

The Attadale

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT



John Sharp
2021-22 President

Wow, what a night!!!

It was great to have so many members, past members, partners, family and friends along to the Changeover meeting, ably emceed by PP Colin McCulloch who, along with Gail, put an enormous effort into the preparation. and our first major success for the year; to be able to gather during COVID restrictions, closing the meeting with a four-day lockdown. As Stefan Emunds once said "*Time is an illusion, timing is an art.*"

The night started with a recognition of great service and presentation of Honorary membership to Bruce Robinson, one of nature's gentlemen. Then there was a great exposé of some of our members who were designated "Legends in their own lunch time" for their significant contributions and making a difference over a long period. This was very entertaining and well led by MC Colin.

After a delicious and beautifully presented main course, we were treated to a number of special presentations, Past Presidents' award presented to Bob Rodgers for many years of dedicated and willing service with special mention of sausage sizzles and golf days led by PP Gail McCulloch. The RCA version of The Vienna Boys' Choir singing when the Red Red Robin came **Bob Bob** (pun fully intended) bobbing along led by PP Ian Pittaway. Both acts ably supported by the third PP Colin McCulloch. PP Ian and President Neil then presented Bob with Honorary membership.

A special moment when PP Jeff Spickett was presented with Paul Harris Fellow, by President Neil and District Governor Colin Burns, for his years of quiet dedicated service to Rotary in general and RCA in particular, exemplified by his being elected chair of RCANHFI almost immediately upon joining the Committee of Management. It was particularly great as Jeff had several members of his family present to watch.

Then the moment President Neil McKay had been waiting for, when he gave his valedictory speech followed by handing over of the reins to PP John Sharp for his term as President for 2021/22.





Neil spoke of the support he had from his wife Giovanna through a difficult year, including COVID restrictions, multiple different venues causing a variety of different challenges, business requirements taking precedence over Rotary (as it should) and the fact that “as an accountant speaking” we exceeded budgeted income for the charity account and came in under budget for charity expenditure.

John spoke, in his acceptance speech, of the Member Satisfaction Survey completed earlier and of the Debrief meeting on 21st June which set out (by all accounts, very successfully) to Inform, Understand and Engage all members in reshaping the future of our great club. He concluded by sharing the actions from that meeting which had been grouped into five Strategic Priorities:

- **Focus on local service initiatives and local community engagement;**
- **Focus on diversity, equity, and inclusion;**
- **Increase the public profile of RCA;**
- **Build a dynamic club environment;**
- **Increase membership with a profile increasingly reflective of the broader local community; and**

evolved into the Club Vision:

We are a dynamic, diverse & inclusive Club, that is focused on local service initiatives and local community engagement and whose membership is increasingly reflective of the broader local community.

The finale for the night was the introduction of his Board and Officers by John who expressed his pleasure at having such a great team.

Thanks to Ian Pittaway for some of the Changeover photos. — *Ed.*

2021-2022 BOARD

John Sharp
President

Neil McKay
Vice President & Membership

Bev Moffat
President Elect, Club & International Service

Colin McCulloch
Secretary

Shelley Konig
Treasurer

Rodney Rate
Projects Director

Keith McNaught
Local Service Director

OFFICERS

Keith McNaught
Community Service & Non-Rotary Grants

Joyce Smith
Youth Service & Attendance

Vacant
Vocational Service

Ian Pittaway
Foundation & Global Grants

Vacant
Programmes

Ian & Jacquie Pittaway
Family of Rotary

Vacant
Training-Mentoring

Giovanna McKay & Jacquie Pittaway
Website / Bulletin / Social Media

Vacant
Club Public Image

Abigail Parsons
Socials and Fellowship

Llew Withers
Protection and Insurance

Bev Moffat
Meeting Venue & Succession Planning

MONTHLY CLUB CALENDAR

Unless otherwise specified, the Rotary Club of Attadale meets at Limones Restaurant every Monday (except public holidays), 6 for 6:30PM

Member apologies to Attendance Officer no later than 6pm Friday prior to meeting

JULY 2021

Day / Date	Speaker / Topic	Chair
Monday, 5th	Ann Valenti / Seniors Housing	Bev Moffat
Monday, 12th	NYSF Attendees Timothy & Patrick	Gillian Baker
Monday, 19th	Martin Farr / Anti Ice Campaign to High Schools	Mick Donnes
Monday, 26th	Barney Clarkson / Hearing Loss	Rod Rate

Birthdays

- 09 Mal Bennett and Robin Hamilton*
- 14 Bev Moffat
- 22 Mick Donnes and Mike van Trier*
- 24 George Lewkowski

Anniversaries

- 21 Patricia* and Derick Robertson
- 25 Abigail and Kerry Parsons
- 26 Evadne and Jeff Spickett

Milestones

- 01 Ian Pittaway - Induction, 1988

*Honorary Member

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Rotary Club of Attadale is again supporting the Bicton Men's Shed with a winter blanket appeal. Last year 1000 blankets were distributed to people experiencing homelessness. Donations of new or pre-loved blankets are welcome. Collection from local areas can be arranged by calling Ian (Attadale Rotary) on 0419 914 026.

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President Neil presented Honorary memberships to Bruce Robinson and Bob Rodgers for their dedicated service to RCA. Bob was also the recipient of the Past Presidents' Award.

Below, a rendition of the "When Red Red Robin Comes Bob Bob Bobbin' Along" by members



Changeover 2021-22



From top to bottom: President Neil and District Governor Colin Burns presented a Paul Harris Fellow recognition to Jeff Spickett; a token of thanks was presented to Jim Calcei for the special hand-crafted storage / lectern; Valedictory address by President Neil

Changeover 2021-22



Toast to Rotary International by President Elect Bev Moffat and response by District Governor Colin

Changeover 2021-22



From top to bottom:
President Neil
handed over the reins
to President John who
then gave his
acceptance speech
and presented his
Board and Officers.

A toast to partners by
Jeff Spicket, followed
by a response from
First Lady Trish Sharp.



Rotary

Club of Attadale

2020-21 LEGENDS IN THEIR OWN LUNCHBOX

President Neil McKay

for being willing to continue for another year as President

Vice President Gail McCulloch

for selling 75 "2020 Vision" books raising \$2625

Ian and Jacquie Pittaway

for their excellent work doing programmes for four years then seven and a half years

Jim Calcei

for doing such a great job making our special storage lectern

Rod Rate

for his contribution as Chairman since 2012 of the Rotary Charity Golf Day and helping to raise \$420,027 for charity

Abby Parsons & Vanda Bacich

for the brilliant job they did setting up and decorating the Parsons' house for our Christmas Dinner Meeting

Mal & Elaine Bennett and Kerry & Abby Parsons

for funding the catering for our Christmas Dinner Party so that all attendance money (\$1770) could be donated to the Jubilee Foundation Christmas Party for the disabled in Davao

Joyce Smith & Carole Maxwell

for doing such a splendid job organizing social get-togethers as we recovered from COVID 19 lockdowns

Mick Donnes & Kerry Parsons

for their enormously generous gesture of giving the Club an enduring donation of the nett rent from an apartment they purchased

Giovanna McKay

for her excellent work as the District Secretary and managing our website, social media, bulletin, desktop publishing and multi-media presentations