLIO.

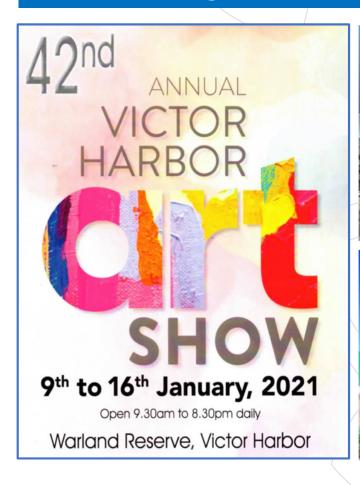
Clubs are requested to download this linked form(below) and deposit End Polio Now funds into The Rotary Foundation.

Please make sure you select 'Polio Plus' and use the name of your Club in the description.

IMPORTANT: Please always advise risppo@rotary.org of the donation BEFORE or ON THE DAY of the bank transfer.

You can download the form on this link

### **Visiting the South Coast in January?**





#### **DISTRICT CONFERENCE 16th-18th APRIL 2021**

Our District 9510 Conference will held at Westminster School at Marion.

The Conference Dinner will be held at the Convention Centre, and includes a drink package.

The dinner will also be a celebration of the Centenary of Rotary in Australia. Conference registration and details including our guest speakers can be found on the District Website. Progressive updates will also appear on the official District Facebook page.

Click Here to view and register

Yours in Rotary

DG David Jones



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# Meet your neighbours... An ongoing series introducing the clubs in the District

Clubs are invited to submit a story about themselves of around 200 words and a photo. We would like to include as many clubs as we can throughout the year so please keep them coming. (The Editor - Euan Miller) email: <a href="mailto:euan@gdaysa.com.au">euan@gdaysa.com.au</a>



Send your Rotary Classified to

secretary20-22@rotary9510.org
by **7th** of the **month** 

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#### Rotary Matters Jan 2021

#### HAPPY NEW YEAR!



With a vaccine in the offing and good virus controls across the district we hope for an almost 'back to normal' for the rest of this year to enable every Rotarian to Open Opportunities.

A number of clubs entered into the Christmas spirit during December to bring Father Christmas into their communities. So many stores and community groups cancelled his annual visit because of COVID so it was great to see enterprising Rotarians creating the opportunity to interface with youngsters in the lead up to the big night.

Norwood brought him to the Norwood Mall in conjunction with a BBQ and Morphett Vale and Magill Sunrise also entered into the spirit with their own interpretations. Social distancing was required and this even made it easier for the young fry who were a little afraid of the big whiskery man in red. It is not easy being the Jolly Fellow either in 35 degrees with a full beard and hair, not to mention clothes normally designed for North Pole weather. Magill Sunrise found a solution.



Father Christmas at Norwood



Magill Sunrise at their Christmas Market



Morphett Vale at the Hackham West
Community Centre

#### Woodchip Bagging drive

The **University of Adelaide Rotaract Club** is seeking Rotarian volunteers to help with woodchip bagging on the 12 and 13 January 2021, from 11am - 5pm at the Comfort Inn Manhattan 471 Main North Rd Enfield.

The club is also looking to borrow gloves 100+ pairs, marquees for shade, trailers (to transport to DIK) and a club to provide a BBQ lunch. We need to pack 300 bags of wood chips for sale with proceeds supporting our club's community projects and events

The Comfort inn has made their pool available so bring your bathers to cool off at the end of the day.

Hope you can help! Would your club happen to have anything that could assist us If you can help, either individually or as a club please contact Lenard 0402 018 809.



FB Event: <a href="https://facebook.com/events/s/wood-chip-bagging-drive/353204855914208/?ti=icl">https://facebook.com/events/s/wood-chip-bagging-drive/353204855914208/?ti=icl</a>

#### INTRODUCING THE ROTARY CLUB OF MITCHAM

Chartered in March 1962, RC Mitcham's parent Club is Unley and we in turn have parented Blackwood, St Mary's (since handed in their charter) and Brown Hill Creek. Mitcham has retained a membership numbering in the 40s over recent years. This is largely due to the friendliness and positive social interaction of members, while still adhering to the ethos of Rotary. Our first female member joined in 1992 and for the past 5 years we have had more than 40% female membership.

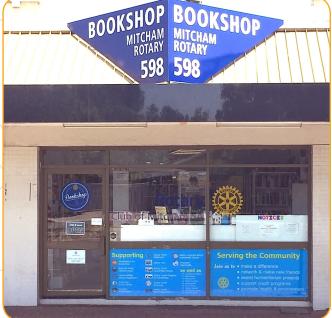
We meet weekly on Wednesday evenings at the Edinburgh Hotel, Mitcham. We, like many others, mastered the skill of Zoom meetings during the 3 months of restrictions due to COVID-19.

Our main fundraiser is our second-hand bookshop at 598 Goodwood Road, Daw Park which is managed

solely through volunteer labour. The shop serves as a great public relations opportunity and has attracted new members as well as providing funds for our projects. These include Shelter Box of which we are a Bronze Champion, the Rotary Foundation and Australian Rotary Health including the Indigenous Scholarship program.

Our most recent international project has seen the provision of toilets for the Likhameng School in Lesotho, South Africa while closer to home we support Rotary's Youth programs and have introduced annual Service Above Self awards in several primary schools in the local area.

Andrew Atterton



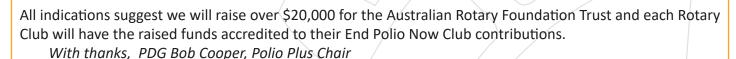
#### Polio Ute relay raffle

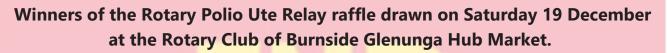
I would like to thank everyone involved in the co-ordination of the Rotary Polio Ute Relay and the raffle because it was particularly challenging with a much larger number of Rotary Clubs, the COVID 19 restrictions and availability of the new model Mazda BT 50 Ute which limited the timeframe of the staging Posts.

Having the access to the Polly Polio Trailer from District 9670 in NSW added another dimension to the exposure of Rotary's mission to eradicate Polio from the world.

We achieved good local media coverage from the outer areas and good support for donations from activities that coincided with the Polio Ute Relay staging posts.

In addition, the Polio Ute Relay Facebook page seemed to cover most of the Rotary Club Staging Posts over the 7003km travelled by the Ute.





- 1. Barossa Experience". Accommodation at Lanzerac Estate & wine-tasting for 2. Wine from Bethany wines. Meals, wine tastings, boutiques beers at various Barossa venues. Organised by Sandie Simons, Secretary Rotary Club of Barossa Valley, Value \$1500. **Won by Lesley Rocklyn from Hillcrest purchased ticket from RC of Eastwood**
- 2. Painting of Port Lincoln Harbour Value \$650 Donated by Craig & Sandy Sumsion of Raine & Horne Roxby Downs. *Won by Phil Smith from Marden member of RC of St Peters*
- 3. Mental Health First Aid Course vouchers x 2. Value \$600 donated by Mental Health Partners. **Won by Silvia O'Conner from Roxby Downs purchased ticket from RC of Roxby District**
- 4. 3 nights accommodation for up to 4 adults & 4 children at The Peppers Cottage, Burra. Breakfast not included. Value \$570 donated by Marie-Louise Lees. Won by Fergus Kelso from Walkerville purchased from RC of St Peters
- 5. Bunnings Mile End voucher Value \$500 donated by the Rotary Club of Burnside. **Won by Greg Carey from Morphettville partner of Rotary Club of Edwardstown**
- 6. Day Sail for 2 adults on The Tall Ship, The One and All Value \$258 donated by The One & All. **Won by** Sally Keens from RC of Mildura Merbein
- 7. Penfolds Koonunga Hill 76 Shiraz Cabernet 2018 6 bottles Value \$132 donated by Bob Cooper. **Won by Greg Honeychurch from Rotary Club of Clare**



The Polly Polio Trailer needs to find its way back to NSW.

If you are heading that way in next couple of months and are willing to give Polly a tow back to NSW please contact Bob Cooper.

Email; rg.cooper@bigpond.com Mob: 0418 802 988



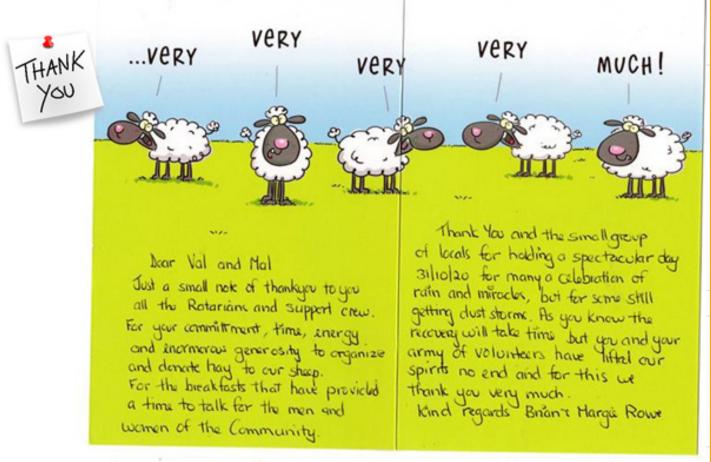
The official program has now been completed with \$225,000 of Federal funds distributed through Rotary to drought affected farmers in our district. The complete list of clubs and projects are:

- Spring Rain Dance at Sanderston, RC Onkaparinga \$2,000
- Lachie's hay run from Coonalpyn to Yunta, Robertstown & Mount Mary, RC Onkaparinga \$2,000 &
   RC Murray Bridge \$1,000, RC Mobilong \$500
- 50 Buckets for Men on the Land project for drought effected Sunraysia areas, RC Wentworth \$4,967.50. RC Wentworth and Broken Hill also delivered to surrounding stations 10 "B" double loads of hay arranged and donated by RAWCS total value \$75,000
- RC Port Pirie Upper North Farming Systems "Dealing with the dry" seminar at Booleroo Centre and Laura Ag Bureau, 6 B's "Blokes Bonding Beyond Booleroo Big Bus" trip \$5,000
- Lisa Vassallo, Helping SA Farmers Inc, Yunta Hay Distribution. RCs Mawson Lakes, Port Pirie, Burnside, Campbelltown & St Peters provided \$5,000 each for hay purchases, a total of \$25,000
- RC Campbelltown co-ordinated the Hay run to Hawker with the support of RCs Peterborough and Magill Sunrise total \$15,000
- RC Peterborough helping pastoralists in Yunta with water distribution \$3,558.50
- RC Peterborough purchase of 11 vouchers of \$25 value from each of 13 businesses in Peterborough total of \$3,575
- RC Murray Bridge, Karoonda Golf Club introductory coaching clinic and community lunch \$3,237.
- RC Campbelltown paid fuel cost for transport of donated hay from Yorke Peninsula to Hawker and from Jamestown for \$5,281
- RC Campbelltown co-ordinated the Hay run to Hawker with the support of RC Onkaparinga,
   Pt Augusta and Mt Barker total \$20,000
- RC Peterborough with financial support by RC Adelaide \$5,000, Pt Pirie \$10,000 for a total cost \$33,000
- RC Campbelltown co-ordinated another Hay Run to Hawker with the support of RC Burnside, Goolwa, Magill Sunrise, Morialta for a total of \$25,000
- RC Maitland has arranged and delivered 4 loads of Hay to Kimba, Poochera and Cowell total cost of \$61,510 with the financial commitment of \$15,377 from RCs Clare, Maitland, Port Pirie and \$4644 Northern York Peninsula. Also, \$10,374 shared between RC Burnside, Holdfast Bay and St Peters
- RC Campbelltown co-ordinated another Hay Run with donated Hay and financial support from RCs Magill Sunrise and Roxby Districts for \$15,000. They also had one load of hay donated valued at \$8,000. Also, they arranged a Drought Muster day for the Hawker and surrounding Districts community with the help of 60 Rotarians from RC Campbelltown, Goolwa, Magill Sunrise and Mt Barker. There were free activities, food and round table raffle with many donated raffle prizes
- RC Campbelltown arranged a donation by Jamestown farmers Bill Catford and Geoff Zwar of 230 large Bales of Hay and transport with 3 "B" doubles to Hawker, total value of \$25,000

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If your Rotary Club still wants funds to go to South Australian Farmers in Drought affected areas in South Australia this is where your club can put the money from any Drought Relief fundraising event. In Rotary District 9510 we have our own SA Districts Drought relief project in RAWCS (RABS) which has DGR (Tax deductable donation) status. It's able to accept funds from anyone including Rotary Clubs. The project is in RAWCS web site https://rawcs.org.au/ Project 81-2018-19 Project Name: SA Districts Drought Relief Project (RABS)

A big thankyou to PDG Bob Cooper for coordinating this massive effort.



A letter of thanks received by the RC Campbelltown

#### Governor's Commendation to NYSF graduates

Of the 26 students who won a Governor's Commendation Award in the 2020 year SACE results, four were National Youth Science Forum graduates from the 2020 courses. This is a record for D9510 and its predecessors.

Congratulations to the four candidates and their clubs who sponsored them. Sam Nitschke RC Loxton who intends to study aerospace engineering and physics at University of Adelaide; Trent Heaver RC Modbury Golden Grove, medicine University of Adelaide; Silas Hausch-Maher RC Campbelltown, medicine or computer science University of Adelaide, Kylie Ho RC Brownhill Creek, University of Queensland Advanced bio-medical science.



Sam, Trent. Silas and Kylie

#### Rotary Club of Goolwa and the Environment

In 2017, World President Ian Riseley, urged all clubs to give consideration to the environment, by planting a tree for every Rotarian and being involved in other projects that contribute to environmental sustainability.

For more than 25 years the Goolwa club has had an environmental focus, assisting with the planting of thousands of trees in the area and engaging in roadside and riverside "clean ups."

In 2017 a multi-media educational display was created by our club to draw attention to the serious world pollution problem, focusing on plastic waste and reducing this waste in our daily lives.

Subsequently this was widely presented in our district, at ten schools, council and other functions by invitation, and Rotary occasions including the District Conference.

In early January 2019 the shopping bag project was launched. At first the cloth bags, to be used instead of one-use plastic bags for fruit and vegetables, were made by Rotarians and stencilled with "Rotary Club of Goolwa".

The demand for these bags, on a self-serve stand in the Mall (courtesy of the owner) led us to seek ready-made bags. We now purchase them online, with a variation in price, resulting in a profit on each \$2 bag of 60c-\$1 per bag.

This little project helps reduce the amount of plastic pollution, projects the club name into the community and puts money into our environmental account for future projects. The graphic pictures featured on the stand highlight the effect of plastic pollution on wildlife and the ocean.

If any other club would like to know more about these projects our club would be very pleased to share details.

Wendy Lippett

#### Satellite club on Kangaroo Island

**RC Glenelg** is planning to establish a Satellite club on KI. The RC Kangaroo Island folded and transferred its charter to the E club of Great South Oz (now D9510 online) in 2015. Glenelg has been a leading club assisting with the bushfire recovery project on the island.

A group of Rotarians visited the island in late November and despite the trauma of rebuilding lives after the bushfires, managed to gain 6 expressions of interest. The club also committed to donate \$65,000 to rebuild the kitchen for the Western Districts sports complex.

The group's visit coincided with a visit of **the One and All** training ship and a function tied in with this, generated over a hundred people in attendance.

The group learnt a lot from a series of meetings with community leaders which will enable follow ups to occur.





#### Mental Health First Aid at Victor Harbor

President RC Victor Harbor, Julie Irwin, said

"Mental Health is something that touches all of us either through personal experience, with family or friends or those in our community, we have a duty of care as Rotarians to open our minds to learn and understand that we can make a difference to someone".

15 Rotarians and Michael Schubert from Business Victor Harbor attended a 2-day training session on Mental Health First Aid recently. RC Goolwa President Wendy Lippett and Youth Services Director Averill Day also attended.

Participants spent 12 hours over 2 days completing the course, provided by Mental Health Partners. to help family, friends and those within the community. 1 in 5 are impacted by Mental Health and this is increasing.

The training was conducted by qualitied and experienced trainers.

Over 2 days participants were exposed to statistic and techniques to enable them to be able to assist those in need, how to identify mental health symptoms and how to use appropriate terminology to provide help and support for those in need. Key to this 2-day training session was how to access and know what resources are available in this space.

Each participate was encourage to role play and practice how to use techniques and skills learnt during the training. Nothing was sugar coated, it was cold hard facts an how to deal head on with knowledge

and understanding.



Participants in the photo are:

Ron Parker, Susan Alsford, Mark Irwin, Mark Cox, Rosanna Russo, Averill (Goolwa Rotary) Suzanne Heath, Julie Irwin Wendy Lippett (President Goolwa Rotary) Judith Phillips, Anthony Lang, Michael Schubert (Business VH) front row: Maxine Tibbs, Marty Alsford, Alan Mullins

Rotarians Wendy Lippett and Averill Day RC Goolwa



#### Meet your Neighbours...

#### Birth of the Rotary Club of Modbury Golden Grove

The Rotary Club of Modbury ceased to exist as an entity on 30 June 2018 after providing 36 years service to its local community. Club membership had fallen to 13 of which 10 were active with meeting attendances falling to 5 or 6. Whilst fellowship remained at a high level the viability of the club was at risk.

The Rotary Club of Golden Grove which had been chartered in 1991 was experiencing similar problems with diminishing membership.

A working party comprising members from each club was formed to consider the option of merging the two clubs as a single entity within the guidelines set down by Rotary International.

The new Rotary Club of Modbury Golden Grove was chartered on 1 July 2018 and held its first meeting on

10 July 2018. Club membership sat at 19.

Each of the two component clubs had proud histories of active support of local youth development

programmes particularly through local High Schools and established Rotary Youth programmes.

These programmes have been enthusiastically continued in addition to an international cash loan scheme and the annual distribution of Christmas hampers to local needy families identified by the Salvation Army.



Placement of Emergency Medical Information Books at local pharmacies is a continuing community service of long standing.

The 'Good News Award' is made quarterly to a selected group or individual in recognition of service to the community.

Keith Rendell.



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