



# The Attadale View



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2022-23 President

## President's report for meeting held on 20 February 2023

We were delighted to have 31 people attend our meeting on 20 February, including 12 guests with an interest in hearing our Guest Speakers: Christina Anthony and Miriam West of Vaccine Trials group at Telethon Kids Institute.

Yvonne Rate introduced our speakers Christina and Miriam, both of whom have extensive nursing experience and various other qualifications and experience which they bring across to their current roles in Vaccine Research. Christina gave us an overview of a few of the 15 studies currently being run at the Institute. These include:

- the impact of Scarlet Fever in young children on developing food allergies as a result the introduction of Flu vaccine in young children
- the prevention of CMV, a common virus, which in pregnant women can pass to the baby in utero leading to serious birth defects
- a world first development of a nasal spray to prevent whooping cough
- the use of Cystic Fibrosis medication in children with severe ear infections, to alleviate the need for multiple surgeries for the insertion of grommets
- the development of a vaccine against RSV and HMPV – random viruses that lead to infections in the lower respiratory tracts in children and infants, and which can lead to pneumonia and other serious illnesses.

Christina also gave a brief overview of smallpox and the huge impact of that on humanity over several thousands of years. She explained how the vaccine was developed, eventually leading to the eradication of the disease. She also mentioned the Polio vaccine, the involvement of Rotary and the Bill and Melinda Gates' Foundation in eradicating this globally, with polio cases globally now only found 2 countries. This segued very well into the COVID virus and the study being undertaken on the impact of the current licenced vaccines on the population. Miriam continued the talk to explain about the current research being undertaken in this field, she is the coordinator of the study called PICOBOO. The general theory is that having alternate boosters after the initial two doses of the original vaccine is the best strategy against COVID, and the study is testing this theory. This is an adaptive study run by the Institute and not by pharmaceutical companies, allowing changes to the testing regime to be made as required. Blood and saliva samples are provided by the participants for testing across the study period, they are provided with randomly chosen vaccines and are then monitored over a 2-year period, with various timepoints for testing immune responses. As with all studies of this nature, there are both benefits and risks attached to participating in the study. An interesting question time followed the talk, which had to be cut off due to time constraints.

Should you be interested in participating, you could call the PICOBOO Study number: 0400 450 240 or email them on [Vax4COVID@telethonkids.org.au](mailto:Vax4COVID@telethonkids.org.au).

Ian Pittaway gave a short overview of the District Conference held on 17 and 18 February, praising the RI President and her assistant in their speeches, which Ian stated as being the best he has ever heard.

See Ian's report further along in the Bulletin.

Joyce Smith spoke to the Social function to be held at Numero Uno on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> March and John Sharp asked once again for volunteers to assist at the Makers' Markets throughout the year.

Bev reminded all that 23 February was the Rotary birthday and if you were to be out and about, wearing your Rotary shirt would be a great way of promoting Rotary. A Rotary Fellowship meeting has been set up to be held at The Rowing Pavillion in Mount Pleasant from 1830 on the night.

Christina drew our door prize, a bottle of white wine was won by Winston March. Miriam drew the ticket for the Joker, which was won by Ian Pittaway who gained a bottle of red but sadly did not pick the Joker. Due to time constraints, Happy Dollars were saved for next meeting.

Bev thanked our guest speakers and all guests for attending the meeting, and Ian Pittaway for provision of the sweet treats.

Our next meeting will be held on the 13<sup>th</sup> March, with guest speaker Brad Nicholas of Marine Rescue Cockburn.

**ROSTER FOR MEETING ON 13 MARCH:**

Set up and Pack away: Mal Bennett  
Attendance and Door: Shelley Konig  
Invocation: Gail McCulloch  
Joker: Martin Houchin  
Happy Dollars: Selwyn Castles  
Charge: Abby Parsons  
Sweet treats: John Sharp

Please arrange for someone else to take on your task if you are unable to attend the meeting and advise John Sharp of the replacement by Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March.

As I will be away attending my son's wedding on the 11<sup>th</sup> March and for several days thereafter, John Sharp will run the meeting on my behalf.

Our Assistant District Governor, Kenn Williams, will be attending our meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> March and I look forward to seeing you all then. In the meantime, take care and stay safe.

Yours in Rotary

Bev

**Meeting dates:**

<b>March</b>	<b>13, 20, 27</b>
<b>April</b>	<b>3, 17, 24</b>
<b>May</b>	<b>1, 8, 15</b>
<b>June</b>	<b>12, 19, 26, (with 26 June confirmed as Changeover Dinner.</b>

Information regarding the District Conference in February  
2023: <https://www.rotary9465.org.au/>

Information regarding the Rotary International Convention in Melbourne  
27 to 31 May 2023, info is available here: <https://convention.rotary.org/en>

Some pictures from the meeting of 20 February 2023



Members and guests at the meeting



Yvonne Rate introducing the guest speakers



Presiden Bev welcoming members and guests



Yvonne Rate introducing the guest speakers



Christina Anthony



Miriam West



Kerry Parsons asking a question



Rod Rate chairing Q and A session



Ian Pittaway reporting on District Conference



John Sharp Providing information on the Makers Market Parking Roster Project



Winston Marsh wins door prize



Ian Pittaway wins opportunity to draw the Joker prize but was not successful.

# Club Calendar

The next club meeting will be a social Dinner meeting on Thursday 2nd March at Numero Uno, Petra St, Palmyra at 6.60pm. Please advise Joyce by Monday 27th February if you wish to attend.

## March SPECIAL DATES

### Birthdays

02 ~ Anne Lewkowski\*

03 ~ John Sharp

09 ~ Elaine Bennett\*

10 ~ Abigail Parsons

12 ~ Joyce Smith 26

### Anniversary

08 ~ Jenny & Jim Calcei

### Induction

10 ~ Betty Bright (2008)

\* partners / honorary members

## Rotary Designated Months

March Water, Sanitation and Hygiene

*Visitors are always welcome*



Makers Market Roster 2023

Please nominate yourself for these sessions between 08-30 & 12-30 on six Sunday mornings.

We need four volunteers for each session

\*Apr 9 (Easter Sunday)

Fundraising	Makers Market Parking Roster					
	26/2/23	9/4/23 *	21/5/23	24/9/23	5/11/23	17/12/23
	<b>Heathcote Lowlands</b>					
	<b>08:30-12:30</b>					
First Name	Surname					
Mal	Bennett					
Betty	Bright					
Jim	Calcei					
Helen	Cowardine					
Selwyn	Castles					
Mick	Donnes					
Martin	Houchin					
Shelley	Konig					
George	Lewkowsky					
Sheri	Locher- Davis					
Pete	Locher- Davis					
Winston	Marsh					
Carole	Maxwell					
Colin	McCulloch					
Gail	McCulloch					
Neil	McKay					
Beverley	Moffat					
Charles	Moffat					
Abby	Parsons					
Kerry	Parsons					
Ian	Pittaway					
Rod	Rate					
Kerry	Scott					
John	Sharp					
Joyce	Smith					
Della	Smith-Rawlins					
Jeff	Spickett					
Llew	Withers					
	<b>Volunteers Available</b>					
	4	1	5	2	1	0
	<b>Volunteers Needed</b>					
	4	4	4	4	4	4

## Report from Ian on the recent District Conference

I attended our District Conference last Saturday. Sadly, I was the only one from Attadale to attend. But I think that I and other members of say over 5 years membership should have promoted it to our newer members. Why? It showcases what Rotarians in our district are doing and that Rotary W.A. is bigger than just our own club.

Great speakers: Phil Britten, Bali bombing survivor...and yes we have heard it all before – but the message that came from Phil- it was awesome. Rotarian/trouble maker Evan Burrell was at his brilliant best.

He can't believe he was voted in as District Governor for his district. There won't be a dull moment and that is guaranteed. His message is simple. Change our ways and attitudes and move ahead. Think about how we promote Rotary. No more ridiculously large cheques for recipients. Show what the money is doing. Don't be afraid to change to survive.

World President's Rep and R.I. Director Vicki Puliz. Wow what an awesome speaker. Rotary International is in great hands with these ladies showing the way. One thing that has stayed with me. *She doesn't use 'Fellowship' any more She uses 'Friendship' why don't we?*

There was a Rotaract Panel of four speakers. I thought Ho Hum – been there before – wrong again Ian. These young people are simply fantastic in their outlook and actions. In fact, I am attending one of their meetings – to talk to them about the possible pitfalls in buying and selling real estate. They had someone before, come to them and show them about not getting ripped off by mechanics. I was blown away by them and what they do. They prefer getting their hands dirty than attending some dull meetings.

Professor Lyn Beazley who we have heard before, but not like this – Even our U.S. R.I. Director was blown away by her presentation. "She makes science so attractive".

Benita Cattalini – CEO of Albany Chamber of Commerce- *Being the Changemaker*

They had 5 CEO's in 5 years and couldn't work out what was wrong. She took on the challenge, upset a lot of people, but made them profitable and effective in Albany.

Finally and above all, a great time to meet and speak with Rotarians we didn't know before.

I had lunch with the very young President of Belmont Rotary and would he love a club visit from us but they are a lunchtime club. Still we will work on it.

Sadly, no more conferences – but next year a Rotary Showcase in the City of Perth

Rotary Western Australia District Governor Ineke will lead us into a great future in 23/24

IMAGINE THE FUTURE-THE ROTARY WA DISTRICT CONFERENCE



The Conference runs from Friday 5.00pm - 8.00pm; Saturday 8.00am - 5.00pm; Saturday Gala Dinner 6.30pm - 10.00pm

For all members of District 9465 the cost will be subsidised as follows:

Full Conference Early Bird Price -**\$125** (to be paid by 15th December 2022)

Full Conference-Standard Price-**\$150** (from 16th December 2022)

Saturday Conference Only-**\$100.00**

Saturday Gala Dinner-Only-**\$100.00**

TO REGISTER Click Here <https://www.trybooking.com/CDTVN>



See this link for more details

<https://convention.rotary.org/en>

## PORTCARE

### From Llew Withers

If anyone has recycled clothing at home to go to Portcare, I can arrange to come and pick up clothing and take it. I have taken 2 boot loads so far this year in addition to other clothing dropped by Rotarians. Send me a message on [mellview@bigpond.com](mailto:mellview@bigpond.com) with your contact details and I will arrange a collection



### My Indulgence



Drops on a leaf

Jeff Spickett

# Rotary Partnerships



Could this be you in 2023?

**NATIONAL  
YOUTH  
SCIENCE  
FORUM**

**YEAR 12  
PROGRAM**

**Applications now open!**

Like tackling complex problems?  
Unleash your problem-solving skills with other like-minded STEM  
enthusiasts at the 2023 NYSF Year 12 Program!  
Contact Joyce for more information - [joyce.s@iinet.net.au](mailto:joyce.s@iinet.net.au)

## RYPEN Cancellation for 2022

Dear Colin,

I hope this email finds you well.

Due to unforeseen issues related to the COVID-19 pandemic, we've had to make the difficult decision to cancel the RYPEN Camp for September 2022.

Unfortunately, we simply weren't able to get sufficient volunteer facilitators to run the camp in a safe, effective and fun way.

We look forward to running the next RYPEN camp in May 2023.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please don't hesitate to let me know.

Yours in Service,  
Ian Ball

## Jennifer Jones Imagination Challenge

*A program of education for Rotary Clubs that embraces best practice models on membership growth and public image from around Australia and the World*



**Concept:** The sponsoring districts offer 5 places each on a program aimed at providing clubs with the skills and strategies to be relevant to their communities in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

The project will include specific support and expertise for each of the participating clubs in accordance with their needs.

**Benefits:** Successful participating clubs will modernise, improve their public profile, and grow their membership.

**Terms:** This offer is open to clubs which are committed to modernising and improving value to members, and whose members have voted overwhelmingly to take part (75% or more in favour).

### Conditions:

1. Participate in the Club Citation program for 22-23, prioritising membership growth and club modernisation.
2. Participation in a Communities of Practice club development program and other training and development programs related to the project.
3. The club will, within 3 months of commencing the project:
  - a. update data on District website for all members to enable the club to monitor improvements in age, gender balance and other key metrics
  - b. update all club online presences to reflect a modern club profile.
4. The club will maintain one or more contemporary social media platforms.
5. The club will take action to reduce the cost of Rotary to members.
6. The club will take positive steps to making the club more relevant in their community
  - a. *by identifying local community issues and targeting programs to these*

### The measurable outcomes

1. Significant increase in membership
2. Significant reduction in average age
3. Significant improvement in demographic balance

President Bev has already accepted the challenge on our behalf

## **our commitment to diversity, equity, and inclusion**



At Rotary, we understand that cultivating a diverse, equitable, and inclusive culture is essential to realizing our vision of a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change.

We value diversity and celebrate the contributions of people of all backgrounds, across age, ethnicity, race, color, disability, learning style, religion, faith, socioeconomic status, culture, marital status, languages spoken, sex, sexual orientation, and gender identity as well as differences in ideas, thoughts, values, and beliefs.

Recognizing that individuals from certain groups have historically experienced barriers to membership, participation, and leadership, we commit to advancing equity in all aspects of Rotary, including in our community partnerships, so that each person has the necessary access to resources, opportunities, networks, and support to thrive.

We believe that all people hold visible and invisible qualities that inherently make them unique, and we strive to create an inclusive culture where each person knows they are valued and belong.

In line with our value of integrity, we are committed to being honest and transparent about where we are in our DEI journey as an organization, and to continuing to learn and do better.