



“Going Bush with Rotary” is a yearly program which is having great success engaging with young people and changing their lives. Program instigators Jim and Vicki Mason from the Rotary Club of Murray Bridge have established strong links with local public and private Primary Schools for them to invite selected Year 6 students, who are considered to be at risk, to be part of a week long learning exercise conducted by Rotarians in the far north Flinders Ranges. The program provides strong role models, and many situations where interpersonal skills and social skills can be developed, with opportunities for these young people to develop effective relationships with others. The success of this program relies upon the skills of Rotarians being able to significantly influence the way some young people in our community view the world and themselves. The main feedback relating the success of the exercise comes from the young people themselves, and from what their teachers report after the students return to their classrooms, and it is very often very positive.



Reminder that your Rotary stories need to be shared with others in your community. See **Tall Poppy** article in “The Herald” Edition 12.



Wasrag:

The Rotarian Action Group dedicated to Water & Sanitation

"In service there is happiness."

Paul Harris, Rotary Founder

Use this link to find out more on the purposes of this organisation, and how it can support fund raising for Rotary Club programs and projects.

www.wasrag.org

Our Vision is to assist Rotary Clubs and Districts to engage in projects that improve the lives of people in communities that do not have safe and reliable water supplies, and effective sanitation and hygiene provision.

Friday October 11 is Hat Day, the fun-draising day where you wear a hat and make a donation to help shine a light on mental illness in Australia.

- Every year more than four million Australians are diagnosed with a mood disorder.
- By 2020 depression alone will become the second leading cause of death worldwide.
- HAT DAY is Australian Rotary Health's response to the increasing need to de-stigmatise mental illness and raise much needed funds for vital research into this area.



Many Rotary Clubs have organised an event for Hat Day.

The Rotary Club of Adelaide South has organised a Voyage of Discovery for Mental Health. Details are in last week's Edition of "The Herald".

The Rotary Club of Adelaide South have also organised a "Flash Mob" event with entertainer James Moffatt providing a program of various singing groups <http://www.rockethub.com/profiles/11214-james-moffatt> This event will be staged at the Entertainment and Leisure Precinct of Marion Westfield on Thursday 10th October at 6.00 pm. Rotarians are encouraged to join the crowd dressed in their club shirts and hats to advertise Hat Day purposes. Contact Kay Dowling 0418 812 287 kdo30083@bigpond.net.au for further details.

The organisers have requested I let you know the event at the Hatz, Jazz & Shiraz at Lyndock Hill has been cancelled. Monies paid online can be reclaimed by phoning Lyndoch Hill. (Editor).

John Rothwell is a keynote speaker at the 2014 District Conference.



As Chief Executive of the Royal Agricultural & Horticultural Society of SA, John Rothwell oversees an organisation that has an annual turnover of \$18 million and holds assets in excess of \$97 million. The premier activity of his organisation is the Royal Adelaide Show, the largest single public event in the state each year, attracting 500,000 members of the public. A key challenge for John is to ensure his organisation continues to make itself relevant to current and future members.

Sustainability is a common challenge to big business and community based organisations such as Rotary. John Rothwell's track record of instituting organisational and cultural change at the Adelaide Showground is truly inspirational. He has a message for everyone in Rotary.

Is your club in the Sausage Sizzle Business?

The [Rotary Club of Edwardstown](#) is manufacturing these fantastic snag holders - ideal for a sausage in bread or a hot dog. Made from strong, lightweight aluminium and powder coated so they are easy to clean.

Our price = \$27.50.

Proceeds to support local and international club projects.

Please contact Leslie Tonkin 0413 948 678 for more info.



ROTARY DISTRICT 9520 STRATEGIC PLAN 2013-2016

For the first time in our District we have a Strategic Plan, and it presently encompasses three administrations.

Our Plan delivers on a promise for CONSISTENCE, CONTINUITY AND CONSENSUS in the hope to INSPIRE you to turn conversations into action.



THE PRESIDENT OF YOUR ROTARY CLUB HAS A DETAILED COPY OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN FOR YOU TO VIEW.

YOUTH EXCHANGE - NEEDS YOU

The Rotary Youth Exchange program has changed lives, not just the life of the student, but in addition the Rotarians who have hosted, counselled and mentored them, their host siblings and friends. Exchange students have, as a result of their experiences, developed self-resilience, founded successful careers on the basis of having a second language and a belief in themselves.

But, the program cannot exist without a strong committee.

DG Wendy invites you to come on board and help make a difference.

Training and orientation in the program and its requirements will be provided.

For more information Contact. Chairman Mark Martin - t. 0417 505 746. E. mfmartin@internode.on.net

District Training Reminder

District Team Training 2nd March 2014 Adelaide and President-Elects Training 5th and 6th April Calperum District Training Assembly 4th May Waikerie. Some other training seminars to be confirmed.

Contact Damian Leach 0438 294 563 d9520.training@gmail.com