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## WEEKLY BULLETIN



**ROTARY:  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE**

### 2017-18 RI President Ian H.S. Riseley announces his presidential theme, *Rotary: Making a Difference*

Rotary International President-elect Ian H.S. Riseley made the case on Monday that protecting the environment and curbing climate change are essential to Rotary's goal of sustainable service.

Riseley, a member of the Rotary Club of Sandringham, Victoria, Australia, unveiled the 2017-18 presidential theme, *Rotary: Making a Difference*, to incoming district governors at Rotary's International Assembly in San Diego, California, USA.

Environmental degradation and global climate change are serious threats to everyone, Riseley said. "They are having a disproportionate impact on those who are most vulnerable, those to whom Rotary has the greatest responsibility. Yet environmental issues rarely register on the Rotary agenda," he said.

Environmental degradation is one of the major threats listed by the UN's High-level Panel on Threats, Challenges, and Change.

Riseley added, "The time is long past when environmental sustainability can be dismissed as not Rotary's concern. It is, and must be, everyone's concern."

The president-elect challenged every Rotary club to make a difference by planting a tree for each of its members between the start of the Rotary year on 1 July and Earth Day on 22 April 2018. Trees remove carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gases from the air, which slows global warming.

"It is my hope that the result of that effort will be far greater than the environmental benefit that those 1.2 million new trees will bring," Riseley said. "I believe the greater result will be a Rotary that recognizes our responsibility not only to the people on our planet, but to the planet itself."

By Ryan Hyland

# UPCOMING MEETING RESPONSIBILITIES

Date & Time:	Monday 23rd Jan [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 30th Jan [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 6th Feb [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 13th Feb [6.30 for 7.00]	Monday 20th Feb [6.30 for 7.00]
Venue:	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club	FTG Bowling Club
Program:	Committee Meetings	Foundation/ Centurian Club	Club Assembly - Club Rules & By-laws	Mongolia	Committee Meetings
Speaker:	GROUP B	Ian Donald	N/A	Lynette Phuong	GROUP A
Chair:	John F	Martin B	Ray H	Bob H	Fran M
Rotary Toast	Enid H	John F	Enid H	Gary B	John F
Cashier:	Fran M	Mike S	Gary B	Graeme A	Bob H
Scribe:	Paul McA	Ray H	Bob H	Mike S	Graeme A
Rotary Knowledge	Mike S	N/A	N/A	N/A	Graeme A
Topic:	Rotary Foundation - 2017 Celebration			Rotary Community Corps	
Sergeant-At-Arms:	Graeme A	Graeme A	Graeme A	Ray H	Ray H
Partners' Night	No	No	No	Yes	No
<i>Birthdays:</i>	None				
<i>Wedding Anniversaries:</i>	None				
<i>Induction to RC of Fern Tree Gully</i>	None				



## CHRISTINE'S CHATTERBOX

What a great fun fellowship evening on Monday night. Barefoot Bowls, great company, good food and wine, I think we must do it again. Hope you checked out the Facebook pics.

Our bank balance is for ever increasing with the last two very successful Bunnings sausage sizzles a great start for the New Year, a huge thank you to you all.

Now Monday we start back to our normal Monday night meetings, our planning skills will be working overtime with Group B committee meetings,

Always such a buzz of enthusiasm in the room.

Hope many member's check-out our Clubs Facebook and also check on other clubs to discover how we are all working to "Serve Humanity" for another 6 months. Great idea's maybe for the future for us to use.

Looking forward to seeing you all on Monday, have a good relaxing week.

Yours in Rotary  
Christine Anderson  
President 2016-2017



# "THE WEEK THAT WAS"

Monday, 16th January 2017



## BULLETIN DISTRIBUTION

Although RC Fern Tree Gully has only 14 members we have a much greater distribution of our Club Bulletin each week. In addition to members we have friends, other Rotarians and we also have a number of partners who prefer to receive their own copy of the Bulletin. If anyone would like to receive a personal copy it's really quite easy—just furnish Enid H with your email address. It will be added to the distribution list and in future you will receive an email each week with the link to the Club bulletin.

**Enid Hughes**  
Bulletin Editor

**PS** How do you like our new masthead? Anybody noticed that it's the FTG Village statue depicting the character in Frederick McCubbin's painting *Down on His Luck*?



**Rotary**  Club of  
Rowville - Lysterfield

Rotary Club of  
Boroko, PNG



Kiriwina Aid Project update December 2016

The Kiriwina Aid Project has so far delivered over 20 Tonnes of Materials and Equipment to the Island of Kiriwina in Milne Bay Province, Papua New Guinea. As at December 2016 the project is over 60% complete. The Project is expected to reach all of its goals before the end of 2017. As Kiriwina does not have a container port, both of the forty foot containers carrying goods for the project have been shipped to Alotau, PNG. The contents are then transferred to smaller boats and delivered to the Island. The first container arrived in May 2016 and contained 41 Hospital Beds and Mattresses, other hospital and medical supplies along with 60 boxes of clothing and 140 boxes of school books. The second container contained Medical Supplies, Composting Toilets, Building Materials, Plumbing Materials and Workshop Tools.

The main aim of the project was to deliver four primary stages, however additional improvements were achieved by taking advantage of the timing and shipping capabilities of the overall project.

The four major stages of the project were:-

1. Supply Hospital Beds to the Hospital
2. Improve the Hospital water supply and install wash basins in each of the four hospital wards.
3. Supply Composting Toilets to one of the Primary Schools
4. Set up a Woodworking Workshop to build one hundred school desks.



Below are the project achievements so far:-

## COST TO REGISTER?

Cost to all riders: \$685 for the whole event!

For support Crew & Exchange students, the cost is only \$585. We need people to be a part of the support Crew. This covers:

- 5 nights' accommodation
- all meals
- logistical support
- a souvenir Polo shirt.

Ride jerseys and Nicks are available for purchase at a special price (see our web site).

For those that can't make the ride this year, we have a "virtual rider" category for \$25. Use your training rides to cumulate 650km and get your friends to support and sponsor you. You can still raise money for ARH and support this from Pub to Pier ride tour!

## WHO IS IT FOR?

Anyone—from 18 to 90 years old!

The beauty of the ride is you don't have to be supremely fit or a great rider, just ready to challenge yourself!

This ride is about working in one of the 4 groups (made up of riders with similar ability to you), helping others extending their ability, whilst challenging yourself. If you don't ride, become part of the support team. We always need people to make this event awesome! In other words, we have a position on this ride for everyone.

Participate as a rider, or assist as a member of support crew, driver, first aid, masseur, photographer/video, in sponsorship, fundraising or logistical support.

More Information about the 'Rotary Ride Pub to Pier Tour' is available from our website <http://rotaryrideforresearch.com/>

## REGISTER NOW AT

<http://everydayhero.com.au/event/rotaryrideforresearch2017>

## EMAIL

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## AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH



'Supporting healthier minds, bodies and communities through research, awareness and education'

Australian Rotary Health (ARH) is one of the largest independent funders of mental health research within Australia. In addition to mental health research, they also provide funding into a broad range of general health areas, provide scholarships for rural medical and nursing students, as well as Indigenous health students. ARH has a broad vision to improve the health and wellbeing of all Australians.

Medical research is the primary beneficiary of funds from Australian Rotary Health. Research areas have included Sudden Infant Death Syndrome, Care of the Aged, Adolescent Health, Family Health, Mental Illness, Cancer research, Parkinson's Disease, Neurological research and others.

In 2000, ARH focused its research funding into finding preventions, treatments and cures for Mental Illness.

District 9810 has contributed A\$2.8m since allocated grants commenced in 1985 and our ride has contributed over A\$1m, over the past 31 years.

All donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

## ACTIVITIES SUPPORTED BY ARH

- Indigenous Health Scholarships
- Funding Partner PhD Scholarships (All Health Areas)
- Rural Medical Scholarships
- Evaluation Grants
- Evaluation of Mental Health Service Provision
- Mental Health of Young Australians
- Rural & Indigenous Nursing Scholarships



## THE PUB TO PIER TOUR



### 31ST ANNUAL RIDE IN SUPPORT OF AUSTRALIAN ROTARY HEALTH & MEDICAL RESEARCH



26TH - 31ST MARCH  
2017

ROTARY DISTRICT 9810

## DETAILS OF THE RIDE

### DURATION

Six days. Distance approx. 685km

### START & FINISH

- Meet in Knox, load up and drive to Lancefield on Sunday morning of the 26th, to begin riding at approx. 10:30am.
- Finish riding 6 days later in Geelong on Friday afternoon at 2:30pm.
- Drive back to Knox on Friday arriving back where we departed from.

### RIDING

You don't have to be supremely fit or a great rider. With four groups, we cater for all abilities. If you tired, you stop, get in the vehicle and get out at the next stop 20-40 km down the road to continue riding as you wish. We are sure you will enjoy this exciting challenge! The ride each day will vary due to the amount of kilometers we have to travel. You will find that the groups sometimes work in relays and your group may be transported to the next section. By riding in relays the ride covers the entire distance. When and if it's safe to do so, we may have open free rides covering some sections of the route.

### ALL RIDERS

With 4 ride groups of 10 to 15 riders in each, we are able to group people of similar fitness levels. It is quite structured so that we can be together as a large group at each of the meal stops and the end of the day.

### SPEED

Groups average from 15kmh up to 35kmh.

### DAILY PERSONAL DISTANCE

Your distance each day will vary from 70 to 125km, depending on the group you're with.

### WHAT BIKES

**RECOMMENDED** Road racer, Hybrid, Tourer  
**NOT RECOMMENDED** Mountain Bikes  
If in doubt, please check with us first.

## 2017 LANCFIELD TO GEELONG

### 685KM OVER 6 DAYS

- 1) Day 1 - Lancefield to Bendigo - 109km
- 2) Day 2 - Bendigo to Daylesford - 96km
- 3) Day 3 - Daylesford to Camp收down - 150km
- 4) Day 4 - Camp收down to Apollo Bay - 118km
- 5) Day 5 - Apollo Bay to Torquay - 95km
- 6) Day 6 - Torquay to Geelong - 58km



### ACCOMMODATION

We normally stay in motels (room share) and may use cabin or large campers.

### MEALS

All provided; with regular food/drink breaks along the ride. At night we try to meet and eat with a community group.

### LOGISTICS

Support, fuel and patro vehicles and trucks sponsored by organizations and groups, including Healesville Rotary Bus, and a number of major car companies.

### SAFETY

Support, fuel and patro vehicles are used, with radio/mobile phone communications. For safety in each group we have a lead van and a following vehicle towing a purpose built trailer.

### INSURANCE

All participants are covered by Rotary's insurance, however you should have your own Ambulance cover and insurance for your Bike.

ROTARY CLUB OF BORONIA  
In conjunction with the  
Rotary Club of Healesville

## WHAT IS THE RIDE ABOUT?

- Fun and fellowship as you ride our great countryside.
- Understanding your capabilities and challenging yourself.
- Promotion both of Rotary and ARH.
- Fundraising for medical research!

If all participants try to raise sponsorship of \$650 to \$1000, we'll really make a difference!



ROTARY DISTRICT 9810



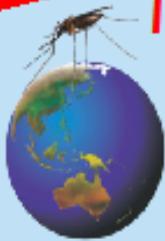
YOU ARE  
INVITED TO

**Rotary**  
District 9810



## Malaria Awareness Day Fundraising Dinner

Friday 28th April 2017  
6:30pm for 7:00pm



### **Keynote Speaker: Dr Julie Healer**

Julie is a postdoctoral researcher who joined Professor Alan Cowman's group at the Walter & Eliza Hall Institute in 1999.

She has a strong interest in how the malaria parasite invades red blood cells, with a view to developing a vaccine to prevent malaria invasion and replication



Venue: Mulgrave Country Club  
Wellington Road, Mulgrave

Cost is \$55.00 per person for a 2 course meal.

Drinks at bar prices

Tables of 10

Payment details are attached  
R.S.V.P. March 31st

All proceeds will go towards  
Malaria Research at the Walter & Eliza Hall  
Institute and also to a RAM project -  
raising funds to support clinical trials of a  
promising malaria vaccine being developed at the  
Institute of Glycomics at Griffith University



### **Ben Hill**

Ben is a member of the Rotaractors Against Malaria Committee and is their IT Director. Ben's address will be an update of Rotaract's involvement with RAM and the use of technology to advance awareness.,



In 2015, 95 countries and territories had ongoing malaria transmission.

About 3.2 billion people-almost half of the world's population, are at risk . Malaria still infects 200 million, killing over 400,000 per annum. 75% are children under 5

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Dear fellow Rotarians,

For many, [Rotary.org](http://Rotary.org) is an introduction to the great work that you and your fellow club members do to improve lives around the world. It's meant to create an emotional connection that inspires potential members, donors, and partners to get involved. The latest changes to the public pages of the website (which are the pages accessed prior to signing in to My Rotary) do that and more. Visit [Rotary.org](http://Rotary.org) to see all the improvements. The next phase of this project begins soon, which is when we will begin working on updating My Rotary. Work has already begun on Rotary Club Central. Next Rotary year, we will begin working on the club and district administration pages.

How are initiatives and projects like this possible? One way we will continue to provide you with the tools and resources you need to tell Rotary's story is through the upcoming dues increase. The 2016 Council on Legislation voted to increase per capita dues by \$4 per year beginning in July 2017. More information is available [here](#).

One resource I hope you have been putting to good use is our [membership leads program](#). This project directs prospective members to you to help grow your clubs. Since 2015, the membership leads program has grown by 400%. Each week, Rotary hears from 800 to 1,000 people from all over the world who have expressed an interest in joining.

But in the last six months, only 34% of the membership leads were followed up on by districts and only 20% of those leads were assigned to clubs. In addition to a lost opportunity for qualified new members in Rotary clubs, leaving these inquiries unanswered could result in a negative public image for our organization. I encourage you all to check to see if your district has any outstanding leads. If you do, I urge you to follow up on them promptly.

As we enter 2017, my goal for all of you is that you look back on this Rotary year and have the satisfaction of knowing that there are people in the world whose lives have been made better because of work you were a part of. Thank you for all that you do—and continue to do—to help all of Rotary achieve that goal: Doing Good in the World, through *Rotary Serving Humanity*.

Sincerely,

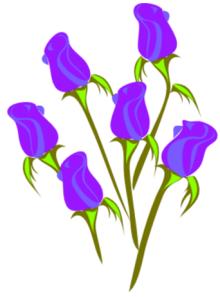
John F. Germ  
Rotary International President, 2016-17



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# IMPORTANT DATES TO DIARISE.....

2017	Program.	Speaker
January	is Vocational Service month	
2-Jan	<b>New Year's Holiday - No Mtg</b>	
9-Jan	Fireside Meeting	Emma & Martin Boettcher's Home
13-Jan	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
16-Jan	BBQ and "barefoot bowls" night	\$17 per head for barbecue plus drinks
23-Jan	<b>Committee's Meeting</b>	<b>Group B</b>
30-Jan	Foundation/Centurian Club	Ian Donald
February	is Peace & Conflict Prevention/Resolution month	
6-Feb	<b>Club Assembly - Club Rules &amp; By-laws</b>	
10-Feb	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
11-Feb	"Bikie's" Sausage Sizzle	
12-Feb	Greek Festival - Sausage Sizzle	Ferny Creek
13-Feb	'Mongolia'	Lynette Phuong
17-Feb	Presidents' Quarterly Mtg.	Mulgrave Country Club
18-Feb	"Bikie's" Sausage Sizzle	
20-Feb	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group A</b>
27-Feb	Rotarians Against Malaria	Gloria Hargreaves
March	is Water & Sanitation month	
4/5th Mar	Multi Dist. PETS	
4/5th Mar	<b>Knox Festival</b>	
6-Mar		
10-Mar	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
13-Mar	<b>Labour Day - No Meeting</b>	
20-Mar	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group B</b>
25-Mar	<b>Knoxbrooke 50th anniversary</b>	
27-Mar		
31/3 - 2/4	District Conference	Geelong
April	is Maternal & Child Health month	
3-Apr		
4-Apr	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
6-Apr	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
10-Apr		
11-Apr	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
17-Apr	<b>Easter Monday - no meeting</b>	
24-Apr	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group A</b>
May	is Youth Services month	
1-May		
5-May	Presidents' Quarterly Meeting	Mulgrave Country Club
8-May		
12-May	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
15-May	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group B</b>
21-May	District Assembly	
22-May		
29-May		
June	is Rotary Fellowship month	
5-Jun		
9-Jun	Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	
10-14 Jun	International Convention	Atlanta, Florida
12-Jun	<b>Queen's Birthday - No Meeting</b>	
19-Jun	<b>Committees' Meeting</b>	<b>Group A</b>
26-Jun		
	<b>Goodbye Christine, WELCOME Christine (again)</b>	



Legend:

	Partners' Night
	Fundraising Event
	District Event
	Fellowship Event
	Community Event



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