

DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S Newsletter



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With the majority of Club changeovers now completed, we should look forward to the year ahead as one of excitement, change, opportunity and celebration. To all of the incoming Presidents and Club officers, thank you for taking the role of leading your Clubs into the year of "Rotary Serving Humanity".

What does the year ahead hold for Rotary International and more specifically, those of us in District 9520?

It is another year where each and every one of us has an opportunity to strive to make the world a better place in whatever capacity we are able to through our service to others. Look for ways to find solutions to some of the problems facing our communities.

There are several specific areas I would encourage Clubs to focus on over the next 12 months.

Firstly, we must drive membership growth. Strong membership, will cannot enable us to continue the good work that Rotary Clubs have done for so long now. The changes approved at the recent Council of Legislation now provide us with the opportunity to consider how we can make our Clubs more vibrant through more flexible meeting and membership arrangements.

Most importantly we need to make sure that the Club is absolutely relevant to community within which it operates.

Secondly, remember that Rotary is a Service organisation. Supporting causes is what attracts and inspires people. If we want to attract new members, increase our fundraising and deliver maximum impact from our efforts, then this is best achieved by getting out into the community and undertaking Rotary service projects. So my second aim is to encourage all Clubs to make sure they have an ongoing, sustainable Community Service project that becomes synonymous with the local Rotary Club. I call this having a "signature" project.



Thirdly, we are entering the Centenary Year of the Rotary Foundation. It is a time to celebrate 100 years of doing good in the world. One of the fundamental reasons for the creation of the Foundation was to enable individual Rotarians and all Rotary Clubs across the world to have an opportunity to participate in International Service projects through their support of and contributions to the Foundation. So I would say to all Clubs and Rotarians, celebrate the achievements of the Foundation in the year ahead, but also don't forget to continue to provide support to the Foundation.

It is a vital component that enables Rotary to continue to do good in the world.

Finally, I just want to mention the End Polio Now campaign. For nearly 30 years Rotary has led the fight to eradicate Polio. And we are almost there. We have contributed around US\$1.5 billion and countless volunteer hours to the program. It is an example of what can be achieved when Rotarians work together. There is a strong belief and hope that 2017 should see the end of the wild polio virus. But inoculations need to continue for 3 years after that before the world is declared polio free, so we must continue to support the initiative.

So the year ahead is one where we should be optimistic, we can celebrate what Rotary has achieved, but most importantly, we must continue to look for opportunities to serve our communities. We need to encourage and support one another in our Clubs and ultimately, we should strive to be good examples of "Rotary Serving Humanity".

In the words of Winston Churchill ***Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts.***



District Changeover July 3rd



Message from outgoing RI President read by DG Dick Wilson

My dear friends,

On every July 1st, a page turns in Rotary. One Rotary year ends, and another begins; we do not lay down our pen but only lift it from the page, as we write the final lines of one chapter and consider the first lines of the next.

The story of the 2015-16 Rotary year has now been written and my friends, you have written it well. We end our year with a net gain of over 30,000 members, and global membership approaching all-time highs. Our convention was the second-largest in Rotary history, with extremely positive reviews. Rotary Global Rewards, launched only one year ago, now contains over 1,350 offers and is approaching 100,000 site visits. And we are closer than ever to our goal of eradicating polio, with only seventeen cases of polio caused by the wild poliovirus to date in 2016.

These are achievements that all of us can be proud of. But we all know that the true story of Rotary this year was written, not in Evanston by its officers, but in every one of Rotary's clubs and districts, by each of you, and by the Rotarians you have led, motivated, and inspired. The story of this Rotary year is the work of your minds, your hands, and your hearts; the story of health, of education, and of hope that you have brought to countless people, in every corner of the Rotary world.

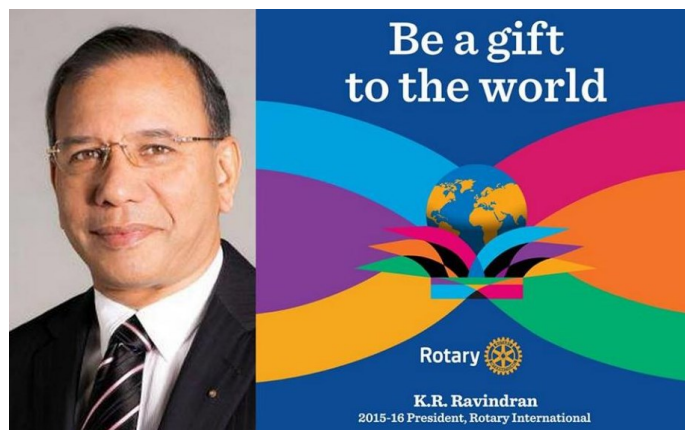
In the final days of this year, I found my mind returning to the words I spoke on the final day of our International Assembly: "Every story has an end. But in life, every end is a new beginning." The story of our year together, in Rotary office, has now been written. Again, a fresh page awaits us, empty, waiting to be filled. The pen hovers above it. What will it write?

That, my friends, is up to every one of us. The opportunities of our offices may be over, but those of Rotary remain: opportunities to serve, to change lives, to be part of our business of miracles, and to *Be A Gift to the World*.

I thank you for your service, for your trust, and for your confidence in me, and I wish you all the best in many years of Rotary service ahead. You are, and you will remain, a gift to me, as you are *A Gift to the World*.

Regards,

K.R. Ravindran



District Awards

Awards made :

- Best Fundraising Project: RC Encounter Bay Markets **Left.**
- Best Vocational Project: Science & Engineering Challenge RC Loxton **Below.**
- Best Youth Project: RC Campbelltown RYWELL
- Rotary Foundation Contribution : RC Norwood



Emcee Helen Gooley

The Induction of DG Sam Camporeale



The 2016/17 Leadership Team



Share the News

Welcome to the first publication for 16/17 Rotary year.

This year there will be 2 publications a month issued 1st and 3rd Thursdays. The first publication of the month will be the District Governor's Newsletter while mid month Herald will include your club stories.

We would like short stories and lots of photos for an easy read. If you would like to place an article in the District Newsletters please send your edited piece to D9520.secretary@gmail.com. Prefer articles to have 1 or more high resolution photos, and be no longer than 200 words.

Deadline for articles 5pm Monday prior.

Next edition due Thursday 21st. Submit by Monday 18th.

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District Secretary



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Paul Harris Sapphire Awards



Robin LeGallez Murray Bridge



John Basham Renmark



Mark Huddleston Edwardstown



Sam Cozens Murray Bridge



Bruce Richardson Berri

Calendar

August is Membership & New Club Development Month

August 12

International Youth Day

August 28

Cold Plunge for those in need - Glenelg SLSC

September is Basic Education & Literacy Month

September 7

Indigenous Literacy Day

October is Economic & Community Development Month

October 7

Hat Day for ARH

October 10

World Mental Health Day

October 23

Eve of World Polio Day—The Rotary Foundation Centennial Celebration in Cleveland Ohio

DG Sam's Schedule



Sat 9th July	Pam Sandercock Memorial High Tea	
Sat 9th July	Noarlunga East Changeover Dinner	
Fri 15th July	Sunrise Villages of Cambodia Fundraiser	
Sat 16th July	G Train & Committee of Management	
Sun 17th July	District Leaders meeting	Murray Bridge
Sun 17th July	District Conference Meeting	Adelaide
Wed 27th July	Eastwood	Official Visit
Tue 19th July	Noarlunga East	Official Visit
Thu 21st July	Yankalilla	Official Visit
Sat 23rd July	Mitcham Club Winter Warmer	
Wed 27th July	Eastwood	Official Visit
Wed 27th July	Onkaparinga	Official Visit
Thu 28th July	District Protection Committee Meeting	
Tue 2nd August	Somerton Park	Official Visit
Wed 3rd August	Burnside	Official Visit
Mon 8th August	Holdfast Bay	Official Visit
Tue 9th August	Magill Sunrise	Official Visit
Wed 10th August	Glenelg	Official Visit
Mon 15th August	Berri	Official Visit
Tue 16th August	Irymple	Official Visit
Wed 17th August	Red Cliffs	Official Visit
Mon 22nd August	Stirling	Official Visit
Tue 23rd August	Brownhill Creek	Official Visit
Sun 28th August	Depart for Zone Institute	Sydney

RI President John F. Germ

chose *Rotary Serving Humanity* as his theme for 2016-17. Noting Rotary's unique ability to bring together committed professionals to achieve remarkable goals, Germ believes that "now is the time to capitalize on our success: as we complete the eradication of polio, and catapult Rotary forward to be an even greater force for good in the world."



John F. Germ, a member of the Rotary Club of Chattanooga, Tennessee, joined Rotary in 1976 and has served Rotary as vice president, director, Foundation trustee and vice chair, aide to the Foundation trustee chair, chair of Rotary's US\$200 Million Challenge, RI Board Executive Committee member, RI president's aide, Council on Legislation representative and chair, membership zone coordinator, chair of numerous committees, area coordinator, RI training leader, and district governor.



Got an event you'd like to add to the District Calendar ?

Send it to: D9520.secretary@gmail.com