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Rotary General Secretary John Hewko is doing his miles on a bicycle.



On 21 November, Rotary General Secretary John Hewko and a team of staffers will join Rotary members to bike up to 104 miles in El Tour de Tucson to raise funds for polio eradication. The event is one of the top cycling events in the U.S., attracting more than 9,000 cyclists each year. John and the Rotary team aim to raise \$3.4 million, which will be tripled by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation for a total of more than \$10 million, for the fight to end polio. Make a contribution to help Rotary create a polio-free world.

You can do your kilometres on a stationary bike.

District 9520 is keen to keep the momentum going to raise funds to give Polio the final push and end it worldwide once and for all. If your club has members who are fit, go to a gym or have a fitness bike, you might like to participate in a Bike-a-thon. Ask friends and family to sponsor you for each kilometre. Ride any time from 14-21 November 2015.

Take part in the Indoor Ride to End Polio! Ride a stationary bike at your local gym or at home. Register at the link below or encourage fellow Rotarians to register.

<http://ridetoendpolio.org/register-for-the-ride-to-end-polio/indoor-ride-registration/>



The current Edition of Calperum News was distributed to all D9520 Rotary Clubs this week. Many articles of interest including, "Calperum, a great place for birds." Bob Sothman, RC Blackwood. Seek out your Secretary for a copy.



The Rotary Club of Campbelltown is holding their

White Ribbon Day

Monday November 30th 2015 6:30pm for 7:00pm

Athelstone Football Club 150 George Street Paradise.

Guest Speaker is Arman Abrahamzadeh

Founder of the Zara Foundation

"Born in Iran, I migrated to Australia with my immediate family in 1997 at the age of 10. In March 2010, my mother Zahra was murdered by my abusive father at the Adelaide Convention Centre in front of 300 people. In 2013, after the criminal trial and sentencing, I became a White Ribbon Ambassador. I now passionately advocate for better policies, procedures and legislation to protect women and their children.

In the past few years I have been involved in a range of events and forums, which discuss men's behaviour, violence in the home and workplace, and abusive and unhealthy relationships. I am also a regular speaker at SAPOL domestic violence cadet training."

You are welcomed to attend this meeting by contacting

David Munro on 0418 845 644 or davidmunro@internode.on.net



Help wanted.

The Rotary Club of Edwardstown are manning the entry points for the Pacific School Games and are looking for help.

The Games will be held in Adelaide
21st November to 29th November 2015

Please respond by volunteering through the contact

mikehiosan@bigpond.com

or ring 0412 560 913



What is a Thirst Aid Station?

Thirst Aid Station is a bag-based water filter that converts dirty, undrinkable water into pure, clean, safe drinking water. Dirty water is poured into the bag at the top and passes through a primary filter, removing dirt and particles before passing down the tube, where it then passes through a micro-fibre filter that removes dangerous bacteria and viruses. The Thirst Aid station is quick and foolproof, lightweight and packs almost flat, making it ideal for inclusion in a ShelterBox.



JOE DIX MEMORIAL LECTURE sponsored by RC Renmark. Story from President Barry Hurst.

It recognises Joe Dix – the founder of Dix Engineering and Joe’s history as a member of the Rotary Club of Renmark for a period of 40 years from 1956. During his Rotary ‘life’ Joe had a strong involvement with youth and was part of a Renmark Rotary program where members of Rotary mentored students at Renmark High School. He was an early pioneer of the Renmark district having been born and raised at Murtho and in his adult life was, both an entrepreneur and inventor as well as a community minded citizen. Dix Engineering was started because Joe couldn’t access the materials he needed for his business of fruit growing and packing.



Eventually engineering part took over the fruit growing business and Dix Engineering began. His engineering accomplishments included the invention of a fruit labelling machine that was sold around the world and the Dix irrigation water filters that you see on many fruit blocks today. The Annual Lecture is presented to Years 10 to 12 students at the Renmark High School with the aim of inspiring them to success in their future life and career. It is very relevant that the 2015 presenters are both young entrepreneurs, in the same way that Joe Dix himself once was. They are persons with whom young people can relate and are both local persons who have achieved in their chosen field. The emphasis of the lecture was not for them to detail their achievements but to give the “story” of their journey; their successes and failures, their decision making and the lessons in life they have learned.

The 2015 presenters were Ben Haslett the Director of a local citrus, almond, grape and stone fruit growing and packing and exporting family business and Mark Yates the Proprietor of a very successful electrical contracting business who undertakes high voltage installation projects around Australia while at the same time working locally in domestic and commercial solar installations. Mark is currently one of the contractors working on a major solar power project at Broken Hill. The lecture is named in Joe Dix’s honour and is proudly sponsored by the Rotary Club of Renmark.

VACCINATION VIGILANTES

Rotarian Lynette Dixon from the Rotary Club of Irymple recently viewed “Vaccination Vigilantes” on SBS and was greatly concerned by what came through the story. Lynette reports, “The programme highlighted the volunteers dispensing polio vaccine, the problems they face with resistance due in part to Taliban propaganda saying the vaccine was contaminated and would harm the children. Nearly 80 volunteers dispensing polio vaccine have been murdered by the Taliban. Other families whose children had contracted polio were featured. It was quite confronting to see volunteers wearing Rotary blue & gold vests, and with coolers/Eskys marked with Rotary emblems, trying to justify polio vaccine. The programme also highlighted the squalor & filth, raw sewage, spreading the polio disease.



The End Polio Now campaign is effective in some countries as we know, but countries like Pakistan are still resistant and have polio spreading amongst its young!” Watch the program through the following link:

<http://www.sbs.com.au/news/dateline/story/vaccination-vigilantes-fighting-polio-and-taliban>



Sat February 6 - Save The Date!

ISAAC LOHMAN
HYPNOTIST
Raising Funds For



The Rotary Club of Kent Town is proud to present **Isaac Lohman, Australian Comedy Stage Hypnotist**. Isaac is a unique entertainer who fuses the power of hypnosis with hilarious routines to create stars out of members of the audience.

POLIO UTE RELAY RAFFLE WINNERS

1 st Prize: Winner: 0076	L.Gardiner	(Yankalilla)	Sealink Kangaroo Island \$1500 voucher
2 nd Prize: Winner: 1390	W.Gaborit	(Mobilong)	12 month Health & Wellness membership SA Aquatic & Leisure Centre \$1200.
3 rd Prize: Winner: 3413	C. Ragghianti	(Hyde Park)	Petaluma Coonawarra Double Magnum 1999.
4 th Prize: Winner: 3133	D.Prior	(Noarlunga East)	Flight Centre Glenelg \$200 holiday voucher
5 th Prize: Winner: 4598	K.Morris	(Edwardstown)	Yachting Jacket.
6 th Prize: Winner: 2068	J.McEntye	(Taillem Bend)	Zephyr classical guitar half size
7 th Prize: Winner: 4827	K.Davies	(Holdfast Bay)	Ozito Circular Saw
8 th Prize: Winner: 0922	T.Smith	(Berri)	Crows 2015 pre-signed football.
9 th – 14 th Prize: 6 x Family swim passes for SA Aquatic & Leisure Centre			
9 th Prize: Winner: 0667	G.Gunn	(Mildura Deakin)	
10 th Prize: Winner: 3832	M.Hanna	(Burnside)	
11 th Prize: Winner: 2000	G.Osborne	(Stirling)	
12 th Prize: Winner: 1973	Stoddard	(Stirling)	
13 th Prize: Winner: 3031	C.Whyte	(Noarlunga)	
14 th Prize: Winner: 3253	J.Mack	(Brownhill Creek)	
15 th & 16 th Prize:	double pass to the Regal Theatre		
15 th Prize:	Winner: 1400	J.Morgan	(Mobilong)
16 th Prize:	Winner: 2118	K.Buckley	(Encounter Bay)



Rotary volunteers meet a local need in Sampson Flat



Members of the Rotary Club of Onkaparinga worked until early October, and have now taken a break from their work in helping those affected by the Sampson Flat fire. Since starting work in March, the club has worked on 3 cleanup and 9 fencing projects. For much of the time members have worked 4 days one week and then taken the next week off.

All fencing jobs have been done under the leadership of a semi-retired fencing contractor in the club, and we have also been fortunate in having another retired fencer from the Rotary Club of Brownhill Creek join us for many of the jobs. In addition to our members, we have been supported by Rotarians from Noarlunga East and Tea Tree Gully clubs.

Our jobs have been allocated to us through the Recovery Centre at Gumeracha. Their support for us has been excellent, and many of the people we have worked with have made positive comments about the staff in the Centre. There are still 3 jobs on the club's list, and work will begin again after summer. The club has worked in Victoria, Sleaford and the recent Eden Valley fires, and expect that people will need support for a long time to come.

Project Coordinator, PDG Dick Cuttle said, "We are an integral part of this community, and are committed to do what we can to help those in need. There has been some discussion over the last few years about whether Rotarians should be helping those locally in our own communities who have been affected by fire or other disasters. The experience gained locally in recent times should clearly show that there will be occasions when we need to demonstrate Service Above Self through the actions we take to help our neighbours in need."





DISTRICT CONFERENCE 2016: SHOWCASE

Showcase is an integral part of each Rotary District Conference. It provides an opportunity for Rotary clubs and Rotary entities to display their projects and activities. For the District Conference 2016, to be held in Renmark from 28 April to 1 May, Showcase will be held in the Renmark High School gymnasium, adjacent to the impressive Chaffey theatre, where the formal sessions of the Conference will be held.

Seventeen (17) booths will be available, on a first come/first served basis. The Showcase booking form is now on the Conference website, accessible through the District website - <http://www.rotarynews.info/district9520/r.i>

Tim Boon, Rotary Club of Stirling, is the **Showcase Coordinator**. Please contact Tim if you have any queries about Showcase bookings. His contact details are: tel: 08 8339 5160, mob: 0455 165184, email: tamboon68@gmail.com. Please note, if you are interested in making a booking for Showcase you must download the booking form, print it, complete it manually, scan it and send it to Melda Hammond, the Registrar, as an attachment to an e-mail. Robert Koehne. Chair Conference Organising Committee.

Recreational Vehicle Fellowship.



Join in Musters to Interesting places, and enjoy the company of other Rotarians as you travel Australia. The Recreational Vehicle Fellowship of Rotarians organise Musters to selected venues which usually last for 3-7 days.

Visit the website www.rvfr-aus.org.au or contact the National Secretary secretary@rvfr-aus.org.au for more information



Area of Focus Number 4, Saving mothers and children.

SEOUL CONVENTION

3K Walk for Peace 28th May 2016.

Take a walk at the very heart of Seoul from the City Hall Plaza along the main thoroughfare of the city.

All participants are requested to wear their traditional clothing from their own countries.

The event will finish with a communal dance wishing for peace

