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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

8 September 2020

Dear Members

After taking into consideration members' responses to their preferred weekly meeting venue, (yes, I am writing this the day after our weekly meeting), it was agreed at this evening's Board Meeting that the Club will continue to hold its regular weekly meetings at the Kardinya Tavern until further notice, with provision to alternate with, for example, The Tradewinds Hotel, as and when required. This means we can be flexible with our meeting venue and continue to look for a permanent meeting place if Tompkins on Swan, for whatever reason, is not available when their renovations are completed.

There continues to be the same venues suggested most of which the Club in previous years has considered, but no reason why we should not revisit. I am not sure if any of you saw the innovative approach of RC Armadale, who are also looking for a new venue. They had a news article in their local newspaper seeking expressions of interest from suitable premises.

Although an apology for the Board Meeting, Colin prepared his monthly Secretary's Report and

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reminded us of the need to consider nominations to the Board for Rotary Year commencing 1 July 2021 (our 1 June 2021). So a little bit of a heads up, in the next two weeks you need to think on how you can best serve your Club in the following year. I am not, as yet, trembling at the knees with the thought of not having a President Elect, but on this occasion I do not want to subscribe to the old adage that "a nick in time will do just fine". I am equally as sure that some Board Members would appreciate a change; so fellow members, dig deep inside of yourself and think of how you can contribute to the next Rotary Year.

I have to thank Martin who multi-tasked last night. Not only did he create an almost fever-pitched interest in "Find the Joker", but Bev was unable to match his enthusiasm by not drawing the Joker which, of course, means that next week, someone will have a 1 in 4 chance to scoop the pool and walk away with more than \$1,300. What is often forgotten is that the Charity Account is also \$1,300 "in the money" as its 50% end up in the Charity bank account akin to consolidated revenue. To get back to Martin and multi-tasking, he showed his worth by also being our audiovisual manager for the evening. I, for one, was suitably impressed.

One date for your diary is Monday, 14 December; pencil it in now, as that is our Christmas Meeting date, which will be the last meeting of the year. Ian Pittaway, I and Mal (but he does not know it yet) will be arranging the night at a yet to be decided venue - which rounds off this week's President's message quite nicely as it brings me back to where I started – venues.

Yours in Rotary Neil

14 SEPTEMBER GUEST SPEAKER

HANNAH HORSLEY

Short Term Exchange Program



On February 16 this year, Hannah went on a trip of a lifetime on a Short Term Exchange Program to Iola, Kansas (with a population of about 5,000), D6110

Her host club was the Iola Rotary Club. Due to Covid restrictions her host brother Jack has been unable to reciprocate the exchange yet.

Hannah's parents Geoff and Lorraine Horsley are members of the Canning Rotary Club, and her grandfather was District Governor in D9470 [1991-1992]

Photo and text credit: PDG Phil Cordery, STEP Chair

ANNOUNCEMENTS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



Thank you, Gillian, for the scrumptious after-dinner treats

VISITING ROTARIANS AND GUESTS, 24 AUGUST

Suzie Costello, Guest Speaker Kerry Scott, Fremantle (and Curtin) Radio Chloe Andrews, RC Attadale's RYPEN candidate

ATTENDANCE

Members: Please call, text, or email Carole Maxwell ONLY IF YOU'RE AN APOLOGY

PARTNERS AND FRIENDS NIGHT OCTOBER 5, TRADEWINDS HOTEL

Guest Speaker: Yuot Alaak

"Yuot A. Alaak is an emerging Western Australian writer whose short story 'The lost girl of Pajomba' was anthologised by Margaret River Press in Ways of Being Here. He was a panelist at the 2017 Perth Writers Festival. Yuot is a former child refugee from South Sudan and was part of the globally known 'Lost Boys of Sudan'. He lives in Perth with his family where he works as a mining professional, having attained degrees in geosciences and engineering. When not writing or mining, Yuot loves to relax with family and friends over a BBQ."

— Margaret River Press



If members would like to make a contribution, please contact

John or Trish



Barb Kitto, Guest Speaker Suzie Costello (Program Manager, Earbus Foundation WA), and President Neil having a light moment prior to the meeting



The Earbus was the brainchild of ENT Professor Harvey Coates who launched the first Australian Earbus after having seen the idea in action in New Zealand. Professor Coates could see its potential for targeting and improving the ear health of Aboriginal children in WA.

On average, Aboriginal children suffer from middle ear disease for 32 months of the first five years of life, compared to three months for non-Indigenous children. While vaccination programs have been tried and

prevention/awareness programs are in place, middle ear disease continues to afflict Aboriginal children at a disproportionate rate.

Earbus mobile ear health clinics offer a model of continuous care to Aboriginal children and young people in schools, daycares, kindergartens and playgroups. The Earbus model provides comprehensive ear screening, surveillance and treatment, with the Earbus employing GPs, Audiologists and ENTs so referral is quick and treatment is seamless.

With four custom-designed buses in the Earbus fleet, the Earbus clinicians visit locations across regional and remote WA - the South West, Kimberley, Pilbara and Goldfields regions. Each location is visited up to 11 times a year so the team can ensure continuous surveillance and follow-up.

The Earbus Program takes healthcare to Aboriginal people and was designed by Aboriginal people, for Aboriginal people and it works to keep children in the treatment pathway from first contact to wellness. —https://www.earbus.org.au/







Ed's note: Our club received an email from Victoria Willetts, Community Engagement Manager, Ronald McDonald House Charities Western Australia, in regards to an upcoming campaign and would love to have the Rotary Club of Attadale involved in.

WA Giving Day – Thursday 24th September 2020

For the first time in WA, a very special one-day live and online fundraising event will bring together Western Australians from every region to support seriously ill kids and their families in their communities. Together we will celebrate the spirit of the Western Australia community over 12 hours, with stories, online guests and a lot of fun! We're teaming up with inspirational WA businesses passionate about the health, well-being and potential of seriously ill kids and their families in our community.



Support Families in Your Community

1. Create a team

- From the 20th August you will be able to register your community group as a fundraising team
- This will allow you to share your personalised team page across social media platforms, emails and newsletters
- Community members will be able to donate directly to your team page and help you raise funds on behalf of RMHC WA

2. Fundraise within your community

- Create and run your own fundraising event within your community to help raise funds for RMHC
 WA
- Our Fundraising team will supply you with a promotional toolkit and resources to bring your event to life
- Submit the funds that you've raised to the online web page or your team page on Thursday,
 September 24th 2020

3. Make a donation on the day

- Simply log onto <u>www.charidy.com.au/rmhcwa</u> and make a donation online
- All proceeds made on the day will help support families in your region
- Matching donation partners will be helping to ensure your donation goes the extra mile

4. Spread the word

- Help us build hype around the RMHC WA Giving Day on September 24th by spreading the word about the big day
- Ask us for the social media templates we've prepared which includes a family from your region
- Include a story about your involvement in the day in your community newsletter

On **Thursday**, **24**th **September** we will be having our very own '**RMHC WA Giving Day'**, which will bring together Western Australians from all walks of life, to support seriously ill kids and their families in the most difficult of times.

It's a live and online event from 9am to 9pm on our Facebook page – a bit like a telethon. Every donation made through this online page will be doubled! All thanks to the generosity and compassion of WA businesses.

To help bring this WA-first to life, we're seeking support from every region across Western Australia. In particular, we're keen to connect with the community to join us and fundraise for families in the care of RMHC WA.

We would so appreciate your support for this event either in the way of coming on board as a community fundraising group, or helping to spread the word through your networks.

Please find attached some further information for you on RMHC WA and the campaign for your consideration. The website can also be accessed at the following link: www.charidy.com/rmhcwa

To view a video of the campaign please click here.

About Ronald McDonald House Charities Western Australia

Western Australia is one of the most isolated health jurisdictions in the world. This can be incredibly challenging for families with a child diagnosed with serious illness or requires urgent critical medical treatment far from home.

 For 30 years, RMHC WA has provided an essential service 24 hours a day, 365 days a year for families from across WA's vast regions and remote communities.

 RMHC WA keeps families close to ease the financial and emotional burden of leaving home with a sick child for short or extended periods of time.

 We provide fit-for-family need accommodation supported by a dedicated team of Family Liaison Officers, continued education, and a range of programs to promote resilience in children and their families.

The financial impact of Covid-19 on our essential service to Western Australian families has created challenges that we have turned into inspiration and innovation.

Ronald McDonald House Charities Western Australian (RMHC WA) fundraising experiences are synonymous for bringing business and community together in support of WA families with seriously ill children. We create moment to connect people through joy, compassion and fun that help all of us become stronger together.

As we've all moved to a greater need for online connection we are proud to deliver a fundraising event that breaks new ground for charitable giving in WA.







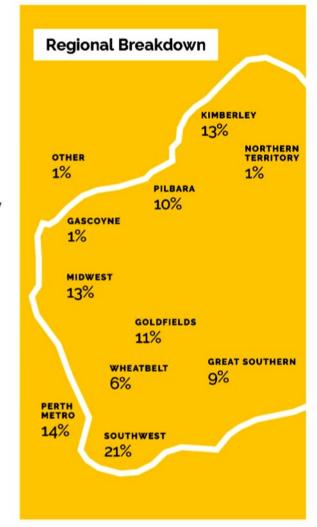
Our Impact in 2019

- 1, 929 Western Australian families with seriously ill children supported
- 18, 467 nights of accommodation provided at the Nedlands and PCH Houses
- 1, 271, 080kms travelled by RMHC WA families to Perth
- 138 students on average accessed the Ronald McDonald Learning Program per month
- 496 nights of respite enjoyed by WA families at the Family Retreats in Bunbury and Busselton
- 242 Corporate and Community groups joined us in the kitchen to cook a meal and help keep tummies full
- 27% of families supported in 2019 identified as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander

Your Contact

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September 2020

Basic Education & Literacy Month

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 ANNIVERSARY Gail & Colin McCulloch INDUCTION Bob Rodgers (1991)	2	3	4 ANNIVERSARY Annette & George Macrides	5 ANNIVERSARY Pat & Keith Timmel
6	7 BIRTHDAY Jenny Calcei Dinner Meeting Speaker: Suzie Costello, Program Manager, Earbus Foundation Chair: Barb Kitto Host: Mick Donnes	8 ANNIVERSARY Anne & George Lewkowski Board Meeting, 7pm, Ardross	9 BIRTHDAY Gillian Baker	10	11	12
13	14 Dinner Meeting Speaker: Anna Horsley, Short Term Exchange Program Chair: Ian Pittaway Host: Martin Houchin	15 BIRTHDAY Pat Leaver	16	17	18	19
20	21 Dinner Meeting Speaker: Dr Christina Lee, Curtin University Topic: Cancel Culture Chair: Heather McNaught Host: Greg James	22	23	24	25	26
27	28 Public Holiday No Meeting	29	30 BIRTHDAY Bruce Robinson ANNIVERSARY Bev & Charles Moffat			

A record-breaking Rotary Foundation Global Grant will fund vital medical equipment on the world's largest purpose-built charitable hospital ship

A Rotary Foundation Global Grant of \$1.125 million has been approved with Mercy Ships to fund equipment for the latest addition to their fleet, the Global Mercy, and training for African medical professionals.

By Laura Willcox | Published Date: September 1, 2020

otary Great Britain and Ireland are delighted to announce that the largest Rotary Foundation Global Grant of \$1.125 million has been approved.

This grant will enable Rotary and <u>Mercy Ships</u> to fund a brand new, state of the art CT scanner, and other vital equipment onboard the *Global Mercy*, which launches next year.

<u>The Global Mercy</u> is the largest purpose-built NGO hospital ship. It will double the impact of Mercy Ships on healthcare systems throughout West Africa.

The money will provide a range of sophisticated medical equipment for Decks 3 & 4: the ship's hospital decks with six operating theatres, three infection isolation rooms, 147 ward beds, six post-operative recovery beds and four intensive care beds. It will also provide training and education for local healthcare workers.

Mercy Ships UK's Acting Executive Director, Joanne Balaam, said, "Mercy Ships is delighted to continue our long-standing partnership with Rotary.

"The Global Grant of \$1.125M will fund equipment onboard our new teaching hospital, the *Global Mercy*, as we increase our capacity and realise a shared vision: to build self-sustaining healthcare systems, to change and save significantly more lives than ever before, and to leave a lasting legacy across the countries of Africa.

"To everyone who donated to this incredible campaign from all around the world, your gift truly makes a difference, thank you!"



The Global Mercy is the largest purpose-built NGO hospital ship. It will double the impact of Mercy Ships on healthcare systems throughout West Africa.

Worldwide, 2 out of 3 people cannot access surgery when they need it. This is because they cannot afford it, they cannot access it, or it is simply not available in their country.

Every year, more than 18 million people die unnecessarily from conditions that could have been treated by surgery.

Mercy Ships uses hospital ships to respond to this global surgery crisis by reducing the surgical backlog in developing countries while providing training and mentoring to increase local medical skills and renovating local facilities in each of the countries the hospital ships visit.

It is through this pioneering approach that Mercy Ships has been able to change and save lives for over 40 years

Over the *Global Mercy's* expected lifespan of 50 years, it is estimated that more than 150,000 lives will be transformed through free surgery.

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The new ship will enable Mercy Ships to reach more people in desperate need, train more local healthcare professionals and serve two nations at once.

The Global Grant was led by <u>District 1260</u> (Bedfordshire, Buckinghamshire and Hertfordshire) and involved over 300 clubs from the UK and Ireland, Liberia, New Zealand, South Korea, Japan, Australia, and 13 states in the USA.

Paul Denton, Chair of District 1260 Global Grants Committee, added, "The Grant galvanised the generosity of Rotary, truly capturing imaginations and hearts: 31 Rotary Districts, 341 clubs across the UK and the world from Oklahoma to Seoul all found a common cause to support Mercy Ships and shows that Rotary Opens Opportunities."

Debbie Hodge, Rotary GB&I president 2018-19, said, "Little acts of kindness and generosity make a huge difference in an individual's life, but join up all that kindness and generosity and you can change the lives of whole communities, whole nations and even a whole continent. This Global Grant of 1.125 million dollars will do that!"

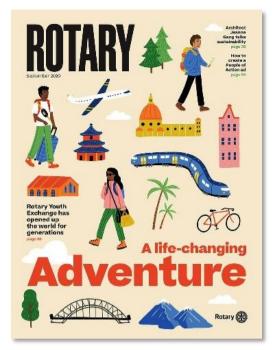
Henry Clarke, Mercy Ships UK Chairman, added, "The equipment that we are now able to procure and install onboard our new teaching hospital ship, the *Global Mercy*, with the monies raised by hundreds of Rotary Clubs in the UK and overseas, will help to transform the lives of literally thousands of the world's most poor and needy who would otherwise be without hope.

"Mercy Ships UK is privileged to be partnering once again with Rotary International. Ever since the first partnership with Rotary back in 2006, I have been truly amazed at the unwavering commitment and depth of interest of so many Rotarians in the life-changing surgical work of Mercy Ships.

"Thank you in advance on behalf of all those who you will have helped."

The *Global Mercy* is undergoing the final stages of construction with the aim of sailing into active service by the end of 2021. ●





After nearly 110 years, *The Rotarian* magazine is now called **ROTARY**, a name that recognizes the breadth of the organization's membership.

Inside you will find more numbers and charts, more lists and infographics, incorporating old and new elements into an overall design that enlivens the reading experience and dazzles while it informs.





Rotary "Down Under" will mark an epic milestone in April 2021, when districts, clubs and Rotarians from across our regions celebrate 100 years of doing good in the community, both at home and abroad. But don't wait until then to join in the festivities!

Many centenary projects are already underway, and the R100 team is calling on all Australian, New Zealand and Pacific Island Rotarians to add their own local flavour to these joint celebrations. How will you commemorate our past 100 years of achievement and kick-off a bright new era for Rotary into the future?



HOSTING ROSTER

SEPTEMBER

- 07 Mick Donnes
- 14 Martin Houchin
- 21 Greg James
- 28 Public holiday no meeting

OCTOBER

- 05 Shelley Konig
- 12 George Lewkowski
- 19 Winston Marsh
- 26 Gail McCulloch

NOVEMBER

- 02 Giovanna McKay
- 09 Keith McNaught
- 16 Bev Moffat
- 23 Abby Parsons
- 30 Kerry Parsons

DECEMBER

- 07 Ian Pittaway
- 14 Rod Rate (Christmas Meeting)

DUTIES OF HOST

- Welcome each Rotarian and Guest to the meeting
- Advise President of arrival of Speaker and special guests
- Issue badges and indicate location of Attendance Officer
- At conclusion of meeting, collect members' badges for the box
- Ensure all guest badges have been collected

MOST IMPORTANT

If you are unable to be Host on the night allocated, it is your responsibility to provide a replacement

GUEST SPEAKER CHAIR DUTIES

Guest Speaker Chair shall:

- Read the Bulletin in advance and then contact Program Officer for CV of speaker
- Arrive at Dinner Meeting venue at least 30 minutes before starting time
- Greet the Speaker at entrance
- Introduce the Speaker to President and at least four Rotarians
- Assist Speaker to setup his/her audio/visual and any other aids
- Show Speaker where to sit down for dinner on President's table and where to speak
- Advise Speaker to speak for 20-30 minutes including questions
- Introduce Speaker by name and topic when requested by Sergeant or President
- Formally introduce Speaker by written CV addressing name, vocation, qualifications, family (if appropriate), interests and lastly topic
- Chair the speaker session allowing one question per Rotarian or Guest
- Terminate session with presentation of gift (from Secretary)
- Escort Speaker to door after meeting

Rotarians asking Questions

Upon recognition by the Speaker Chair, Rotarians:

- should stand and introduce themselves
- may ask one question and refrain from prefacing question with a statement

The Speaker shall be afforded all courtesies of a guest