



This week I want to start with two quite different views of Fiji. In the first instance you can see the enormous damage caused by the passage of a Cyclone Winston across Fiji in the photo, and it is not difficult to imagine the real need of people living in these villages. Details of the response to this disaster, sponsored by the Rotary Club of Deloraine in District 9830, are included for you to make a donation to the appeal through RAWCS.

RAWCS has established a mechanism to receive donations, Project 46 Fiji Disaster Relief:

Manager DG John Dare (H) 03 6363-2407 (M) 0410-557-598 Email: jdare@andrewdare.com.au

The website for all donations is:

<https://donations.rawcs.com.au/Default.aspx?ProjectID=928&ReturnTo=4>

All donations are tax deductible. As this is a Disaster Relief Project, RAWCS will not charge the usual 3% for donations from individuals and corporations. ALL funds will therefore be used to provide aid. John Dare is the Project Manager and he is establishing an inter- District management team to ensure that funds donated are expended to achieve the maximum benefit for the people to whom they are directed.

The second part of my Fiji story is also set after Cyclone Winston.

A few years ago Rotary clubs from Australia sponsored the building of homes in Fiji for those in need.

Passage of the cyclone included locations with these Australian built homes, based upon the design invention of Australian Rotarian Peter Drysdale. These sturdy houses escaped the worst ravages of Cyclone Winton with only cosmetic damage, and provided safe refuge for people seeking shelter inside.

When it's built by Rotarians they last!

Peter Drysdale said these houses can be built in 5 days, for \$13,000 each.

The design feature that makes these houses so strong is the extensive use of steel strapping from the foundation stumps right through to the roof, with all of the fittings located with extensive use of screws. It is hoped that re-building efforts in Fiji will reflect the efficacy of this construction innovation. Editor Sam Cozens.





This photo taken by Na Son Nguyen appears in the March 2016 Issue of The Rotarian. I just had to share this picture with you because of the lovely smile on the face of the second boy from the front. A moment of pure joy is captured.

I will not try to summarise the story which you can read <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/news-media/magazines/rotarian>

VALMAI HANKEL PSM KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE DISTRICT 9520 CONFERENCE

Valmai worked in the State Library of SA for 43 years, retiring in 2001. Eight years later she was diagnosed with Parkinson's. She was the first woman President of the Friends of the State Library of SA, and a Royal Geographical Society of SA councillor for over 30 years; she is the only living recipient of the Society's highest honour, also awarded to Hillary and Mawson. A Baron of the Barossa, for 10 years she was The Adelaide Review's wine writer, and has written a column in Winestate magazine since 1997. She has contributed to several books, on Australian wine history, and the Friends' reprints of Australian explorers' journals. A guest on ABC radio since 1978, she appears regularly on Peter Goers' evening program. Her public speaking topics include living with Parkinson's, driving alone in the outback (which she has done every year since 1994), and rare books. She looks after her 13 ponies on her Murray Plains property.



SAVE THIS DATE IN YOUR DIARY



Jane Reilly will be the compere at the Rotary Club of St Peters Annual Music Awards.

Norwood Concert Hall

Tuesday 24th May 2016

This Rotary project engages students from local schools to achieve learning goals in their music education. Details of the project and booking later.

The Rotary Club of Goolwa.
**Goolwa Art and
 Photographic Exhibition**

Sunday 20th March to
 Saturday 2nd April 2016.

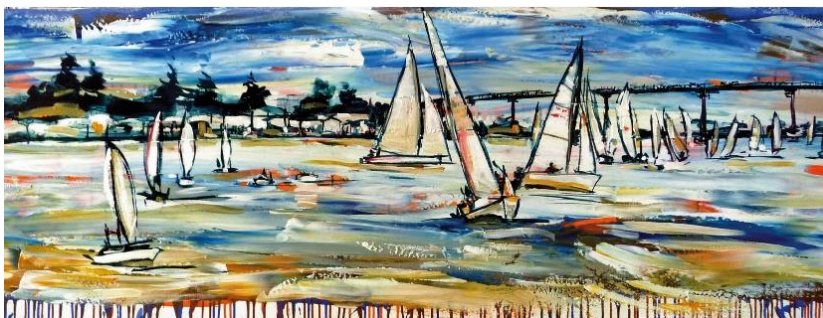
SIGNAL POINT GALLERY

Wharf Precinct, Goolwa

Over 750 exhibits on display and for sale.

Artists in Residence Demonstration 20th,

26th and 27th March. AV presentation in the theatre of award winning short films. Entry \$4 with U15 free. Open daily 9.30am to 4.30pm.



International Women's Day Breakfast

District 9500 and 9520 jointly organised and presented a very successful event at the National Wine Centre last Wednesday morning.

Rotarian Sandra Turner interviewed Professor Jana Matthews to provide an insightful, and entertaining discussion.



Professor Matthews is an international expert on entrepreneurial leadership and business growth. She helps companies develop and execute plans for growth, attract and retain talent, and develop products and services that meet customer's needs.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE, RENMARK, 28 APRIL-1 MAY, 2016

Please be reminded that **Standard Registration** with cost of \$275 closes 15th March 2016.

Please note that **Late Registration** with cost of \$290 commences 16th March 2016.

So those Rotarians who intend to attend the Conference but who have not yet registered, why not do so by 16th March and save yourself a few dollars!

Robert Koehne. Chair, Conference Organising Committee. Rotary Club of Stirling

CONFERENCE 2016 REGISTRATION STATISTICS @ 4th March 2016

Full registrations

376. Social Registrations

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Event/activity	Bookings made	Cut off number	Current status
Rotary Breakfast	60	-	-
Bus transfer to/from Conference Dinner	133	-	-
Paddle Steamer Cruise	-	-	-
Friday 29 th April – Cruise 1	60	60 people each	CLOSED
Friday 29 th April – Cruise 2	40	cruise	20 available
Saturday 30 th April	60		CLOSED
Calperum Station 4WD Tag-along	-	-	-
Friday 29 th April	40 + 9 VIP	40 people each day	CLOSED
Saturday 30 th April	40		CLOSED
Calperum Station Walk Tour	-	-	-
Friday 29 th April	26	50 people each day	24 available
Saturday 30 th April	19		31 available
Delegate's conference shirts	-	-	ORDERS CLOSE 31/03
Ladies	10	N/A	
Mens	16		

Numbers can change on a daily basis

When bookings are almost at capacity, may be best to make contact with Registrar to confirm availability. Closures are published on the website and in "The Herald".



Celebrating Our Diversity

The Migrant Resource Centre of SA
presents
Harmony Day Concert
celebrating the cultures of refugees and other
migrants to Australia.
Dunstan Playhouse
Adelaide Festival Theatre
Saturday 19th March 2016
7.00pm
Book at BASS 13 12 46 or www.bass.net.au

Ticket prices \$30, or concession \$25, or \$20 each for a family of 4, and children under 16 are \$15.
Performances include Zhao Liang Euro/Asia Project, Burmese Choir of SA, and Nava Ensemble Persian Music.
Your attendance will support the work of MRCSA to settle refugees in our communities, and increase your understanding of the cultures these people bring to enrich our lives.

PRESIDENTIAL CITATION

Please be reminded that there are a number of goals which must be achieved by Clubs working towards a Presidential Citation. Use this link to view all of the requirements for Presidential Citation:

<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/news-media/office-president/presidential-citation-rotary-clubs>

All goals must be achieved and reflected in RI's data by **1 April 2016**.



34 years for Hallett Cove

111 years for Rotary International



The Club was chartered in 1982 as the Rotary Club of Kingston Park. In 2006 Club moved to the new suburb of Hallett Cove and changed the name to RC of Hallett Cove. Those members who moved from the Rotary Club of Kingston Park reminisced about the bygone years and the former club which became the Rotary Club of Hallett Cove TEN years ago. To commemorate this special decade, Sergeant at Arms served a Quiz of 25 questions. Fortunately, members soon realized that the answer to each and every question was ... "10" ! Much laughter followed.

Special guests included DGE Sam and Lee Camporeale, President Alan and Jeannie Nelson from the Rotary Club of Noarlunga, Hon Members and Past Presidents Harry Barnham and John Myers



SUNRAYSIA ROTARY CHARITY BALL 2016

Saturday 23rd April 2016, at 6.00pm.

Tickets are \$100 each for a 3 course meal, drinks, live music and entertainment.

Contact Fiona Weir 0428 230 604 or Vince Marciano 0438 342 576 or rotarycharityball@gmail.com

If you would like to take part in the **Long Term Youth Exchange** program as a host parent(s) please contact your Assistant Governor for information on how this can be achieved.

Currently there are a number of students in overseas locations who would like to exchange with students in District 9520, however there are not reciprocal students or hosts in Australia for the exchange to occur.



ALUMNI RELATIONS

We're hosting an **Alumni Association Presidents Panel** via Webinar. Our three featured presidents are Atif Bhatti ([Rotary Foundation Alumni Deutschland](#)), Christopher Uschnig ([Rotary Alumni Association of Greater New England](#)), and Heidi Resetarits ([Rotary District 5450 Alumni Association](#)). Each of them will discuss methods they use to engage Rotary alumni and strengthen their associations.

This 30 minute webinar will take place on **24 March 2016** at 10am CDT. Use the [World Clock](#) to figure out what time that is for you. You

can register for the webinar event here: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7678757583457580801>. Let's start the conversation early. We will devote some time to Q&A so send [us](#) your questions in advance and we will do our best to answer them during the webinar. Hope you can join us. Rotary's Alumni Team.

ROTARY DISTRICT 9520

AFL Tipping Competition



You have the opportunity to put your footy tipping skills to the test; not to mention have some fun, win fantastic prizes and contribute to a worthwhile cause. The 2016 AFL footy season is just around the corner so **now** is the time to sign up.

Entry for the 2015 footy tipping competition is **only \$20**, which **includes a \$10 donation to The Rotary Foundation**, with all remaining money used for prizes. Don't miss your chance to be part of the fun of **Footy Tipping 2016**.



For further information contact Lindsay Davis (Rotary Club of Magill Sunrise) or email d9520.rotary.footy@gmail.com

Join the Rotary D9520 on-line Footy Tipping competition to determine the best-of-the-best in this *major field of endeavour* (and the added benefit of a little inter-club rivalry).

How it works:

- ❑ It's open to Rotarians, family, friends, alumni, pets - anyone connected with D9520;
- ❑ The Entry fee is only \$20 (comprising \$10 for the prize pool and **a \$10 donation to The Rotary Foundation**);
- ❑ There will be weekly cash and give-away prizes plus bragging rights through the season;
- ❑ Major end-of-season prizes will be determined once the number of participants is known;
- ❑ The competition is part of the www.footytips.com.au on-line competition so it's super-simple;
- ❑ Anyone with internet access can tip and check their standing (and it's also easy for the club Sergeant to pick up Fines).

All you need to do is:

- register again at <http://www.footytips.com.au/comps/D9520> if you participated last year; or
- sign up at the above website address if you are a newby; or
- send an email to d9520.rotary.footy@gmail.com for instructions.
- have fun

Payment instructions will be provided once you have emailed your interest or registered online.

Round 1 commences on Thursday 24th March 2016 so **ACT NOW** if you love your footy (or are passionate about supporting The Rotary Foundation).