#### **DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S**

#### Newsletter

# Rotary District 9520

#### September 2016

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#### SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION AND LITERACY MONTH

Dear Rotarians and Friends.

I have been following with interest some of the more recent articles that have been reported in the media about our Education system. Each State does things differently. In South Australia, there has been considerable discussion as to whether we should follow other jurisdictions and move Year 7 into the high school category or leave it still in the primary school sector. There have been calls for more single gender schools, the abolition of homework, more emphasis on STEM and so on. These are healthy debates to be had, but whatever the out-

come our children still have the opportunity to access outstanding education services with professional, highly qualified and caring teachers.

But did you know that around the world, we still have 57 million primary school-aged children out of school. And 774 million adults still cannot read or write – two-thirds of them are women.

In this area of focus, Rotarians carry out service projects that improve basic education and literacy for children and adults and create opportunities for communities to provide higher quality education. Through this work Rotary strengthens the capacity of teachers and generates educational opportunities for children and adults in impoverished communities.

There are many ways to carry out a project that will impact the basic education and literacy of your community:



Teacher Training

Curriculum Development

Adult Literacy

Water and Sanitation in Schools

Girls Education



As well as supporting international projects, there are many opportunities within our own communities to assist those needing a hand. Make Basic Education and Literacy the focus for one of your meetings. Perhaps invite a Literacy teacher as a guest speaker.

#### **CLUB VISITS**

Lee and I continue our Club visits. The array of service projects undertaken by Clubs around the District is enormous. Where it makes sense, I would encourage Clubs to consider collaborating with other Clubs in their Groups and around the District to maximise the impact of the work being done by members. It really is inspiring to engage with Rotarians who want to make a difference and who are keen to find ways to better their communities and help others.

Glenelg Club has been busy planning for one of their biggest fundraising events for the year — The Cold Plunge. I won't be able to dive in for a freezing swim myself (such rotten luck J) because I will be away interstate. But this event continues to grow. So I know the Club will have a fantastic day with a great outcome to support the homeless and other worthy causes.

We spent a few days in Mildura where we were given a warm welcome by the **Irymple** and **Red Cliffs** Clubs. Irymple is quite a large Club whereas Red Cliffs has a smaller number of members, but both Clubs do outstanding work. While at Red Cliffs, we met and heard a wonderful presentation from Naomi Thorne about Days for Girls and her recent visit to Kenya to distribute the kits.



#### **CLUB VISITS Cont**

At **Stirling** Club, (right) we had the pleasure to present a PHF Sapphire pin to Rotarian Grant Andrew and a PHF to his very surprised wife Lea.

Congratulations to both of them.



Then at **Brownhill Creek** (left) I had the privilege of inducting their newest member Peter Gardner. Welcome to Peter.



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#### **ABORIGINAL HEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS**

On August 24, I attended the 2016 Aboriginal Health Scholarship Presentation Ceremony in SA Health's offices. This is an excellent event that recognises the achievements of graduates and new scholarship recipients. Each of the graduates were extremely grateful for the scholarships and the assistance provided by Rotary Clubs and SA Health. As many of you may know, this program was initiated by the late Mr Geoff Bailey in District 9520 and is now co-ordinated by Australian Rotary Health. The benefits of these medical professionals being able to provide health service in many of our remote indigenous communities is enormous. But we need to do more and I would encourage Clubs to consider contributing towards providing a scholarship.



Sam

27th - 30th April 2017





Information about the Conference and Registration Forms can be found at



http://rotary9520.org/SitePage/district-9520-conference-2017

#### SHELTERBOX and THE ITALIAN EARTHQUAKE



In the past few days, we have received this update from Rowley Tompsett, Chair of ShelterBox Australia, in relation to their response to the Italian Earthquake.

Following my earlier email, this is to advise that we will not be deploying aid to Italy in the short term. Following the ministerial meetings earlier today, we have been advised that there is already too much aid in the area of Rieti and our support is not needed. We will however remain in contact, through ShelterBox Italy, with the civil defence who are coordinating the response. If they identify any need within the more rural areas over the course of the next week that we are able to assist with then we will return to conduct a needs assessment. The operations team consider this to be unlikely however, as if any need is identified in the more rural areas, it is likely that the aid already in Rieti will be redirected.

At this time of tragedy in Italy, it is comforting to know sufficient aid is currently reaching the area without us needing to be involved at this early stage. Please pass this advice to your Clubs. If any Clubs have donated, you can assure them the funds will still be used to provide shelter and warmth in other disaster areas around the world. For any Clubs thinking of donating, those funds will be most welcome to assist us in our work worldwide.

My thanks for your consideration.



**ROWLEY TOMPSETT** CRLSS, JP

Chair, ShelterBox Australia Ltd (2015-17) Past Governor, Rotary International District 9710 (2014-15)



#### Recognition of High Ethical Standards in Businesses and Professions

The **Rotary Club of Irymple** has for many years, supported the Second Object of Rotary which calls on us to encourage and foster high ethical standards in our businesses and professions.

On behalf of all the members of the community, the Club annually presents the **Police Officer of the Year** to a member of the local Police District.

The Officer is nominated by individuals in the community and selected by their peers for commitment, attention to duty and service to the community. The award acknowledges the many contributions by the entire Police Force in service to the Police District.

For several years the Club also maintained a commitment to vocational training through an award for the most deserving student in a Vocational Education and Training at the **Irymple Secondary College** presented by a Rotarian at the annual School Presentation Night.

In recent times, the Club has expanded these two awards to include the Sam Dichiera Memorial Scholarship for Automotive Engineering. Sam was widely known throughout Sunraysia for his commitment to attention



and quality in the automotive industry. In addition to being a much loved and respected Rotarian, he was also a keen supporter and worker for the Camps for Children with Life-threatening Illnesses managed by the Club.

The award, in partnership with the Deakin Trade Training Centre at the Mildura Senior College, is presented annually to a student participating in automotive engineering at the Trade Training Centre who is believed to possess the potential for continuing the high ethical standards in the automotive world. This year a fourth recipient will be selected. The trophy is presented each year on behalf of the Rotary Club, by a member of Sam's family.

Through Vocational Service as Rotarians, we serve others by using our unique skills to address community needs; we empower others through the provision and promotion of training and skill development; and we inspire others to act with integrity through recognition and reward.

District Vocational Chair, John Fitzgibbon

#### Rotarian Miss Universe - help make it happen!



Larissa Allen is one of Rotary New Zealand's youngest Rotarians, joining Tauranga Sunrise when she was 23 and now aged 25. She has recently entered Miss Universe NZ and is now one of the top 20 finalists.

In her own words she entered "because I thought it would be a good opportunity to reach out to organisations I am passionate about and use the title to do some good. I am super passionate about children and youth, keeping them safe and seeing them thrive. The charity we support is Variety - The Children's Charity and I am currently fundraising to support these kids of NZ in deprivation."

Larissa already sponsors a Kiwi child by herself and "can't wait to sponsor even more." She is a mentor for youth through the Graeme Dingle Foundation programme Project K and sits on the board of her local theatre. She is also a RYLA graduate and graduated with a Bachelor of Communication Studies from Waikato University.

She has set up a everyday hero page to fundraise which can be accessed here: <a href="https://missuniversenz2016.everydayhero.com/nz/larissa-allen">https://missuniversenz2016.everydayhero.com/nz/larissa-allen</a>

She has a simple goal of \$2500 in total. So far she has reached \$120.75. Surely her fellow Rotarians can help her do better than that! If Rotarians and Clubs contribute she will be well on her way.

The two contestants who have the highest fundraising totals will receive immunity from elimination during the Grand Final when the contest moves from 20 to 10. As a philanthropic young person and excellent spokesperson for Rotary amongst the younger generation, it be wonderful if Rotarians could get behind her and drum up support and donations. Imagine what good PR it would be for Rotary NZ and Rotary worldwide to have a Miss Universe member!

Rotarians and Rotary Clubs can also purchase here vote bundles for \$5 to support Larissa <a href="https://www.iticket.co.nz/events/2016/sep/larissa-allen#/buy-tickets">https://www.iticket.co.nz/events/2016/sep/larissa-allen#/buy-tickets</a> \$1 from every vote bundle will go to Variety. The public vote will count towards 50 per cent of the final scores for the 20 contestants. The remaining 50 per cent will be calculated from the Judges' scores on the night.

Thank you for your help and we wish Larissa the best of luck!

RDU will be featuring Larissa though it will not come out in time before the Grand Final on September 3.

BRIGHTLINGSEA & WIVENHOE CHRONICLE
August 2016

An active member within the local community, Terri Gould is the new President of the Brightlingsea and District Rotary Club.

Terri grew up in a Rotarian background in Australia, recalling, "Mother was always in Rotary," and her sister is also a member. Ironically her mother has also become President of the branch in Eastwood, Adelaide, and both recently attended the International Rotary Conference in South Korea.

# TERRI IS ROTARY'S NEW PRESIDENT



Terri Gould, right, with her mother Barbara, who is a Rotary President in Australia



### **Notice Board**

#### Come 'n Try Calperum

Calperum Station, north of Renmark, is the site of Rotary Australia's biggest environmental project and Rotarians and friends are invited to spend a few days or a weekend experiencing the region and its rugged beauty and learning about the work of Rotary on the land. Rotarians from across South Australia are



supporting **The Australian Landscape Trust** in restoring the exhausted former sheep station to a healthy sustainable landscape through research, planting, irrigation, water monitoring, tree health surveys and other activities.

Sitting alongside the Murray River and its anabranch, Ral Ral Creek, Calperum and neighbouring Taylorville, cover almost **3,500 square kilometres** and is home to thousands of kangaroo, emu, goanna, echidna, smaller fauna and a myriad of migratory and local birds.

Calperum and Taylorville are important locally, nationally and internationally because of their intact mallee vegetation, the presence of several threatened bird species, and their wetlands and related species. The properties form critical habitat for many. Accommodation at Calperum includes the refurbished former homestead alongside Ral Ral Creek and updated dormitories, formerly shearers' quarters and well-equipped kitchen facilities. Accommodation is free to those engaged in Calperum projects, and only \$22 per person per night for others including tourists and casual visitors.

Rotarians and friends from Districts 9500 and 9520 are cordially invited to Come 'n Try on October 2 – 6 (Sun – Thu, with Rotary Club of Blackwood)

The invitation is open to Clubs and individuals, please send me an email or give me a call...

Elliot Dwyer Rotary Calperum Committee

Email: eadwyer@hotmail.com

Mobile: 0427 397 536



The **Voice of Rotary Programme** is broadcast on 1197AM RPH Adelaide each **Tuesday 7.30-8.00 pm.** 

From each Wednesday the broadcast program can be heard on-line at <a href="https://www.rphadelaide.org.au/">www.rphadelaide.org.au/</a>
<a href="https://www.rphadelaide.org.au/">Webcast.html</a>
Jock Thornton
johnjan4@gmail.com

#### **Programme**

#### 6 September

PP Milton Lewis, RC Campbelltown, Chair RAM, "Rotarians Against Malaria"

#### 13 September

Angelica Harris-Faill, Eastwood "Studying Art in Europe, with Rotary's Help"

#### 20 September

PP Dr Don Plowman, RC Burnside
"The Story of South Australian Agriculture"

#### 27 September

PP Graham Fussen: Rotary E Club of Greater South Oz - "Introducing Rotary E-Clubs and the new VoR Website"





Hat Day an initiative of Australian Rotary Health, one of the largest not-for-profit funders of mental health research in Australia. It is held annually on the Friday of Mental Health Week.

Hat Day in D9520/D9500 will occur

**Wednesday 5th October** 



This year Districts 9520 and 9500 are holding a Hat Day Collection Point in **Rundle Mall** from **8-30am to 4-30pm** 

If you can volunteer some time contact PDG Roy Armstrong – 0407 610 904 rarmstrong669@optusnet.com.au



#### Mental Health Week 3-7th October

With 1 in 5 people suffering a mental illness, by wearing a hat and raising vital funds for research, you can Help Hats Help Heads this Hat Day

Host a Hat Day event at your Club in October and invite other organisations to get involved too.



**Register Your Club Today** 

WWW.HATDAY.COM.AU

Once your Hat Day event page is set up you can share the link and let everyone know how they can help by making an online donation.

For further information and assistance in holding a Hat Day at your Club contact PDG Roy

#### Calendar

#### **September is Basic Education & Literacy Month**

#### September 7

Indigenous Literacy Day

http://www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au/

#### September 24 - 30

RYLA Nunyara Conference Centre

### October is Economic & Community Development Month

#### October 2 - 6

Come Try Calperum Email: <a href="mailto:eadwyer@hotmail.com">eadwyer@hotmail.com</a>

#### October 5

Hat Day collection Rundle Mall

#### October 7

Hat Day for ARH

#### October 10

World Mental Health Day

#### October 22-23

Woodside Antiques and Collectibles Fair

#### October 23

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

#### October 24

World Polio Day Rotary's World Polio Day Livestream Event

#### October 25

Polio Eradication Dinner—RC Edwardstown Details to follow

#### **November is Rotary Foundation Month**



If the warmer weather isn't reason enough to celebrate, these surprising health benefits will put an extra spring in your step.

**Extra Daylight** In addition to giving us more time to spend outdoors and serving as a natural mood booster, that extra hour of light may help reduce traffic accidents and fatalities.

A healthier home. During warmer weather, open your windows and let the sunshine in while you spring clean, declutter, and organize your home.

A spring-cleaned diet. Sweep the cobwebs about of your cold-weather diet with a dose of fresh spring produce. Peas, asparagus, kale, lettuce, and rhubarb are just a few of the fresh foods that reach their peak during spring.

**Outdoor exercise.** If winter is too cold and summer is too hot, spring is just right for outdoor exercise

No more winter skin. Gone are the freezing temps and harsh winds that wreak havoc on your skin and hair — and summer's heat hasn't yet arrived to turn up the frizz factor.



THE ROTARY FOUNDATION

June 10-14 2017

Registration links, convention hotels, event tickets <a href="http://www.riconvention.org">http://www.riconvention.org</a>

**Next Publication:** 

**Mid-month Herald** 

Please have any items to District
Secretary by

Monday 12th September

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# DG Sam's Schedule



Thu 1st September	Zone Institute	Penrith
Fri 2nd September	Zone Institute	Penrith
Sat 3rd September	Zone Institute	Penrith
Tue 6th September	Kent Town	Official Visit
Wed 7th September	Victor Harbor	Official Visit
Mon 12th September	Mt Barker	Official Visit
Tue 13th September	Blackwood	Official Visit
Wed 14th September	Blakiston	Official Visit
Mon 19th September	Goolwa	Official Visit
Tue 20th September	Hallett Cove	Official Visit
Wed 21th September	Norwood	Official Visit
Mon 26th September	Broken Hill	Official Visit
Tue 27th September	Wentworth	Official Visit
Wed 28th September	Broken Hill South	Official Visit
Tue 4th October	Edwardstown	Official Visit
Wed 5th October	Hyde Park	Official Visit
Thu 6th October	Encounter Bay	Official Visit
Mon 10th October	South Mildura	Official Visit
Tue 11th October	Robinvale/Euston	Official Visit
Wed 12th October	Mildura Deacon	Official Visit
Thu 13th October	Mildura	Official Visit
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**Robin Keast Brownhill Creek** Peter Gardner **Brownhill Creek** Lisa Robson-Thoo Brownhill Ck **Iessica Arabia Hyde Park Emily Hosking Kent Town** Lesley Tonkin **Mobilong Louise Tarrant** South Mildura Rupak Aryal **St Peters Chris Dawson** St Peters **Andrew Everson** Waikerie **Andre Skujins** Waikerie **Claudi Jacobs** Waikerie

Please advise District Secretary of the induction of new members D9520.secretary@gmail.com

#### **Quote from the past**

"WHATEVER ROTARY MAY MEAN TO US, TO THE WORLD IT WILL BE KNOWN BY THE RESULTS IT ACHIEVES." ~ PAUL HARRIS

#### **ROTARY INSTITUTES**

Just as the more than 34,000 Rotary clubs belong to over 530 districts, the districts, in turn, belong to 34 zones.

Rotary institutes are informational meetings designed for the past, present, and incoming RI officers. A Rotary institute may be organized for a zone, a section of a zone, or a grouping of zones The institutes usually meet for three to five days, The purpose of a Rotary institute is to:

- 1) Provide current, incoming, and past RI officers with updates on RI and Rotary Foundation policies and programs
- 2) Provide a forum for Rotary leaders to make comments and recommendations to the Board of Directors
- 3) Provide fellowship and a participative learning experience that will inspire current, incoming, and past governors to continuing leadership and service



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#### THE MALDIVES COMES TO TOWN



It is with great excitement that the Rotary Clubs of Eastwood and Edwardstown welcome the current President (Muaza) and Senior Wise Man (Athif Shakoor) of the Rotary Club of Male (Maldives - D3320) in September. Over \$50,000 worth of water projects have already been funded in Maldives from D 9520 in the last three years.

Muaza and Athif seek to share their future vision for Rotary projects in the Maldives with local Rotarians, and will be Special Guest Speakers at the following events to which all Rotarians and partners are invited. For catering purposes, RSVP should be directed as indicated.

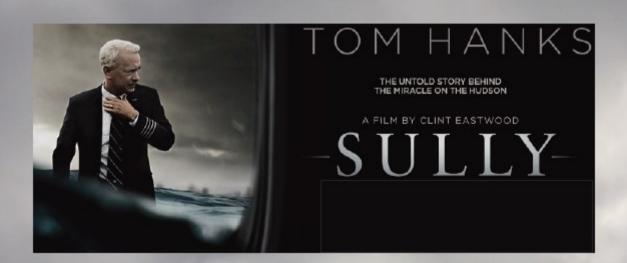




RC Edwardstown, Tues 13 September at 6PM (Dinner), at Marion Hotel, Mitchell Park RSVP & queries Pres Joseph Masika jmasika3@optusnet.com.au

RC Eastwood, Wed 14 September at 7AM (Breakfast) at Royal Coach Motel, Kent Town RSVP & queries Pres Barb Adams bradams7@bigpond.net.au

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## ROTARY CLUB OF MITCHAM FUNDRAISING MOVIE

### SULLY

After landing a plane in New York's Hudson River, Capt. Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger (Tom Hanks) faces an investigation that threatens to destroy his career and reputation.

TICKETS \$20.00 inc pre-movie drink (additional drink tickets available)

Sunday September 18, 2016
WALLIS CINEMAS- MITCHAM SQUARE
PRE-DRINKS 3.15PM
MOVIE COMMENCES 4.00PM

Tickets available from Acting Club Secretary David Gooley - mitcham.rotary@gmail.com or 0418 539 496 and the Mitcham Rotary Bookshop Shop 2, 448 Goodwood Road, Cumberland Park



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