# WHAT IS GOOD ABOUT RCM

All to often we see what all the other Rotary Clubs are doing and achieving and we tend to compare ourselves to them. It is worth stepping back and looking at the great things that we have going for us.

As President Nigel has reminded us on occasions, we are a young Club formed in 2010 with a number of enthusiastic members. During the years we have undertaken a number of events/activities to raise funds so that we can contribute to the Community and Internationally. Our donations may not be large, as compared to other Clubs, but they are the result of considerable efforts from our members, both past and present.

PE Sandy sees that our strengths are:

- We have a group of passionate members.
- Our Rypen program is the best; it changes the lives of between 50-60 kids every year.
- We achieve big, even though we are small.
- We support and respect each other.
- We have a great energy and get the job done.
- We make a difference.
- Our members are ambitious and believe that they can accomplish our goals.

So we need to go with the "ups and down" and continue doing our best!

### MINDARIE STUDENTS PITCH IN





On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June, the Year 5 students at Mindarie Primary School pitched in to help Margret and her friends to move used school desks and chairs from the School's container into the Club's container.

These items are part of the "donations in kind" targeted for the village of Kaiapit in PNG – the AMPAN Project.

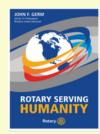
Mindarie PS have suggested that the new classrooms be christened "Mindarie "and the Club will also have visibility.

This day's activity was just the start!

Rotary Club of Mindarie Inc. WA
District 9455 Club 83520
Chartered 2010

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### 2016/17 THEME



Rotary's founder, Paul Harris, believed that serving humanity is "the most worthwhile thing a person can do," RI President-elect John F. Germ said, and that being a part of Rotary is a "great opportunity" to make that happen.

Germ unveiled the 2016-17 presidential theme, *Rotary Serving Humanity*, to incoming district governors on 18 January at the International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA.





CHANGEOVER DINNER
Payments are required
NOW!



### **Meeting Notes**



### **CLUB MEETING**

# Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2016 at Mindarie Marina

SoA PP Sally called the meeting to order a 1807.

President Nigel advised that apologies had been received from Peter, Mike, Karina, Darren, Tracey and Alan. Kelly, a new member prospect, had sent a late apology

Margaret was asked to propose the toast to Rotary.

President Nigel addressed those present and advised:

- PE Sandy was working on her plans for the Club for the coming year and a list of ideas has been sent our to members for comment
- Usually at this time of year, the Club has accumulated funds for disbursement. However, this year there has been an effort to disburse funds raised during the course of the year
- There is a Board meeting this coming Monday night
- The AMPAN project is considered high priority for this Club and considerable funds have been earmarked for this project
- There were no make ups from members but President Nigel stated that he attended the Hilary New Member Showcase and mentioned some of their fundraising projects. He was accompanied to this event by two interested parties who expressed and interest in Rotary when he had met with Wanneroo re the Rotary Park proposal.
- There is no guest speaker for this evening.

Cheryl mentioned that she had an approach from the Paralympic organisation seeking donations.

Ralph advised members of the status of the Changeover Dinner:

- Our Changeover Dinner is on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June at Mindarie Marina
- Some 95 invitations have been sent out and this includes present/past members, some local businesses and a number of schools in our catchment area.
- To date, only 37 responses have been received and we require 47 to "break even"
- The RSVP date was close of business on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June
- It was agreed that a follow-up would be undertaken and a suggested contact list will be sent out to Sally, Sandy, Nigel, Cheryl and Raylene to contact those who have yet to respond
- There was discussion about past members and raffle prizes with Nigel, Sandy and Sally offering to provide wine.
- It was also agreed that dinner guests would be allocated tables in order to ensure that people "mixed". Therefore Ralph requested that all advise him of the names of guests who have been invited.

Margaret was asked to speak about the status of the AMPAN project:

- She advised that there had been a working party of Year 5
   Mindarie PS student last Thursday during the day to move
   items from the Schools storage into the new container
- She had been in communication with the Customs people in PNG and advised that as long as we list the items in the container and declare that these are donated for charity, there will be minimal issue with clearance
- Villagers are prepared and organised to transport the container to the village
- She personally has undertaken a number of fundraising activities to gain funds to offset the costs of transport.

Ralph mentioned that the Board had yet to approve the quotation for transport of the container to PNG which is around \$5800. Transportation time is estimated to take around 28-35 days.

Now that some of the items had been moved into the new container we had a better idea of how much could be loaded.

PE Sandy expressed concern that there was a lot to be accomplished if the container was to be shipped by end of July and that no plan existed.

Extensive discussion ensued on a number of matters:

- There was a need for an experienced resource to assist in optimally loading the container. Margaret mentioned that she had spoken to her husband who would be prepared to assist
- All the items on the wish list had not been sourced and there was question as to whether or not all the items should be provided. Margaret is to prioritise the list.
- President Nigel suggested that the large value items be identified and a request be sent to District Club to see if they could assist.
- Ralph advised that RC West Perth had many of the medical items on the wish list and would be prepared to provide these
- Cheryl and PP Sally suggested Shoeboxes filled with stationery items etc. that could be sourced from RYPEN student attendees using for example Facebook. Some 300 would be required
- Margaret mentioned that ideally all gifts should be given out by an RCM representative
- Cheryl stated that a Committee should be convened for this project
- Margaret should not be sourcing stationery items from Kmart on her own and that such items could possibly be sourced as donations.
- Delaying the container beyond September was not an option as the rainy season commences in October.
- Margaret asked for a donation of drinks for her fundraising and was advised to take what was in storage

Sally, Cheryl and Raylene offered to work with Margaret on this project as there were essentially 45 days left till the end of July





Jerry Pilcher 2015 / 2016

**Patricia Canning** 2016 / 2017

### **NEW UBER UPDATE ALLOWS USERS** TO FILE LAWSUIT AGAINST COMPANY **DIRECTLY IN APP**



"We've listened to the community, and we're excited to introduce a feature that will make bringing litigation against us—whether for sexual harassment, racial profiling, or aggravated assault—as quick and easy as hailing a ride," said Uber co-founder and CEO Travis Kalanick, demonstrating the app's new "Sue Us" button, conveniently located in the main menu.

"The app already contains all your biographical information, which integrates with GPS data to tell you how long it will take for the case to be heard, as well as the estimated cost.

It also features a helpful and intuitive on-screen display that allows you to track your lawsuit's progress all the way through the courts."

Kalanick added that in the event a plaintiff loses their case, Uber would automatically recoup its legal fees from the user's preferred debit or credit card.

- The Onion

PP Sally then spoke to the Swap Mart Lean Board issues:

- Sunday August 7<sup>th</sup> has been determined as the day that all members should have a stall at the Swap Mart
- Loyalty cards are a valued item by the sellers
- The idea of regular sellers being able to book a specific bay is not a feasible option at this stage
- Feedback on the allocated tasks has been received from Sandy, Raylene, Ralph, Mike and Alan. Further follow up is to be done
- Numbers for Swap Mart are improving and if we can continue to raise regular funds, we should continue

PP Sally then mentioned the Relay for Life that will be taking place in October and advised that there is a "special" registration offer of 2 for 1. She encouraged members to attend and advised that we had lost one member from the Club due to the poor attendance last year.

She stated that this event provide the Club with a great marketing opportunity.

There was further discussion as regards Swap Mart:

- PE Sandy felt that more banners were required and this view was supported by PP Sally.
- President Nigel advised that the Board will consider another banner to be placed at Catalina Beach and be visible from Marmion Avenue
- Raylene mentioned her frustration that she requires additional for Facebook advertising as she had expressed previously. There was some discussion on this matter
- President Nigel suggested that a proposal be prepared and put to the Board as regards boosting Facebook visibility and advertising

PP Sally won the raffle.

The meeting closed at 1940 hrs







Q: In a one-story pink house, there was a pink person, a pink cat, a pink fish, a pink computer, a pink chair, a pink table, a pink telephone, a pink shower—everything was pink!

What color were the stairs?

## Michael Phelps' Fiancée Gives Birth To Healthy 6-Pound Tadpole



TEMPE, AZ—Saying that he is "so overjoyed, excited, and thankful," 18-time Olympic gold medalist Michael Phelps announced Sunday that his fiancée has given birth to a healthy 6-pound tadpole.

"On behalf of myself and Nicole, I'm thrilled to say that on May 5 at 7:21 p.m., we welcomed a healthy, happy male tadpole, weighing in at 6 pounds and 11 ounces, with a 5-inch tail," read a statement from Phelps, which was accompanied by a photo of the smiling 30-year-old Olympian holding the newborn in his arms while gently caressing its gills.

"Nicole and I are obviously incredibly tired after a lengthy 17-hour hatching, but we're doing fine and can't wait to get to know the newest member of our family."

At press time, Phelps' publicist confirmed that the tadpole is now swimming comfortably with its parents back at the family's water tank.

- The Onion

# THERE ARE 3 KINDS OF PEOPLE IN THIS WORLD

THOSE WHO ARE GOOD AT MATH, AND THOSE WHO AREN'T



The target for AMPAN Project schools equipment - the recently constructed classrooms at Kaiapit village

# BUILDING YOUR IDEAL ROTARY CLUB

Words by Julie Aubry Rotary International Regional Membership Officer

#### WHAT WOULD YOUR IDEAL ROTARY CLUB LOOK LIKE?

First, picture the members: what talents or skills would they possess, what attitude would they carry and how would they engage with each other? Next, picture the community: how would you want your club to be viewed, what local issues would you want to tackle and what events would excite your members? Last, picture your club meetings: what would you do to make them more fun? Would you change the meeting structure, invite family or perhaps try a new venue?

Membership starts at the club level, so examining your club experience and letting the members express their ideas can really strengthen your club. The new Rotary International publication, Membership Assessment Tools, contains six different assessments to add value to your club, including a Membership Satisfaction Survey (found in the section Enhancing The Club Experience). This assessment can help clubs identify what members enjoy in their club experience, what they'd like to change and can inform an action plan to move towards a more enjoyable club experience. Be sure to make the survey funl Members who complete the survey could be entered into a raffle, or there could be a prize for the most innovative meeting idea, event or project.

It's a crucial time for membership in Rotary. As your Rotary International regional membership officer, I work with a knowledgeable and enthusiastic team of zone and district volunteers to support the continued growth and retention of Rotary's greatest asset — our members. My job is to inform Rotary leaders about current membership resources, explain how they can be used to attract and engage members and get feedback on existing or desired resources.

### MAKING FRIENDS TO BUILD ROTARY'S PROFILE

The Rotary Club of Mobilong, SA, has introduced the Friends of Rotary program to liaise with local businesses and build Rotary's profile in the community.

The club invites businesses to become 'Friends', which involves a payment of \$250 per annum. Businesses are then able to affiliate with other engaged community and professional groups, attend club meetings and activities and advertise in the club bulletin. When the club promotes their projects in the local paper, they make certain to mention the supporting businesses there also.

So far \$26,000 has been raised through this program, with 43 businesses now signed up and that number is set to increase. It has become an avenue for businesses to invest in the local community and give back.

The Mobilong club was surprised and gratified when Flight Centre took it upon themselves to donate a percentage of the sales of flights booked back to the club thanks to the Friends program.

Friends of Rotary has become a means of raising financial assistance as well as growing the number of volunteers on hand for club events. It is also a prime pathway for potential new members to learn about Rotary and take on membership.





Well done Wednesday night to Courtney Rose Knowles and James Coletta who both presented to Freshwater Bay Rotary Club on their RYPEN experiences.

RC Freshwater Bay is a great club and it was a great meeting.

RYPEN thanks the RCFB for its support and delivers a "well done" to our amazing RYPEN students.

I was pleased to represent the RC Mindarie RYPEN Committee at this event.

To the RYPEN students: Make sure you contact your sponsoring club and put your new skills to their test !!!

- Mike



# 22 & 23 October 2016 12pm-12pm - at HBF Arena Joondalup

As an incentive to encourage early registrations for this year's great event, CCWA is offering <u>2 registrations for the</u> price of 1 up until midnight June 19 2016.

Use the discount code "2for1" when registering to take advantage of this very special offer.

(If you still collect the registration fees from both participants you can use the second one to kick your fundraising along!!)

Two adults registrations will cost \$40 or two youth registrations will cost \$20, so register before June 20 and encourage others to do so too.

### **Event Contact Emails:**

Organising

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Survivors: relaysurvivorjoondalupwanneroo@gmail.com
Volunteers: relayvolsjoondalupwanneroo@gmail.com

I was visiting my son and daughter-in-law last night when I asked if I could borrow a newspaper.

"This is the 21st century, old man," he said. "We don't waste money on newspapers. Here, you can borrow my iPad." I can tell you, that damned fly never knew what hit it ...

# District 9455 Inbound Farewell





#### Rotary District 9455 Inbound Farewell and 'Graduation'

You're invited to help us celebrate the end of an amazing Rotary Youth Exchange Year for a fabulous set of Inbound Students.

hen: Sunday 3rd July

Where: At the fabulous "Trigg island Surf Club"

Overlooking our wonderful Indian Ocean: 11am—2pm

Your chance to say goodbye, see the students pre sented with their completion certificates and badges; and be there for the announcement of the Prestigious:

"Inbound of the Year Award"

Ill friends, host families and Rotarians Welcome:

Attendance is FREE

PLACE email our Secretary on

Drinks available at reasonable bar prices and it order to keep costs down, each family group is

### What is "ROTARY".....?

- In the home.....it is kindness;
- ☐ In business.....it is honesty;
- ☐ In society....it is courtesy;
- ☐ In play.....it is fairness;
- ☐ In the community.....it is service.
- In international relations....it is sympathetic understanding and goodwill
- ☐ Towards the fortunate.....it is congratulations;
- ☐ Towards the unfortunate.....it is compassion;
- ☐ Towards the weak.....it is help;
- ☐ Towards the penitent....it is forgiveness;
- ☐ Towards GOD.....it is reverence and love;
- ☐ In Rotary club.....it is co-operation and fellowship.









### Council on Legislation

### Council on Legislation grants clubs greater flexibility in meeting, membership

The 2016 Council on Legislation may well be remembered as one of the most progressive in Rotary history. Not only did this Council grant clubs more freedom in determining their meeting schedule and membership, it also approved an increase in per capita dues of \$4 a year for three years. The increase will be used to enhance Rotary's website, improve online tools, and add programs and services to help clubs increase membership.

The Council is an essential element of Rotary's governance. Every three years, members from around the world gather in Chicago to consider proposed changes to the policies that govern the organization and its member clubs. Measures that are adopted take effect 1 July.

The tone for this year was set early, when the RI Board put forth two proposals that increase flexibility. The first measure allows clubs to decide to vary their meeting times, whether to meet online or in person, and when to cancel a meeting, as long as they meet at least twice a month. The second allows clubs flexibility in choosing their membership rules and requirements. Both passed.

Representatives also approved removing six membership criteria from the RI Constitution and replacing them with a simple requirement that a member be a person of good character who has a good reputation in their business or community and is willing to serve the community.

The \$4 per year dues increase was based on a five-year financial forecast that predicted that if Rotary didn't either raise dues or make drastic cuts, its reserves would dip below mandated levels by 2020. The yearly per capita dues that clubs pay to RI will be \$60 in 2017-18, \$64 in 2018-19, and \$68 in 2019-20. The next council will establish the rate after that.

"We are at a moment in time when we must think beyond the status quo," said RI Vice President Greg E. Podd. "We must think about our future."

Podd said the dues increase will allow RI to improve My Rotary, develop resources so clubs can offer a better membership experience, simplify club and district reporting, improve website access for Rotaractors, and update systems to keep Rotary in compliance with changing global regulations.

### Also because of this Council's decisions:

A Council on Resolutions will meet annually online to consider resolutions — recommendations to the RI Board. Council members will be selected for three-year terms. They'll participate in the Council on Resolutions for three years and the Council on Legislation in their final year only. The Council on Resolutions will free the Council on Legislation to concentrate on enactments — changes to Rotary's governing documents. Proponents predict that the Council on Legislation can then be shortened by a day, saving \$300,000.

Rotaractors will be allowed to become members of Rotary clubs while they are still in Rotaract. Proponents argued that too few Rotaractors join Rotary. Sometimes it's because they don't want to leave their Rotaract clubs before they have to, upon reaching age 30. It's hoped that giving them more options will boost the numbers of qualified young leaders in Rotary.

The distinction between e-clubs and traditional clubs will be eliminated. The Council recognized that clubs have been meeting in a number of ways, and given this flexibility, the distinction was no longer meaningful. Clubs that have "e-club" in their names can keep it, however.

The reference to admission fees will be removed from the bylaws. Proponents argued that the mention of admission fees does not advance a modern image of Rotary.

A standing committee on membership was established, in recognition that membership is a top priority of the organization, and polio eradication was also reaffirmed to be a goal of the highest order.

# Message from The South Pacific and Philippines Office

As Rotarians we are continually giving. We give our time to make our club an effective organisation, we give our energy to be part of all those things that bring in the funds we need, and we give personally so that others less fortunate than ourselves can have a better life.

Along with personal giving, the contributions received from clubs are the lifeblood of The Rotary Foundation and all the good things you and I do are driven by the money clubs provide. At the current date, there are 313 clubs in Australia who have not given anything to the Foundation's Annual Fund and a move simply has to be made to reduce, or even eliminate, this number.

I know the number will reduce as we approach the end of June but May is such a good time to take action. The current RI exchange rate is A\$1.30 to one US dollar but in June it moves up to A\$1.35. That means your June Aussie dollar will bring in 3.7% less US dollars and that's a big swing.

Giving now gets the money you send working earlier and that can only be a good thing for the world. Send a cheque or transfer by EFT but give some thought to doing so by the end of May.

#### Bruce

Bruce Allen Supervisor Rotary Foundation







"Let's form a committee to create a task force to develop a team to determine the fastest way to deal with the problem."

# Club Social Weekend CHRISTMAS IN JULY at

# Settlers House York

Friday 15th and Saturday 16th July



125 Avon Terrace, York 6302 Phone 0896 411884 or 0499 825377

Check out our Facebook Page for full details of all our events, functions & food & drink specials. https://www.facebook.com/Settlershouseyork/

### "CHRISTMAS IN JULY"

is back at Settlers

Saturday 16th July & Saturday 30th July

Complete with a full Christmas Dinner, "Psycho Santa", "Geoffoire" the Honky Tonk piano player and his surprise guest artists.

(Here are a couple of YouTube videos you can look up to remind you of the fun and frivolity of these totally entertaining July Saturday nights.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BojF7eaHQx4 and https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GaPFrHZShrA)

Seats will be limited to ensure everyones comfort.

Full details will follow shortly on our Facebook Page or call 96411884 to find out more.

The cost of 3 course Christmas Dinner & Entertainment on the Saturday night is \$55 per person.

### Package deal for Friday 15 and Saturday 16 July

We are offering 2 x nights package (Friday & Saturday) for 2 x adults as follows -

Accommodation for 2

**\$200** (Normally \$139-\$145 per night - \$279-\$290 for 2)

Friday night 2 course Dinner for 2

\$40 (Normally \$50)

Saturday morning Buffet breakfast for 2

**\$30** (Normally \$36)

Saturday night 3 course Christmas Dinner

& Entertainment for 2

\$110

Sunday morning Buffet breakfast for 2

\$30 (Normally \$36)

# ROTARY CLUB OF SCARBOROUGH

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