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## **100 Million Reasons To Thank Australian Rotarians.**

As all Rotarians around Australia should now know, the Hon Tony Abbott, Prime Minister of Australia, announced in his opening address to the 105<sup>th</sup> Convention of Rotary International in Sydney on 1<sup>st</sup> June that the Government has approved a commitment of \$100 million to the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI). Contributions will be at the rate of \$20 million per annum and will commence in the year 2014/15 for a 5 year period. Brian Knowles PRI Treasurer.

## **Outstanding service was recognised at the Hallett Cove Changeover Dinner held last Friday evening.**

President Margaret Wade presented Paul Harris Fellow Awards to PDG David Roberts for his service to youth at District and Club level, PP Irene Healey for her service to ROMAC, and Rotarian Josie Lee for her service as treasurer.



DGN Dr Dick Wilson presented Australian Rotary Health Certificates of Achievement to Josie and David.



Nigerian business leader and philanthropist Sir Emeka Offor announced a \$1 million gift to The Rotary Foundation for polio eradication efforts at the Rotary Convention in Sydney. Sir Emeka, who is executive vice chair of the Chrome Group, has made contributions to [Rotary's campaign](#) to rid the world of this deadly disease totalling more than \$3.1 million, including a \$1 million gift he announced at the 2013 convention. He told the attendees at the third plenary session on Tuesday that his commitment to ending polio is a personal one.



Photo M. Lozinska.



## RAWCS Rings for Limbs Project in Thailand.

### The Rotary Club of Noarlunga East has offered to be the Southern Collection Point for Ring Pulls.

Ring pulls from soft drink cans are a valuable source of high grade aluminium metal. Monies raised from selling these ring pulls is used by the RAWCS organisation to fund the production of prosthetic joints and limbs. Distribution of the prostheses is managed by the Rotary Club of Thin Thai Ngam in District 3360 Thailand, and The Prostheses Foundation in Thailand.

The Prostheses Foundation was established in 1992 and is a free prosthetic service for amputees of any race, nationality or religion.

Many amputees are victims of landmine explosions, and a fitted prosthesis gives these people a renewed chance to live more productive and enjoyable lives.

2,500 ring pulls produce approximately 1 Kilogram of Aluminium from which 7 sets of joints can be made.

Start collecting today.

Call 1300 796 609, or contact

Christine Markey Secretary RC of Noarlunga East

PO Box 328 Morphett Vale SA 5162 for more information.



### Vale Reg Hanson

Reg passed away on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2014. Reg was a Rotarian since 1983 when he joined the Port Augusta Club. In 1985 he transferred to the Whyalla Club and in 1988 he joined the Blackwood Club. With us, Reg held various roles including Director Youth and Vocation, Director Annual Fair for three years, Programme Co-ordinator, Registration Officer for four years and Public Officer for two years. Reg also was involved in the National Youth Science Forum for three years.

The post of President was held by Reg in 1999/2000, and he was awarded a Paul Harris Fellow in 2005.

A thorough gentleman, Reg is fondly remembered and will be missed as a man who never raised his voice, always had a kind word to say, and was a genuinely great bloke and great Rotarian.

Eulogy by Stuart Brew.



## Centurion contributions.

At this time of year many Rotarians are making contributions to the **Australian Rotary Foundation Trust**. Please be advised that the administration costs for the Foundation would be significantly reduced if Rotarians sent their RI membership number with their contact details. Also Rotary Clubs who send contributions for multiple members are requested to send the details on the appropriate form including each member's RI membership number.

This form is available through the link [Centurion Donation Form](#)

Detailed instructions for completing this form can be found on the District 9520 website [www.rotarynews.info/2/District/9520/355/](http://www.rotarynews.info/2/District/9520/355/)





## WORLD CONVENTION QUILTERS PROJECT - SYDNEY



### Greetings Rotarians and friends in District 9520

As a member of the Rotarian Fellowship of Quilters and Fibre Artists I am proud to report on our amazing and successful display at the Sydney World Convention. Equally proud, that District 9520 presented 3 of the 27 wall hangings that were displayed at the entrance of the Billabong House of Friendship and attracted a great deal of interest, both in work and story.



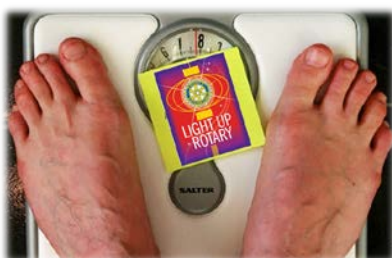
For their involvement in the project, I wish to thank Sue McKay for her work showing the horse tram at Victor Harbor and Fran Maidment who helped with our story of Strathalbyn and District.

Seven of the works were given for silent auction and from this we raised \$3,035 for the End Polio program - a fantastic effort. A small group of non-Rotarian card makers from Strathalbyn inspired by Gail Smith, donated hand-made cards, raising a further \$500 for that worthy cause.

As the new Rotary year begins I hope other quilters and knitters will wish to be involved and contact me about a project to make baby quilts because 9520 can make a difference. Gwenda Knights.

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### Lite'n Up Rotary!



Join this new fantastic movement to **Lite'n up Rotary** and get your fellow Rotarians, Family and Friends involved.

It is so easy... For every kilo you lose weight you donate one kilo of food to a good cause. If you were naughty and gained a kilo, the same applies.

The **Rotary Club of Eastwood** has trialled this great initiative over the last 6 months and they have lost over 100 kilos amongst their Members, Family and Friends. This means they have donated over a 100 kilo of food to the Northern Domestic Violence Centre.

Want to be part of it? Then pick a cause, start tracking your weight loss and have others join you! Together we can **Lite'n Up Rotary** and help people in need!

# Yellow Brick Road Group

## INFORMATION FOR VOLUNTEERS ROYAL ADELAIDE SHOW 2014

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September to Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September (inclusive)**

Rotary has again been given the opportunity to look after 4 of the sales booths for the 2014 Adelaide Royal Show. To register your times please click on the link below. This will take you to the registration form and you can select the time(s) you wish to volunteer for. If you have any issues please don't hesitate to contact me.

<http://e.mybookingmanager.com/http://e.mybookingmanager.com2014 Yellow Brick Road>

As a volunteer for a Rotary Club you are covered by Rotary insurance for the purpose of fund raising and if you are a member of Rotary you can claim a make-up for each session you volunteer.

**The fundraising incentive is that Rotary Clubs receive \$13.00 per person for each hour.**

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Email: [barbara.wheatcroft@bigpond.com](mailto:barbara.wheatcroft@bigpond.com)

A detailed flyer of this event has been sent to the Secretary of each Rotary Club.



The Rotary Club of Blackwood.

## GIANT BOOKSALE

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June 9.00 am to 4.00 pm

Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2014 9.00 am to 3.00 pm

Blackwood Community Centre

Young Street, Blackwood.

Pick up lots of good books to read and help us raise funds for our service to the community.

Prices range from \$1.50 to \$4.00 each.

Phone 0438 890 503 for more information.

Rotary Club of Blackwood doing things for the community.



Visit the Shelterbox Australia website to learn more about these current projects:



<http://www.shelterboxaustralia.org.au/>

