

**TO:** District Management Committee, Presidents, and Secretaries

**FROM:** DG Roy Armstrong

Date of Issue: 13th January 2013

We hope you are all "Having Fun".

# **Action Items (New Items First)**

#### **Rotary Youth Driver Awareness (RYDA) Chair**

As you know we have been looking for a Rotarian to take over as the District Chair for the RYDA program. I am pleased to advise that Don Law of Yankalilla Rotary and a current member of the committee has agreed to take on the role, following on from Trevor Andrew. I would like to thank Trevor for his huge support and commitment to RYDA and wish Don luck in his new role. Trevor will remain as a serving member of the committee.

#### **District Insurance Officer**

As some will know our District Insurance Officer Oleh Bilyk is due to undergo surgery in late January/early February, with some convalescence following this. We all wish Oleh well with the surgery and a speedy recovery.

Brian Rainey of Mobilong Rotary will be taking on the role as the District Insurance officer. Oleh will advise when Brian will assume the role and his contact details once the handover is complete.

#### DG Roy's eMail Address

A reminder that the email address to use when contacting Roy should be, <a href="mailto:rarmstrong@apctechnology.com.au">rarmstrong@apctechnology.com.au</a>.

#### The International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians (IFMR)

Please note that there is a new position as the SA representative of the International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarians which has been taken on by Ian Chase. This is a new position has been created to try and increase the presence and membership of the fellowship and as the state representative he would like clubs to know that he is available to speak to them about the fellowship. When Ian speaks about the IFMR he promotes the entire idea and the range of fellowships available to members as an opportunity to promote fellowships as a widely neglected part of Rotary which could have a positive impact on membership.

#### **District Awards 2013**

It is DG Roy's intention to present the **2012/2013 District Awards** to successful Clubs at the Barossa District Conference in April this year. Clubs are advised that where submissions are required, the closing date for submission to **District Secretary Jerry**, is **Sunday 3rd March 2013**.

The Awards and the requirements for submission, where applicable, are listed on pages 38, 39, and 40 of the 2012 / 2013 District Directory.

Please note that a new award - a "Having Fun" - Award will be presented this year! -

(Based on photographic proof of this event!! - further information on this award to follow)



#### The War Over Polio



This email is to share with you my passion which is to End Polio Now. The attached link below is for an article from the current Time Magazine and gives a good account of the work Rotary International has been doing in an effort to eradicate polio. Part of my role as a Rotary volunteer is to work with 12 Rotary Districts of Zone 28 to help inform the public that polio still exists and to help raise funds to be used in the polio eradication effort. My passion resulted from a trip to Nigeria where I was able to place the Sabin vaccine drops on the tongues of children aged five years and younger and then look in the eyes of parents who brought their children to be vaccinated. Words cannot explain the nonverbal appreciation expressed in the faces of those parents.

Creating awareness that the disease still exists and that there is an on-going effort with Rotary, UNICEF, WHO and the Centre for Disease as spear-heading

partners to eradicate the disease. The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation joined the effort in 2007 and have been a major player in helping. An end game strategy is being developed and with some luck we will see the end of this devastating disease in the not too distant future.

Part of my role is to create awareness that this disease is an airplane flight away and encourage our citizens to keep their children immunized against polio. My request to you is that you forward the link to this article to everyone on your email list as I am doing. The article is very interesting and while the US version of Time does not have it as the cover feature, the European issue of Time does have it on the cover.

Thanks for your help. I am blind copying to each of you so that I am not sharing your email addresses without your approval.

Jon Stillman

**End Polio Now Zone Coordinator** 

http://healthland.time.com/2013/01/03/the-final-battle-against-polio/?iid=hl-main-lead

## District Peace Forum - (Saturday Feb 23rd 2013)



N.B. Some clubs are substituting attendance at the Forum for their normal meeting that week, you may want to consider this.

District Governors Marie Dorrington and Roy Armstrong have taken up the challenge of conducting a Peace Forum in our area as requested by RI President Sukuji Tanaka. PDG Malcolm Lindquist is convening the event. Our event is one of many that are being held world-wide including Berlin, Hiroshima and Hawaii.

#### The details of our forum are as follows

Date Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2013
Time 1pm until 4.30pm

Venue Members dining area Adelaide oval.
Cost Free but attendees will be asked to

register on line



The MC for the event is Radio Personality and journalist Peter Goers and one of the keynote speakers will be the Lieutenant Governor of SA Hieu Van Le. RI Director John Boag will be representing Rotary International.

In addition there will be a Peace Dinner and Celebration of Rotary's 108<sup>th</sup> Birthday on the same day and at the same venue.

#### **Details are as follows**

Date Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2013
Time 6.30pm until 10pm

Venue Members dining area Adelaide Oval

Cost \$55 per head. Attendees will be able to register on line

• Guest Speaker Local Radio and TV personality Mark Aiston

We are planning to cater for 400 people at each event. It is possible to attend one or both of these events.

The purpose of this letter is to enlist your assistance in ensuring that all avenues of Rotary are represented at the forum (and dinner). We already have a commitment from some of the Global Peace Schools to provide candle bearers, traditional costumes and to make Peace Cranes.

The committee would like to have a similar commitment from

- Rotary Exchange students (past and present)
- Rotaractors
- NYSF Students
- RYLA and RYPEN Awardees
- Interactors and Members of Junior Interact clubs
- · Members of Rotary, Probus and Rotary friends

#### You can assist in two ways

#### Firstly

Contact and enlist the support of members of the above groups and facilitate their attendance at the Peace Forum. The entrance to the Oval will be via the Pennington Terrace entrance and we hope to have parking available in the adjacent park land.

#### Secondly

Can clubs consider the sponsorship of one or more of the young people to attend the dinner? It would be great to have all generations present at the dinner but we are aware that cost may be an issue. Sponsorship can be a way in which more distant clubs can show that they support Rotary's declaration of Peace whether it be international, local or inner peace, even though it may be difficult for members to attend personally.

Attached is a copy of the brochure and a Response Form (New Gens Peace Forum and Dinner Response.docx) which you are asked to return to your District Secretary asap. Alternatively book online at <a href="http://e.mybookingmanager.com/E122021111585833">http://e.mybookingmanager.com/E122021111585833</a>

We need your help!

# **Please Register Today**



#### **Rotary Leadership Institute**

Are members of your club interested in learning more about Rotary? Would they like to meet Rotarians from other clubs and acquire some new ideas? Are they interested in leadership positions in the Club or District in the future?

#### Rotary Leadership Institute can help you!

The Rotary Leadership Institute (RLI) is a series of three one-day courses which are fun, topical and geared to busy lifestyles. They are designed to encourage participants to contribute their experience and ideas in a group of no more than 15 as they grow in Rotary knowledge. A deeper understanding of the unique nature of each club is fostered with the style of the courses being conversational and learning coming by sharing knowledge, ideas and opinions.

Hopefully this learning will encourage participants to assist their club to attract members to an increasingly vibrant and project oriented environment.

The next RLI course will be held at Blackfriars College, Prospect, on the following dates:

Saturday February 2 Saturday March 2 Saturday May 4

Cost for the course is likely to be approximately \$180.00 and it is usual for clubs to pay this for their members.

Enrolment details will be available shortly but to reserve a place for members of your club or for further information please contact PDG Alun Hughes at alunhughes@bigpond.com as soon as possible.

## **GSE Team from Taiwan (Note: Extended Date for Applications)**

Wanted: Clubs to host Taiwan Group Study Exchange team

The District GSE Committee has opened Expressions of Interest for Clubs in District 9520 to host the Group Study Exchange (GSE) Team from District 3470 Taiwan. The Taiwanese team will be arriving in District 9520 on April 9th 2013 and with us through to May 11th, 2013.

Applications to host must be received by our District no later than Friday January 18th, 2013. For more details and an Application form go to <a href="http://www.rotarynews.info/3/District/9520/7656/">http://www.rotarynews.info/3/District/9520/7656/</a>. We know this is still a tight timeframe but it is governed by the timing with Taiwan.

#### **Cinema Advertising Campaign**

The campaign has started and we are on screen. If you would like to see our advertisement showings commenced on December 1<sup>st</sup> and run until February 2013 these are as follows:

Digital:Event	Marion	Cinema Number 1, 3, 4, 10, 17, 21
<b>Greater Union</b>	Arndale	Cinema Number 1, 2, 3, 7
Hoyts	Norwood	Cinema Number 1, 2, 5
Hoyts	Tea_Tree	Cinema Number 2, 3, 7, 8
Palace Nova	East End	Cinema Number 1, 2, 4, 7, 10

#### Presidential Citation (Advise DG Roy if you think you qualify, ASAP)

The 2012-13 Presidential Citation will recognize Rotary clubs that achieve an array of accomplishments that help them become stronger, deliver more effective service, and enhance their public image. To qualify for a citation, clubs must achieve RI President Tanaka's challenge to conduct a local peace forum or peace project, along with three required activities and at least nine optional activities\* listed in the 2012-13 Presidential Citation Brochure (900A-EN). Club presidents must fill out and sign a copy of the brochure and send it to their district governor's attention by



31 March 2013. The brochure is available in a writeable PDF format, which can be saved and e-mailed as an attachment.

Download the <u>2012-13 Presidential Citation Brochure</u>

\*Please note: one of the activity options in the category "Increase Our Service" challenges clubs to "attain a minimum US\$100 contribution to the Rotary Foundation Annual Programs Fund from each club member." To clarify, clubs must achieve an *average* (per capita) contribution of US\$100 from its members in order to meet this goal, and not necessarily US\$100 per member.

Rotaract and Interact clubs may also qualify for a Presidential Citation by participating in a service project or other activity focused on peace, and completing at least four additional activities listed in the Rotaract and Interact certifications forms available on the RI website. The sponsoring Rotary club must sign the Rotaract or Interact certification form and submit it to the district governor by 31 March 2013

- ► Download the Rotaract Presidential Citation form
- Download the <u>Interact Presidential Citation form</u>

District governors must report the names of all qualifying Rotary, Rotaract, and Interact clubs in their districts electronically through the Member Access Portal no later than <u>15 April 2013</u>. **Late submissions will not be accepted.** We will send governors instructions on how to use Member Access to report qualifying clubs later in the Rotary year.

#### **District Conference**





#### **Rotary Convention – Lisbon 2013**



**Thinking of European Travel in 2013?** 

• Some Fabulous Airfares now can make this happen

**Ever attended a Rotary International Convention?** 

- How about combining the two & attending the 104th Rotary International Convention in Lisbon, Portugal, between 23-26 June 2013.
  - It is possible to fly direct from Adelaide to Lisbon!

#### Want to know more?

Download brochures from :

http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en\_pdf/c13\_promo\_piece\_en.pdf http://www.riconvention.org/en/2013/Downloads/Pages/ridefault.aspx

#### Think about it!

• Over 20,000 Rotarians from all over the world, including District 9520 will be there.

# Pin It for Polio (February 23<sup>rd</sup> 2013)



Clubs are encouraged to adopt the END POLIO NOW pin sales as a fund raising exercise associated with other activities on Rotary Day next February – community awards nights, community main street barbecues with appropriate signage, school walkathons or swimathons, and Polio information days at local schools are just a few ideas. Any event that may attract community attention – and awareness of the need for continuing immunisation of the children of the world – is important.

For your order online go to:

http://www.rotarydownunder.com.au/pinItForPolio/index.asp

or print out the attached pdf "Pin it for Polio"



# Other Items (New Items First)

## Inflatable Rotary Logo - Now Available!

Take your Clubs' events to the next level with your very own Inflatable Rotary Logo! The only minor problem is that the pump runs on 110 volts (it is an American product) but it may be of interest.

Click here for more information or to place your order! <a href="http://inflatableimages.us2.list-">http://inflatableimages.us2.list-</a> manage.com/track/click?u=a3209ae300aec6846817392c9&id=fe2f196564&e=5e6b0dd8a3>

# Hyde Park Rotary – 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – Celebration Dance and Quiz



March  $2^{nd}$  2013 – 7pm for &.30pm sharp quiz start. Featuring Chocolate Rush

Clarence Park Community Centre, 72 East Avenue, Black Forest.

Table of 8 with great prizes.

Cost \$30, includes welcome drink and supper, PAYG bar.

Contact Richard on 0408 080 471 or Ashley 0419 829 998

# Flagstaff Hill Rotary Mungo National Park Outback Experience



Four Day Trip – 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> April 2013 Al proceeds to Interplast For further Information contact Pam St Claire on 08 8322 0444 or <u>pstclaire@adam.com.au</u>

That's all for this week. Peace through Service – The Challenge of Change – **Have fun!!** 

DG Roy Armstrong.