



Rotary Club of Port Pirie Inc
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BULLETIN

18th January 2018

PRESIDENT

Barry Mudge

Vice President - PP Philip Johns

President Elect - Rtn Sebastian Mezzino

Secretary - PP Stephen Lynch

Treasurer - Rtn Peter Stanley

Club Service - Rtn Sebastian Mezzino

Community Service - PP Graham Nichols

Rotary Foundation - PDG John Rowe

International Service- Rtn Peter Arnold

Vocational / Youth / Membership – Rtn Pam Menadue

International President – Ian Riseley

District Governor – Peter Schaefer

Mother Club – Rotary Club of Unley

Paired Clubs – Rotary Club of Gawler Light & Rotary Club of West Torrens

Sister Club with

Rotary Club of Dau,
Pampanga, Philippines
District 3790

Rotary Club of Baguio
Baguio, Philippines
District 3790



**ROTARY:
MAKING A
DIFFERENCE**



*Club meets every Thursday at the Port Pirie Golf
Club
5:45pm for 6:15pm start*

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Rotary Club of Port Pirie for Meeting No 3114

Please notify apologies and guests by Wednesday lunchtime. This is the deadline so that Graham can advise the caterer. Contact Graham Nichols on 0429 292595 (If texting ensure you add your name)

Date	18 th January Yacht Club	25 th January Yacht Club	1 st February Virtus Club	
Chairman	P. Menadue	G. Nichols	S. Mezzino	Link for Chairman Duties
Door Duties	T. Werfel M. Arnold	P. Arnold K. Baak	G. Brock P. Caddy	Door Duties
Fellowship	O. Crocker R. Crouch	N. Ferme R. Freak	J. Holyman	Fellowship Officers: The first person take the mic around and ask the first question. The second person rostered should sit with the guest speaker. Full Spec coming here.
Prize Donor	B. Camporeale	D. Camporeale	D. Coad	
Sergeant	D. Coad	R. Tolson	P. Richens	Guide for Sergeants
Equipment & Competition	D. Camporeale D. Coad	B. Condon O. Crocker	R. Crouch N. Ferme	Equipment Officers please be in attendance by 5.45pm. Officer listed first to run the competition. See the Club WIKI for what to do
Program	B Mudge India	David Steele Power supporters' club	Club Assembly	Please advise PP Greg Mayfield if you know of possible guest speakers
Committee Meetings	Club R. Tolson International N. Ferme MVY ??			For courtesy and catering, could members not attending Committee meetings please advise the host in advance?

Guest Speaker Roster

08/02/2018	Rob Tolson – Survival
15/02/2018	Merrilyn Hewett - Barunga Village
22/02/2018	Judy Payne – Energy Bills

Notes from Meeting – 11th January

Directors

Please send your
committee minutes to
bulletin@rotarypirie.org.au

SPOTS

Graham Nichols

News year's eve raised \$1,000.
Bowls night raised \$1700.
Next 2 weeks the dinner meetings are at
the Yacht club.

Barry Mudge

Congratulate in the people involved in the
transfer of meeting venue and set up.
The bowls night was a great success and
thank you to those involved in organizing
and helping, especially Dannielle, Mary,
Vicky, Angie & Ingrid in the kitchen and
those who provided salads.
Can you please have a look at the
"Moving Forward Together" article in the
Bulletin.

Lianne Porter Life

Lianne has 3 adult children and absolutely no sporting interests, her family has always been heavily involved in community and so it was an easy stretch when Dannielle asked her to come along to Rotary. She has a Bachelor of Science degree, Advanced diploma in Agriculture & Aquaculture and a diploma in Finance & Mortgage Management.

Born in Port Pirie her family moved around the Iron triangle until finally settling in Crystal Brook (an horrendous prospect for an adolescent teenage girl) In retrospect it was a fantastic place to finish growing up. When she finished year 12 the manager of the local ANZ rang her father offering her a job, to which he graciously agreed for her. While she had no interest in banking when she started Lianne soon found she quite enjoyed it and spent the next 18 years working for ANZ. Working in quite a few regional locations and some interstate roles. ANZ brought in a policy requiring a tertiary qualification for advancement, so she enrolled in a Science degree (fully paid by ANZ). She won the rural banker of the year in 2005 and then selected on a Work Life balance committee, being part of the committee highlighted that she had an appalling work life balance. So she left the bank, having accrued a significant amount of leave she took nearly 12 months off. She joined United Care Wesley discovering how a certain section of our society lives never being exposed to low income

She started a loan brokering firm Port Pirie Home loans with a colleague, he subsequently went back to mainstream banking.

She is a finance broker so rather than going to a single bank asking for a loan you go to Lianne and she looks at a range of banks to find the best deal for you and better yet she doesn't charge a fee but rather the banks pay her.

Attendance

Members:	41
Apologies:	11
Attendance:	26
Silent:	6
Percentage:	68.4%



Neville was impressed by Lianne's gift of limited edition hats.



Barry was also quite impressed with Lianne's gift.



Chloe Sterren an exchange student from Visp in Switzerland, visited Stephen and Debbie Lynch. Chloe's mother Rebecca Mengis lived with Stephen & Debbie as an exchange student here in Port Pirie 30 years ago.

LARGER ROTARY DISTRICTS – AN EXCITING PLATFORM FOR CHANGE!
“MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER”
TO RE-INVIGORATE CLUBS AND MAKE ROTARY FLOURISH FOR ANOTHER 100 YEARS

Dear Fellow Rotarians,

After almost 100 years of successful operation in Australia and New Zealand, Rotary finds itself at a very significant cross road. With a declining membership over the last ten years, Australia has lost 4,314 members (13%) and New Zealand has lost 1,967 (19%) plus, with an ageing membership demographic, the continued existence of Rotary as we know it is under considerable threat.

Do we remain doing what we are currently doing and find we no longer exist in 20 years OR do we acknowledge we have a problem and accept the challenge to work together to address the issues and make the changes necessary to take Rotary forward for another hundred years? It is both a challenging and an exciting time for Rotary in this part of the world.

There is an urgent need for change both at the Club and the District levels. Clubs need to find new ways of attracting and retaining members and Districts need to focus their efforts on providing the best possible support mechanisms to Clubs in their crucial endeavour to grow and strengthen Rotary. Larger and better resourced Districts are seen as a significant way of providing this support to Clubs.

In recent weeks' I have had the pleasure of working with a 'Task Force' of dedicated Rotarians from all levels of service to discuss urgent planning and action required to reverse the serious downward trend in membership across all 27 Districts in Zone 7B and 8 – and discuss how we can all move forward with confidence that Rotary will flourish for another 100 years. The task force included grass roots Rotarians, club presidents, Governors Nominee, Governors Elect, Past Governors and RI staff – male and female and of a variety of ages.

I am delighted to report a wonderful spirit and commitment during the two days and there was general agreement that I now had to share the same positive message with you all – as we move forward together. Be very certain that this message is NOT just about re-Districting. Re-Districting is only one of the suite of changes needed to revitalise Rotary 'down under'.

We all agreed that ONLY Rotary Clubs can turn around the current alarming membership challenge confronting Rotary in the western world. However, for this to happen, the administration of Rotary at District level has to change dramatically to provide Clubs with the support they need to address this challenge.

The meeting acknowledged that the age of 'Larger Districts' has arrived – and that these larger, more resourced and more support focused Districts will start to happen from 1st July 2020.

Planning is already well advanced for the merger of Districts 9700 and 9710 in central west and southern NSW along with Districts 9500 and 9520 in South Australia. Senior leaders are considering various options in WA, Victoria and northern Australia, along with southern Queensland and northern NSW.

Similar discussions are taking place in New Zealand where a meeting is planned for early March to discuss re-Districting options in that country. The Task Force concluded that new **LARGER DISTRICTS provide a great opportunity** for:

- Developing a flatter, more streamlined District administration with access to a greater number of resources to better support clubs, including the possibility of having a paid administrator/CEO to lead the business team and enable cost efficiencies;
- Decluttering the role of the District Governor and increase focus more on strategic leadership thereby enabling the possibility of attracting working/younger Rotarians be a Governor role;
- Strengthening the role of the Assistant Governor by giving them the training and resources to provide direct support to clubs and turning them into Area Governors with a maximum of 15 clubs each;
- Making better use of technology for more regular communication within the District and between Clubs and the provision of a wider range of training and support activities;
- Utilising economies of scale to employ professional facilitators/resources to help Clubs;
- Dissemination of a clearer 'national and state voice' for Rotary and improve the public image of Rotary;

- Attracting national corporate sponsorship and the possibility to employ a national fund raiser to support and fund the business model.

The Task Force was adamant that such sweeping **District changes must not only encourage but also support genuine change within Rotary clubs**; it also acknowledged that changes may generate increasing levels of anxiety within Clubs, which is an understandable reaction as things held in high regard for years start to change.

However, the important thing to remember as we strive to continue as a vibrant, community focused service organisation, is that **some things must never change**; these include our Objects, Values and Ethics (4 Way Test), as well as our desire to serve others and to enjoy fellowship.

Consequently, for Club leaders to affect meaningful change within their Clubs they will need to appreciate and accept that Rotary has a problem that needs to be addressed and in so doing, they have an exciting opportunity to:

- Play an active role in changing Rotary to enable it to flourish for at least another hundred years;
- Re-invigorate their Club with targeted and customised support from the District so they promote and market Rotary in a variety of new ways to attract and retain members;
- Enhance and strengthen community and vocational service;
- Promote the new flexibility in Rotary and utilise the new resources available;
- Work together with other Clubs in different ways or networks that retain individuality and treasured elements but capitalise on the advantages of a larger cohort of members;
- Establish strategic partnerships with local entities and organisations.

The Task Force also considered how Districts and Clubs could work together to:

- Make Rotary membership more physically and financially accessible by developing innovative ways of engagement for a wider variety of cultural and special interest groups;
- Turn the focus from fundraising to service and provide Rotarians with more hands-on ways to serve.

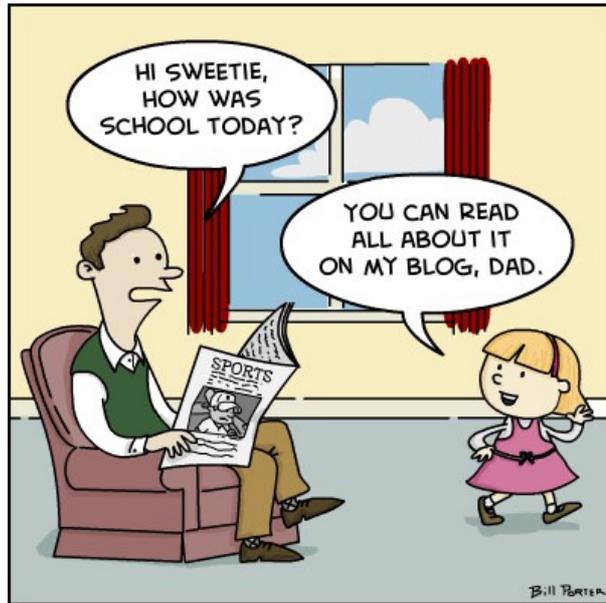
I leave you with the new Rotary International Vision Statement ...

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

Yours sincerely,
Noel Trevaskis,
RI Director 2016-2018

Birthdays	Bill Akker Jenny Caddy	18 th January 12 th January
Wedding Anniversary	Chris & Annie Keane Peter & Jenny Stanley	10 th January 13 th January
Rotary Induction Anniversary	Geoff Brock Robert Hosking	20 th January 10 th January

Joke of the Week



Similar conversation was recently overheard in the Lunsmann household.

<u>Rotary Commitments etc</u>			
This will be updated By Graham as needed			
Australia Day Friday 26th January			
Assist with erecting Shdes			
Beach	7.30am--8.30 am		<u>Graham</u>
MARKETS Sunday 11th Feb 2018			
	8am--12pm		
Beach			<u>Graham</u>