



# DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S NEWSLETTER

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## JANUARY 2016

### Vocational Service Month

Hi everyone ~ Happy New Year!

How do you see Vocational Service as it relates specifically to you? Whether you are still gainfully employed or you are retired, Vocation is especially important to and for you and your Rotary Service.

As Rotarians we perform Vocational Service every day without realising it.

#### The Concept of Vocational Service

The Object of Rotary is a philosophical statement of Rotary's purpose and the responsibilities of Rotarians. The concept of vocational service is rooted in the Second Object, which calls on Rotarians to "encourage and foster":

- High ethical standards in business and professions
- The recognition of the worthiness of all useful occupations
- The dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society

As a Rotarian, how can you put these ideals into action? Consider these suggestions:

- Talk about your vocation in your club, and take time to learn about fellow members' vocations.
- Use your professional skills to serve a community.
- Practice your profession with integrity, and inspire others to behave ethically through your own words and actions.
- Help a young person achieve his or her career aspirations.
- Guide and encourage others in their professional development.



If you do any of these things, you are performing Vocational Service. And if Vocational Service motivates and energises you, then you're in the right place, because Vocational Service is the very essence of Rotary. It is what sets Rotary apart from other service organisations [Thanks to Rotarian Gavin Dallow, District 9500 Vocational Service Chair, for this article adapted from several articles by Rotarians].

Here's a great idea from Rotary Club of Adelaide South  
At my next Rotary meeting I have realised that I will need to answer this question and make a choice: *"To buy a glass of Sauvignon Blanc at \$6 or to donate three birthing kits to save three children?"*

Why not adapt it for your club? Put those dollars towards a club project or perhaps, towards becoming a Centurion!

Scanning the  
Pages of History

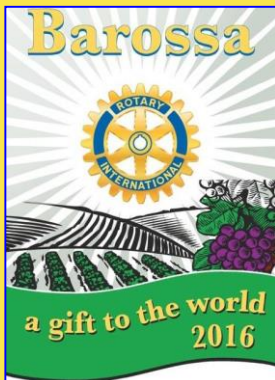
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**Rotary District 9500  
Conference**  
17th - 20th  
March 2016



To be held in the  
beautiful Barossa

All Conference  
Sessions at  
The Barossa Arts &  
Convention Centre

Celebration Dinner at  
Chateau Tanunda

To book, click this link:  
[www.d9500conference.org.au](http://www.d9500conference.org.au)

**January Update  
coming via  
email very soon.**

Keep an eye on  
your InBox

Is there somebody you  
know who would make  
a great Rotarian?

**Scroll down**

to see a special  
invitation  
to non-Rotarians

## New Members

Here are the latest inductees. We're glad you've chosen to join us.

RC of Roxby District: [JOHN and KATALIN WILBY](#),

RC of Adelaide South: [ARTHUR WAIT](#) transferred from the RC of Adelaide East, which recently handed in its Charter.

Congratulations and welcome to Rotary.

**If your club has inducted new members in the last few months, please enter their details on the District Database and advise the District Secretary so we can acknowledge them.**

**Ask your new members to create their own My Rotary accounts.**

## Our Rotary Alumni

We all know people who have enjoyed participating in a Rotary youth program such as RYPEN, RYLA, Youth Exchange, Rotaract, Interact, GSE/VTT, or have been an Ambassadorial or Peace Scholar. We want to make contact with those people and you can help us find them.

We want to share with them new opportunities to participate in exciting programs and activities, as well as the chance to catch up with others who share similar interests. Many of them would make fine Rotarians.

The Alumni provide a great way for us to learn about some of the key issues we face in the world through the work of fellow Rotary Alumni members.

Please contact our Alumni District 9500 Chair, Warren Hobbs, at [whobbs@shd.com.au](mailto:whobbs@shd.com.au) with names and contact details of those Alumni you may know. We are arranging a special function for all Alumni next month. Full details soon.

## Where Will Your Fundraising Dollars Go This Year?

When your club is deciding where your donations will go this year, I would like you to seriously consider our own charity, The Rotary Foundation, first.

The Rotary Foundation transforms your gifts into projects that change lives both close to home and around the world. As the charitable arm of Rotary, we tap into a global network of Rotarians who invest their time, money, and expertise into our priorities, such as eradicating polio and promoting peace. Foundation grants empower Rotarians to approach challenges such as poverty, illiteracy, and malnutrition with sustainable solutions that leave a lasting impact.

Strong financial oversight, a stellar charity rating, and a unique funding model mean that we make the very most of your contribution. Give and become a part of Rotary's life-changing work!

**Click on the blue underlined text above to learn more about why our Foundation is the charity you should consider first.**

[A Special Invitation to non-Rotarians to Attend our Conference on Saturday](#)

The Conference Committee has made arrangements which will allow you to invite up to three people who are not Rotarians to attend the Saturday session **free of charge.**

They will meet Rotarians from all over SA and will have the opportunity to listen to some fantastic speakers.

They can wander through the **Rotary Showcase** and see some of the **life changing work** which Rotary does at home and abroad to help those less fortunate than ourselves.

[You must Register them on the Conference Website by clicking on Saturday Rotary in Action under the Book Now button.](#)

Once they've been Registered they will be sent their

**Official Entry Card**

which includes a lunch voucher.

Enquires to  
[LynneLayng5@bigpond.com](mailto:LynneLayng5@bigpond.com)

[AN IMPORTANT REMINDER WHICH REQUIRES YOUR PERSONAL ATTENTION and ACTION.](#)

**Now is the time in the Rotary Year to call for nominations for the position of District Governor for 2018 / 2019**

The position of District Governor provides with a truly unique experience. You join what is called the G-TRAIN - this is the training process which leads you through the District Governor Nominee and District Governor Elect years before embarking on the year as District Governor.

The training we receive in Australia prepares us very well for the position. Throughout the training process, you will have classmates across Australia and New Zealand who will be a part of your support team throughout your journey.

During the year as District Governor, you will meet with many likeminded people across the District as well as leading the management of District 9500. **The RI Bylaws 15.070.** lists the qualifications of a Governor Nominee and include, but are not restricted only to the following:

- The Rotarian must be a **member in good standing of a functioning club in the district.**
- The Rotarian must have **served as president of a club for a full term** **or** be a charter president of a club having served the full term from the date of charter to 30 June, provided that this period is at least six months.

In addition to the qualifications of Governor Nominee, a governor, at the time of taking office, must have completed seven years of membership in one or more clubs and have attended the governors-elect training seminar and International Assembly. (RIB 15.080.)

Added to this you need  
**ENTHUSIASM FOR THE FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF ROTARY IN DISTRICT 9500.**

To download the Nomination form and the DGN District Election Guidelines [Click here](#)

Please consider the selection guidelines and any suitable candidate from within your club and forward the nomination to me at [doug.layng@bigpond.com](mailto:doug.layng@bigpond.com).

**The District Nominating Committee has extended the closing date to 31 March 2016.**

***On a personal note:*** *Lynne and I have had so much fun during our first six months. Yes, it's really busy, but the rewards are great. As a District Governor, you will experience so much. You will discover the amazing, innovative and exciting activities, events and programmes of the 44 Rotary Clubs you will visit will. You will see the difference Rotary is making in the most positive of ways.*

*The travel can be a little tiring, but once you are at a meeting, you'll be re-energised. The diversity of the people you will meet will amaze you; people you may not otherwise have the opportunity to meet.*

***You have the chance. Grab it with both hands! Do it now!! If you meet the criteria, don't delay. It's a fabulous experience which you will carry with you for the rest of your life!***

**Rotarians:**

We may not have invented service, but we perfected it.



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## Why Did YOU Join Rotary?

During our round of Official Visits, one of the items mentioned to members was to submit their "Elevator Speech".

What is it?

It's a 30 second set of words to be delivered with passion about why you became a Rotarian.

Let's throw away the tired old "X number of Rotarians in X number of countries, raising X number of dollars for a multitude of projects",

**We want you to tell us what excites you about Rotary and why YOU joined.**

The top five will be read at the District

Conference in March when the winner will be announced. The prize?

It's a secret! Want a hint? If you win, you're in for one great ride!

Get your

[Elevator Speech](#) to District Secretary Martin by 1<sup>st</sup> March to be in the running.

Email:

[secretary2015@rotary9500.org](mailto:secretary2015@rotary9500.org)

### Lynne's Example:

*My name is Lynne Layng and I am a proud Rotarian. Rotarians are neighbors, community leaders, and global citizens uniting for the common good. I joined Rotary to make a difference to those less fortunate. We are volunteers with passion. Come and join us. With you, we can accomplish even more.*

## National Youth Science Forum

Science and innovation seems to be everywhere in the news at the moment, with the delivery of the Commonwealth's [National Innovation and Science Agenda](#) recently, which includes almost \$50 million of funding for STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths) education activities across the country.

The NYSF welcomes this spotlight on its organisation's focus. For more than thirty years it has been illustrating to young Australians the benefits of studying STEM subjects at a tertiary level, and the subsequent career opportunities that flow from that. What those careers might look like is up for grabs, which does mean it is a very exciting time. [READ MORE.](#)

More than 10,000 young people have been through the NYSF's programs since 1984, and the organisation looks forward to exploring more opportunities to increase the impact of the work it does and to offer a wider variety of experiences in the coming years.

[Click here](#) to see a photo and names of those who leave this month for their *excellent adventure*.

## Looking After Our Youth

[Excerpted from an article by RI Zone 8 Director, Guiller Tumangan]

"When I was reflecting on the role of Rotary as a peace organization in relation to the first meeting of China and Taiwan heads of state, the APEC Leaders Declaration vis a vis RI/TRF areas of focus, the Philippine-China issue before the United Nations, the US-France meetings and the defense summit elsewhere, and polio eradication in conflict areas, I had an epiphany. Rotary forces us to think bigtime. I was humbled when I learned that a team of middle schoolers spent the APEC Summit week, when classes were suspended, studying the 17 UN Goals for Sustainable Development for a school debate. In one week, these kids will have to understand the far-reaching effects of the decisions that we adults made. How many Rotary Club decisions consider what children think of, dream about and aspire to?"

"It all came back to me – the speech in Melbourne by 20-year old Jordan Fallon, President of RC Kurri Kurri. For Rotary Tasmania's fight against youth suicide, Red Hat Day, fundraisers for mental health research in Zones 7B and 8, and others suggested that July 1<sup>st</sup> each year be celebrated as Children's Party where we assure kids that we will protect them from violence.

"Jordan asked the question, *"Why do some young people choose to rest in peace rather than work for peace?"* What in the adult-managed system makes them lose hope? We have to do something big for them! Something big like End Polio."

"Rotary - dedicated people in the people business.

"In attracting young leaders, we have taken the first step to assuring the youth: Forget suicide, do not despair. Live! Be a gift to the world. Worry not, there are young Rotarians who understand you and are working to make each day a better day for you".

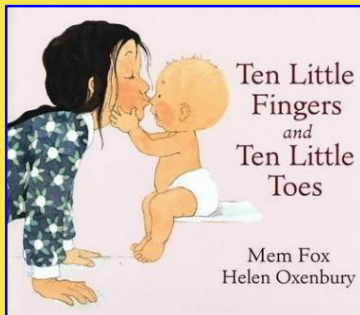
[Thanks to Director Guiller]

## [A Gift to Babies to Celebrate Rotary's Birthday](#)

In the week leading up to 23<sup>rd</sup> February, it is estimated that some 400 babies will be born in hospitals in Districts 9500 and 9520.

In the December issue of this Newsletter, we told you about a book new parents could give their babies and toddlers ~ a gift towards early literacy development.

In association with Penguin Australia and best-selling children's author Mem Fox, a special edition of "*Ten Little Fingers and Ten Little Toes*" will be available for clubs to purchase at the discounted price of \$6.74 each (incl GST).



Certificates will be provided for one to be affixed to the inside front cover of each book, identifying your club and a space to include the baby's name.

[Click here](#)

for information on how to purchase your book.

**"No act of kindness,  
no matter how small  
is ever wasted".**

~ Aesop ~

## [Rotary's 111<sup>th</sup> Birthday](#) Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> February

On 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1905, Rotary was Founded. Rotarians around the world will be celebrating with events and activities; some will be fundraisers, some will be Community Days, some, a combination of both. [What's your club doing?](#) Think about joining with another club or even two which are in your general vicinity and make the event much larger.

Whatever you might be planning, keep in mind that your activity does not have to be on the day, 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016, but should be no more than a couple of days either side. We don't want to lose the impact.

Let's show off our stuff! Make sure you have plenty of banners, information brochures, photographs of your projects and members available on the spot to talk about them. Tell people who visit your event why you joined Rotary and what a difference it's made to your life. Inspire them! Ask them what excites them. Invite them to a meeting or to help you at a future event or activity. You have a great opportunity this Rotary Birthday, so don't waste it!



## [Rotary Round Table Diary Claimer](#)

Rotary District Roundtable 2016 is a day for everyone, including Rotarians, Rotaractors, and Friends of Rotary. Rotary NEEDS you!

Whether you're one of our newer members or you've been with us for many years, you will benefit greatly from your attendance.

**When?** Saturday, February 20,  
from 9.30 am to 3.30 pm

**Where?** St Michael's College,  
Mitton Avenue,  
Henley Beach

**Registration is FREE and lunch provided!**

[Click here](#) for full details of the Program.

Please consider this a personal invitation to join in the fun, sharing of ideas and practical information, and innovative thinking that will be part of the day!

Keynote topics include Membership, a Rotary Foundation Q & A, and the District Protection Policy. In addition, there will be a choice of 10 Discussion Groups and every endeavour will be made to ensure that attendees get their own choices for the three interactive sessions.

**REGISTER NOW**

<http://e.mybookingmanager.com/9500Roundtable>

Broadcast on 1197AM RPH  
Adelaide each Tuesday  
7.30pm - 8.00 pm  
From each Wednesday the  
broadcast program can be  
heard on-line at  
[www.rphadelaide.org.au](http://www.rphadelaide.org.au)

**JANUARY 2016**

Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>

PP Chris Hughes  
(R.C. of Burnside)  
"Voice of Rotary  
The Changing of the  
Guard"

Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>

PDG Euan Miller  
(R.C. of Norwood)  
"International Students  
in Adelaide"

Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>

Jenny Weaver  
(Zonta)  
"The Birthing Kit  
Foundation"

Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>

PP Peter Fowler  
(R.C. of Burnside)  
"Helena Goldie Hospital  
Update- Part 2"

Information  
available from

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Learn how to create your  
own My Rotary account  
[Click here](#)

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Please submit any articles  
and photos by 12<sup>th</sup> of the  
month for publication in the  
following month's issue.

**The Big Ride**

In November, Adelaide West Rotary Club member and IFMR (International Fellowship of Motorcycling Rotarian) President Claus Weber, set off from Adelaide with a friend from work, and they rode their motorcycles to Cobar in New South Wales.

Cobar was the start of The Big Ride organised by the IFMR, where they were joined by 20 more riders, with funds raised during the event to be donated to the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

They arrived back in Adelaide after their 5500 kilometre ride which raised over \$2400 for the RFDS. Read the full story: [Click here](#)

The cheque was presentation at the Adelaide Airport in the RFDS hanger. This was an excellent way to show Rotary fellowship throughout our great country.

Pictured, from left, George Magee, President of RC of Adelaide West; Debra from the RFDS and Claus Weber, RC of Adelaide West.



Thanks for sharing this, Claus. What a great story, and a fine example of Clubs and Districts working together for a common cause.

**Important News on the District & RI Databases**

As part of the District Website, an active "Secure Database" forms an essential communication tool for emailing The District Dispatch, District Governor's Newsletter and announcements to Club Executives and Members within District 9500.

Every Rotary Member has a Login access / password to edit their own Member Profile, and Club Presidents and Secretaries have an overall access to the Club Member List so they can edit and add new Club Members.

If a Club President would like another Club Executive to perform his task, the District Webmaster can arrange additional access. The District Database is integrated and synchronised with Rotary International Database. Members' details entered on the District Database are then automatically uploaded to the RI Database.

**Information goes only ONE WAY,  
from the District Database to the RI Database.**

Log onto with your District 9500 Access

District Webmaster - [webmaster@rotary9500.org](mailto:webmaster@rotary9500.org)

*"Not everybody can be famous but everybody can be great, because greatness is determined by service."*

Martin Luther King could have been talking about Rotarian's when he made this statement.



## Connect with Korea Touch the World



The Rotary International Convention travels to Seoul, Korea

28 May-1 June 2016.

Explore this world-class city and discover the rich culture that connects the latest trends with time-honored traditions.

Taste eclectic cuisine and shop for the newest fashions and electronics.

Meet new friends, share ideas, and interact with new technology at this dynamic, unforgettable convention.

Connect with the thousands of Rotarians who will come together in friendship and peace.

Register Now!  
Check the website for new details and program updates.

[www.riconvention.org](http://www.riconvention.org)

### The Latest Scams ~ Don't Get Caught! ~

Right now, there are unscrupulous scammers just waiting for you to fall into their very attractive traps.

[Click here](#) to read about the latest internet, computer, phone, email and mail scams and how to keep yourself safe.

## Scanning the Pages of History – No.2

By Keith Rendell ~ R.C. Modbury ~ D9500 History and Records

In the previous issue of we looked at the happenings of 2000. This month we will check out 2006 – just ten years ago.

I'm happy to delve into the records for any year, if requested. Also prepared to provide guidance to any club wishing to look into the prospect of compiling their own history.

I am aware of ten clubs in District 9500 that have already published histories in different formats. Here are some highlights from 2006.

### **On the World stage:**

NASA launched the first space mission, New Horizons, to Pluto in January. It arrived 9 years later – still working! Which is more than I can say for my pop-up toaster.

- The social networking service Twitter was launched. - July
- Italy defeated France in a penalty shoot-out to win the FIFA World Cup in Germany. – July

### **In Australia:**

- Two miners recovered from the Beaconsfield Mine in Tasmania two weeks after a rock fall - May.
- Environmentalist Steve Irwin died in marine accident. – September.
- West Coast Eagles defeated Sydney Swans by 1 point to win the VFL/AFL premiership - September.

### **Rotary International:**

#### **Presidents and Themes:**

Carl-Wilhelm Steinhammar (2005-2006). 'Service Above Self'  
William B. Boyd (2006-2007). 'Lead the Way.'

### **District 9500:**

#### **District Governors:**

Colin Thorn (Joy) (2005-2006)  
John Rowe (Lynne) (2006-2007)

#### **Milestone Events**

- Group Study Exchange with D4130 (Mexico) - March/April 2006. Team Leader was Rtn. Peter Reid of R.C. Whyalla.
- District Conference held in Port Lincoln - April 2006.
- RC of Adelaide Daybreak (Chartered 1993) surrendered its Charter in June 2006.
- At 1<sup>st</sup> July 2006 District Membership was 1445 in 51 Clubs.

**Clubs:** Randomly selected. No doubt your club has its own recorded highlights.

#### ○ **Events/Achievements**

- **Adelaide Light:** Members grew seedlings for distribution to landholders in country South Australia.
- **Barossa Valley:** Continuation of the **Rings for Limbs** project which during 4 years enabled the collection of one and a half tonnes of aluminium can ring pulls to yield \$3,200 for the Prosthesis Foundation in Thailand for provision of artificial limbs to victims of landmines in Thailand, Cambodia and Laos.

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## Guidelines For Use of The Rotary Mark

Recently, Rotary International introduced strict guidelines which must be adhered to when using any Rotary marks.

All Clubs and Districts are directed to use the Rotary branding templates available on [My Rotary](#).

The golden rules are:

1. If you wish to use the Mark of Excellence, you must also have the Masterbrand personalised to your Club or District on the same page / screen / brochure, etc.
2. The Wheel cannot be used on its own without the Masterbrand.

For examples of several different ways to use the marks [Click here](#).

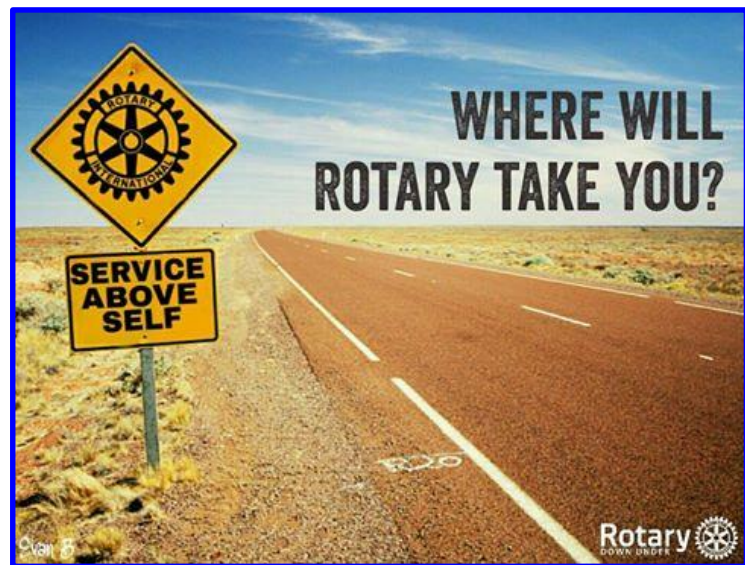
Projects of Rotary which are not formal Rotary Programs (for example RYDA, Interplast) cannot use the logo without specific approval.

Please check with Rotary International Office at Parramatta at [risppo@rotary.org](mailto:risppo@rotary.org) for clarification if you are unsure of how to use the logo..  
For more information [Click here](#)

- **Henley Beach:** The club, in conjunction with The Queen Elizabeth Hospital, organised a Palliative Care Walk from the Henley Jetty to Grange Jetty and provided morning tea at Henley Square.
- **Significant Charter Anniversary Celebrations:**
  - ❖ Port Adelaide 60<sup>th</sup> – July.
  - ❖ Port Pirie 50<sup>th</sup> – July.
  - ❖ Barossa Valley 50<sup>th</sup> – July.
  - ❖ Adelaide East (closed 2014) 40<sup>th</sup> – February.
  - ❖ Elizabeth 40<sup>th</sup> - November

Don't forget to lodge a copy of your Annual Report in District Records each year. They always make interesting reading 'down the track'.

[Thank you Keith for this selection of our District's history]



### A Note From The DG To All Rotary Bulletin / Newsletter Editors ~ ~ Get Your History On ~ ~

What you report in your publication should hold information about your club's projects, activities and events; information about new members, awards presented to community leaders, schools and students, businesses which have stood beside you at your events, notifications of PHFs presented to members or others in recognition of their special service ... and more. Your club's history is important. Record it. You never know how you and others might benefit from it in the future! Get your HISTORY on!

Hope this edition finds you in  
good health and enjoying your Rotary

Kind regards,  
DG *Doug Layng*