

# The Attadale *View*

Rotary  
Club of Attadale



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## President's Report



John Sharp  
2021-22 President

Jane Fraser CEO of Fremantle press was our guest speaker on a night with a difference.

She gave an informative talk on the origins of Fremantle press along with its journey from humble beginnings to its current success story. The early books based on hard copy manuscripts, whilst high on literary content were not so high on physical quality, often falling to pieces when not very old. The modern story is much more professional including not only hard copies, but digital & audio books, podcasts and webinars.

Fremantle Press has - as its purpose - to identify talented new and emerging Western Australian writers and artists, and to publish and distribute their work to the widest possible audience. They have achieved this over many years with great success, finding a significant number of prize-winning authors. Of the 700 manuscripts they receive each year, they publish less than

10% and still manage to compete with commercial publishers whilst operating as a not for profit. Like Rotary, Fremantle Press appears to be a well kept secret.



Another highlight of the night was the induction of Valerie Sim as our inaugural Aspiring Leader Program (ALP) participant. Valerie was sponsored by Keith McNaught who presented her with a Four-Way Test and welcomed into our Rotary family by President John with a personal Aspiring Leaders name badge. She then gave a thumbnail sketch of her background, how she became aware of the ALP and her beliefs particularly around art.

We concluded the evening singing happy birthday to Joyce. All this witnessed by our three invited guests Mark Pappas, Marilyn Campbell & Lizzy Papas who expressed their delight with a very enjoyable evening.

# UPDATES

**AG KENN WILLIAMS** has extended an invitation to any of our club members who would like to join Applecross Rotary members attend the Rotary 9465 Virtual Conference. The details are as follows and there would be no cost except for the individual member (\$35) conference registration with District

If you are interested in joining them, whether you have already registered or not, please contact by 21st March, Heather McNaught, who will coordinate our response. There are a number of cafés very close to the venue for light refreshments, lunch, etc.

~ John Sharp

Event: Rotary 9465 Virtual Conference  
Date: Mar 26, 2022 9:00 AM - Mar 26, 2022 2:30 PM  
Fee:  
Location: Manning Rippers Football Club, 3 Jarman Ave., Manning, WA  
Details: The Club has purchased a CLUB TICKET so we can enjoy the conference in a social atmosphere together with fellow members, friends, family or potential members. We have organised the Manning Rippers Football Club that has a big screen and good sound system to participate in the VIRTUAL CONFERENCE.

Thank you  
For Rotary Club of Applecross

## CLUB CALENDAR

- **WEDNESDAY, 23 MARCH** ~ Social Meeting, Numero Uno (contact Joyce for more info)
- **SATURDAY, 26 MARCH** ~ [Virtual District Conference](#)
- Wednesday, 30 March —
- Wednesday, 06 April ~ (TBC) Jenny Wilke, Rotary Club of Karrinyup
- Monday, 11 April ~ Board Meeting
- Tuesday, 12 April ~ RCA's 40th Charter Anniversary (1982)
- Wednesday, 13 April ~ Business Meeting
- Wednesday, 20 April ~ (TBC) Martin FitzSimons, Incidental Exercise
- Wednesday, 27 April ~ Socials

**NOTE:** Unless otherwise advised beforehand, the Rotary Club of Attadale meets at the  
**Swan Yacht Club, Wednesday, 6:00 for 6:30PM.**

- All attendees must be double vaccinated when attending this venue
- Masks are also compulsory, except when eating or drinking, during the meeting





**PATRICIA SCHRAVEN**  
District Governor

**Rotary**  
District 9465



# CONFERENCE 2022

**SATURDAY, 26 MARCH 2022**  
**9:00AM - 2:30PM**

**COME JOIN ME  
AND BE INSPIRED**

## THE SPEAKERS



**DR CRAIG CHALLEN**



**STAN GRANT**



**KATRINA PORTER**



Registrations open to Rotary  
members, family, friends  
and the general public

**REGISTRATION**  
**\$35 per person**







Top 3 photos: Dinner conversations

Left: Keith, Guest speaker Jane Fraser, and Jeff

Photos by Heather McNaught



Keith & Heather  
with their guests  
Marilyn Campbell,  
Mark & Elizabeth  
Pappas



Speaker/Presenter  
Jane Fraser



Bottom: Inducting  
the Club's first ALP  
participant Valerie  
Sim, and Joyce with  
her birthday  
cupcake





By Ian Pittaway

Neil and Shona have asked me to speak about Tom's life in Attadale Rotary and I thank you for the privilege.

Photos courtesy of Jacquie Pittaway

## **CLUB**

Rotary believes in 'Service Above Self' and that certainly became Tom's belief. Tom joined us in 1993 and became a much valued and loved member of the club over the 29 years he was with us. The last two years as a well-deserved Honorary Member. Tom was also a member of Leeming probus.

Tom was elected President twice and had successful years both times as a strong and progressive President. Attadale was quite a boisterous men's club in those days and he handled it well.

In 2003 Tom was presented with his Paul Harris Fellow for his service to Rotary.

I was on his board during one of his terms and he ran a tight ship and didn't like anyone wasting time or waffling. If they did, he certainly let them know.

He scared me one night at a meeting. It was during a break and he came up to me and "Ian, after the meeting we will have words"!

I thought what have I done wrong? Anyway, after the meeting, when we caught up, I said the same thing to Tom and asked what have I done wrong?

Tom just looked at me and said, what do you mean, I just wanted to discuss something with you.

I explained to him, that over here when someone wanted 'to have words', it was usually to give a bollocking.

We had a good laugh over our language differences.

Tom was always a very active member. He was always on a committee and most times he was the chairman. I think he must have been on every club committee over time.

## **PRESIDENT**

During his time as President in 1999/2000, Tom and a group of us other 'younger' members moved a formal motion to remove 'single gender' from our club.

From his President's Annual Report in 2000, the final paragraph in Tom's own words:

***"My only personal disappointment for the year was not achieving the removal of Single Gender from the club's by-laws. I do believe though, that through the effluxion of time this will be achieved".***

Yes, it was, as Rotary International changed that rule a short while later. Tom was a progressive President.

## **RAWCS**

One of his involvements was on the District **R**otary **A**ustralia **W**orld **C**ommunity **S**ervice Board (RAWCS) in its formative years to which he was totally committed, as he saw its future value.

## **SHELTER BOX**

Tom was also involved in the early days of the Shelter Box group, who provide secure housing in time of disasters. He did tell me at the time he wasn't at all impressed with the person running it in Australia way back then. Fortunately, good people are running it now.



## NEPAL

Back in the early 2000's Attadale Rotary got involved with a group in Nepal. It seems Indian men would approach poor farmers and offer to marry one of their daughters. For this the farmer was offered a small amount of money or goods in the belief his daughter was going to have a better life.

In reality the young women went to India and were put into brothels and when found by the police without having a visa were thrown back over the border.

Attadale, through our International Rotary Foundation raised a lot of money and got involved with the Nepalese group who rescued the young women, got them back to health and taught them a trade to help make them 'marriageable'.

Tom went with John and Trish Sharp, Mal and Elaine Bennett and Robin Hamilton in 2005 to visit the Nepalese group and the Rotary Club of Mount Everest (What a great club name) and saw first-hand the great work being done. They also had a few stops in India on the way back. Tom always said it was a major highlight for him.

John Sharp recently reminded me of their accommodation in Nepal when Tom drew the short straw.

While the rest of the group had western style accommodation, Tom had true Nepalese style. Slept on the floor and had a squat toilet. But he endured without complaint.

## MATES

Tom and Robin Hamilton and Bob Rodgers have been close mates for a long time and recently we saw a photo of them 'breasting/ leaning on the bar at our club venue having a drink. I think that was their regular place before the meetings started. Tom was amazing. Every meeting he would have his big glass of red and a full-strength beer. Don't know where he put it all!

## SAUSAGE SIZZLES

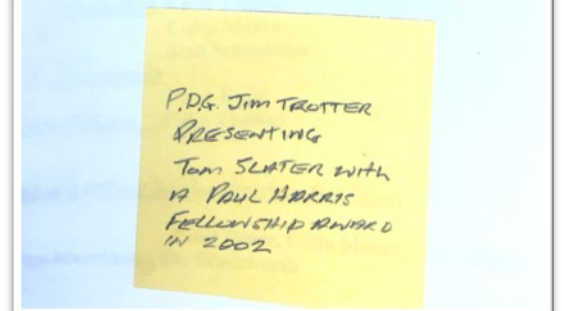
Tom was always a willing participant at these and what better person than Tom to put in charge of the money.

## PERSONAL

Just recently I called Tom to work out a time to go and have a coffee with him. I said I will pick up some coffees on the way. How do you like your coffee?" The stern reply: "I do know how to make coffee thank you". We had a good laugh over that and he was happy for me to bring cake.

## ROTARY

Tom always had and will always have a special place in our hearts. He lived up to the Rotary's Four-Way Test of what we say and do in our lives and our well-known belief of 'Service above Self' . . . and for those who are not aware, Rotary is a Service Organisation, and with Rotary being a service organisation, we can now proudly say "Tom Has Gone on To Higher Service". ❖





# LWP ROTARY CHARITY GOLF DAY

The Rotary Clubs of Attadale and Fremantle held their 13th annual charity golf day at the Royal Fremantle Golf Club on Friday, March 11.

Photo story by  
Colin McCulloch

We were very grateful to have LWP as our major sponsor again and also thank our very generous minor sponsors: Cash Converters, Neometals, Rallou, Ray White and the Royal Fremantle Golf Club.

The beneficiaries were once again Spinnaker Health Research Foundation and Care Cure Support (who support Motor Neurone Disease).

Covid made the day more difficult to run in terms of seeking donations, complying with strict precautions and keeping everyone safe.

We had three teams pull out at late notice due to Covid but still had a field of 32 teams of four who enjoyed a very hot day out on the beautifully presented RFGC golf course

The small organising committee led by chairman Rod Rate did a superb job with the organisation and the day went off like clockwork. Last year we made \$56,068 to donate to our charities but because of Covid we know that the final amount raised this year will be below that, even though it will be a very significant amount to help our worthy charities.

Many thanks to all of the people who assisted from both Rotary Clubs and to our sponsors and donors for their continued support. The sponsors and donors are recognised on our club websites and we would ask you all to look at the list of donors and please support them whenever you can; for instance, if you're going for a coffee, please consider The Neighbourhood, Little Stove, Vans Cafe Bistro, Zamia Café or Zephyrs.

The results of the day are all posted on the RCA website and we were delighted that John Iriks' team won the overall competition. John is from the Rotary Club of Kwinana and he has competed in all 13 charity golf days so his win was both popular and richly deserved.









*To view individual photos and slideshow*

[CLICK HERE](#)

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# Rotary

## Club of Attadale



# spread the warmth

## DOWNSIZE, DECLUTTER AND DONATE DRIVE

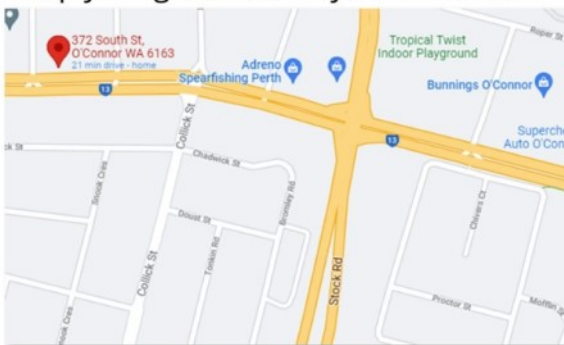
### Pre-winter collection for PortCare

PortCare operates an Op Shop where customers can purchase clothes, household items and furniture. A Low-Cost supermarket is also operated at PortCare that stocks cheap food and groceries. Customers can also access free bread, fruit and vegetables that are regularly donated by local suppliers. PortCare works closely alongside other agencies and organisations to provide emergency relief, support, retraining and pastoral care to members of the wider community.

Requested items for the Downsize, Declutter and Donate Drive to support families and individuals in need:

- Blankets
- Sleeping bags
- Men's warm clothing, including jumpers, hoodies and jackets
- Track pants and hoodies – unisex
- Children's warm pyjamas
- Working portable heaters
- Quality furniture always welcome. Please email pictures and PortCare can confirm if they can accept and/or pick up.

Drop your goods directly to PortCare:



372 South Street  
O'Connor WA 6163  
Ph: 0431 439 097  
Email: [admin@portcare.com.au](mailto:admin@portcare.com.au)

### Opening Hours

Monday to Friday: 9:30am - 5:00pm

Saturday: 9:30am - 4:30pm

Downsize,  
Declutter and Donate  
Drive commences  
**Monday, March 21**  
and concludes  
**Friday, April 29**

Water  
belongs to  
everyone

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**NOT  
EVERYONE  
HAS IT**



**MARCH**

**Water,  
Sanitation and  
Hygiene Month**

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