

# WHAT DO YOU KNOW ABOUT ROTARY e-CLUBS?



Rotary e-clubs are a lot like other Rotary clubs: they meet weekly, carry out service projects, support The Rotary Foundation, and socialise with each other. So what's different about e-clubs?

You join your meeting online when it's convenient for you, day or night, any day of the week.

E-club members use webinars, videoconferencing, message boards, instant messaging, or tools like Skype and Google Hangout to communicate. For example, a club member might post content online for that week's meeting, then other members join the discussion throughout the week. Some e-club members also meet in person at service projects, social activities or the RI Convention.

Any Rotarian can make up a missed meeting by participating in an e-club online meeting.

Members can be from anywhere in the world. Some e-clubs focus their membership in a particular region or community.

An e-club could be right for you if you:

- Have a busy schedule and need a flexible meeting time
- Live in different places throughout the year
- Travel frequently
- Have limited mobility
- Live in an area without a nearby Rotary club

## E-clubs need:

- A dedicated website
- Founding members who are able to manage the club's website
- An online meeting platform to host meetings
- Private sections of the website that only members can access to protect members' online personal data
- Online financial transaction systems that allow members to pay dues, make donations, or process payments
- The ability for visiting Rotarians to make up a club meeting
- E-clubs are responsible for all costs associated with purchasing a URL and hosting their website on the Internet.

# http://ewarotary.org.au/

E-WA Rotary is Western Australia's first online Rotary E-Club. Online Rotary E-Clubs around the world allow members to give to the greater community when getting to meetings is difficult.

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

www.rotarymindarie.com



### Be a gift to the world

RI President K.R. Ravindran chose *Be a Gift to the World* as his theme for 2015-16.

Ravindran urges Rotary members to give the gifts of time, talent, and knowledge to improve lives in communities across the globe.

"Through Rotary, we can take these gifts and make a genuine difference in the lives of others and in our world."



The Rotary Foundation is the economic engine for Rotary International. It is a nonprofit corporation that is supported solely by voluntary contributions from Rotarians and friends of Rotary who share its vision of a better world. Its sole mission is to enable Rotarians to advance world understanding, good will and peace through the improvement of health, the support of education and the alleviation of poverty. We accomplish that through our local and international humanitarian and educational programs.



# **Meeting Notes**



# CLUB MEETING

# **Tuesday 10th November** at Mindarie Senior College

The meeting was opened by stand-in Sergeant at Arms, Mike Gilbert, at 1805.

President Nigel advised that apologies had been received from Brian Butterworth, Sandy Jones, Sally Farr, Bill Benbow, Tracy Roberts, Sharon Kinraid, Sarah and Jack Morgan, Karina Martin, Peter Andrews, Helen Hegarty and Lindsay Robeson.

He welcomed DG Gerry Pilcher and his wife, Kerry, to our meeting. Also welcomed were Nick Gerrard and a returning prospect Dave Duvall. Tiffany was welcomed back from her travels.

We have two guest speakers from Butler College; Ben Hogarth and Leigh Litten.

There were no makeups. President Nigel mentioned that he had attended a breakfast meeting at RC Crawley.

Cheryl was asked to give the toast to Rotary.

President Nigel then spoke on several issues:

- The Wanneroo Show requires at least 4 people per shift to assist in manning Gate 1. There are six shifts on the Friday evening and all day Saturday 27th/28th November. So we need all the volunteers we can find.
- Swap Mart last Sunday had 24 sellers so the situation is improving., New signage had been used.
- The AGM is confirmed as being on Tuesday 24th November at Mindarie Senior College
- A Christmas "meeting" is to be held at Nigel's place on the 8th December, Bring swimmers.

Maud spoke briefly about her last few weeks. She stated that School is finished. Mike mentioned that Maud was very good at the recent School's live performance and that perhaps Maud could perform for the Club.

Ralph mentioned that November was a significant month for the Club as there were a lot of members celebrating their anniversaries.

Ralph then spoke about the Rotary WA Membership Forum that he attended on Sunday 1st November. Key points of note from the Forum are in this Bulletin.

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If I've offended you with my opinion.. you should hear the ones I keep to myself.

Ben Hogarth and Leigh Litten were then asked to speak about Butler College and its plans for increased involvement in the community and how there may opportunities to work with RCM in the future.

Ralph provided Ben and Leigh with a token of appreciation from our Club.

DG Jerry Pilcher spoke briefly:

- He thanked the Club for its great involvement in the RYPEN programme
- He acknowledged RCM's involvement in the Rotary Youth Exchange programme and felt that the programme was of great benefit to the world as there were some 8500 exchange student sponsored by Rotary worldwide.
- He mentioned other youth programmes under the Rotary banner i.e.
  - ROTARACT (18-30 year olds),
  - INTERACT (secondary school student) and
  - EARLYACT, a new programme for primary school students which had its first start at Shenton Park Primary School.
- He stated that booklets on the Youth programmes are in the process of being prepared.
- He also mentioned that the Membership Forum had been videotaped and that all Clubs will receive two copies (of differing length) that they may use.

Mike took on the role of Sergeant-at Arms and levied a number of members.

Kerry Pilcher's run of luck with raffles continues as she won our raffle.

The meeting concluded at 7:12pm



# **NOVEMBER**

The Rotary Club of Mindarie would like to acknowledge the service of the following Members who celebrate their anniversary of joining the Club:

- Peter Andrews (2014)
- Brian Baily (2010)
- Brian Butterworth (2010)
- Tiffany Dowling (2010)
- PP Sally Farr (2010)
- PP Karina Martin (2010)
- P Nigel Owen (2010)
- Tracey Roberts (2010)
- Lindsay Robeson (2010)
- Alan Ward (2010)

# 2015 AGM

# MINDARIE SENIOR COLLEGE TUESDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2015

A reminder that the 2015 Annual General Meeting of the Rotary Club of Mindarie will take place at Mindarie Senior College on the 24<sup>th</sup> November.

The objective of the meeting is threefold, viz:

- 1. To "accept" the audited Club accounts for 2014/15
- 2. Elect officers of the Club for 2015/16
- 3. Approve amendments to the Club By-Laws and Constitution.

If you cannot attend the meeting, please submit your Nomination Forms as soon as possible. Election of Officers will be by show of hands at the Meeting.

### Note:

- All positions are up for election.
- Any Member of the Club can be nominated for any position.
- Incumbent Officers, including the President, can be re-elected to the same or another position.

In addition, a number of changes to the By-Laws and Constitution have been proposed for the purposes of consistency and flexibility.

Such changes must have Member approval so please advise of your view as regards these proposed changes to the By-Laws and Constitution.

Nomination Forms, Amendments and audited Accounts have been previously sent to all Members.

Any questions, please contact the Secretary

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It's called **reading**.
It's how people install new software into their brains.

EVERY DAY, THOUSANDS OF INNOCENT PLANTS ARE KILLED BY VEGETARIANS.

HELP END THE VIOLENCE.



1920-21 Quote by Estes Snedecor (law), Rotary Club of Portland, Oregon, USA. Rotary vision: To make its teachings a guiding principle and vitalizing force in the lives of men everywhere.

"Every Rotary club should be made a forum before which vital economic and social problems may be fairly and intelligently discussed. Club programs should stimulate thought, widen the horizon, and deepen conviction."

— The Program for the Year, THE ROTARIAN, August 1920

When the English settlers landed in Australia, they noticed a strange animal that jumped extremely high and far. They asked the aboriginal people using body language and signs trying to ask them about this animal. They responded with "Kan Ghu Ru" the english then adopted the word kangaroo. What the aboriginal people were really trying to say was "we don't understand you", "Kan Ghu Ru".

# Christmas "Meeting"

8<sup>th</sup> December

Nigel's Place 3 Mariners View Mindarie



times, just to be sure.

What is the meaning

I never make the

same mistake twice.

I make it five or six



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Members and partners





# Ben Hogarth College Development Officer Butler College, and Ms Leigh Litten Vocational Education and Training Butler College

Ben gave some background to the College:

- Butler College opened for the 2013 school year with Year 8 students. As each year progresses, it has grown to be more than 1850 students from Years 7 to 12 in 2017, including a purpose-built education support facility.
- It is an innovative college which embraces the philosophy of education as a dynamic science that is always on the move.
- One of the College's strengths is it building relationship with the community and to this effect, it has a dedicated Office for community engagement.
- The College is actively seeking external resources to come in and advise on how to improve educational outcomes for its students.

Leigh provided information about

- The extent and nature of the programmes at the College
- A strategic goal which was focused on the development of Butler College as a 'Community Hub' where parents, community members, education providers, local business and industry support the College.

The College recognised the importance of jobs for youth and improving their possibilities to avoid under employment or unemployment. Example of community initiatives that could help College student include::

- Access to workplace knowledge and experience from interview stage through to work experience
- Apprenticeships and traineeship opportunities
- Workplace placement
- Providing opportunities fro Butler staff to attend workplaces to improve their currency in trades/professions
- Opportunities fro College student to enhance their catering skill sin the wider community
- · Opportunities for volunteering

As to a relationship with RCM, the following were seen as potential opportunities to be further explored:

- The 4 Way test
- Rotary Youth exchanges to Malaysia, Cambodia
- The Interplast Mongolia initiative
- Cross promoting the Swap Mart in their newsletter

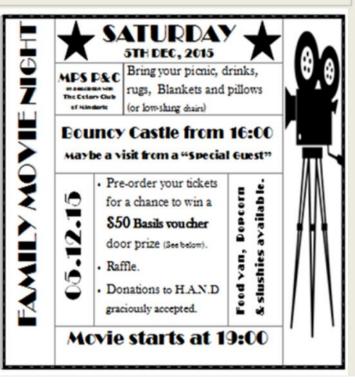
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- Providing performers at the Swap Mart
- Involvement in RYPEN
- RCM involvement in the College's hallmark events and Open Days
- Access to a College database of 1700 student and their families

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# Western Australia MEMBERSHIP FORUM

On Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November, both WA Districts hosted a Membership Forum which was attended by some 150 Rotarians.

The subject was "Rethinking Membership -Realities, challenges and the future".

There were three presentations addressing Diversity and Innovation, Let's Experiment and Recruitment Strategy.

The key note presentations covered, Club membership diversity, how to get new members, formats of meetings and related issues.

David Anderson's presentation had points worthy of further consideration:

- Need to change our perspective of the club and membership and stop looking at things from the same mindset
- We should not be rigid and bound by tradition as there must also be fun and flexibility
- Consideration should be given to gender diversity, age diversity and racial/ethnic diversity
- The RI requirement is that members "meet regularly" and it's up to Club to work out the nest approach for them
- eClubs are becoming more prevalent and at least one exists in every District
- A recent Rotary survey showed that young males are motivated to join and remain in Clubs as long as there is
  - diversity in ages and gender
  - sustainable projects that are long term and have high impact
  - business connections and potential for professional development
- We need to look more closely at the classifications (or vocations) of potential new members to ensure that we have a good cross section of members.

Judy Ford, formerly from Yass spoke about their recruitment strategy. This is "summarised" in this Bulletin and we should clearly adopt a more professional approach to new members.

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The Twitter Bird's first name is Larry, as in Larry Bird. He's named after the hall of fame Basketball player Larry Bird, who played for Biz Stone's (the founder of twitter) home team, the Boston Celtics.



The Rotary Club of Joondalup is holding a fundraiser on 19.11.2015 and they are looking for teams to register for ten pin bowling and sponsors of raffle and silent auction prizes.

They would very much appreciate our support and help **Theme:** 

Come along by yourself or with a group of 4 players and enjoy a fun-filled bowling event: There will be numerous prizes up for grabs including a door prize and for those who wish to dress up, there will be a prize for best dressed team and an individual winner. 100% of all proceeds from this event will go to projects like wheelchairs for children and "shelterbox" a tent with essential equipment for refugees and disaster relief.

**Date and Time:** Thursday 19 November 2015 from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

**Cost: 3 Games** including shoes hire and light

refreshments

Rotarians: \$40 Per Person or \$150 Per

Team

of 4 Players

Non-member: \$45 Per Person or \$170 Per

Team of 4 Players

I thought that Des Lawson from Queensland gave a great video presentation on the topic of "Let's Experiment". I would like to have a copy of this for our Club that we could all see.

A phrase of note, from his presentation ,was "honour the past but it is not our future"

In essence we must change with the times and with a new vision and unfortunately, this will involve "casualties". The challenge to us, and other Clubs, is where are we going?

Some notable points from the presentation included:

- Basis of Rotary is fellowship
- Use Facebook it's today's media from communication
- Are our meetings overgrown Committee meetings?
- What is it that we are getting out of our Club?
- In recruitment of members, look at member classifications to enable us to do what we would like – as far as projects are concerned.
- Consider strategic partnerships with other organisations/entities within our Community e.g. scouts, schools, charities
- What about the concept of Corporate Membership?
- If people are engaged and enjoying what they are doing they will stay.
- Consider that the Club might be an "event management Club" where other people actually do the projects managed by the Club.

# Archaeologists Discover Ancient Femur That Could Make Mouthwatering Broth



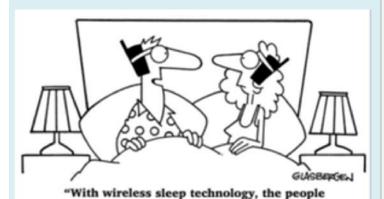
SIBERIA, RUSSIA—Hailing it as among the most intact and substantial Paleolithic-era finds ever unearthed, a team of archaeologists from University College Dublin announced Wednesday the discovery of an ancient human femur that could make a rich, mouthwatering broth.

"Based on our preliminary analysis, this thighbone dates back some 65,000 years and appears to be ideal for preparing an enticing, flavorful soup stock that's hearty and delicious," said Dr. Harold Brecht, adding that after slowly simmering the recently unearthed prehistoric bone with some sea salt, aromatic vegetables, and a bay leaf, one would have the beginnings of a tasty broth that was at once savory and delicate.

"We've also found significant evidence that strongly suggests this early femur could be roasted for extra depth of flavor and then tossed into a crock pot with carrots, parsnips, potatoes, and two to three pounds of beef shank for a robust stew that would be delightful on a chilly day. Maybe with some nice, crusty bread to dip in it, too."

Brecht added that he and his research team would have more than enough soup base to last through the winter provided they are able to excavate the remainder of the early human's skeleton.

- The Onion



in my dreams can send e-mail and faxes to the people in your dreams!"







The Police Commissioner, Karl O'Callaghan, is looking to take a number of students to **Mongolia** to see firsthand the Interplast efforts. Four of these students are ideally to come from the North Perth region. Fundraising is involved.

Funds raised would be used to fund a specialist medical team from Australia to perform life changing operations to hundreds of sick children with cleft lip and palate and burn scar contractures in Mongolia whilst providing "sustainable surgery" through mentoring and training local doctors and nurses to continue to provide the best possible care for kids.

The itinerary is basically depart Perth for Ulaanbaatar on the 27<sup>th</sup> February and return on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> March. Cost is around \$6000 per student inclusive of return flights via Hong Kong, all accommodation, transport, meals and national park fees.

For further information, please contact Mike Gilbert

# Rotary District 9455

# An Invitation to an evening presentation of The Swim Vietnam Programme by Le Viet Duyen, Consul General of Vietnam

In Vietnam today, drowning is the leading cause of death from injury of children and adolescents aged up to 19 – about 50 percent of the deaths from injury in fact. Many of these deaths could be prevented if children had been taught to swim.

### Monday 16th November

6.15pm for 7.00pm start at Hilarys Yacht Club 65 Northside Drive, Hilarys.

Dinner \$30.00pp. Drinks at the bar

Payment: Direct Deposit to Treasurer Mark Kitson

into BSB 016-494 A/C 203639752.

RSVP to Jim Benson M 0405 713 978

Email jbenson-lidholm@bigpond.com or David Siddall M 0402 789 664 Email davidsiddall2@gmail.com

by 10th November.

We look forward to the pleasure of your company! International Director Jacquie Harry

# "ROTARY STORIES ENCOURAGE NEW MEMBERS"

By PP Judy Ford of the Rotary Club of Yass, Membership Chair, D9710

At the WA Districts Forum on Membership (1<sup>st</sup> Nov), Judy Ford gave a very interesting presentation on a "professional" and "targeted" approach to getting new members. It is worth sharing her views.

The Rotary Club of Yass (D9710) has found a successful formula for finding new members and Rotary stories are the important factor.

Although we are encouraged to, few people like asking friends or acquaintances to join Rotary for fear of rejection. No one likes to hear the word NO!

Yass Rotary has been running a membership recruitment drive that has had some excellent results. The steps are:

- 1. Decide on a date for the membership night.
- 2. Tell members the date and ask them to think of people they know who might be suitable as Rotarians. Ask them to provide their names and addresses. These people do not need to be close friends, or even someone they know well. They can be simply someone they have met once or twice and seem to be the type of person for whom Rotary would be a good thing.
- 3. Once a list of about ten people has been compiled, a letter is sent out to each one, from the president, by mail and signed. The opening paragraph says:

  A respected member of our Rotary Club has put forward your name as a leader in business, a professional and someone involved in our community. We would therefore like to extend an invitation to you to come to a relaxed evening, with like-minded people, to hear about the activities of Rotary International and your local Rotary Club.
- 4. It then goes on to say a short bit about Rotary and gives the time and place for the meeting.
- 5. On the night the evening is held more like a cocktail party, not a regular meeting. Finger food replaces the normal meal. This gives the visitor and members an opportunity to mix well.
- 6. We do not have a special guest speaker but ask four or five Rotarians to tell their Rotary story in five or less minutes. The story might be about how they joined Rotary, what it is like to be a younger member in Rotary, what projects the Club does that they enjoy, a special experience they have had as a Rotarian etc. The stories need to be varied so that the visitors can find at least one to which they can relate. Do not choose Rotarians to speak who ramble, or are boring.
- 7. At the end of the evening, invite them all to come back again as a club guest, to a normal meeting. As they leave give them a pack of information they can take home.
- 8. MOST IMPORTANT! The next day each visitor needs to be contacted by a Rotarian and encouraged to come again. Sometimes this might mean being picked up and brought home.
- 9. At Yass we ask our potential members to come three times as a visitor and during that time we carry out the normal process of filling in the paperwork, explaining what membership means and finally inducting them on the fourth or fifth meeting.
- 10. At our most recent membership evening, which was just before Changeover, we had 11 visitors and of those we inducted 7 and the others are still considering joining.

This is a simple method, avoids Rotarians to feel threatened, embarrassed or rejected and introduces Rotary in a friendly and informal manner.





An engineer, a physicist, a mathematician, and a mystic were asked to name the greatest invention of all time. The engineer chose fire, which gave humanity power over matter. The physicist chose the wheel, which gave humanity the power over space. The mathematician chose the alphabet, which gave humanity power over symbols. The mystic chose the thermos bottle.

"Why a thermos bottle?" the others asked.

"Because the thermos keeps hot liquids hot in winter and cold liquids cold in summer." "Yes - so what?"

"Think about it." said the mystic reverently. "That little bottle - how does it know?"

# Deck the Halls!



celebrate at
a beautiful
venue
great value
great fun
for a great
cause!

Cottesloe Christmas Charity Sundowner Sunday 29th Nov 4pm-7pm

in celebration of Christmas & in support of Cancer Support WA

Bring your friends & family to celebrate in the Christmas-themed gardens of the Cancer Wellness Centre.

80 Railway St, Cottesloe.

Includes food, drinks, **Santa**, live music, **fun photo booth**, raffle and auction.

\$50 Adults; \$25 Kids; \$125 Family.





Bookings: 9384 3544 | cancersupportwa.org.au/deck

A pastor, a doctor and an engineer were waiting one morning for a particularly slow group of golfers.

The engineer fumed, "What's with these guys? We must have been waiting for 15 minutes!"

The doctor chimed in, "I don't know, but I've never seen such ineptitude!"

The pastor said, "Hey, here comes the greens keeper. Let's have a word with him." And asks the keeper: "What's with that group ahead of us? They're rather slow, aren't they?"

The greens keeper replied, "Oh, yes, that's a group of blind firefighters. They lost their sight saving school children from a fire last year, so we always let them play for free anytime."

The group was silent for a moment.

The pastor said, "That's so sad. I think I will say a special prayer for them tonight."

The doctor said, "Good idea. And I'm going to contact my ophthalmologist buddy and see if there's anything he can do for them."

The engineer said, "Why can't these guys play at night?"

# STITCHES OF HOPE SCIED PARTY SATURDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2015 AT 6PM 1448 TOODYAY ROAD GIDGEGANNUP (ON THE RIGHT HAND SIDE WITH TIM EVA'S NURSERY SIGN) ENJOY SHEEP ON THE SPIT AND A GREAT COUNTRY MEAL. MUSIC BY THE TALENTED "ALL STARS" BAND COME PREPARED FOR AMAZING RAFFLES. AUCTIONS AND ITEMS FOR SALE TO HELP SUPPORT THE CHILDREN IN OUR HOME TO TAKE THEIR FIRST EVER TRIP TO THE BEACH! PLUS EDUCATION COSTS FOR OVER 100 CHILDREN. CARD FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE. BYO DRINKS BUT TEA & COFFEE WILL BE AVAILABLE TICKETS AVAILABLE AT W. W. TRYBOOKING. COM/157372 FOR MORE INTO CONTACT KAY 0419 928 311 OR ALEX 0412 632 263 \*\*POPE\*\* \*\*POPE\*\* \*\*POPE\*\* \*\*POPUTION SUPPORTED BY \*\*POPUTION SUPPORT



Farewell Lisa Byfield. She has decided to leave Rotary to pursue her business interests.



As you will be aware, last year the Club donated funds to ShelterBox.

Rotary Club of Swan Districts

Each Box costs and average of \$1000 including all materials, packing, storage and distribution to individual recipients worldwide.

We have been advised that the RCM allocated ShelterBox numbers are **14004**, **14022**, **14023** and **14024**.

We can track our Shelterboxes by

- going to the ShelterBox website <u>www.shelterbox.org</u>, clicking on the "Track Your Box" button,
- then entering the country (Australia), and
- our box numbers.

We will then be able to see the destination when sent and the reason for the need for our ShleterBoxes.

