



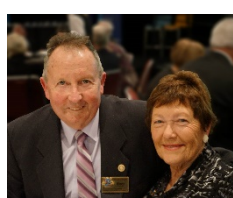
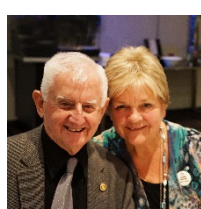
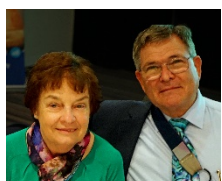
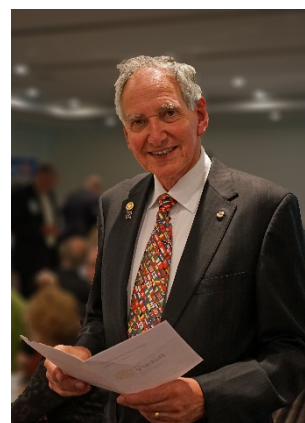
ROTARY FOUNDATION DINNER

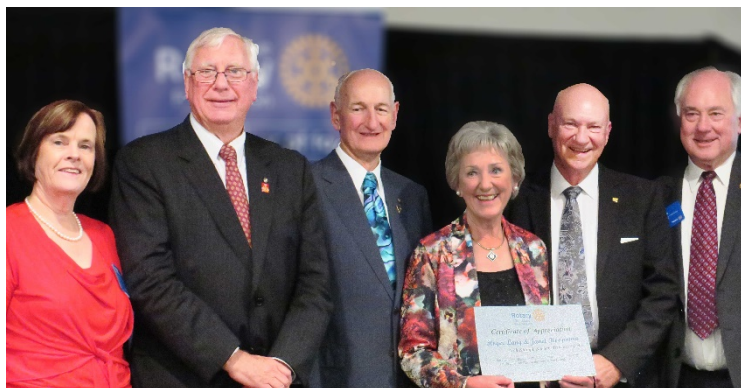
The Rotary Foundation Dinner was a sparkling event held in the Adelaide Convention Centre on Saturday 14th May 2017.

This joint venture promoted by DGs Doug Layng and Dick Wilson was a great success in raising awareness of the Rotary Foundation, for featuring prominent Rotary Leaders Bill Boyd and Ian Riseley, and an opportunity for the 150 guests all dressed in their finery to engage in warm fellowship.

The evening was kept at a lively level by an entertaining and chirpy Euan Miller as MC, overseeing a series of presentations which recognised 17 bequests amounting to a total of \$637,000.

Luminaries, both actual and would be, from both Districts, vied to tell the best stories, as they all enjoyed a very memorable occasion along with the remarkable silver service attention and delectable food and wines.

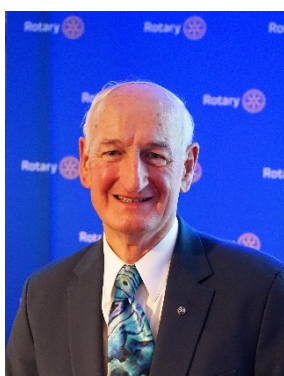




Rotary leaders Jo Schilling, Ian Riseley, Bill Boyd, and Ed King (far right) congratulate new Members of the Arch Klumph Society Trustees Circle as donors whose cumulative contributions to the Foundation amount to US\$250,000 or more to qualify as members of this Society.

Roger Lang and Janet Hoopman have joined this prestigious group of people who are helping the Foundation to fulfil Rotary's promise to do good in the world making it a better place for all.

The very next day the **RI District 9520 Assembly** was held at the Unity College venue in Murray Bridge. The dress was more casual but the intensity of excitement was still evident as the learning program was unfurled by Trainer Kim Harvey, DGE Sam Camporeale and DG Dick Wilson. As a special treat RI Past President Bill Boyd gave a thoughtful address to the Assembly.



RI President-elect 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, John 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."

We have been most fortunate to have several influential Rotary leaders visit our District events recently and their common message is that we are as Rotarians indeed part of a global village, with a broad responsibility for the welfare of our neighbours.



Ian and Juliet Riseley



Stuart Heal



Noel Trevaskis



Bill and Lorna Boyd.



To all Rotarians and their Friends in District 9520.

May has been a “Big Rotary Month” in District 9520.

It was “Youth Service” Month.

The District Conference finished on 01 MAY.

The Rotary Club of Unley celebrated their 4000th meeting on 03 MAY.

The Broken Hill AgFair was held on the W/E 06-08 MAY.

My Club, RC Stirling held their Sculpture and Photographic Expo at Stangate House, Aldgate 12-22MAY.

The Riverland and Mallee Citizen of the Year Award was held at the Berri Hotel on 13 MAY.

The Rotary Foundation Dinner was held at the Adelaide Convention Centre on 14 MAY.

The District Training Assembly happened on 15 MAY.

And, I am sure I have not mentioned many other events happening out there in Club land.

And, to cap off a busy month, Liz and I left for Japan on 20 MAY with plans to attend the Rotary International Convention in Seoul 28 MAY – 01 JUN.

ROTARY CLUB OF TOKYO



I invariably try and visit a Club when I am here visiting Tom and his family. This is my second visit to this Club of around 370 members.

They meet in the very famous Imperial Hotel - the meeting lasts exactly one hour and yesterday there were 15 Rotarian guests from Japan plus 32 International guests. In order to overcome the language difficulty, there is an instantaneous translation into English available via a hearing loop.

The Imperial Hotel was designed by Wanitabe and opened in 1890. It was destroyed by fire on 16 APR 1922 while the Prince of Wales was in residence, and then reopened in 1923 with Frank Lloyd Wright as the architect.

The Great Kanto Earthquake on 01 SEP 1923 caused further destruction to some of the old remaining structures but the new building survived, due in no small part to the architectural design.

Much damage was inflicted on Tokyo during World War 11 and eventually the hotel was demolished and rebuilt in 1967.

Some of Frank Lloyd Wright’s original work has been preserved.

Many famous people have stayed there including Marilyn Monroe with one of her husbands Joe DiMaggio in 1954. When asked by a cheeky press interviewer what she wore in bed, MM replied “Chanel No.5”.

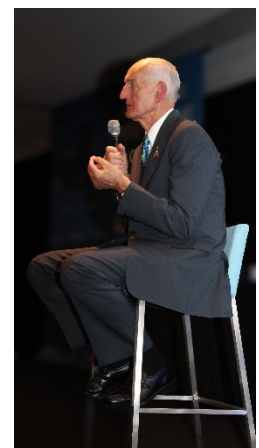
That comment did the perfumery business no harm at all!

THE ROTARY FOUNDATION DINNER – 14 MAY

One hundred and forty Rotarians and partners had the privilege of hearing two great guest speakers in Rotary luminaries **Past RI President Bill Boyd** and **RI President Nominee Ian Riseley**.

Bill Boyd is a master of the monologue! Seated centre stage on a bar stool, he captivated the assembled throng with a litany of Rotary messages. From the Rotary Foundation and ‘End Polio Now’ to the ‘branding’ exercise and the fact that Rotary is a unique organization in many ways. Very few Rotary projects fail and to think that the vision to eradicate polio started over 30 years ago proves that Rotary can do ‘the hard yards’!

When Bill was RI President in 2006-07, his theme was “Lead the Way” and he is still out in front leading us forwards!



Public Image Coordinator Wendy Gaborit interviewed Ian to find out more about the man who will lead Rotary in 2017-18. Ian has his own accountancy firm and has already held significant leadership positions in the Rotary hierarchy. “Doing good in the world is everyone’s goal. We must learn from the experience of the polio eradication program to maximize our public awareness exposure for future partnerships”

DISTRICT TRAINING ASSEMBLY

Thanks to the District Training Committee (Kim Harvey, Chair, DGE Sam, DGN Bob and Deidre Hughes) for a comprehensive day of information at Unity College in Murray Bridge on **SUN 15 MAY**.

Thanks must go to the RC Murray Bridge for providing sustenance at morning tea and lunch – home made biscuits and slices and a delicious BBQ lunch!

Bill Boyd delivered a wonderful keynote address in his usual inimitable style. He focused on some of the key issues in Rotary and 3 of these are reflected in the RI Strategic Plan – membership, humanitarian service and public image.

He left us with the strong message that we should be involved in Community service on a global basis.



SRM and Riverland Rotary Clubs' 39th Citizen of the Year Awards

On FRI 13 MAY, Liz and I attended this glamorous Awards Night along with finalists, their families, Rotarians and friends. Berri President Brett Wright welcomed the guests and John Rix entertained the crowd as MC.

Young Person of the Year was Eboni Frankel and Citizen of the Year Lynette Nitschke both worthy winners of these prestigious awards.

Event of the Year was hotly contested throughout the Riverland and Mallee

regions with the Pinnaroo Fun Run, Walk and Roll being named the winner.

Group 2 Assistant Governor Mike Woosnam and Lorraine Woosnam were amongst the guests enjoying the event.



AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH (ARH) – “addressing vital health issues within Australia”

ARH Ambassador PDG Bob Aitken will be one of the Guest Speakers at a dinner on TUE 07 JUN at Kooyonga Golf Club. Bob is best known for his tremendous service to Rotary Down Under over many years.

The other keynote speaker is Kristin Graham who is doing some exciting research into Post-traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).



JUNE IS ROTARY FELLOWSHIP MONTH – WHOOP!!!

Some Clubs have a buzz! An air of excitement! A frisson of anticipation!

Make your Club a place where you would like to bring a prospective member - a warm, friendly, inviting environment where your guest feels at ease and is made to feel welcome by like-minded people.

And when did YOU last bring a new member into your Club? In fact, have you ever introduced a new member? As I have said before, we have to “get our ask in to gear”! After all, at some point, you were invited to join so why not share that opportunity with someone else – a friend, relative or work colleague.

C'mon! Let's make JUNE a month of Rotary Fellowship!

MEMBERSHIP GROWTH – a neat segue from Fellowship!

District 9520 has a net membership gain of 17 members (as far as we know). This represents a growth of 1.3% compared with the Australian growth rate of 0.6%.

The irrepressible Mark Huddleston is determined to reverse the membership decline seen in the District over recent years. He has worked assiduously with Groups and individual Clubs and his presentation at the Conference provided many positive ideas for membership growth and retention.

We have to make our Clubs more attractive and at the end of the day, its up to you and me!

WHAT ABOUT RYDA?

Under the astute chairmanship of Judith-Marie Brown (to give her full name!), Judi has made a giant leap forward in progressing the Rotary Youth Driver Awareness program.

And what better way to tell you more is to attach her summary of the Committee's activities.

"The Committee is working well and we have welcomed Bob McFarland (Encounter Bay) as our newest member. We have met with District 9500 RYDA Committee reps and have agreed to work closely together on activities. We have presented information on RYDA to interested clubs and have supported Waikerie Rotary to run its first RYDA event for 110 students from Year 11 at the local high school.

We have organized meetings with state labor and liberal politicians and are developing a submission to apply for funding for Rotary Clubs to conduct more RYDA events across the state.

Judi Brown. 9520 RYDA District Committee (Chair)"

DG DICK 28 MAY 2016



Readers for Tanna Kids.

Rotarians Kerry Miller and Wayne Sachs from the Rotary club of Glenelg have just returned from Tanna Island Vanuatu after successfully completing a literacy project funded by a matching grant from District 9520.

This involved staying at the remote "Day Springs Primary School" for four days and delivering over four hundred PM graded reading books covering readability ages from Reception year to years 3 and 4.

During their time at the school they inducted the teaching staff on ways to make the most effective use of the readers as well as introducing students to the books.

The school is still recovering from the devastation suffered following Cyclone Pam in April last year. One classroom block is still undergoing repairs so students occupy a large tent supplied by UNICEF as their classroom.

Given the almost complete lack of reading resources the staff, students and community were overwhelmed by the new readers supplied.

Kerry stated, "To see the smiles on the young faces as they explored the colourful pages and the confidence as they began to read the text, is something that will remain with me forever."

Having the opportunity to live with a remote community, share their way of life, and provide the books that will allow students to improve their literacy levels, increase their understanding and use of English as their second language and add excitement and joy to their learning gave true insight to RI President Ravi Ravindran's theme, "Be a Gift to the World."



I just could not resist publishing this photo.
(Or if you prefer, the devil made me do it!)

Read the sign and then notice Wendy and Ian trying to figure out how to engage the switches on the microphones as their preparation in front of their audience, for a major presentation at the Foundation Dinner.

They were eventually rescued by MC Euan Miller, the switch master.

Congratulations, about a quarter of our clubs in D9520 have now Integrated “My Rotary” with “ClubRunner”. See last week’s “The Herald” for a reminder on how this can be achieved in your club. Editor Sam



90 News Corp newspapers are promoting volunteering. Here's how to get involved.

All 90 News Corp community newspapers have joined with the DoSomething charity to launch DoSomething Day on Wednesday June 15. It's a major national push to promote volunteering around Australia.

Together, we are seeking story and photo opportunities that celebrate the volunteers who are helping out in their local communities.

Here's how you can get involved:

- To submit photo and story opportunities that you think would be of interest, please email photos@dosomethingday.com.au.
- The best photos submitted by organisations like yours will appear on News Corp websites on DoSomething Day on Wednesday June 15th 2016.
- The best stories and photos will also appear in print in the days following DoSomething Day.
- Photos that are used will help to raise the profile of organisations that get involved.
- **If you have photo opportunities, we'd like to hear from you straight away!**
- We're hoping that this massive media coverage will encourage more volunteering around Australia. To that end, I do hope that you will be able to get involved.

With best regards, **Jon Dee, Founder - DoSomething Day**

Our DoSomething Day leaflet shows you how to get involved in this big push to promote volunteering across all 90 News Corp community newspapers. Download the [DoSomething Day leaflet](#)

If you have any questions about DoSomething Day, give DoSomething a call on **02 4782 3680**.

Alternatively, email photos@DoSomethingDay.com.au or visit DoSomethingDay.com.au.

Finally, if you have volunteer opportunities that you'd like to promote, you can list them for free at DoSomethingNearYou.com.au.

The Rotary Foundation Cadre of Technical Advisers is composed of volunteer Rotarians from around the world who are familiar with the Rotary grant program, have professional experience in community development, and/or have professional expertise in one or more of Rotary's six areas of focus.

The Rotary Foundation is presently looking for Project Development Advisers in the roles “Rotary Grant Adviser” and “Project Development and Management”,



The Rotary Foundation is also looking for Focus Advisers in “Basic Education and Literacy”, “Disease Prevention and Treatment”, “Maternal and Child Health,” and “Economic and Community Development”.

Please use the link to find further information. <https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/document/cadre-technical-advisers-registration>



Helping Hands

Sue Foster from RC Murray Bridge, and Jan Johnson from RC Adelaide are jointly engaged in assembling a prosthetic hand. The completed hand was sent to a person in Vietnam who had lost his hand due to uncovering a landmine, and his life was transformed by this wonderful gift.

Learn more about this the Helping Hands Program by clicking on the link and watching the video.

[Helping Hands Video Link](#)