



# THE MINDARIE BULLETIN

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Rotary Club of Mindarie

District 9455 Club 83520  
Chartered Nov 2010

Meets fortnightly  
on Wednesday  
at Portofinos Restaurant  
Quinns Drive, Mindarie  
5:45pm for 6:15pm



“We are a membership organisation first. If we want to achieve the goals we’ve set for ourselves, we need to put membership first. All of us have a responsibility to take - membership seriously, not only by inviting prospective members, but also by making sure new members are welcomed into clubs that offer them something of value. If you see someone walk into a meeting and hesitate, be sure that person has a place to sit and is part of the conversation. If you’re enthusiastic about a Rotary programme, make sure your club knows about it and knows how to get involved. If you see a need in your community, talk about it at this week’s meeting. If we want to be part of an organisation that’s strong, that’s active, that’s having an impact — start at home, and *Be the Inspiration* in Rotary..”

*Barry Rassin, RI President*

Website  
[rotarymindarie.com](http://rotarymindarie.com)



## ROTARY CLUB WHACKED WITH STAMP DUTY BILL AFTER TRIBUNAL RULING

Sydney Morning Herald 22 August 2018

The Rotary Club of Melbourne’s focus on the “moral improvement” of its members has ruled it out from being eligible for stamp duty exemptions as a charity, a tribunal has found.

The club applied for a stamp duty exemption on its new head administrative office suite at 15 Collins Street, which it purchased several years ago for \$770,196.37.

But it will have to pay the State Revenue Office \$41,270 after the tribunal ruled the club did not fit within the definition of “corporation or body of persons established for ... charitable purposes.”



Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal member Reynah Tang said knowledgeable judges had in the past admitted the law on charitable institutions was "difficult", "very artificial", noted for its "illogicalities" and "full ... of anomalies".

Mr Tang accepted the club’s social and networking activities were undertaken as part of “higher and larger” purposes relating to activities of a charitable nature.

**However, a “significant and independent object” of the club was the moral improvement of members in their personal, business and community lives, divorced from the club’s activities, he said.**

**“The moral improvement of members, while ‘admirable and, indeed, praiseworthy’, is ‘beyond the purposes accepted by the law as charitable’,” he said.**

As a result, the Revenue Office’s decision to impose stamp duty was upheld. Rotary Club board member and lawyer Peter Davis said the club was “disappointed” with the decision.

The new office was purchased with donated money from members and the club would have to raise funds to pay the stamp duty.

“If we go to appeal we could face up to \$100,000 in costs. It’s very difficult for a charity to use donated money to fight a legal battle,” he said.

“We find it ironic that we’ve been denied our charitable purposes because we’ve been held to promote ethical standards.”

Mr Tang said while the considerations were finely balanced, "I have come to the view that Rotary Club of Melbourne is not a body established for charitable purposes".



## WEDNESDAY 22nd AUGUST at PORTOFINOS RESTAURANT

President Jessica opened the special meeting of the Club at 6:25 pm.

The meeting was very well attended with representatives from District D9455 (PDG Lindsay Dry and Youth Director Beatrice Cervi) as well as members of RC Joondalup (PE Erica Webb, Secretary Darren Perrera and Greg and Memphis). There were also a number of guests as well as partners of members.

PDG Lindsay Dry was called upon to give the toast to Rotary and Darren Perrera (RCJ) was asked to respond.

The key part of the meeting was then commenced.

- PDG Lindsay Dry presented a Paul Harris Fellow Award to PP Sally Farr for her work over the years with the District Rypen Camp. He stated that this was a District Award in recognition of Sally's work and that of the Mindarie Club over the last 5-6 years of involvement in Rypen.



As Sally had not been able to attend the D9455 Changeover In June, PDG Lindsay was pleased to attend RCM's meeting and personally make the award. PP Sally thanked the District for the award and stressed that Mindarie's involvement in Rypen was a group effort by many current and past members and had certainly been a great experience for all those involved.

- PDG Lindsay also acknowledged that at the D9455 Changeover, the Club had received the D9455 Communications Award and that PP Ralph, as its editor, had received the award at that evening.
- President Jessica then presented Mayor Tracey Roberts with an Honorary Membership of the Mindarie Club. Tracey has been a staunch supported and member of the Club since it was chartered in 2010. Due to the heavy commitments as Mayor of Wanneroo, she has been unable to attend meetings over the last 12 months in particular. Tracey is a very staunch supporter of the Club and Rotary and the work that they do,

- PDG Lindsay was then called upon to present RYE Certificates of Appreciation to short term exchange student Macej Gluchowski (from Poland) and his host family (Stan and Maria Godwich).



There was then a break whilst dinner was served.

President Jessica then introduced Tanya Cairns, our guest speaker. Tanya is President of H.A.N.D. Nor. (which stands for Homeless, At risk, Needy, and Disadvantaged, North of the River).

In the past, The Club had made donations to HAND – a fully equipped trailer to enable transportation of essentials to the needy and a number of Swags for the homeless.



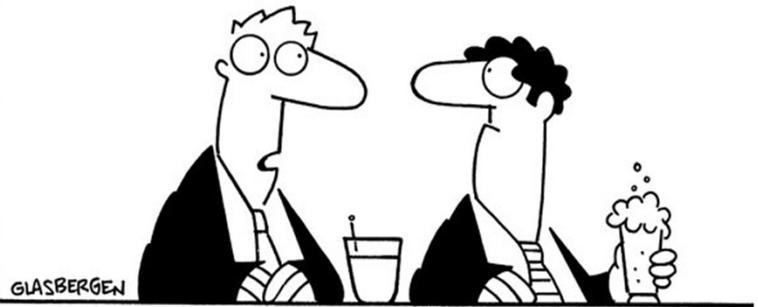
Tanya advised that HAND is a Not For Profit Organisation established in September 2014 and is committed to assisting people in the Northern Suburbs of Perth who are homeless or at risk of homelessness, in need or disadvantaged due to financial, physical, social or cultural circumstances.

Tanya herself provides hands-on Outreach services (mobile service) for helping the homeless, at risk of homelessness, needy, disadvantaged through financial or cultural circumstances. With this there are many and varied problems, mental health issues, drugs/alcohol, self harm, suicidal tendencies, domestic violence, financial breaking point. HAND does what it can with the occasional grant and very little other funding from any sources.

She informed us that that drug usage is a big issue in our northern corridor.

It was an eye opening presentation about the plight of the homeless and needy on our catchment area.

The meeting concluded at 8:30pm



**“While I was thinking outside of the box, someone changed the password and now I can’t get back in!”**

**What about when my District names me a Paul Harris Fellow?**

Be very proud and honoured. In your name the District has donated the sum of US\$1000 (or more) to The Rotary Foundation.

The District is honouring you in a very special way and you should be proud of that, however you are still encouraged to personally make contributions to the Foundation and it should not discourage others to make further contributions on your behalf to continue to support the programs of the Rotary Foundation.

President Jessica and  
Honorary Member Mayor Tracey Roberts



Dear Rotarians,  
I am happy to report that your Board approved payment of \$5,000 from the District's Disaster Reserve fund to the Drought Relief for Australian Farming Families, through RAWCS.

Kind regards  
Charles Johnson  
Rotary Club of Matilda Bay  
District Governor 2018-19  
District 9455

What has 9 legs, 4 feet and is orange? **Nothing.**



# High Tea For Humanity Going green for 2018

Reduce  
Reuse  
Recycle

Come in your best Op Shop outfit. Great prize for best dressed. Recycled goodie bag. Glass of sparkling on arrival. Main prize in surprise raffle a gold bracelet worth \$1200. Silent auction. Delicious food. 100% of money raised goes to Rotary projects.



Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October  
2pm - 5pm  
Yokine Bowling Club

Booking Link: <https://www.trybooking.com/WTCV>




**BUNNINGS**  
**warehouse**  
**Mindarie**  
**SUNDAY**  
**9<sup>TH</sup> SEPT**

We have a RARE fundraising opportunity!  
Members, friends, relatives needed  
to help out.  
Please contact David about your availability 07:30-15:30

## THINGS TO PONDER



- Sweet meets are candy, but sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are meat.
- Quicksand works slowly.
- Boxing rings are square.
- Tell a man that there are 400 billion stars, and he'll believe you. Tell him a bench has wet paint, and he has to touch it.
- Why is it that a writer writes, but fingers don't fing, grocers don't groce, humdingers don't hum, and hammers don't ham?
- If you can make amends, can you just make one amend?
- If you have a bunch of odds and ends and you get rid of all but just one, what do you call it?
- Why do you recite at a play but you play at a recital?
- How can a SLIM CHANCE and a FAT CHANCE be the same, while a WISE MAN and a WISE GUY are opposites?
- Why do we ship by truck and send cargo by ship?
- Why is QUITE A FEW the same as QUITE A LOT?
- How does a building burn up as it burns down?
- Why do you fill out a form by filling it in?
- Why does your alarm go off by going on?
- When the stars are out they are visible, but when the lights are out they are invisible.
- How come SUPERMAN could stop bullets with his chest, but always ducked when someone threw a gun at him?
- Why is it called a HAMBURGER, when it's made out of BEEF?
- Why does SOUR CREAM have an expiration date?
- Why do we put SUITS in a Garment Bag, and put Garments in a Suitcase?
- Whose cruel idea was it for the word "Lisp" to have an "S" in it?
- Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?
- Should vegetarians eat animal crackers?
- If the cops arrest a mime, do they tell him he has the right to remain silent?
- If vegetarians eat vegetables, what do humanitarians eat?



A great gathering at Portofinos

## Congratulations!!

To PP Sally and Mark Farr on  
the birth of their grandson  
*Theo Anthony Patrick*  
*Sherriff.*

Born 2.08pm on Friday 17  
August weighing 3.35kg or  
7lb 2oz. 51.5 cm long



# INVOLVEMENT

In Rotary, it never has been easy to get every member – or sometimes even most members – involved in community projects. Many people join because they want to give back to society, and community service is what Rotarians often say makes their membership worthwhile. But clubs still struggle to find projects that will inspire their members and attract new ones.



Rotarians enjoy the meals, the socialising, the networking, and the fundraisers, but when a community service project comes up, often they are suddenly "too busy." Too busy for service after you've joined a service organisation? Every club leader I've ever talked to has heard it.

A major factor standing in the way of greater involvement is "time aversion," according to Americus Reed, a professor of marketing at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. All of us have limited time on earth and we are, consciously or not, very choosy about how we spend it. In a series of studies, Reed and his colleagues showed that service-oriented people such as Rotarians are most likely to spend their time on specific charitable acts if they are given "moral cues" about how good a particular action will make them feel after they volunteer.

The research suggests that if club leaders want people to happily volunteer, they will first acknowledge that community service can be hard to fit into a busy life. Then they must work to associate the project with positive outcomes and feelings such as self-expression, connectedness, meaning, and joy.

Another way to make volunteering more rewarding is to make sure that each person is able to express his or her inner motivations. The Three Needs Theory, proposed by psychologist David McClelland in the 1960s, shows that most people are primarily motivated by one of three factors: achievement, affiliation, or power.

Achievement-oriented people like to work on concrete tasks where excellence is valued and a sense of closure can eventually be found. Affiliation-oriented volunteers want to work in groups and have interactions with recipients of service efforts.

Power-motivated people prefer to be in charge and are happy giving advice or being involved in tasks that result in personal recognition.

Assigning people to volunteer activities based on those personality traits is likely to result in happier volunteers who continue to offer their time, even if they may not be quite sure why their Rotary activities suddenly seem to fit so well.

# Secrets of a Happy Marriage

My wife and I have the secret to making a marriage last. Twice a week we go to a nice restaurant, have some good food, a little wine and companionship. She goes Tuesday and I go Friday. We sleep in separate beds, hers in Sydney mine in Melbourne. I take my wife everywhere, but she keeps finding her way back. I asked her where she wanted to go for our anniversary, "Somewhere I haven't been for a long time" she said. So I suggested the kitchen. We always hold hands. If I let go, she shops. She has an electric blender, an electric toaster and an electric bread-maker. When she said that she had too many gadgets, but nowhere to sit down, I bought her an electric chair.

Remember that marriage is the number one cause of divorce. Statistically 100% of all divorces started with marriage. I married Miss Right, I just didn't know that her first name was Always.

I haven't spoken to her for eighteen months - I don't like to interrupt her. The last time we had a fight, it was my fault. She asked "What's on the TV?" I said "Dust".

In the beginning, God created the earth and rested. Then, God created man and rested. Then God created woman. And since then, neither God nor man has rested.

## BUDDY BENCH – RC PROSPECT (NSW)

Our Buddy Bench is creating quite a bit of interest with many Fellow Rotarians. We had a request from the Prospect Primary School to fund a memorial to one of their greatly respected members/teachers who passed away. She always encouraged students to try never to let a classmate sit by him or her self. Hence, The Buddy Bench, or Friendship Seat.



We decided to source furniture which would stand the test of time, and chose REPLAS to make it for us.

It's made from recycled plastic, so it will stand the test, and it's environmentally friendly (not cutting down trees).

This could be a great way for any Rotary Club to build relationships with their local schools, and will help kids understand how important it is to build friendships.



Tanya Cairns speaking about the homeless and needy

Rotary Club of Subiaco Wine Tasting Afternoon



September 1, 2-5pm  
Perth Flying Squadron Yacht Club, Dalkeith

Rotary Club of Launceston  
**BED RACE CHALLENGE**



The Launceston Bed Racing course is 900 metres per lap of which each heat of the bed race will consist of two (2) laps of the course.  
The final of the bed race will be contested over three (3) laps of the course or 2.7 km.  
Each team must provide their own bed that is decorated according to the theme for the given year. (Team Colours). Included with the bed must be an air horn, whistle, etc., if possible.  
In the Launceston Bed Race, the bed must be a single bed size and not permitted to exceed one (1) meter in width, three (3) meters in length and half (1/2) meter in height, but the ends of the bed can have supports of up to one (1) meter higher for the runners to have as a support. Each bed must have three or four wheels, maximum.  
Every decoration should be removed from all beds prior to starting time of the race. Beds may not have any method of mechanical propulsion and must be examined and passed by examiners before the race.  
Beds must be capable of supporting the passenger for the entire course.

**St Giles is a dynamic, multi-faceted organisation that supports people of all ages with a wide range of needs. This includes children and adults with developmental delays and disabilities and those who have acquired a disability as the result of illness or accident.**

I have been diagnosed with a chronic fear of giants.  
Feephiphobia.

 **PROJECT red socks**

*Red Socks is an initiative of the Townsville Sunrise Rotary Club. It is about saving lives through the early detection of Prostate Cancer.*  
*In June 2013 long time Club member Denis Denmead PHF, passed away as a result of an aggressive Prostate Cancer illness. Dennis was born in England and was a devout supporter of the Arsenal Football Club and as a result only wore red socks, which is Arsenal's primary colour.*  
*The idea is for Rotary Clubs to encourage their members to visit their doctor for a full prostate check and then recognise them by presenting them with a pair of red socks.*

