

The Bulletin



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District Governor



Colin Byron

Club President



Adele Mee



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The Club is currently meeting "on line" on the 2nd Wednesday of the month on the following link.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89755912487?pwd=RHo0VUhFenM1aVVqdHRRZE9saU1GZz09>

Meeting ID: 897 5591 2487, Passcode: 079136

and "face to face" on the 1st and 3rd with the 4th Wednesday a face to face Board meeting.

The 5th Wednesday, when it occurs, is a Social night and all are invited.

Rotary's Vision Statement

"Together, we see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change
—across the globe, in our communities and in ourselves"

President's Message – Adele

Our first newsletter for the new Rotary year 2024/25

Hello All,

June/July is always an exciting time as we move from one Rotary year to another and never more exciting or significant than this year, when we also moved from one District to another. 30th June saw the changeover of our District from 9820 to 9815, as we amalgamated with D9810. The Changeover event was large, seeing some 300 Rotarians from across both Districts attend, as outgoing District Governors, Ian Ballantine (9810) and Linda Humphries (9820) welcomed in Colin Byron as the inaugural DG for D9815. PRIP Ian Riseley presenting badges to commemorate the event (see photo gallery following).

Our Club had a small contingent, who witnessed the surprise presentation for our own Gael Traa, of the prestigious Royce Abbey Award for her support and contribution as District Secretary for 9820 to not only this year's D9820 support, but also her contribution to the amalgamation process for D9815 (The award accepted on her behalf by her husband, Philip in her absence).

Thank you to those who attended our own Club Changeover dinner on Wed 3rd July. It was a great evening as we celebrated our achievements of the past year. Outgoing President Heather Barton, AM, took delight in presenting Paul Harris Fellows to two Rotarians, Marilyn Merrifield and Jo McPherson; and community member, Di Snooks. A Certificate of Appreciation was also presented to Lorraine Williams for her significant contribution to the coordination of Club catering. (see photo gallery following).

It was also lovely to see many partners & guests as well as our District 9815 Governor Colin Byron & Leanne plus Immediate Past District 9820 Governor Linda Humphries & PDG Mark. Our local, Group 5, Rotary Community Leader, Peter Rawlings joined the festive evening also. (see photo gallery following).

We are just beginning our new Rotary year so will carry on in striving to help & improve the lives of others. Winter is a time where we all rug up, turn on the heater and have a hot cuppa inside our comfortable, safe homes. We are so lucky.

Please look in your wardrobes and bring any warm coats and blankets you no longer require (male, female & children's) to our Warehouse by Wed 24th July. It's a cold winter this year with many single people and families doing it tough. These items will be distributed through local community groups.

RYLA (Rotary Youth Leadership Awards)

RYLA was held at Cowes Adventure Camp Phillip Island from Monday 8th to Saturday 13th July '24.

The Youth Team Directors Libby and Neil were able, at short notice, with IPP Heather and Philip, to have our Club Rosebud-Rye, along with Mount Martha RC, jointly sponsor a young person named Jonah de Geus from Pearcedale. He will have had an enjoyable experience in many different activities.

Jonah will be invited to our Club as soon as can be arranged to let us know all about his activities during the week.

MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly)

D9815 MUNA will be held on Saturday 17th August'24 at Lyndale Secondary College, Dandenong North.

We are sponsoring a two student team (1 year eleven & 1 year twelve) from Rosebud Secondary College. Their allocated country is CUBA.

Cheers President Adele

International Service

Sandra, our Club's International Director, has asked the KOSHISH staff and Charlie (the tree expert) to send some details of the tree planting phase of the project.

The intention of the project is to provide a healthy food source for the residents of KOSHISH as well as creating a sustainable future income stream through the sale of excess fruit and nuts.

The planting will be done by our Peninsula Rotaract members when they go on an accompanied tour, with Sandara, to Nepal in November. While they are at KOSHISH, they will also volunteer in the kitchen. This will create a wonderful opportunity for them to learn about a different culture through its food. It will be a unique educational experience and a valuable opportunity for our Rotaractors, to make a difference through a high-impact project.

Regionalisation project information

What is the proposed structure?

To help enhance membership experience and accessibility of leadership opportunities and to encourage volunteers with diverse backgrounds and the skillsets to lead Rotary into tomorrow, an updated structure is proposed that focuses on all aspects of district-level governance. Club governance is not being reviewed. Read on for more details: <https://creatingtomorrowrotary.org/resource/what>

Interplast Fellowship

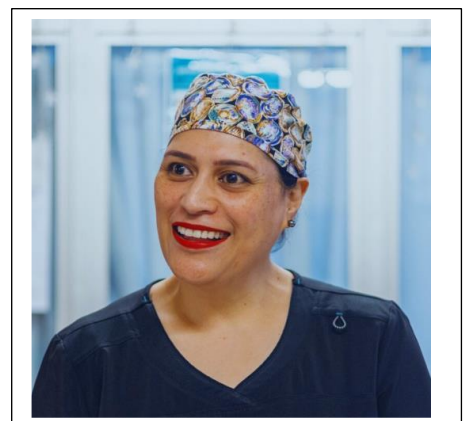
This item may be of interest to  **Interplast** art-sponsored Dr Alamea Fulivai for \$1,000 la

Here are her details:

Dr Alamea Fulivai, Marshall Scholarship recipient.

Scholarship details: Attending the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (RACS) Annual Scientific Congress in Christchurch, New Zealand, May 2024.

Scholarship sponsors: Rotary Clubs of Mt Eliza, Dromana, Mt Martha, Mornington, **Rosebud-Rye**, Somerville-Tyabb and Sorrento.



Alamea Fulivai is a general surgeon from Tonga. She was trained in the Fiji School of Medicine and works primarily in Tonga, but she has also worked around the Pacific region. She has a keen interest in plastic and reconstructive surgery, and has been involved in the Interplast visits to Tonga for the last decade.

Dr Fulivai completed a 2-year fellowship in general and paediatric surgery in Waikato Hospital, New Zealand, before returning to Tonga in 2022. She developed a new love of hiking during her time in New Zealand, which is unheard of in an island as flat as Tonga, and recently completed the Tongariro Alpine Crossing.

Prior to attending the conference, Dr Alamea said that “The theme this year goes beyond the technical aspects of surgery and looks at decision-making, ethical considerations, and leadership responsibilities. These talks are important to me as I prepare to take over the leadership role in surgery.

The scholarship allows me to get up to date and evidence-based surgical practice in Australasia. I am also able to network with peers from Australasia as well as the Pacific.

I hope to gain more insight into the ethical and decision-making side of things. We unofficially wear many hats in the Ministry of Health, and this is something we step into without training. This is a great opportunity to learn a different side of surgery that will ultimately help prepare me for a leadership role. I will pass on this information via a presentation to my colleagues back home during our grand rounds.”

District grant – max \$4,675.

The RCRR has completed an EOI for a District grant. The formal application is to be completed by 30th October. Please contact a Board member if you have any ideas for a Project which must be completed by 20th April 2025.

Coming events

10th July – Zoom Peter Rawlings on the new role of Community Leader and how this will impact on RCRR.

17th July – F2F – Club discussion

24th July – F2F - RCRR Board meeting

31st July – F2F - Social gathering at the Mees home in Rosebud.

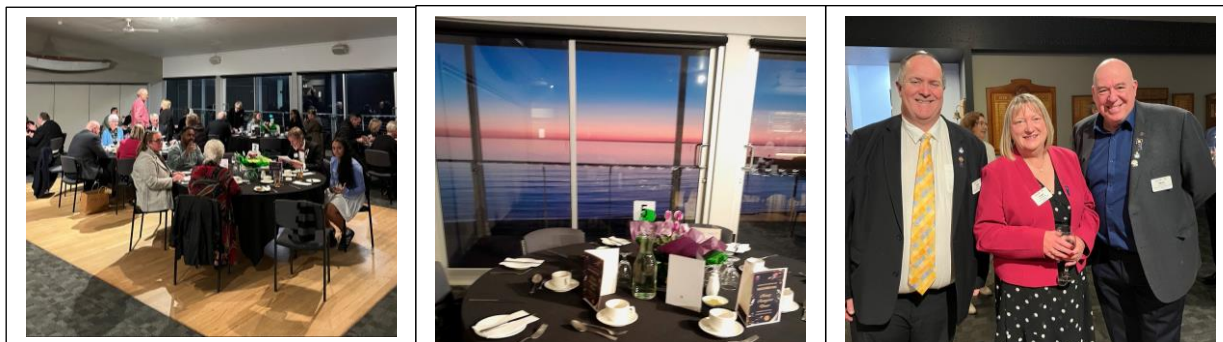
July or August - Tuesday morning tour of Southern Peninsula Community Support group (tbc)

Photo gallery:

President Heather Barton, AM enjoying presenting **Paul Harris Fellowships**, as part of her last Presidential duties, to (L to R): community member, Di Snooks and two Rotarians, Jo McPherson and Marilyn Merrifield and a **Certificate of Appreciation** to Lorraine Williams.



Safety Beach Sailing Club provided a fabulous venue, greatly appreciated by all attendees, including our own Group 5 Community Leader, Peter Rawlings and IPDG Linda and PDG Mark Humphries.



Outgoings and ingoings: Heather, Adele and DG Colin at the RCRR Changeover.

Introducing the new RCRR Rotary Board (L to R): President Adele Mee, Lee Goulden (Membership), Paul Mee (Secretary), Libby Wilson (Community and Youth committee), Dr Neil Stitt (Foundation and Youth committee), Sandra Fiedely (International), Philip Hedley (Treasurer), Heather Barton AM (Immediate Past President). Missing - Gael Traa (Program and Bulletin).



Taking to the podium: PDG Philip Hedley presenting the Toast to Rotary, DG Colin replying, Darren MCing to his usual high standard, Presidents - Heather Barton, AM outgoing, Adele Mee, incoming, displaying their Rotary themes – outgoing “Create Hope in the World”, incoming “The Magic of Rotary”.



District Changeover showing the procession of Governors, past and present, (the G train) and the induction of Colin Byron as the inaugural District Governor for D9815.



The visit to the home of Gael Traa for the personal presentation of the RI Foundation Royce Abbey award, also presented to PDG Mark Humphries by immediate PDG Linda; and the presentation of the District 9815 Executive Secretary certificate and badge for 2024/25 by DG Colin and Leanne Byron.

