



# Rotary International, District 9520 Governor's Newsletter

*The Challenge of Change!*

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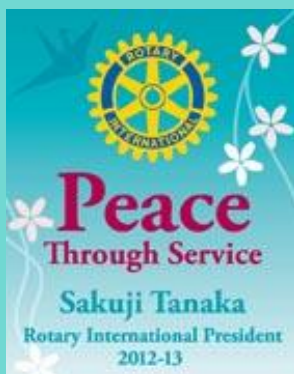
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Marion,  
a home of a Governor



## Roy's Blog:

### Final Wrap up for the Year

It only seems like yesterday that we had the 2012/2013 District Changeover at the Glenelg Golf Club. So much has happened since then!

The first six months in hindsight was most organised and enjoyable in its own way – 53 club visits and every one different – alas, the same two jokes!!

The Institute held in Adelaide was certainly a bonus! Well organised and most enjoyable.

The second six months (post Christmas) a different scenario entirely, we are asked to be everywhere, special meetings, Birthdays, Foundation / PHF nights, Project launches and BBQ's – and of course the most successful Peace Forum held at the Adelaide Oval Complex.

The Conference in the Barossa – "The Journey from Vine to Wine" – and what a journey that was over that very special ANZAC weekend. Special thankyou to all who were involved in organising this event.

As for my trip to the Maldives with members of the Rotary Club of Eastwood – that was just a journey never to be forgotten – Membership in Action – well done Eastwood!

Believe me, Marilyn and I have really enjoyed this year as DG and Partner – and yes, we have seen all clubs having FUN!

Being DG has been one of the most fulfilling times I can recall – a year not to be missed. District 9520 is in great health and for that I thank each and everyone of our 1440 Rotarians / Partners and Friends of Rotary!

Without your dedication and friendship towards Rotary and each other, this great achievement during the past year in our District could not have been achieved!

I believe our collage of photographs shows the many faces of Rotary in the District - in different ways, and hopefully representative of us all.

Thanks to my Management Team, AG's, Secretary, Bulletin Editor, Treasurer, District Committee Chairs – you all know who you are – YOU truly were just fantastic!

To DGE Wendy all the very best for 2013/2014 – I trust your year will be as memorable!

Thank you all once again for this past year – an experience not to be missed – truly my ROTARY MOMENT!





*A Ship similar to HMS Coromandel*

## Meet: RC of Coromandel Valley

### PUTTING THE “FUN IN FUNdRAISING”

When the Rotary Club of Coromandel Valley announced the destination for their 2012 Tag-along Tour the registrations filled very quickly with people travelling from Queensland, Victoria and county areas of SA to participate. Three Rotary Youth Exchange students from Germany, Belgium and Denmark also attended.

The tag-alongers experienced a true taste of desert pastoral country in its pristine state, through sand dunes, gibber flats and floodplains to the shores of Lake Torrens. They explored the old Ghan railway line, fettlers' cottages and the remarkable lime kilns and then followed the historic bullock wagon tracks up into the Bunbinyunna Range against the western wall of Wilpena Pound. Their four wheel driving skills were tested with steep climbs and descents while being in the safety of other experienced four wheel drivers.

The Lake to Mountain Tag-along Tour 2012 marked the fifteenth anniversary of the Rotary Club of Coromandel Valley's annual fun fund raising event with the proceeds from this year's tour being divided between the “Rotary Australian Indigenous Health Scholarship” and “PNG Society for Rural and Remote Health”.



*Fundraising is always so much more enjoyable when people are having fun.  
Fun is the key ingredient in the Rotary Club of Coromandel Valley's Tag-along Tours.*



The Tagalongs typically occur in the October long weekend (2013) or the June long weekend, and raise about \$3000 each.

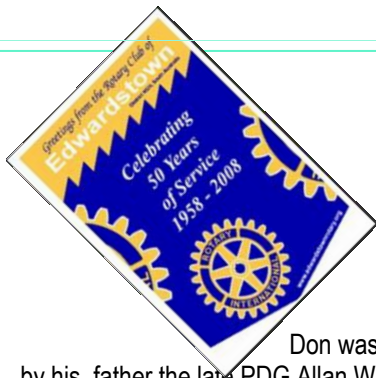


In 2011, the week-long Tagalong raised \$20,000 for the Brian & Maxine Newell Foundation for Prostate Cancer Research which helped buy a new \$62,500.00 Corbett Rotor-Gene 6000 for use in research at Flinders.



*Would you jump the ship to live in Coromandel Valley?, Aye, Aye, Sir!*





# Half a Century of Service

Don Williams, RC of Edwardstown

DG Roy and Marilyn joined the Rotary Club of Edwardstown on April 9<sup>th</sup> to celebrate the remarkable achievement of 50 Years membership for Rotarian for Don Williams.

Don was introduced to the Edwardstown Club in 1963 by his father, the late PDG Allan Williams, and is the first member of Edwardstown to achieve the milestone of 50 continuous years of service.

It was a wonderful night of celebration with many partners, former members, and a large contingent of Don's family present, including 3 of his 4 children who each spoke of their fond memories of growing up in a "Rotary family".

DG Roy was delighted to assist in the presentation of a PHF Ruby pin to Don.



Messrs Williams, Armstrong & Angus



## Doing Good in the World



Every year, when we come together for a Rotary convention, we see for a few days the world as it could be. We see people of all colors and cultures come together. We look past our differences and focus on our goal: the building of a better world.

In 2013, we will have A Harbor for Peace in Lisbon through Rotary. It will be a great honor for me to preside over this convention, and I look forward to having you join us there.

Sajuki Tanaka, President, RI



## HOW TO DOWNLOAD YOUR PICTURES FROM DISTRICT PICASA SITE

Pictures are uploaded to District Picasa Album - follow this link:

<https://picasaweb.google.com/RotaryDistrict9520/>

Pictures are in 5 folders – Conference 2013, Friday Capers 2013, District Changover Lunch 2012, District Conference 2007 & District Conference 2008. You are free to download any of the pictures to your computer and print them yourself. Check it out!

The resolution is reasonable for the web based pictures, however, if you want a high resolution picture for printing (2012 & 2013 only), please, contact Jan Vade [jan.vade@internode.on.net](mailto:jan.vade@internode.on.net).





# It all happened at the RC of Unley ...

## SOUTH AUSTRALIAN POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR 2012

In the presence of Acting Commissioner Grant Stevens, Chief Superintendent Michael Cornish, and Rotary District Governor Roy Armstrong, Unley Rotary President Stephen Westgarth awarded South Australia Police Officer of the Year 2012 to Sergeant John Illingworth of the Road Safety Section.

The Rotary Club of Unley has been presenting the Police Officer of the Year award annually since 1978. This 35<sup>th</sup> ceremony coincides with SAPOL celebrating its 175<sup>th</sup> birthday.



The purpose of the award is to provide a means by which members of the public may bring to notice outstanding acts of courtesy, kindness, understanding, compassion, courage or devotion to duty by any member of the South Australia Police. It is also a celebration of Australia's finest.

Sergeant John Illingworth joined the Force in 1979 and after some years of patrol work became a Police prosecutor. In 1988 he was promoted to Sergeant and handled prosecutions for a large area of the State from the Port August Station. In 2007 he was appointed as the Road Safety Program Coordinator.

His first task was to restore effective communications with the public through the media, which he managed particularly well with courtesy, understanding and humour. New programs were initiated dealing with better understanding of the road rules and human

factors which affect driving performance. He has played a key role in guiding legislation to do with Street Racing and Graduated licensing. Road safety displays have been set up across the State including remote localities such as Moonta. Voluntary breath testing stations were set up at the Schoolies Festival 2012 which prevented 37 novice drivers taking to streets while under the influence of alcohol.

State Government programs such as its Road Safety Strategy 'Towards Zero Together', 'Living Neighbourhoods' which is about creating people friendly and safer roads, and 'Way2Bike Ed' have all benefitted from his advice and assistance

He is now in charge of the new SAPOL Road Safety Centre which he helped to design and which will play an important role in childhood road safety education. Recently he teamed up with Humphrey B Bear to develop a kids' road safety video. He has worked with the Royal Institute of Australia to meld road trauma case studies with science to achieve a better understanding of dangerous driving – secondary school science teachers are being used to sell the message in our schools. No demographic group in the State has been immune from his efforts to improve road safety and drive down the death and injury toll.



He has been described as an excellent communicator through plain speaking and appropriate humour, an outstanding networker, inspiring, innovative, tireless, a team player, always helpful and highly effective.

Acting Police Commissioner Grant Stevens congratulated John on his award. He then thanked the Rotary Club of Unley and stressed the importance of the award in promoting the good works of police officers to the public.

Police Officer of the Year Programme has been running since 1978 – Congratulations must, also, go to the RC of Unley - 35 years of great community service.

### Recent awardees were:

**2011:** Sergeant Caroline Bristow of Berri;

**2010:** Senior Constable Monique Anderson of Whyalla and Senior Constable First Class Ian Skewes of Nuriootpa; **2009:** Senior Constable Michelle Hollis of Elizabeth; **2008:** Senior Constable First Class Andrew Murphy of Elizabeth; **2007:** Sergeant Michelle Smith of Port Pirie; **2006:** Senior Constable Athalie Edman of Elizabeth; **2005:** Sergeant Graham Brett of Adelaide



*John Illingworth*



## The 36<sup>th</sup> 5RM Riverland & Mallee Rotary Clubs' Citizen of the Year Awards for 2012

*PP Yvette Webber*

The Presentation dinner was held at the Berri Resort Hotel on Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May with PDG Bruce Richardson the MC for the evening with 200 plus attending.

There was a noticeable excitement in the room with the expansion of the long standing Award Ceremony, introducing the 'Event of the Year' and 'Young Person of the Year' along with the 'Citizen of the Year'.



*Bruce Richardson, Sid Copeland, Cheryl Lardner & Marcus Drogemuller*

Sid Copeland of Waikerie was awarded the 'Citizen of the Year' for his long standing volunteer work in sporting clubs, membership in Rotary & Probus, Meals on Wheels driver for 15 years & driver of the Community Care bus for 10 years besides the fundraising for the Waikerie Hospital.

'The Event of the Year' went to 'The Waikerie Australia Day Spectacular'.

Marcus Drogemuller from Berri was awarded the 'Young Person of the Year'. From the age of 14 Marcus has been involved with coaching in the local sporting clubs of tennis and soccer. He has been involved with coaching & promoting tennis at the local primary schools as well as managing the MLC Tennis Hot Shots. All this time spent helping the younger children as well as playing the sports himself while he was studying Year 12.

The evening was highlighted with guest speaker PP Michael Cook from Operation Flinders, a program designed to take 'at risk' teenagers to a life changing camp at South Australia's Flinders Rangers. The Riverland Chapter is working towards and fundraising for a team of Riverland teens to be included in the next group. There was a raffle held during the evening when \$1,080 was raised towards the \$1,500 per person to attend this camp.

PP Yvette Webber is a Coordinator with Radio 5RM

### What Paul Harris Said:



The progress of Rotary to date has challenged the attention of students of international affairs. Nothing like it has been known. In international affairs heretofore, emphasis has been placed upon the differences between men; differences in race, religion and politics largely.

In Rotary, the approach is entirely different. Emphasis is not placed on the differences between men; it is placed on their similarities. All men regardless of race, religion or politics believe that the ideal of service is ennobling. Rotarians of more than sixty nations, Rotarians of divergent and conflicting views concerning religion and politics have subscribed to the ideal of service.

*Paul Harris, 1937  
Convention in Nice*



# Meet Hitomi Baba

By Satish Gupta

About a year and a half ago when this bespectacled, skinny and shy Japanese girl landed at our home as an Ambassadorial Scholar, my dear wife Shakti and I were on hand to welcome her. It was a special party arranged in her honour. Also on hand to welcome her were the Marion Rotaryannes.

At the time, the conversation with Hitomi, like most other Japanese girls, was limited mostly to the sign language, though a few English words were thrown in here and there. When I told her "don't worry, at the end of your study course, you will be able to make speeches and converse fluently in English," she simply did not believe me.

Well, It would be an understatement to say that Hitomi has come a long way. She indeed has, and has travelled even beyond. She makes it a point to say hallo whenever she meets anyone. She goes out of her way to be friendly.

She is a face to be seen at most of our Fund Raising BBQ events, and is never tired of Conversing. She is present at our Rotary Club meetings and other social events both, in and out of our club venue, the Marion Hotel.

Most of us saw her at the recent District Conference at the Barossa. She was dressed as one of the host club. She was a chatterbox. She was eating, sometime double meals, drinking and dancing, often over-zealously, to make a point that she 'has arrived' and that she was now one of us. She has been part of our Marion Rotary family ever since she arrived here. When she leaves in a few months, Hitomi will be badly missed as everyone's friend.



*Miss Hitomi Baba  
Ambassadorial Scholar*



*Margaret,  
Satish & Hitomi  
at the  
District  
Conference  
Dance Floor*

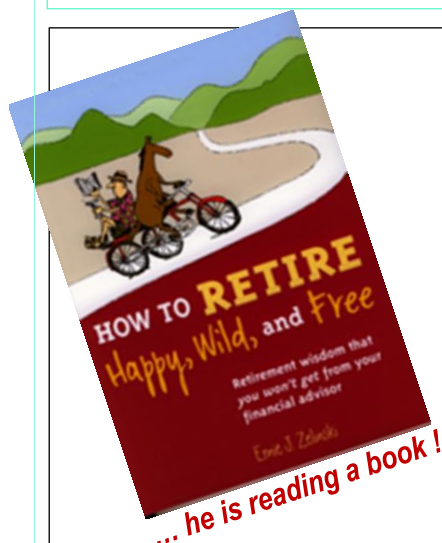
*☞  
"it was all good  
fun!"*

It has been my pleasure to be her Counselor since she arrived here. Shakti and I will miss her Sunday visits for lunch. I just wish there were many more Hitomi Babas who would work hard to be one of us in the Rotary family.

Dr Satish Gupta is Hitomi's Counselor and Chairman of the District Rotary Foundation Scholarships Committee.

For information about TRF Scholarships visit District web site on: <http://www.rotarynews.info/2/District/9520/356/> or contact Satish.

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## Editor for DG News Retires

Please note that DG News Editor Jan Vade retired.  
Happy retirement Jan! Thanks,  
please pass your book to me once read!  
Cheers Roy

Please send all future contributions for DG NEWS to:  
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(please note that there is an "underscore" between jessica and ziersch – not a "dot" as appear id District Directory.)



## Marilyn's Corner

An article from RC of Hallett Cove Buletin reminded us all of how easily the Polio virus can move, even when a country has been Polio free for 6 years.



It behoves us all to be vigilant in immunising our children at home also.

The POLIO virus travels with us when we get on planes and travel all over this world of ours. All I ask is PLEASE HELP END POLIO NOW. After hearing Bill Gates on TV a few days ago, why would we let go of this immense challenge now?

As this is my final corner for the Rotary Year 2012 – 2013 I would like to thank you all for your generous spirit in welcoming Roy and me into your clubs and functions. I have enjoyed every moment of the past 12 months, the journey has been exceptional. I wish you all well in your endeavours in the name of Rotary International for the coming year and into the future.

Bless you all and thank you !

Thanks Maz, for all your support! - Cheers, Roy



### OUR SPECIAL

D9520

### FOUR WAY TEST

(ENJOY)

THE FOUR-WAY TEST FOLLOWED BY ROTARIANS WORLDWIDE IN THEIR PERSONAL, BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LIVES, THE FOUR-WAY TEST WAS CREATED BY ROTARIAN HERBERT J. TAYLOR IN 1932.

IT HAS SINCE BEEN TRANSLATED INTO MORE THAN 100 LANGUAGES AND IS USED BY ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD.

THE FOUR-WAY TEST OF THE THINGS WE THINK, SAY OR DO:

- 1) IS IT THE TRUTH?
- 2) IS IT FAIR TO ALL CONCERNED?
- 3) WILL IT BUILD GOODWILL AND BETTER FRIENDSHIPS?
- 4) WILL IT BE BENEFICIAL TO ALL CONCERNED?

AND, IN ADDITION WE PROPOSE THE FIFTH WAY TEST:

- 5) IS IT FUN?

### END POLIO NOW !



"If we all have the fortitude to see this effort through to the end, then we *will* eradicate polio."  
- Bill Gates



If you wish to know more about Bill Gates, his effort and his support for Rotary visit the web site of Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation at  
<http://www.gatesfoundation.org/What-We-Do/Global-Development/Polio>

## The Voice of Rotary

## Programme for April 2013

Broadcast on 1197AM RPH Adelaide each Tuesday 7.30-8.00 pm, From each Wednesday the broadcast program can be heard on-line at [www.rphadelaide.org.au](http://www.rphadelaide.org.au)

Presented by: Chris Hughes and John Cox, Technical Assistance by: Antony Craven and Richard Parkes.

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|----------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Jun 4 <sup>th</sup>  | PDG Peter Sandercock                          | "Rotary Down Under"                              |
| Jun 11 <sup>th</sup> | Hon.Rtn D'Arcy Lunn (International Advocate)  | "Polio Plus –The End Game"                       |
| Jun 18 <sup>th</sup> | PP Don Will (RC of Eastwood)                  | "Rotary in the Maldives – Pt 2"                  |
| Jun 25 <sup>th</sup> | DGE Wendy Gaborit (R.C. of Mobilong)          | "District Governor's Plans for D9520 in 2013-14" |
|                      | DGE Barbara Wheatcroft (RC of Adelaide Parks) | "District Governor's Plans for D9500 in 2013-14" |



Chris Hughes

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## Club Membership

|                   | Apr13 | 13May |         |
|-------------------|-------|-------|---------|
| Barmera           | 8     | 8     |         |
| Berri             | 21    | 21    |         |
| Blackwood         | 42    | 42    |         |
| Blakiston         | 10    | 10    |         |
| Brighton          | 21    | 21    |         |
| Broken Hill       | 18    | 18    |         |
| Broken Hill South | 25    | 25    | updated |
| Brownhill Creek   | 34    | 34    |         |
| Burnside          | 35    | 36    | updated |
| Campbelltown      | 81    | 81    |         |
| Coromandel Valley | 24    | 24    | updated |
| Eastwood          | 23    | 23    |         |
| Edwardstown       | 31    | 31    |         |
| Encounter Bay     | 43    | 45    | updated |
| Flagstaff Hill    | 23    | 23    | updated |
| Glenelg           | 36    | 37    | updated |
| Goolwa            | 31    | 30    | updated |
| Hallett Cove      | 11    | 11    |         |
| Holdfast Bay      | 29    | 29    | updated |
| Hyde Park         | 35    | 36    | updated |
| Irymple           | 41    | 41    | updated |
| Kent Town         | 19    | 19    |         |
| Larneroo          | 10    | 10    |         |
| Loxton            | 31    | 31    |         |
| McLaren Vale      | 7     | 7     |         |
| Magill Sunrise    | 27    | 27    |         |
| Marion            | 14    | 14    | updated |
| Merbein           | 19    | 19    |         |
| Mildura           | 38    | 38    | updated |
| Mildura Deakin    | 24    | 24    |         |
| Mitcham           | 45    | 45    | updated |
| Mobilong          | 36    | 36    | updated |
| Morialta          | 36    | 36    |         |
| Mt Barker         | 30    | 30    | updated |
| Murray Bridge     | 50    | 50    | updated |
| Noarlunga         | 11    | 11    |         |
| Noarlunga East    | 22    | 22    |         |
| Norwood           | 22    | 22    |         |
| Onkaparinga       | 25    | 25    | updated |
| Red Cliffs        | 13    | 13    |         |
| Renmark           | 32    | 32    |         |
| Robinvale Euston  | 15    | 15    |         |
| St Peters         | 37    | 37    | updated |
| Somerton Park     | 29    | 29    | updated |
| South Mildura     | 13    | 13    | updated |
| Stirling          | 36    | 36    | updated |
| Strathalbyn       | 23    | 22    |         |
| Tailem Bend       | 23    | 23    | updated |
| Unley             | 29    | 29    | updated |
| Victor Harbor     | 38    | 38    | updated |
| Waikerie          | 37    | 37    | updated |
| Wentworth         | 15    | 14    |         |
| Yankalilla        | 10    | 10    | updated |
| Balance           | 1437  | 1441  |         |

Exchange Rate for May to be advised ...

## Secretary's Corner :



Jerry Casburn

"This will be my last Secretary's report for the year and I move on to become District Governor Elect and with that role, training in Parramatta, at the Institute in Canberra and then the International Assembly of all the DG's in the 2014/15 year. Briony and I are excited about the prospect.

The role of Secretary has been a good one in which to get a great understanding of our District and how it

works and I would like to thank DG Roy for the opportunity and his support across the year. I would also like to thank all of those who have provided advice and guidance. The role is not exacting but does demand activity on a regular basis and on schedule. I thank those clubs that have regularly maintained updates on club membership. We started the Rotary year with, according to my statistics, 1405 members in the District and ended with 1441, a net growth of 36, or just under 3% at the end of May with hopefully, more to come in June, a great result. It will be interesting to see how the reported numbers tally with those on Rotary International Member Access.

In closing, I would like to thank all clubs for their support and encourage any member to get involved at a District level. It is a great way to make friends across D9520 and to really understand the power of our organisation."

*Jerry*

District Secretary , DGN

Thanks Jerry, you have been great Secretary!  
Cheers - Roy

## Welcome To New Members !

Bret Dalton  
Colleen Ragghinti  
Sergio Diaz  
Philip Walsh  
Jackie Walsh  
David Price  
Glen O'Brien  
Anne Day

**Burnside**  
**Hyde Park**  
**Glenelg**  
**Encounter Bay**  
**Encounter Bay**  
**Murray Bridge**  
**Murray Bridge**  
**Holdfast Bay**



## PHF Recognition

Donald Williams (*Ruby*)  
Brian Rainey (*Sapphire*)  
Rosaria Rainey  
Michael Reilley  
Gordon Wilkinson (*Sapphire*)

**Edwardstown**  
**Mobilong**  
**Mobilong**  
**Brownhill Creek**  
**Hyde Park**

*Our apologies: The names of Dennis and Bob were missing from this column last month – omitted, but not forgotten!*

Dennis Nelson  
Bob Arnold (*sapphire*)

**Hallett Cove**  
**Blackwood** (District Recognition)

