

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

**FROM:** DG Roy Armstrong

Date of Issue: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2013

You had better be "Having Fun".

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

#### **Presidential Citation**

#### Closes 31 March – it's nearly here!

The 2012-13 Presidential Citation recognises 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. Note: attendance by club members at the Peace Forum and/or Dinner qualifies a club for that section.

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.

#### Stirling Rotary – A question?

Is there a club in D9520 which has supported or purchased equipment for schools where children have Central Auditory Processing problems? The equipment consists of: Teacher's microphone and transmitter and child's receiving headphones. Children with this problem cannot process and therefore cannot complete tasks when several instructions are given by a teacher. They cost \$1400 - \$1600 - expensive for families on a low income. Some children need this devise for 6months to 2 years. Hiring is an option but this is also quite expensive. The device allows for the child to hear the instructions whilst extraneous noise is greatly reduced.

I am wondering if any clubs have purchase the equipment and lend it out to schools where this problem exists. Or any club which has given a device to a school.

Please contact Trevor McGuirk - tmcguirk@chariot.net.au.

#### THEFT AT DONATIONS IN KIND - HELP REQUESTED



At our RAWCS Donations in Kind facility at Edinburgh Parks, there was a break-in over the New Year resulting in the theft of our near-new cordless drills, angle grinder and chargers. All up, nearly \$800 worth of tools was stolen. This has been particularly disheartening to the DIK committee who has worked so hard in this challenging programme getting surplus goods to needy communities worldwide.

The committee works hard to raise funds, with support from clubs in Districts 9500 and 9520, to operate this humanitarian programme. The loss of our cordless drills etc., is a particular nuisance as



they are a key tool for our operation but the total of the loss is only marginally more than the insurance excess. Hence making an insurance claim is only marginal and does risk higher insurance premiums for Rotary in the future.

Therefore, I would like to put a call out to Rotarians/clubs in the two districts for support in kind – if you can provide a good cordless drill (with batteries and charger) we would really appreciate it.

Dave Cockshell – Chair RAWCS Donations In Kind Central Region Mob 0401995996



#### **District 9520 Footy Tipping Competition**

## You are invited to participate in the Rotary D9520 2013 on-line Footy Tipping competition

to determine the best-of-the-best in this major field of endeavour (and with the added benefit of a little inter-club rivalry).

#### How it works:

- It's open to Rotarians, family, friends, alumni, (anyone really) connected with D9520;
- O The Entry fee is only \$20
  - (comprising \$10 for the prize pool and a \$10 donation to The Rotary Foundation);
- There will be weekly cash and give-away prizes plus bragging rights through the season;
- Major end-of-season prizes will be determined once the number of participants is known;
- The competition will be run as part of the <u>www.footytips.com.au</u> on-line competition so it's super-simple;
- Anyone with internet access can tip and check their standing (which also makes it too easy for the club Sergeant to pick up Fines).

#### All you need to do is:

- register again at http://www.footytips.coma.u/comps/D9520 if you participated last year; or
- -sign upat at the above website address if you are a newby; or
- -send me an email at <u>d9520.rotary.footy@gmail.com</u>

Payment instructions will be provided once you have emailed your interest or registered online\.

Round 1 commences on Friday 22 March 2013 so ACT NOW if you love your footy
(or are passionate about supporting The Rotary Foundation).

## ROTARY DISTRICT 9520



You have the opportunity to put your footy tipping skills to the test; not to mention have some fun, win fantastic prizes and contribute to a worthwhile cause.

The 2013 AFL footy season is just around the corner so now is the time to sign up.

Entry for the 2013 footy tipping competition is only \$20, which includes a \$10 donation to The Rotary Foundation, with all remaining money used for prizes.



Don't missyour chance to be part of the fun of Footy Tipping 2013.

Contact Lindsay Davis (Rotary Club of Magill Sunrise) or email d9520.rotary.footy@gmail.com



#### Rotary Districts 9520 and 7010 Friendship Exchange.

Planning has commenced for a Friendship Exchange to take place during the second half of the Rotary year 2013/2014.

Wendy Gaborit, DG elect 9520, and Marilyn Hansen, DG elect 7010 (Ontario, Canada), have discussed the possibility and the opportunity for a group of Rotarians and partners to visit each district. It is envisaged that both groups, as visitors, will be hosted as a friendship exchange. The in-coming Friendship Exchange group from District 7010 will arrive in Adelaide on or about 14<sup>th</sup> February 2014. The departure date is on or about 7<sup>th</sup> March. Specific dates have not been finalised at this stage.

The outgoing Friendship Exchange group from District 9520 will arrive in Ontario sometime in June/July 2014. Specific dates are yet to be determined. Each group will be made up of approximately 20 –24 Rotarians and partners but this will be determined by the number of host clubs/host families prepared to invite visitors into their homes in both districts.

#### Expressions of Interest are now being sought from District 9520 clubs to:

- 1. Provide host accommodation for incoming exchangees from District 7010.
- 2. Provide activities that in-coming exchangees could be involved in during their visit to Adelaide, country South Australia and Sunraysia.

It is anticipated that the exchange will be conducted in a similar way as the Group Study Exchange arrangements where the 8 existing groups (as per the Assistant Governor Club structure) of clubs be coordinated. Once these decisions have been made Expressions of interest will be extended to Rotarians who would like to participate in the out-going contingent to Canada.

Please make members of your club aware of this information and ask them to consider hosting the visitors for a 3 or 4 day period.

For further information please contact Trevor McGuirk, Chairperson, D9520 Friendship Exchange Committee. RC Stirling Email <a href="mailto:tmcguirk@chariot.net.au">tmcguirk@chariot.net.au</a> or telephone: 0488 79 73 78

Draft plan for the period Feb 14<sup>th</sup> - March 7<sup>th</sup> 2014.

Suggested Time line and hosting arrangements:

Day 1 – Arrival. Group met by first host Rotarians at Adelaide Airport. Short drive of city sites. Taken to host home and settled into accommodation. Overnight with host 1.

Day 2-4 – Group meets together then taken on that day's program, different program each day. Attend Club meeting if possible. Overnight with host 1

Day 5 – Exchangees to be taken to meet new host family. Day activity organised. Overnight with 2<sup>nd</sup> host

Day 6-8 – new daily activities, overnight with host 2

Day 9– Exchangees to be taken to meet new host family. Day activity organised. Overnight with 3<sup>rd</sup> host

Day 10-12 – new daily activities, overnight with host 3

Day 13– Exchangees to be taken to meet new host family. Day activity organised. Overnight with 4<sup>th</sup> host

Day 14-16 – new daily activities, overnight with host 4

Day 17– Exchangees to be taken to meet new host family. Day activity organised. Overnight with 5<sup>th</sup> host

Day 18-20 – new daily activities, overnight with host 5, farewell dinner day 20

Day 21 – Departure, hosts to take Exchangees to airport.

Superimposed over this outlined will be the 2 or 3 excursions which may be more than one day activities.

E.g.: Kangaroo Island, River Murray Paddle boat, Coorong conservation park boat ride. Transportation: Host cars for city based activities, mini bus hire for regional visits. Cost of hire to be a share cost by visiting Rotarians of host club. Excursion costs e.g. Kangaroo Island, also shared by visiting Rotarians.

It can be anticipated that follow on visits will be made by visitors to other cities and states within Australia. Also, some may want to attend the District Conference

Trevor McGuirk - RC Stirling - Tel: 8379 7378 - Mob: 0488 79 73 78



#### **ROMAC Board Positions**

ROMAC executive positions have a tenure limitation and we are seeking people to fill Treasurer, Secretary, Fund Raising and Marketing positions.

We have previously sent details to you, please note that job descriptions can be obtained from our Deputy Chair (Chair from 2013) <a href="mailto:bredndan.porter17@gmail.com">bredndan.porter17@gmail.com</a> or John Benger <a href="mailto:jbenger@biqpond.net.au">jbenger@biqpond.net.au</a>.

# Kompian Hospital project - Dr Mills, Papua New Guinea Invitation to all interested Clubs to a joint project meeting on Thursday 21 March 2013; 6.30pm Marion Hotel (Marion Rd).

Following the presentation by Dr Mills on the Kompian Hospital project, at our District Conference in Mildura (2012), many Clubs have shown an interest in undertaking projects to assist Dr Mills.

We (District Grants team) are holding a meeting with interested Clubs, to discuss and help coordinate projects being undertaken by Clubs in D9520. If your Club is interested doing a project to assist Dr Mills (Kompian Hospital), please come along. This is an opportunity to learn about proposed projects and assistance needed by Dr Mills. More importantly – it is an opportunity for those Clubs with limited resources to join with other Clubs to undertake TRF grant projects.

Please contact Euan Miller (<u>euanm@internode.on.net</u>) or Chandra Sluggett (<u>chandsluggett@tpg.com.au</u>), as soon as possible if you are interested. Thank you.

#### **District Governor 2015/16**



DG Roy has been encouraging you to have fun. Well here is the ultimate chance. 2015/16 could be your year. The ultimate in thrills all the adrenalin of a high wire act, all the fellowship you could want, the ultimate opportunity to travel, be part of a high flying team and all in one year. More steak and chips or chicken and chips than you had dreamt of.

Take that step, nominate for D9520 District Governor. Apply now or dob in a mate. Want to know more call DG Roy for the low-down on having fun.

Applications close on **March the 15th 2013.** Application forms are available on the District Website, go to the dropdown box under "Our District" then go to District documents (DG Nomination form).

Upon completion these should be sent to District Governor Roy Armstrong.



#### Other Items (New Items First)

#### **Used Stamp Collection**

lan Parsons takes the opportunity to thank Rotarians for their support of this year's program supporting Cathy Freeman's Indigenous program. We have assisted with our used stamp collection to provide together with District 9810 (Victoria) to raise over \$5000 to date for this Rotary year.

Should anyone want to know more about this program, please contact Ian Parsons Rotary Club of Noarlunga 08 8323 9284 0408 337 155 <a href="mailto:net.au">nettian@iinet.net.au</a>.

#### **GSE Team Returning from Taiwan**

There are several opportunities to see the presentation from the returning team

Campbelltown invites you to join members at Athelstone Football Club, 150 George St, Paradise 8 April 2013 from 6.30pm. RSVP by Thursday 28th March to Margaret Northcote @ RC Campbelltown Tel: 8365 7867; 0419 122 525; pmnorthcote@me.com. Pay: Electronically to RC Campbelltown as follows BSB: 105 069 Account: 2765 44240



Info: your name & apr8 (e.g. FredNurk apr8) send email to Treasurer Mary at marfvin@bigpond.com and copy to pmnorthcote@me.com to confirm the payment or by post to Margaret at 52 The Dress Circle, Athelstone SA 5076 with your cheque made out to RC of Campbelltown. Special dietary requests in the email please.

Norwood invites you to join members at the Don Pyatt Room, Norwood Town Hall, George Street, Norwood on Friday 3 May 2013 from 6.00 pm. Drinks and nibbles will be served - Cost: \$15.00 per head

RSVP: 19 April 2013 - Robyn Baker Mob: 0466 694 361 eMail: robyn.baker46@optusnet.com.au

## GSE Team from Taiwan And now from Taiwan:

Group 6 Meeting Wednesday 10 April, 2013 - meet and hear the Group Study Exchange team arriving from Taiwan, District 3470. Taiwan is about half the size of Tasmania with a population slightly greater than the whole of Australia.

(L to R) Pitt LEE (lawyer), Yu-Chen (Jamie) OU (PhD Architecture), Su-Chen (Betty) CHANG (leader, secondary teacher), I-Na (Ina) CHEN (social worker), Tracy CHANG (PhD Architecture)



Date: Wednesday 10 April, 2013 Time: 7:00 for 7:30 pm

Venue: Club Marion, Marion Sports and Community Club, 262 Sturt Road, Marion.

Cost: \$22 (choice of 2 main courses and dessert, cash bar) Dress: Informal

RSVP: Numbers attending AND money by Wed. 3 April, to Theo Kruys, Rotary Club of Hyde Park, PO Box 461, UNLEY,

SA. 5061. Em: tkruys2@bigpond.com, Mo: 0417 877 508,

Enquiries: Sandra Matz, Em: sandymatz@bigpond.com, Mo: 0414 747 657 or Gordon Wilkinson, Em:

neredon@gmail.com, Mo: 0413 614 644. Club: www.rchp.org





#### **International Federation of Motorcycling Rotarians**

The latest newsletter is attached. It has been sent separately due to its size.

#### **Connect @ Flinders**

The mentorship programme for International students at Flinders has changed. A program coordinator has been engaged and the program enlarged to cover 120 students, international as well as local. Assistance is still needed from Rotary but the majority of Mentors will come from the Flinders workforce and post graduates. There is a new programme and copies can be obtained from Mike Massey at Coromandel Valley Rotary, mike massey mikemassey@netspace.net.au.

#### Morialta Rotary Breakfast in the Park at Thorndon Park.

Sunday 7th April 2013 - 9.30 am Thorndon Park Reservoir Hamilton Terrace Paradise (adjacent the kiosk)

Adults \$23.00 Children (under 12) \$10.00. Payment in advance would be appreciated

*Tickets available from:* Graeme Packer 0412 098 400; Kym Davis 0488 421 190; Emiko Mayer 8331 7620; Katarina Spudic 8336 6471

Rotary Club of Adelaide Light (From the Dark Side)



Pay at the gate or through http://e.mybookingmanager.com/Latin-American-Fiesta



#### Links to Prior Herald Articles Which May Be of Interest.

#### **Action Items**

Lisbon Conference – 23,000 Attendee Challenge

Australian Rotary Health - Annual Bicycle Ride to Conference

Multi- District Working Bee at Donations in Kind

OUR ROTARY STUDENTS - What we should and are required to do to protect them

http://www.rotarynews.info/Uploads/Districts/9520/Documents/Weekly%20Mailouts/2012-2013/35-Mar03.pdf

**ROMAC - Board Positions** 

**District Conference** 

http://www.rotarynews.info/Uploads/Districts/9520/Documents/Weekly%20Mailouts/2012-2013/34-Feb24.pdf

**Rotary Connect Mentoring Program 2013** 

 $\underline{http://www.rotarynews.info/Uploads/Districts/9520/Documents/Weekly \% 20 Mailouts/2012-2013/33-Feb 17.pdf}$ 

**District Training Dates 2013/14** 

South Australian Police Officer of the Year

http://www.rotarynews.info/Uploads/Districts/9520/Documents/Weekly%20Mailouts/2012-2013/32-Feb10.pdf

#### Other Items

Rotary District 9520 - Water and Sanitation Project, Timor Leste - NEWSLETTER #4

Eastwood Rotary - 21st Birthday Celebrations of Community Service

**Foundation Update** 

http://www.rotarynews.info/Uploads/Districts/9520/Documents/Weekly%20Mailouts/2012-

2013/35-Mar03.pdf

**Blackwood Rotary - Community Forum** 

http://www.rotarynews.info/Uploads/Districts/9520/Documents/Weekly%20Mailouts/2012-

2013/34-Feb24.pdf

**Sunraysia Charity Ball** 

Australian Rotary Health Photo Competition - 26 Jan to 25 April

http://www.rotarynews.info/Uploads/Districts/9520/Documents/Weekly%20Mailouts/2012-2013/32-Feb10.pdf

**Blackwood Rotary Second Hand Booksale** 

**Goolwa Rotary Art and Photographic Exhibition** 

http://www.rotarynews.info/Uploads/Districts/9520/Documents/Weekly%20Mailouts/2012-2013/31-Feb03.pdf

Glenelg Rotary - Breakfast on the Pat

http://www.rotarynews.info/Uploads/Districts/9520/Documents/Weekly%20Mailouts/2012-2013/30-Jan27.pdf

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

### Have fun!!

Ray.

DG Roy Armstrong.