



## Encounter Bay Rotarian Awarded.

Dr Andrew Benson was recently one of three doctors awarded by the Rural Doctors Workforce Agency Inc for their long service in the southern Fleurieu district.

Dr Benson who has worked at the Victor Medical Centre for 26 years was very happy to receive an award which recognised his work in the community.

He is currently the chairman of the Australian Rotary Health Board, and has just been awarded a Paul Harris Fellow Sapphire for Rotary service.

Dr Andrew Benson has been a member of the Rotary Club of Encounter Bay since 1992, and has served in President and Assistant Governor roles.

Congratulations Dr Andrew Benson.

Story courtesy Victor Harbor Times.

Photo courtesy of the Rural Doctors Workforce Agency.

### URGENT ACTION REQUIRED District Directory ON LINE

Each year, District publishes the Directory on line. In previous years the directory is published in two parts with the "membership" section access only via password. This prevents it being downloaded and used inappropriately.

The 2014-15 Directory differs from previous years in that it contains more member details in the body of the Directory. In compiling the Directory, District sought permission through each club's officers – President and Secretary, however is unsure that this was communicated to all. District is now seeking any objection from any member whose contact details appear in the 2014-15 Directory to their contact details being published on line.

Members **must** lodge their objection in writing to the District Secretary ELECT **Peter Hammond** on or **before 1 July 2014**. Email: [peter\\_h@bigpond.net.au](mailto:peter_h@bigpond.net.au). The current directory can be found:

[District Directory 2013-2014](#)



### SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECT IN ZIMBABWE

The Rotary Club of Hyde Park used their Charitable Trust to process donations toward the building of a school in Zimbabwe. President of the RC of Masasa Ms Charity Zemebe spoke to a recent meeting of Hyde Park about the proposed school building, and the need it will meet in the community near Harare. Here President Charity exchanges club motifs with President Sandy Matz.



# ROBIN

A joint project of Rotary Districts 9500 and 9520



## Vale Rotarian Barry Barratt.

It is with great sadness that we learn of the passing of Barry Barratt, a Rotarian well known throughout Districts 9520 and 9500 through his many years as the spokesman for the Rotary Native Bird Nestbox Project, more commonly known simply as ROBIN.

We must go back to 1992----22years---to get some idea of this amazing man's Rotary story.

In that year Professor Rob Morrison formulated the first nest box project when he invited all of the Primary Schools in South Australia to monitor breeding and nesting habits of native birds. The first school to be involved was St. Agnes Primary School where a group of parents encouraged by their children made several boxes which developed into a series of working bees which in the first year made 610 boxes.

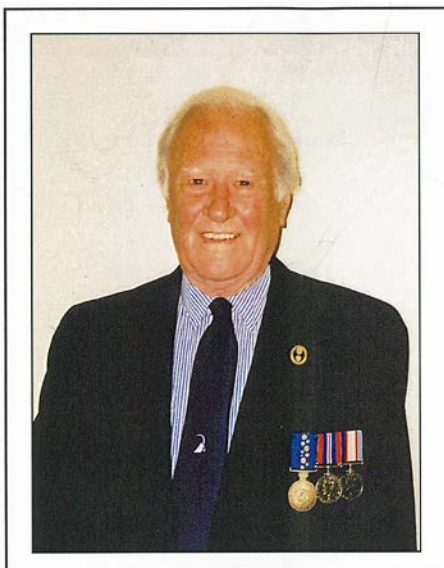
At the same time Barry, a successful farmer and businessman with extensive interests in the South East, was becoming more and more concerned about the decline of native birds and mammals as land was cleared. He knew that old, dead, or dying eucalypts and mallee still had a vital role to play in a balanced environment and provided breeding and shelter hollows for many species of native birds, mammals and reptiles.

Rotarian Barry, Professor Morrison and Rotarian PDG Don Sarah from District 9500, joined forces to form the ROBIN committee with the aim of developing Rotary Club based teams to make boxes, and to install them in areas of need. The rest is history. Close to 5000 nesting boxes have been made and supplied to organizations all around South Australia, and over 1000 were sent to the fire ravaged areas of Victoria. A major success was the supply of specially designed nesting boxes to Kangaroo Island, which made a big contribution to saving the endangered Glossy Black Cockatoo. None of this would have happened without the continued enthusiasm and commitment of Barry Barratt. HE WAS ROBIN.



A week ago, it could have been noted that the Founding Fathers of ROBIN, Barry Barratt, Rob Morrison and Don Sarah were all still working on the ROBIN Committee.

Twenty two years of continuous service. A remarkable record that resulted because of the persistence of one man. This is a testimony to the Rotary Ideal of "Service Above Self", and Barry will be honoured and remembered by the ROBIN Committee. Eulogy courtesy Bob Arnold.



Barry Barratt was an active member of the Rotary Club of Burnside from 2004 to 2011. He joined Burnside after many years of service with the Glen Osmond Club and at all times ensured that we understood the importance of the natural environment in our work within the Community.

Report courtesy Jock Thornton.



## CLUB WEBSITES AND CLUB EMAILS

There is a simple and standardised email address and website address for every club in District 9520.

The standard formats are:

Emails: [<clubname>@rotaryclub.org.au](mailto:<clubname>@rotaryclub.org.au)

Website: [www.<clubname>.rotaryclub.org.au](http://www.<clubname>.rotaryclub.org.au)

Behind-the-scenes, the email address will automatically redirect the user to the Club Secretary.

Similarly, the website address will automatically redirect the user to your club website.

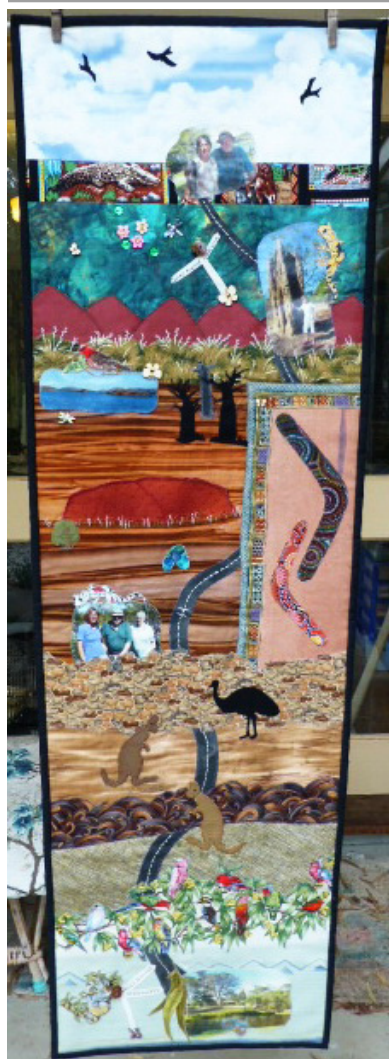


Email redirects will be changed to the incoming Club Secretary at/near the end of this Rotary year. When the change has been made, a confirmation email will be sent to the new and old recipient.

These email and website addresses will make it simpler for the public, Rotarians and the District to communicate with each other. It is recommended that the new club email and website address is promoted to the public (ie. include it on your letterhead, email signatures, website, facebook page, event flyers, press releases, etc).

The Club president or secretary can request changes to the redirects at any time by emailing [d9520.rotary@gmail.com](mailto:d9520.rotary@gmail.com).

For further information, please contact Lindsay Davis on [lindsaydavis17@gmail.com](mailto:lindsaydavis17@gmail.com)



### A quilting story to celebrate 40 Years of Friendship...

This special friendship began for the Knight's family, when Strathalbyn's German Exchange Student Ulrike (Ricky) Simons arrived from Bergen-Enkheim near Frankfurt. Ken was her Counsellor and she stayed some time with our family.

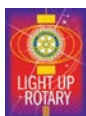
Our special bond of friendship has grown even deeper over the years with holidays shared around the world. Asked to be witness at her wedding in 1984 was a great honour, to be followed some years later a proud Godmother to her daughter Fiona.

All three of her children have spent several weeks here in Australia and like their mother just love our country. On the other hand she has driven us over the greater part of Europe and her family and friends have made us feel so welcome there. Our children are blessed to have a Big Sis in their lives with New Zealand now include Down Under.

On her many visits to Australia, Ricky had seen much of our country, but not the Top End...so on her visit in 2012, this seemed a great way to celebrate our 40 years of friendship. Ken and I drove to Darwin where we picked Ricky up and so began our caravan journey. This wall hanging traces our journey through Litchfield, Kakadu, across to Lake Argyle and Wyndham in WA then down the long but interesting track to SA. What an amazing way to celebrate as we watched the sunsets, sat around the camp fire under starry skies, shared stories with other travellers and cemented even deeper our treasured friendship. They say 'A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step'... So THANK YOU ROTARY for assisting in that first step.

As I write this we are about to embark on yet another trip to Germany, this time to celebrate Ricky's 60<sup>th</sup> birthday and then see more of Europe together. We are fortunate to have a 'home' on the other side of the world and give thanks for our many blessings remembering. 'Moments Shared are the Memories we keep Forever'

Made by Gwenda Knights Jan/Feb 2014 for Rotary World Convention Sydney.



Please note that the District Changeover Event at Kooyonga on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2014 is now fully booked and we apologise to anyone who is inconvenienced by this situation.

## REDUCING THE EFFECTS OF PROSTATE CANCER

Dr Peter Sutherland, an experienced urologist, recently addressed the Rotary Club of Hyde Park on the topic of prostate cancer. He spoke about the incidence of prostate cancer increasing with age, and the importance of taking positive steps to ensure early detection. The actual causes of prostate cancer are not known however there is some evidence that diet and general fitness are significant factors.

**What is known however is that early detection and treatment of prostate cancer significantly increases the chances of a return to a healthy life.** This is the central message to convey to men in our community. The target group of men especially is those over 40 years of age arranging to have regular annual medical checks for any signs of the cancer.

Digital rectal examination and Prostate Specific Antigen blood tests should both be considered. There are other more invasive tests available to confirm any suspicions, and we are most fortunate to have expert medical treatments to address removal of the cancer.

The sober message is that advanced prostate cancer very often results in death.



## AGFAIR PROJECT BROKEN HILL

Recently during May the Rotary Club of Broken Hill South took part in the Broken Hill AGFAIR event. Over 300 site holders and businesses took part in the two day event on the local racecourse.

The Broken Hill South Rotary club have supported the AGFAIR day by serving the public through its huge BBQ set up and food area in a massive Marquee. Under the guidance of President John Coff and supported by his Board Directors, 26 members and a number of 'friends of Rotary' the club served close to 700 people during

Breakfast and luncheon. It was a whole club effort with long hours and aching feet at the BBQ and drink stations, with members wearing their Rotary shirts and caps with pride. It was a major success with excellent fellowship in service to our community and with our Rotary signage showing Rotary Awareness to the general public and the tourists attending the AGFAIR. Each member was given a task and with quality social demeanour there were plenty of smiles as the people enjoyed their meals sitting on hay bales and partaking in a hot coffee.

Our efforts raised over \$5,767 clear profit which will be dispersed at Change Over in July with an emphasis on Autism Awareness and Care. Paul Armstrong media officer.





**Bay to Birdwood**  
FLINDERS MEDICAL CENTRE FOUNDATION

**JERSEY BOYS**  
The Story of Frankie Valli & The Four Seasons

**Movie Fundraising Event**  
**8 July 2014**  
**At the Regal Theatre**

Please join us for a fundraising movie evening supporting the Bay to Birdwood and the Flinders Medical Centre Foundation. Arrive at 6pm for drinks, a light supper and an auction of a framed display of commemorative plaques from 1980 to 2013. **This is not to be missed!** The new release movie Jersey Boys will screen at 7pm. Come dressed in your favourite Bay to Birdwood era. Regal Theatre, 275 Kensington Road, Kensington Park. **Tickets are available at [www.eventbrite.com.au](http://www.eventbrite.com.au) (search Bay to Birdwood)**

For more information: [www.baytobirdwood.com.au](http://www.baytobirdwood.com.au) sec2014@baytobirdwood.com.au or 8258 6547



Please note the Rotary connection for the Jersey Boys Fundraising Event is that the Rotary Club of Coromandel Valley is paid to provide marshals for the Bay to Birdwood event. Contact Secretary John Cook 08 8278 6785 or [john.cook@ozemail.com.au](mailto:john.cook@ozemail.com.au) for further details.



Please join us for lunch at the **British Hotel on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> July 12:30pm for a 1:00pm start.**

Our speaker Peter Daniels will tell us how to **Find and close more business.**

Peter Daniels is an accomplished speaker and presenter, and his approaches and processes are unique because they work! They have been developed and very finely tuned over many years.

Need more information, <http://e.mybookingmanager.com/bn714> or ring David Hunter on 0417 202 066.

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Correction.

Please be advised that the eulogy for Reg Hanson in Edition 50 should have been attributed to Ray Smith.

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## AVENUES OF SERVICE

Rotary's commitment to Service Above Self is channelled through five Avenues of Service.

### CLUB SERVICE

Club Service focuses on strengthening fellowship and ensuring the smooth functioning of Rotary clubs.

### VOCATIONAL SERVICE

Vocational Service involves club members serving others through their professions and aspiring to high ethical standards. Rotarians, as business leaders, share skills and expertise through their vocations, and they inspire others in the process.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE

Community Service is the opportunity Rotary clubs have to implement club projects and activities that improve life in the local community.

### INTERNATIONAL SERVICE

International Service encompasses efforts to expand Rotary's humanitarian reach around the world and to promote world understanding and peace. It includes everything from contributing to PolioPlus to helping Rotary Youth Exchange students adjust to their host countries.

### YOUTH SERVICE

Youth Service recognizes the positive change implemented by youth and young adults involved in leadership development activities, community and international service projects, and exchange programs that enrich and foster world peace and cultural understanding.

Many Rotary Projects will be expressed across more than one Avenues of Service and there is no strict delineation of Rotary Projects to fit the above categories.