

November 2016

Mid-Month Newsletter

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Rotary Hands On Project in Cambodia



Sally with a recipient

In August Sally Charlton, project manager of the Hands On Project, led a team of volunteers to fit prosthetic hands in Cambodia. The team comprised 12 members from three different states.

The team travelled the length and breadth of Cambodia, from Banteay Meanchey in the north west to Svay Rieng in the south east, and delivered 200 hands to people who needed them. Most of the people had lost their hand (or hands!) to landmines but there were also those who had been victims of car crashes, industrial accidents and attacks.

Team members fitted hand recipients and trained them in the use of their new hand. The hands were built by clubs and organisations all over Australia. Messages from Australia were read out and information about the recipients obtained to send back to those who built the hands.

This is the **third** trip that the project has made to Cambodia with another one planned next year. The project has also visited Sri Lanka twice and planning for a trip to Laos in the new year is underway.

The Rotary Hands On Project involves building prosthetic hands from kit form and then distributing them overseas to victims of landmines and war.

The Hands kits come in boxes of 10 and the assembly can then be done by Rotary Clubs, corporate entities or any other interested parties.



Clubs and organisations that are interested in building hands can find more information on the website www.handsonproject.com.au

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Via a translator.....

Pie Kol is a rice farmer and he has 7 children – 5 boys and 2 girls and 6 grandchildren.

He says thank you for my hand and helping people like me. It will help a lot in riding his bike and working on the farm. He wishes you good health and long life.

What is RYWELL?

RYWELL is Rotary for Youth Wellbeing and is a peculiarly D9520 initiative. At its heart is the desire to help young people who haven't always had the benefits of a stable and loving home life though its modis-operandi has changed over the years.

Initially using emerging leaders from Rotary's RYLA Program to assist the supervision of often-troubled young people at camps, the Program now aims to provide and support opportunities for happy recreational experiences, particularly during school holidays.

Families SA cares for several hundred youngsters in residential care placements and we liaise with their Program Officer to lend financial assistance to facilitate those activities. The immediate benefit of partnering with Families SA is that the carers transport their charges to and from the events and maintain complete duty of care.

However, it is immensely gratifying to see the:

Eager anticipation as they get into the go-karts at Kartmania and then the joy on their faces as they clamber out, having had the thrills of the track.



Hungry appreciation of a lunch-stop BBQ sausage on the Hike-on-a-Bike activity along the Linear Park during Youth Week or at the Football/Netball Carnival during NAIDOC Week



Pride in a handful of decorated nails that allow a group of girls to be part of social normality.



Engagement of aboriginal boys as they learn of their heritage from Elders at Camp Calperum.

Nervous and hesitant body language as they thank us for paying the bill!

...and to know that Rotary cares!



The small committee consisting of Lynton Nicholas RC Campbelltown, Peter Gapp RC Holdfast Bay, Sarah Walsh RC Glenelg, Mike Massey RC Eastwood, 'meet' regularly with Families SA via email and in body each semester to keep the Program energised. Indoor rock-climbing is a likely addition during the next holidays!

Most recently, they have supplied:

- Water bottles & dry-sacks to participants in a camp to Mt Gambier
- Foam surfboards for an aquatic adventure program
- Art equipment to every residence to encourage participation in the annual Families SA Exhibition

Thanks to many Clubs for their \$ donations to Rywell – if there's room in your budgets...

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SHELTERBOX - THE HAITI STORY ... ONE MONTH ON



Despite civil protection officials taking to the streets to warn people, many on Haiti's southern peninsula were unaware of the approach of Hurricane Matthew. It caused the greatest loss of life of any Atlantic Hurricane for eleven years. It is now one month and UK disaster relief agency ShelterBox is still there helping Haitians to pick up the pieces. And they met one inspiring lady who opened her hotel to hundreds fleeing the approaching storm.

Hurricane Matthew wrought widespread destruction and loss of life during its journey across the Atlantic and Caribbean, including parts of Haiti, Cuba, Dominican Republic and Lucayan Archipelago, the SE United States, and the Canadian Maritimes. Over 1,600 deaths have been attributed to the storm, making it the deadliest Atlantic hurricane in more than a decade.

As soon as the airports re-opened, a ShelterBox response team from the UK, US, Germany and Canada arrived in Haiti, some of whom had experience of the 2010 earthquake response.

The team's emphasis will be on the distribution of thousands of shelter kits, allowing the weatherproofing and repair of damaged homes. ShelterBox tents were found to be ideal for use as clinical space, to provide shelter and privacy for patients of the overstretched healthcare facilities. ShelterBox is also providing solar lighting for families where power is down, and mosquito nets, via its Rotary contacts. Water filters will also be in country soon to guard against the spread of waterborne disease. Within days of Matthew, as after the quake of 2010, Haiti was once again in the grip of a cholera outbreak.

ShelterBox is working in partnership with Handicap International and a new partner charity 410 Bridge to identify areas of unmet shelter need.

ShelterBox is also keeping a weather eye on the prospects for Haiti as work continues. Heavy rains cause further flooding and deterioration of road conditions.

The charity has been touched by the resilience and compassion of the Haitian people, and their pride in helping one another. The team shares the story of Madame Mimose Felix who embodies the 'Haitians helping Haitians' self-help spirit.

They met Mimose when they used Les Cayes as a delivery harbour for seaborne aid, and a hub for aid storage and delivery towards the worst-hit areas.



Dutch Navy loading at Les Cayes

In the deep of the night on 4 October Madame Mimose Felix, owner of the Villa Mimosa hotel in Torbeck, Haiti, first heard the sound of people running. She says, **'The storm got really bad at around 4 am. But I had left instructions for the security gates to the hotel to be left open, so people could come here if they needed to.'**

'I looked out of my window, and I saw everyone running. Women with children, pregnant women. They were all running.'



Madame Mimose with Children

Mimose Felix ended up housing over 300 people in her hotel in the days following the hurricane. In the weeks since Matthew made landfall here she continued to help her community with food donations.

This was made possible by her own local not-for-profit organisation *Groupe d'Action pour l'Habilitation Economique et Sociale de la Famille Haïtienne (GRAFHES)*. This remarkable social enterprise trains and helps Haitian communities, improves living conditions in agricultural areas, and for almost a decade has been working in this southern area providing 13,000 students with hot meals throughout the year. They have also established ten processing units for women's groups to produce peanut butter and cassava for sale to the school meal programme.

Little wonder then that big-hearted Madame Mimose flung open her gates to everyone as the hurricane roared towards Haiti. She is the embodiment of the 'Haitians helping Haitians' philosophy, known locally as 'konbit', which helps this Caribbean country to survive every setback that weather and seismology throw at it. Konbit grew from the shared toil of community farming, but has now come to represent a broader spirit of working together and helping one another in times of hardship, and a common goal of improving everyone's lives.

The village of Torbeck, where Mimose runs her hotel, is just outside Les Cayes. Areas to the west of here were among the worst hit by Matthew's 145 mph winds. That is a wind speed you can't stand up in, where roofs fly off and masonry collapses, where vehicles tip over.

ShelterBox's Response Team has been based in Les Cayes and Port au Prince, as they work to find ways to help Haitian people recover, rebuild, re-energise.

JOINT DISTRICT WORKING BEE AT DONATIONS IN KIND

On November 12th, over 80 Rotarians and friends took part in a very productive working bee at the RAWCS Donations in Kind (DIK) facility at Edinburgh Parks. There were representatives from 13 clubs in District 9500 and 18 clubs from District 9520

The highlight of the day was the loading of a 40foot container for Tonga, a major project of the group 5 Rotary clubs in District 9520. It has taken some years to modify an ambulance specifically for Tonga. The ambulance was loaded into the container during the day, along with much needed medical supplies. A number of the Tongan community assisted in the loading of the container, in addition to other ambulance and medical specialists, all familiar with Tongan needs.



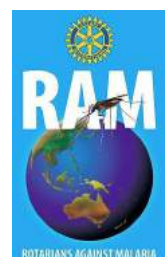
Catering was arranged by the DIK committee and very ably supported by District Governors, John Pohl (9500) and Sam Camporeale (9520) who expertly cooked the BBQ. Whilst volunteers were having lunch, the Chairs of the Central Region RAWCS programs gave brief presentations on the work done by their respective groups to assist Rotary Clubs to carry out successful International and local humanitarian projects.



It was a great day at the RAWCS Donations in Kind depot. Some 45 jobs were completed, which is a great assistance to the program. Many thanks to all who attended and helped the DIK team with their important and challenging task of transporting indispensable goods to those who desperately need them.



For more information about RAWCS please contact:
RAWCS Central Region Secretary Peter Hammond
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Notice Board

Annual General Meeting

As per previous Notice given to Club Presidents the ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the ROTARY DISTRICT 9520 will be held on **Saturday 26th November 2016** at the **Adelaide International Motel**, 521Anzac Highway , Glenelg East, commencing at **10:00 am**.

JAZZ at the JADE Fundraiser

Sunday 20th November
2pm to 6pm
The JADE 142 Flinders St Adelaide
Entry \$20 at the door
Book online
<https://www.trybooking.com/NMCY>
Major fundraiser for stage one of Kent Town's Cambodia project

District 9520 Specialist Training Event 27th November

Flinders University
Science, Innovation and Learning Centre
08:30 am - 12:30 pm INSURANCE, RISK MANAGEMENT AND YOUTH PROTECTION
12:45 pm - 04:30 pm MEMBERSHIP AND PUBLIC IMAGE

Registration via District 9520 Website

<http://rotary9520.org/event/district-9520-specialist-training-event/>



Recently the District RYLA/ RYPEN Committee launched a new website specifically for the RYPEN program at <http://www.rypen9520.org.au>. This website provides all of the information clubs have been asking for, and includes a Frequently Asked Questions section, along with the "For clubs" section.

EVOLUTION : COMPUTER & HUMAN



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JAPANESE EXCHANGE STUDENTS 1970s—1990s

Do you know of any?



I am a senior lecturer in Japanese Studies at the ANU and am participating in a conference to be held at the University of Queensland in late November this year. The goal of the conference is to explore Australia Japan relations from a variety of perspectives. I was the first Australian Rotary Exchange student from Australia to go to the small town of Imabari in Shikoku Japan sponsored by Warners Bay Rotary Club in Newcastle in 1980. It proved a complete turning point in my career and shifted my focus from the sciences to the arts and Japanese studies.

The aim of my paper is to explore the history of the Japan-Australia exchange program and the role participants have played in Australia-Japan relations on their return to home. By reviewing data collected through interviews with returned exchange students and hosting rotary clubs I examine the grass-roots contribution this program has made to Australia-Japan relations.

I am attempting to collect statistics on the numbers of outgoing Australians to Japan and the incoming Japanese to Australia from the 1970s to the 1990s.

I have been in touch with the Australian Rotary office and unfortunately there is no national collection of this data and so they have recommended that I speak to each district individually.

Would you be able to provide me with the year and number of students for that time period? Also if you have any members of your clubs who were exchange students I would love to have their contact details.

I realise that there is not much time left in November and apologise for my haste, I'm afraid the life of an academic at the end of the year is very time poor.

It would be wonderful if you could help me.

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World Toilet Day

19 Nov 2016 Rotary



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Water & Sanitation
Rotarian Action Group



The United Nations estimates that 2.4 billion people do not have adequate sanitation. 1 billion of these people still defecate in the open. Poor sanitation increases the risk of disease and malnutrition, especially for women and children.

This year [World Toilet Day](#) is focusing on the link between sanitation and nutrition. Lack of access to clean drinking water and sanitation, along with the absence of good hygiene practices are among the underlying causes of poor nutrition.

Please spread the word about sanitation on World Toilet Day. You may have seen it before, but WASRAG Board Member Mark Balla's fantastic **TED Talk** is a great way of introducing the topic and would make a great club meeting presentation: [Toilet Humor is Serious Business](#)

Constitution and Bylaws

HOUSEKEEPING

Has your Club adopted and lodged the revised RI constitution following the 2016 Council on Legislation?

Clubs are required to adopt the revised RI Constitution (2016 Council of Legislation) and lodge with the Department of Business and Consumer Services (South Australia) or the respective bodies in Victoria and NSW.

Have your Club's By-laws been updated and lodged with Rotary?

If Clubs are seeking professional help to with amending the Constitution and By-Laws, they can contact Ross Blair of McKean Park Lawyers at ross.blair@mckeanpark.com. Note that using McKean Park's services will attract a fee.

If Clubs have queries about the actual changes approved by the Council on Legislation, they should contact Peter Ochota on pmochota@adam.com.au

Calendar

November is Rotary Foundation Month

Thursday November 24

Ice Forum 7-9:30pm Norwood Concert Hall - Contact Romaine Dawson

Saturday November 26

District 9520 AGM 10am —Adelaide International Motel , Anzac Highway

Saturday November 26

Charter Seaford Rotary Club 5:30-6pm Moana Pioneer Memorial Hall

Sunday November 27

Specialised Training - Flinders University

December is Disease Prevention & Treatment Month

Tuesday December 6

Unley Business Breakfast—Unley Town Hall

Thursday December 15

Early registration discount ends for R I Convention

Sunday December 31

Early registration discount ends for District Conference

January is Vocational Service Month

January 13-21

Victor Harbor Art Show

February is Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution Month

Thursday February 23

Rotary Anniversary

Saturday February 25

ROMAC Function—Walkers Arms Convention Centre

Sunday February 26

District Leaders and Team Training, Flinders University

March is Water and Sanitation Month

April is Maternal and Child Health Month

An elderly couple had dinner at another couple's house, and after eating, the wives left the table and went into the kitchen.

The two gentlemen were talking, and one said, 'Last night we went out to a new restaurant and it was really great. I would recommend it very highly.'

The other man said, 'What is the name of the restaurant?'

The first man thought and thought and finally said, 'What's the name of that flower you give to someone you love? You know, the one that's red and has thorns.'

'Do you mean a rose?'

'Yes, that's the one,' replied the man. He then turned towards the kitchen and yelled, 'Rose, what's the name of that restaurant we went to last night?'

Quote from the past

"The Rotary Foundation is not to build monuments of brick and stone. If we work upon marble, it will perish; if we work on brass, time will efface it; if we rear temples they will crumble into dust; but if we work upon immortal minds... we are engraving on those tablets something that will brighten all eternity."

Arch C. Klumph,

November is Foundation Month

Improving access to education through our Foundation

It's an astonishing figure: 57 million children worldwide are not in school. Improving access to education is a key to breaking the cycle of poverty, and Rotarians are working to do just that.

Using grants from The Rotary Foundation, members partner with communities to provide affordable textbooks, to integrate technology into the classroom, and to ensure that students have access to clean water. [See for yourself](#) how the Foundation is changing the world through education. And help by promoting your club's education-related activities and by donating during Rotary Foundation Month.



A strong Foundation is a strong Rotary

You're invited to a rare and special event

The
Rotary Club of Seaford Charter
Cocktail Party

Saturday, November 26, 5.30 for 6.00pm
Moana Pioneers Memorial Hall, 44 Nashwauk Cres., Moana
Cost \$45.00 includes Finger Food Dinner and all Beverages
Children 12 and under FREE

Book & Pay online at <https://www.trybooking.com/239169>
by November 20

Dress : Cocktail

www.seafordrotary.org.au



ICE - HELP!

CRYSTAL METHAMPHETAMINE FORUM
HELP & SUPPORT OPTIONS FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS

THURSDAY NOVEMBER 24, 7 - 9:30PM
NORWOOD CONCERT HALL, 175 THE PARADE

Dr. Andrew Benson MBBS - Recognition of the problem

Ms. Sam Raven - Treatment options available

Ms. D. Scardigno - Support & empowerment for users and families

Ms. Hailey Lawrence - Issues for new arrivals & the indigenous community

Seating is limited. Entry by ticket only.

BOOK YOUR FREE TICKET AT TRYBOOKING.COM/MYHW

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For more information, contact Romaine Dawson on 8379 5967

UNLEY BUSINESS BREAKFAST

Our goal is to provide information sharing and networking opportunities to the Unley business community whilst hearing from top class speakers. With this in mind we invite you to be part of this exciting networking breakfast.

VENUE: Unley Town Hall,
181 Unley Road
(cnr of Unley Rd & Oxford Tce)

Car parking is available in the Unley Shopping Centre directly opposite the venue (please do not park in the Council offices car park as space is limited and time monitored)

COST: \$25 (inc. GST) – includes breakfast

DATE: Tuesday 6 December 2016

TIME: 7.00am for a 7.15am start
Concludes at 8.30am

RSVP: **Essential COB Thursday 1
December 2016**

*Due to limited places no late RSVP's
are possible*

For more information, please contact:

Jim Handley: 0417 825 815
Akarra Klingberg: 8372 5427
Eastside BEC: 8344 7353



Tuesday, 6 December 2016

Guest Speaker

Kevin Webb

Managing Director – Spring Gully Foods



Established in 1946 Spring Gully Foods has built an enviable reputation with its extensive range of pickles and sauces, but its branded product is only part of the Spring Gully success story.

A third generation family-owned South Australian company, Spring Gully Foods has thrived through its commitment to quality home recipes; including the use of only the finest and most fresh ingredients.

Today, the Spring Gully name has grown to become Spring Gully Foods Pty Ltd, the flagship company, comprising quality pickle and preserve brands Spring Gully Pickles and Gardener and Leabrook Farms premium honey.

Kevin started at Spring Gully Foods as a season worker in 1979 and has held various roles in the company over the years, including: production worker; administration clerk; finance clerk; office manager; warehouse manager; and finance manager. Kevin has been Managing Director of Spring Gully Foods since 1995.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear from an inspiring business leader and gain some insights into a thriving South Australian family business.

REGISTER NOW

<http://e.mybookingmanager.com/UnleyBB33>



Club of Agra Tajmahal
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Dear Batchmate,

Rotary Greetings,

International Project | POLIO-FREE – INDIA FROM 200,000 CASES A YEAR TO ZERO

Rotary Club Agra Tajmahal Initiative
Mega Campaign – Polio Free India
Volunteers Invited to participate

Date: 6-8 January 2017, Agra, India

Signup Today

For further details, please contact us at secretary@agratajmahalrotary.org

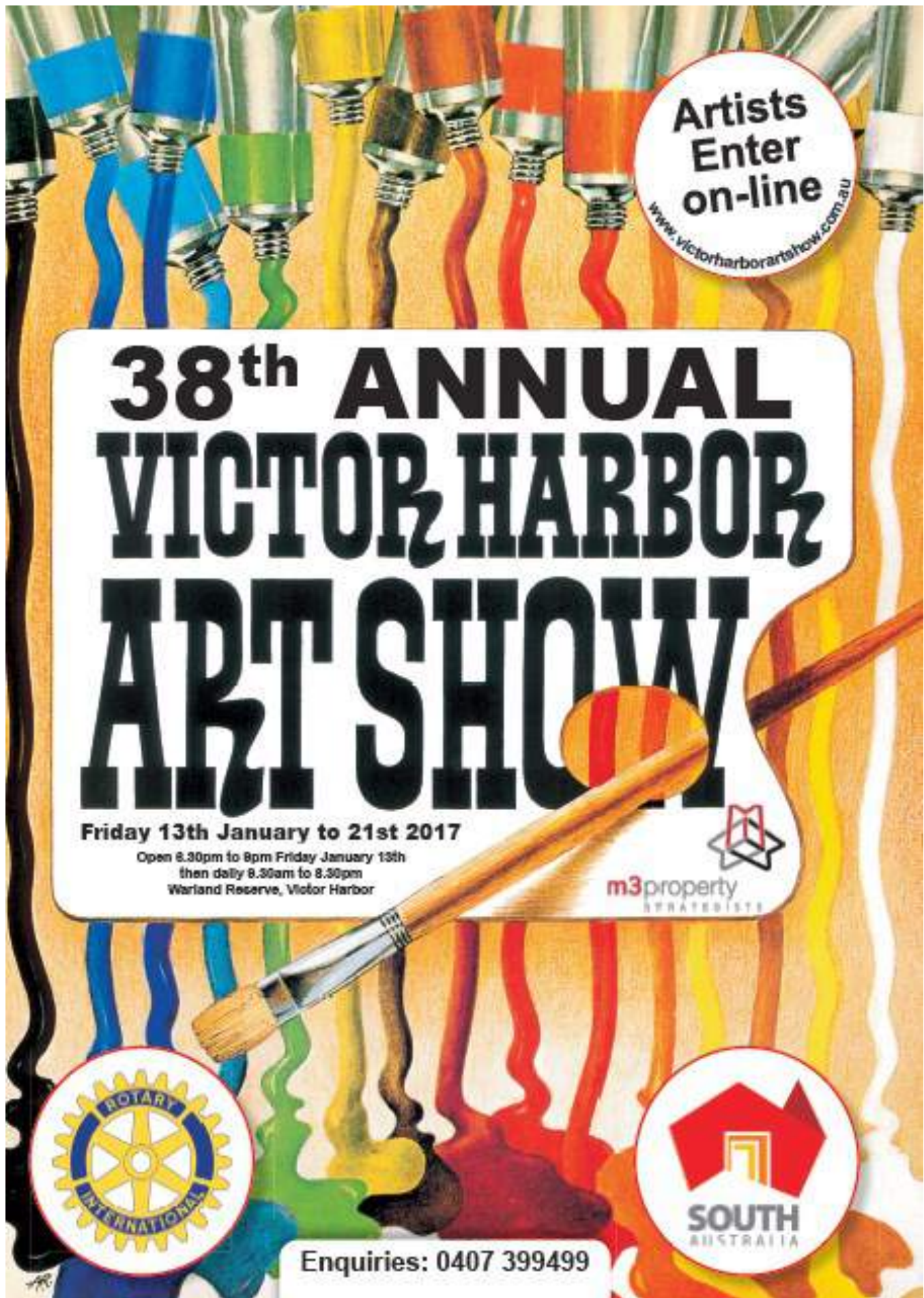
You will never be the same after you have looked into the appreciative eyes of someone whose life you have changed"

This journey will be a landmark event in your Rotary experience. It also may be your last chance to give the two drops of a polio vaccine to a child that changes their life.

This experience will combine participation in India's Polio Immunization activities. Interaction with local Rotarians and projects.



*conditions apply *Strictly Private Circulation
From Desk of Club Secretary & Polio Chair



The poster features a background of colorful paint splashes in shades of blue, green, yellow, orange, and red. At the top, several network cables with RJ45 connectors are plugged into a wall. A paintbrush with a wooden handle and a silver ferrule is positioned diagonally across the center. The text is arranged in a central white area with a torn-edge effect.

Artists Enter on-line
www.victorharborartshow.com.au

38th ANNUAL VICTOR HARBOR ART SHOW

Friday 13th January to 21st 2017
Open 6.30pm to 8pm Friday January 13th
then daily 8.30am to 8.30pm
Warland Reserve, Victor Harbor

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