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"At the end of the day,
the position is just a position,
a title is just a title,
and those things
come and go.
It's really your essence
and your values
that are important."

Queen Rania of Jordan

JUNE is



**ROTARY
INTERNATIONAL
Month**



WHAT AN EXCITING JOURNEY Reo and I have been on over the last few years with Rotary.

This last year, our Governor year, has been such a great experience. We have met so many wonderful like minded people, been to places we would have only dreamt of and eaten a huge diversity of food.

We have travelled approximately 35,000 km, supported the Orewa Toll Regime by over \$300 and partook in up to four roast meals a week during the Governor Club Visit Rounds. This doesn't include the visit schedules to our three offshore Islands.

The highlight for us, was meeting with the respective Boards before the Club Meeting. It was during these meetings that most Clubs suddenly realised how much they had done or were planning to achieve. These meetings also showed up the diversity and uniqueness of our 42 Clubs. It was during these meetings that Reo would take notes which we would discuss on the way back to Whangarei. Well done to you all!

I consider the **District Conference** another great success as detailed in the April Newsletter. Connections made with our informative Speakers are beginning to grow legs.

The last three years have simply flown by.



Changeover 2017

In the beginning I was working full time as well as Rotary but, especially in the last year curbed work down to approximately 3 days a week.

I was very grateful to have had a very understanding business partner that allowed me the flexibility to attend to all things Rotary. Reo, who visited all the Clubs too was also fortunate to have a very understanding and accommodating boss. It must have been quite a novelty to have Teachers and Support Staff paid from places like Atlanta, Brazil, Chile, South Korea, Florida and San Diego not to mention Port Vila, Noumea and Norfolk Island.

Reo and I have had a wonderful experience supported by wonderful people, who, in the name of Rotary have all in their own way made a difference to the people in our District that are a little less fortunate than ourselves. To you all we say a big thank you.

Reo and I wish David and Denise all the best for what will be an exciting adventurous year ahead as they carry the D9910 District on to greater heights and achievements.

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We both look forward to continuing to be involved in all things Rotary in the years to come.

Conformity is the jailer of freedom and the enemy of growth.
We can't help everyone but everyone can help someone.
(Ronald Regan)



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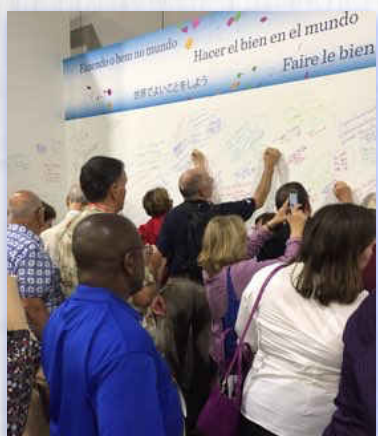
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Proof Governor Peter Smith was at the 2017, RI Convention in Atlanta, Georgia.

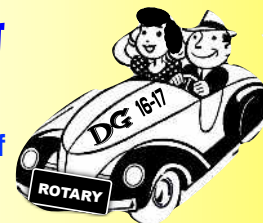


Governor Peter Smith at the 2017, RI Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, one on the many thousands signing the Wall Birthday card marking the The Rotary Foundation 100th year inside The House of Friendship.

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Reo's Tour of Duty

My Exciting Role As the 2016–17 Governor's Other Half



Crikey! Doesn't time fly by all too quickly when you are having fun and now my time as the Governor's wife also comes to a close on the 1st July, 2017. Our lives have not been the same since and won't be the same again and that's not such a bad thing.

My journey began being driven through a labyrinth of orange cones, hundreds of them in every direction while heading south, ascending the Brynderwyn Hills north side. That was around 3 years ago when PC was nominated DG Nominee and I had to tag on behind. I look back over that period and realised that my role had a purpose from day one.

The deal was to support the Governor in every which way so I penned notes, I nodded, said no, maybe or how come, I kept awake, I packed and repacked, I clothed accordingly, remembered the name badges, mobile chargers and adaptors, I observed, I would say slow down watch that possum (darn, too late), said oops many times, enhanced my "navvie" skills, tried hard to remember names, made sure I had a spare pair of shoes, tissues and a hairbrush on board, noted time, mileage and destinations and my favourite, checked and used my very own imaginary foot brake. *"It's A Big Job"*.

I had a wonderful exciting and meaningful 3 year tour of duty with the Gov. I was still employed full time and if it had not been for the understanding and kindness of my Boss, I would not have been in the position to enjoy the best experience ever as he saw it as an opportunity in a lifetime not to be missed. I thank him sincerely and the staff members who were my support.

We celebrated the birth of our very first grandchild, a grandson who was born while we were on a Club visit at Kaikohe. He is our family's Rotary baby and we will encourage his mother to give him the opportunity to be an International Youth Exchange student and then see what follows. He is our future and hopefully one of many for Rotary.

Special thanks to our daughters who supported myself and their father throughout, and for once, they kept track of our travels far and wide.

The opportunity to meet many many Rotarians and non Rotarians within District 9910 on club visits and around the Rotary sphere was very special for me. I was welcomed and from time to time engaged in diverse conversations not necessarily about Rotary.

My thanks and gratitude to the spouses/partners of the 3 Governors before me for sharing their particular and unique experiences. Valuable advice, tips and more tips of how to exist out of a suitcase, dietary regimes on the road, travel necessities such as extra clothes hangers, sunlight soap, drip dries, medication including tropical Insect repellent and the other pill, and what not to say and do at Immigration and Border Controls, all helpful hints in preparation for a stress-free journey locally and internationally.

My journey is at an end now and all the orange cones have gone, replaced with white and steel wire railings and crisp road markings. The road has been altered, there is now a lookout view area at the top of the Brynderwyn's, surrounding pastures and hills have disappeared and the speed limit is 80k.

That little plant on the roadside by the cafe between Whangarei and Auckland is now a three year old tea tree and I watched it grow.

Change for progress and growth was worth waiting for.

Reo Smith

Wife of the Governor 2016 - 2017
 Rotary District 9910



My favourite dish
 Tahitian Raw Fish
 Vanuatu



The following is an excerpt from Westhaven Rotary

Mercy Hospice visit

Our breakfast meeting was hosted at Mercy Hospice, College Hill – so we could see the data projector and umbrella shades we sponsored with the help of District Grants.



CEO Paul Couper thanked us for our support and explained how valuable the new data projector has been for all the training done for on-site and offsite care teams. “75% of our work is done out in the community and we have about 20 nurses out in cars looking after people.” The other District grant helped us provide two shade cloths for the courtyard umbrellas, enabling patients and families to enjoy the outdoor area in summer.



Fundraising Team Leader, Sandy McGregor spoke about the various events they run during the year to meet their \$ targets, the most recent one being “TEN” – where 10 of Auckland’s most prestigious restaurants produce an array of entrée-sized meals which are matched with fine wines from cellars of ten New Zealand wineries.

This event raised \$411,000.

The following is an excerpt from East Coast Bays

Sebastian is leaving us on 5 July. All of those who have had the opportunity to spend time with our **Norwegian IYE student** have appreciated the interaction and changes they have seen with Sebastian and his achievements. Especially his host families Steve & Sharyn Goeldner, Ross & Liz Middleton, Ian & Liz Walsh, and Susan & Kris Nelson.

We saw him arrive with long hair, then no hair, and now conforming. The no hair won’t happen again but was all for a good cause. Some of the highlights – South Island trip, the courage doing paragliding, sky diving, bungy jumping. One of the biggest ones was public speaking at Rotary Conference Whangarei, growing up and being responsible for making other people happy – Challenge Camp.



Sebastian had a big thank you for his host families, Sherida’s Pinehurst School, and friends he has made. All contributing to growing so much, like an adult.

THANK YOU



The following is from the Friends of Rotary Albany

Last night's dinner such a wonderful Rotary night. Our guests were inspiring, the company superb and the food excellent. Thanks to Kevin's hard work yet again, the Friends of Albany Rotary are relaunched.

Friends of Albany Rotary Club and the Albany Rotary Club: Heads Up Dinner with Yes Disabilities 22 June 2017



The following is an excerpt from **Birkenhead Bulletin**



Elody and Junior went home to Vanuatu on Saturday 3rd June after successful heart surgery at Starship Hospital.

Don took Elody and Junior to the airport and many ROMAC people were also at the airport to farewell them. When Janice heard they were going home she txt Elody to ask if she would like to go anywhere. The reply was "to the shop Brian took me", that being the Hospice Dove Shop in Glen Innes. So, on Friday in all the rain off they went and Elody purchased lots of tee shirts and clothes for her partner and Junior to take home.



The ROMAC experience is very rewarding and should Rotary Birkenhead assist another ROMAC family; numbers of members and/or partners involved needs to be expanded and the wider community involved.

The mothers at the Cedar Centre Playgroup enjoyed the experience of Elody and Junior joining them each week and wish to be involved, should we host another family.

The following is from **Glenfield Rotary**

Excerpt from Glenfield College School News:



On Friday 26 and Saturday 27 May, Alicia Lie, Elana Van Der Merwe and Jacqueline Huang (representing Sri Lanka) attended the 2017 MUNA (Model United Nations Assembly). MUNA 2017 showcased an array of costumes, personalities and some of the upper North Island's best aspiring diplomats.

The two day conference involving around 80 schools representing 100 countries, who are all members of the General Assembly of the United Nations.

The conference involves students carefully researching their assigned country in preparation for the discussion of five remits, an emergency situation and impromptu debate, as well as other matters which arose during the two days.

The representatives from Glenfield College were fantastic, and definitely left their mark.

A huge thanks to Glenfield Rotary for there financial support to make our attendance at MUNA possible.



MUNA 2017 –A Rotarians View

Model United Nations Assembly

How was it seen?



Take 46 schools, 320 committed students, an internationally themed environment, and what do you have? **MUNA. – the Model United Nations Assembly.**

This event is run by Rotary in a number of countries.

In this case it was Districts 9910/9920, co-ordinated by the Rotary Club of Auckland East, with the venue of Auckland Girls Grammar School.

The purpose of MUNA is to simulate the workings of the UN Assembly via teams of three students from years 11/12.

Each team represents a particular UN country on matters of world politics and social concern...



Being in the dress of that country helps ensures a full immersion in the thought process of that country they represent.

Five remits were debated and included:

- The UN implements a programme to improve water and sanitation which is the lead cause of child mortality in the world.
- The UN examines the role of governments in preventing the free movement of asylum seekers and refugees in the light of the UN Declaration of Human Rights.

These and the other three remits generated spirited, informed and thought provoking debates over the two days.

Secretary General, Ross Robertson (an ex MP) maintained a cool head and a steady hand on proceedings, although briefly gave up his chair when Paula Bennett, NZ Deputy Prime Minister, made a brief visit to MUNA.

Guest speaker DR Paul Buchanan, who specialises in international and comparative politics, made a major impact on delegates with his assertive comments, well received by the attendees.

All Rotarians had been invited to visit MUNA at some time over the two days, and many first timers were amazed and impressed at the scope and complexity of the event.

The Goals of MUNA are:

- To develop in students an awareness of the United Nations and the International situation of countries in the world
- To enable students to improve their public speaking and debating skills
- To encourage students to make informed comments on world affairs
- To encourage students to share their opinions and friendship with students from other schools

These goals were well and truly achieved, while the wider Rotarian community will be better aware of MUNA, following the social media, photographs and general discussion that followed MUNA 2017.

A major opportunity now exists for Rotary clubs to capitalise on the exposure that these 320 young leaders have had to Rotary.

Presenting their attendance certificates at a Rotary meeting or school assembly helps strengthen our youth ties, as very soon, these young people can be Rotaractors, Rotarians, or in a Friends of Rotary group.

This will not happen by itself. Clubs need to act. NOW.

Ian Willetts,
MUNA Co-ordinator,
District 9910/9920.
29 May 2017



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MUNA 2017 —A Delegates View

Model United Nations Assembly

In what seems a testing time in global history, Auckland Rotary MUNA once again welcomed vigorous debate focused on the most pressing issues of our day. This event saw high school students sacrificing personal viewpoints and instead adopting those of their delegated country, with alliances comprised and looks exchanged in only minutes of an early start on Friday. Delegates represented their countries not only through speech but through costume; in a crowd of abundant colour, one could spot an Abba inspired Sweden, latex and all, and even a human size Kiwi amongst his Lord of the Rings companions.

The event was predominately separated into block meetings and five remit presentations, where a number of one memorable one liners were to be spoken by the likes of Russia and Mexico.

The first bloc meetings entailed countries rallying and voting for a representative leader. These meetings saw certain blocks, like Western Europe, opt for the smaller yet neutral voice of Cyprus, whereas Eastern Europe unified together in the hopes than any country other than Russia would represent them. Given Croatia seemed to present the most animosity, they were voted in almost unanimously. Nigeria successfully argued through identifying common issues in a concise manner. Argentina won over Latin America with a creative method of sherbet bribery, and Yemen was voted in the Asia Pacific Bloc as the most compelling opposition to North Korea.

The Asia Pacific focus was predominately upon peace, stability and monitoring aggressors, but even their debate got aggressive with China refusing to give up nuclear weaponry, and North Korea ceasing to speak at all. All criticism turned to Russia in the Eastern Block issue regarding the prevention of authoritarian regimes. Africa recognised their holistic problems in water infrastructure, political instability, Chinese influence, and their relationship with the Eastern Block, though disputes occurred due to differing morality. Discussion in the Western Block focussed

on Britain's exit from the European Union and methods in combating the refugee crisis.

Whilst delegates presented in remit debates other countries were restlessly exchanging notes of challenge and proposition. The delegates utilised a fusion of humour and intellect to tackle prevalent topics in a perspective driven manner, and were often faced with testing 'point of information'. Some remits, like that of improving water and sanitation, resulted in an unanimous voice vote, whereas others, like the remit regarding the free movement of asylum seekers and refugees, triggered numerous lengthy discord and thus ultimately called for a card vote.

Amendments formulated during the debate were also voted upon, ultimately creating a dichotomy between at times compromise, and at others an unwavering political stance. These remits, and the others regarding the protection of indigenous rights, examining renewable energy sources and free vaccinations in less developed countries were carried. An impromptu debate regarding the poor treatment of Chechen homosexual men however was not. Political scientist Dr. Paul Buchanan spoke on Saturday and alluded a prevalent idea on media exposure felling terrorism.

Delegates who often had the most lasting influence presented simplistic messages, yet were able to rebut through sound historical knowledge and an awareness of global current affairs beyond their own boundaries. Many entered with the preliminary perspective that the main influencers would be Russia, America, and China, yet countries like Israel, Azerbaijan, Papua New Guinea and Cyrus had paramount influence in block and remit debates. Deputy Prime Minister and guest speaker Paula Bennet truly encapsulated such an idea in saying, "No matter how big or small your country is, your voice can be heard".

Written by Alice Taylor
Member of the Westlake Girls Press Team
 May 2017

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL RESOURCE EXTRA

REGIONAL INFORMATION BULLETIN

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL SOUTH PACIFIC AND PHILIPPINES OFFICE

JUNE2017 VOL 12 No 12



Dear District Governors and Rotary friends,

With the Rotary year coming to an end, I would like to take this moment to congratulate all Rotarians of their engagement, dedication and support, not only to their respective club, but their District, Country, and Zone.

These efforts are reflected in the growth in TRF giving, MyRotary engagement, Presidential Citation recognition, and in some Districts, membership growth.

Behind the scenes I would also like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication of the staff here at the Parramatta office, and our colleagues in the other International Offices. With a small team of 12 full time staff supporting over 63,000 Rotarians, I can attest to the passion and pride all staff take from their roles in supporting you.

From all reports the 2017 International Convention was a wonderful celebration of all things Rotary, with the obvious focus on the Centenary of The Rotary Foundation. With the likes of Bill Gates, and Ashton Kutcher in attendance, the motivation, focus and attention of The Rotary Foundation now looks towards the next 100 years. For those that missed out, Toronto 2018 is only a plane ride away.

To the incoming District Governors, and District Leaders, we wish a you positive start to the new Rotary year and look forward to supporting you over the coming years.

Andrew Best
Supervisor,
Club & District Support

AF per capita	2016/17		April benchmark \$83.33		Zone 7B Cup	
	Zone 8 CUP		Zone 7A CUP			
1	9630	\$ 157.71	3830	\$ 300.87	9910	\$116.80
2	9600	\$ 156.81	3800	\$ 238.15	9980	\$101.36
3	9800	\$ 156.46	3820	\$ 231.88	9930	\$72.56

Annual Fund per Capita	YTD May 16/17 Zone 7 & 8		April Ranking	
1	3830	\$ 300.87	1	Philippines
2	3800	\$ 238.15	3	Philippines
3	3820	\$ 231.88	2	Philippines
4	3810	\$ 193.21	10	Philippines
5	3410	\$ 181.88	8	Indonesia
6	9630	\$ 157.71	5	Australia

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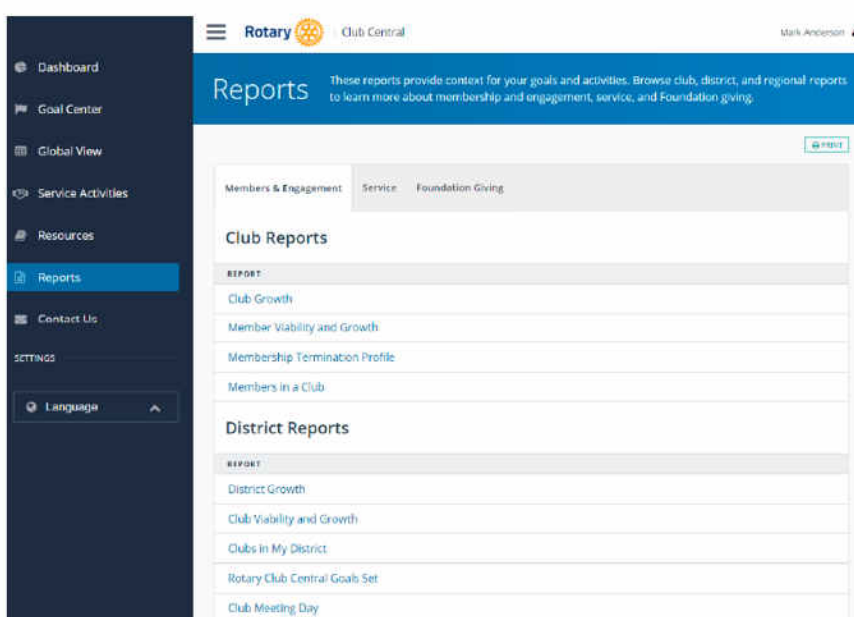
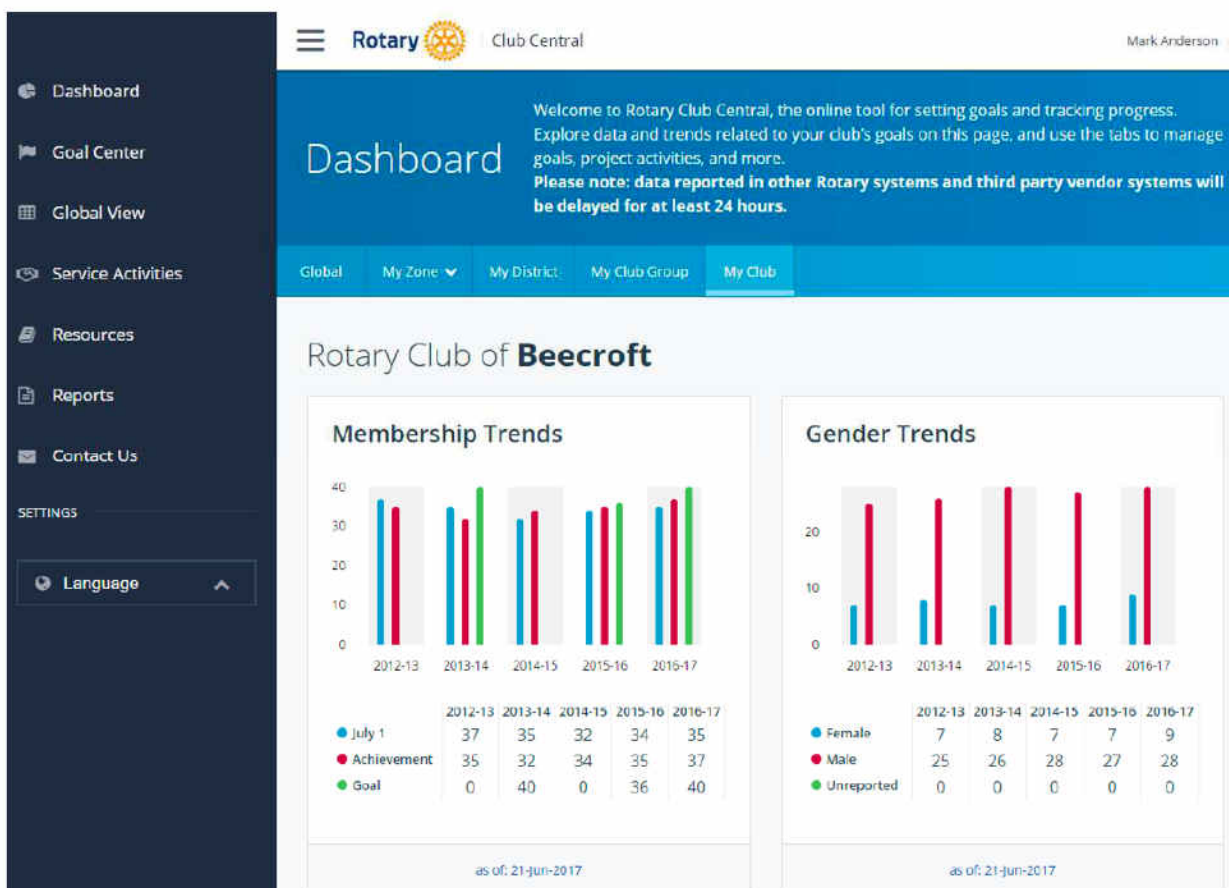


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LAUNCHED !! BRAND NEW ROTARY CLUB CENTRAL

The all new Rotary Club Central is about to go live. Here is what it will look like for all Rotarians logging in to see their clubs progress. This is also where club officers can set, track and log their goals, including the two mandatory goals set by RIPE Ian Riseley.



You can also see how easy it is to view and run reports for all things club related.

Stay tuned for more, with launch in July and training starting at GETS.

With load times under 2 seconds, this new website is very impressive.



New Membership Resource Available

The new online course “Is Your Club Healthy?” is now available through My Rotary in the Learning Center - just in time for the Rotary New Year!

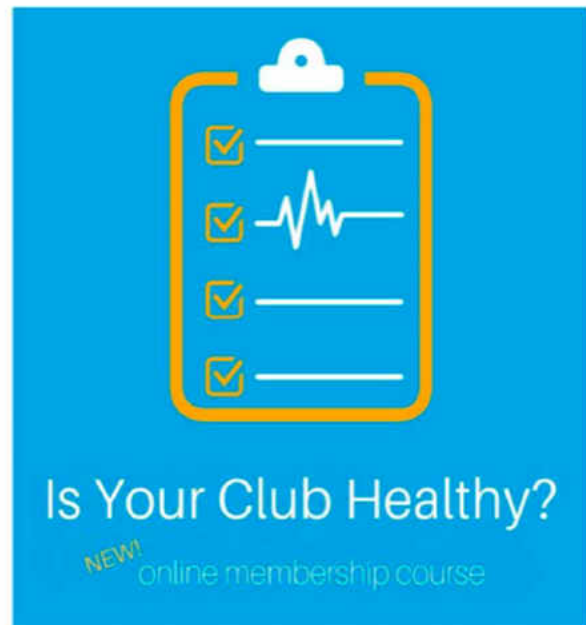
The course has the user take the Rotary Club Health Check (<https://my.rotary.org/en/document/rotary-club-health-check>), then take the eLearning modules which correspond to the areas the health check indicates need the most attention. Lastly, it encourages the user to update their strategic plan, or create one, with suggested ideas and remedies which the club may need most.

There is not a direct link to the course, but one can find it by visiting the Learning Center at <http://learn.rotary.org> and signing in to My Rotary. It is the first course that appears once logged in.

Please feel free to share with those interested in improving the member and club experience!

Additionally, if you have any questions or feedback regarding membership resources,

please don't hesitate to contact me. We're always looking for ways in which we provide better support for Rotary leaders regarding membership matters.



Julie Aubry
Regional Membership Officer for
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IMPACT BEGINS WITH YOU

THE ROTARY DIFFERENCE

Rotary is more than a service organization that's making a difference in your community. We're an international membership organization made up of people who share a passion for and commitment to enhancing communities and improving lives across the world. The difference we make starts with our members.

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ROTARY INTERNATIONAL STATISTICS
As at 31 May 2017

	As at 1 July 2016	As at 30 May 2017	Variance	% Variance	As at 30 May 2017	As at 30 May 2017
	Rotarians	Rotarians	From 1.7.16	From 1.7.16	Districts	Clubs
Worldwide	1,207,906	1,236,554	28,648	2.37%	540	35,484
Australia	29,194	29,246	52	0.18%	21	1,106
New Zealand & Pacific Islands	8,457	8,426	-31	-0.37%	6	265
Philippines	23,109	25,518	2,409	10.42%	10	884
Total SPPO	60,760	63,190	2,430	4.00%	37	2,255

THE REGION IN REVIEW
PHILIPPINES DISTRICTS - ZONE 7A (Part)

District	Clubs 1 July 2016	Clubs 30 May 2017	Variance	Members 1 July 2016	Members 30 May 2017	Variance	% Variance
3770	76	64	-12	1,993	1,757	-236	-11.8%
3780	103	101	-2	2,386	2,557	171	7.2%
3790	103	101	-2	2,612	2,852	240	9.2%
3800	97	99	2	2,358	2,677	319	13.5%
3810	114	122	8	3,038	3,621	583	19.2%
3820	107	108	1	3,001	3,292	291	9.7%
3830	89	94	5	2,701	3,394	693	25.7%
3850	53	52	-1	1,283	1,358	75	5.8%
3860	99	97	-2	2,484	2,632	148	6.0%
3870	44	46	2	1,253	1,378	125	10.0%
Total	885	884	-1	23,109	25,518	2,409	10.4%

NEW ZEALAND DISTRICTS - ZONE 7B (Part)

District	Clubs 1 July 2016	Clubs 30 May 2017	Variance	Members 1 July 2016	Members 30 May 2017	Variance	% Variance
9910	41	42	1	1,093	1,099	6	0.5%
9920	54	51	-3	1,507	1,500	-7	-0.5%
9930	54	53	-1	1,678	1,661	-17	-1.0%
9940	55	55	0	1,750	1,704	-46	-2.6%
9970	33	33	0	1,199	1,203	4	0.3%
9980	29	31	2	1,230	1,259	29	2.4%
Total	266	265	-1	8,457	8,426	-31	-0.4%

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THE REGION IN REVIEW

AUSTRALIAN DISTRICTS - ZONE 8

District	Clubs 1 July 2016	Clubs 30 May 2017	Variance	Members 1 July 2016	Members 30 May 2017	Variance	% Variance
9455	48	49	1	1,204	1,224	20	1.7%
9465	48	48	0	1,273	1,321	48	3.8%
9500	44	44	0	1,105	1,088	-17	-1.5%
9520	50	50	0	1,278	1,293	15	1.2%
9550	45	44	-1	995	999	4	0.4%
9570	48	48	0	1,074	1,081	7	0.7%
9600	65	65	0	1,469	1,453	-16	-1.1%
9630	50	51	1	1,127	1,188	61	5.4%
9640	52	51	-1	1,247	1,246	-1	-0.1%
9650	56	56	0	1,522	1,510	-12	-0.8%
9670	50	49	-1	1,189	1,138	-51	-4.3%
9675	65	63	-2	1,565	1,520	-45	-2.9%
9685	74	72	-2	2,009	2,024	15	0.7%
9700	40	40	0	1,066	1,066	0	0.0%
9710	47	46	-1	1,324	1,338	14	1.1%
9780	59	59	0	1,778	1,777	-1	-0.1%
9790	64	64	0	1,732	1,677	-55	-3.2%
9800	67	67	0	2,418	2,481	63	2.6%
9810	44	44	0	1,141	1,146	5	0.4%
9820	49	49	0	1,375	1,412	37	2.7%
9830	47	47	0	1,303	1,264	-39	-3.0%
Total	1112	1106	-6	29,194	29,246	52	0.2%

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL MAKES THE '20 BEST NONPROFIT WEBSITES'

In a testament to quality of the final product of the public facing pages of our website, this week Rotary.org was recognized as one of the [20 Best Nonprofit Websites](#) by Top Nonprofits, an independent evaluator of the best organizations in our industry. The list included notable nonprofit brands such as Charity Water, World Wildlife Fund, GreenPeace USA, CARE and the Gates Foundation.



ANNUAL FUND—OUR LIFE BLOOD

The contributions to The Annual Fund this Rotary year create the DDF in the Rotary year 19-20. Across the region in all country groups, contributions are positive. Regionally contributions are plus 37%, thanks to outstanding delivery in the Philippines and Indonesia. This growth has been led by the personal belief that giving to our charity at a personal level is first and foremost.

In Australia and New Zealand there are mixed emotions about how the support for the Annual Fund or giving to the Foundation should be managed. For some Rotarians, it is the view that Club fundraising be the only way to support The Foundation annual fund, while in others joining the Centurion program or Paul Harris Society greatly help the overall contributions.

Rotarians and Rotary Clubs are great at fundraising for many different causes, but how many times do you see a Club go to the public and say that they are raising funds for a particular Rotary project. That project could be Global Grant that the Club is sponsoring. The learning in fundraising is to be specific as to where the funds are going and the support will be greater.

As this year is just about over, let's look to the year ahead and make sure that The Rotary Foundation is our number one charity of choice not only for individual contributions but also from a Club fundraising point of view.

The readers of this newsletter are Rotarians of influence within their Districts. Many are on District Committees. Many are on the Foundation Committee. First and foremost, the influence is to get engagement, either by contributing to, or participating in a grant. Across the region only 32% of Rotarians make a contribution, so there is plenty of upside to grow the contributions to the Annual Fund which provides the DDF to support the funding of these great projects.

Mark Anderson
Senior Coordinator Fund Development

Percentage of Rotarians Contributing



ANNUAL FUND - YTD MAY 2017

AUSTRALIA

DISTRICT	YTD MAY 16	YTD MAY 17	INCREASE
D9455	\$137,435	\$148,200	7.8%
D9465	\$76,383	\$66,889	-12.4%
D9500	\$106,397	\$69,494	-34.7%
D9520	\$163,310	\$85,804	-47.5%
D9550	\$75,849	\$75,330	-0.7%
D9570	\$54,499	\$43,428	-20.3%
D9600	\$102,945	\$230,351	123.8%
D9630	\$102,233	\$177,736	73.9%
D9640	\$105,621	\$66,622	-36.9%
D9650	\$81,889	\$65,542	-20.0%
D9670	\$61,629	\$50,975	-17.3%
D9675	\$144,661	\$198,985	37.6%
D9685	\$293,143	\$248,623	-15.2%
D9700	\$71,962	\$47,492	-34.0%
D9710	\$100,209	\$94,831	-5.4%
D9780	\$136,232	\$148,209	8.8%
D9790	\$89,818	\$123,070	37.0%
D9800	\$291,275	\$378,314	29.9%
D9810	\$152,890	\$136,573	-10.7%
D9820	\$87,719	\$95,414	8.8%
D9830	\$90,951	\$70,894	-22.1%
TOTAL	\$2,527,048	\$2,622,779	3.8%

NEW ZEALAND & PACIFIC ISLANDS

DISTRICT	YTD MAY 16	YTD MAY 17	INCREASE
9910	\$86,131	\$127,666	48.2%
9920	\$77,809	\$97,702	25.6%
9930	\$79,891	\$121,758	52.4%
9940	\$81,100	\$57,749	-28.8%
9970	\$72,925	\$64,156	-12.0%
9980	\$124,649	\$124,676	0.0%
TOTAL	\$522,504	\$593,707	13.6%

PHILIPPINES

DISTRICT	YTD MAY 16	YTD MAY 17	INCREASE
3770	\$55,120	\$93,866	70.3%
3780	\$317,984	\$312,506	-1.7%
3790	\$282,492	\$283,164	0.2%
3800	\$180,854	\$561,547	210.5%
3810	\$322,437	\$586,979	82.0%
3820	\$278,601	\$695,879	149.8%
3830	\$423,690	\$812,650	91.8%
3850	\$155,407	\$157,653	1.4%
3860	\$215,994	\$320,578	48.4%
3870	\$48,522	\$122,839	153.2%
TOTAL	\$2,281,101	\$3,947,660	73.1%

INDONESIA

DISTRICT	YTD MAY 16	YTD MAY 17	INCREASE
3410	\$62,124	\$209,884	237.8%
3420	\$103,387	\$173,672	68.0%
TOTAL	\$165,511	\$383,556	131.7%

TOTAL ALL REGIONS	\$5,496,166	\$7,547,702	37.3%
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PER CAPITA GIVING

Start a Conversation? 30 years ago most Rotarians understood the term "per Capita". Today it would seem that the terminology has all but disappeared from the regular Rotarian vocabulary. The per capita is a good indicator of the health of the Club or District in respect to Foundation contributions to the Annual Fund. The per capita should be something that every Club publishes in its weekly bulletin to members so that they are aware of how their Club is progressing. As we all know the goal of the Foundation is to achieve a per capita of US\$100. For as long as I can remember, this has been the goal. Yet for many Clubs and District this seems a real stretch.

If the per capita became part of the regular conversation within a Club, giving at a personal level would become second nature. Club giving to the Annual Fund then becomes the icing on the cake.



In many Clubs the term per capita is also misunderstood. The measure of per capita giving is based on total giving to the Annual Fund **ONLY** by members of a Club or District, including Club and or District base contributions. Contributions to a grant, to Polio, or the Endowment are not included in the per capita measure.

To help maintain the focus, we do have the regional Per Capita Cup, for each of the three regions that this office supports. For some this is very hotly contested and some Districts manage to hang on to the Cup year after year. This year, being the Centennial year of the Foundation, has created an opportunity to extend the reach and grow individual contributions. This in turn has changed the mix and for the first time in a number of years we may see some new Districts at the top of the leader board.

New Arch Klumph Society and Paul Harris Society members are starting to deliver big impact on the per capita numbers. In this past year we have seen unprecedented growth in both Societies and this in turn helps deliver a stronger per capita giving.

Let's start the conversation and get all Rotarians understanding and increasing their clubs per capita giving.

Mark Anderson
Senior Coordinator Fund Development



PER CAPITA YTD MAY 2017				
AUSTRALIA				
DISTRICT	AF	POLIO	OTHER	TOTAL
9455	\$123.09	\$42.23	\$0.74	\$166.06
9465	\$52.54	\$30.15	\$11.03	\$93.72
9500	\$62.89	\$25.00	\$0.00	\$87.89
9520	\$67.14	\$12.17	\$0.00	\$79.37
9550	\$75.71	\$24.78	\$0.00	\$104.48
9570	\$40.44	\$22.04	\$0.98	\$64.39
9600	\$156.81	\$22.63	\$0.00	\$202.18
9630	\$157.71	\$73.40	\$0.00	\$233.19
9640	\$53.43	\$52.16	\$4.21	\$188.02
9650	\$43.06	\$8.47	\$0.00	\$51.54
9670	\$42.87	\$24.53	\$4.98	\$72.77
9675	\$127.15	\$21.49	\$2.01	\$150.68
9685	\$123.75	\$63.52	\$24.72	\$221.65
9700	\$44.55	\$23.10	\$0.00	\$67.65
9710	\$71.62	\$51.82	\$0.00	\$126.24
9780	\$83.36	\$37.96	\$12.87	\$138.37
9790	\$71.06	\$14.95	\$0.00	\$87.29
9800	\$156.46	\$17.69	\$0.00	\$176.29
9810	\$119.70	\$47.61	\$12.45	\$179.75
9820	\$69.39	\$10.06	\$0.00	\$79.45
9830	\$54.41	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$125.86
TOTAL	\$89.84	\$29.64	\$4.01	\$132.64
NEW ZEALAND & PACIFIC ISLANDS				
DISTRICT	AF	POLIO	OTHER	TOTAL
9910	\$116.80	\$16.97	\$2.55	\$139.07
9920	\$64.83	\$19.74	\$23.28	\$107.97
9930	\$72.56	\$21.87	\$12.67	\$130.70
9940	\$33.00	\$8.43	\$3.51	\$45.76
9970	\$53.51	\$17.76	\$3.26	\$74.52
9980	\$101.36	\$17.51	\$1.71	\$120.58
TOTAL	\$70.20	\$16.86	\$8.43	\$100.72
PHILIPPINES & INDONESIA				
DISTRICT	AF	POLIO	OTHER	TOTAL
3770	\$47.10	\$3.57	\$0.00	\$51.17
3780	\$130.97	\$2.58	\$0.00	\$133.98
3790	\$108.41	\$4.17	\$0.00	\$112.96
3800	\$238.15	\$10.36	\$2.44	\$252.21
3810	\$193.21	\$12.06	\$1.34	\$206.77
3820	\$231.88	\$8.99	\$3.36	\$244.90
3830	\$300.87	\$28.76	\$13.20	\$343.38
3850	\$122.88	\$3.50	\$11.86	\$138.24
3860	\$129.06	\$22.41	\$0.62	\$154.91
3870	\$98.04	\$9.58	\$0.00	\$107.61
3410	\$181.88	\$24.23	\$5.46	\$220.31
3420	\$156.32	\$20.34	\$5.88	\$201.91
TOTAL	\$170.09	\$16.83	\$4.40	\$198.66

END POLIO NOW

Regionally we are contributing well to the End Polio campaign. As can be seen, as a region we are 3.5% ahead of last year's contributions at the end of May. This may well be good news, but for the fact that in Australia which makes up over 65% of polio contributions in this region, we are down over 12% against the same time last year.

By now many of you who attended the International convention in Atlanta, will have heard the great news. The news that year to date there have only been SIX reported new cases of Polio. You will have also heard the news that at the convention Bill Gates announced greater support to the \$2 for \$1 in support of Polio. Bill announced that the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation would increase from \$70m to \$100 a year for the next three years with Rotarians being asked to raise \$50m per year, up from \$35m per year.

This is a big ask, yet a reasonable ask in that as Bill Gates said "Without Rotary the eradication of Polio could not be achieved?" There will be added focus to the "This Close" campaign because as of June 21st there have been only six new cases reported and at this point in time we have never been closer to the end. As you can see in the supporting graphic there is a scoreboard for the three endemic countries. We need to keep up the pressure for the three years after the last case has been reported to be able to declare the world polio free.

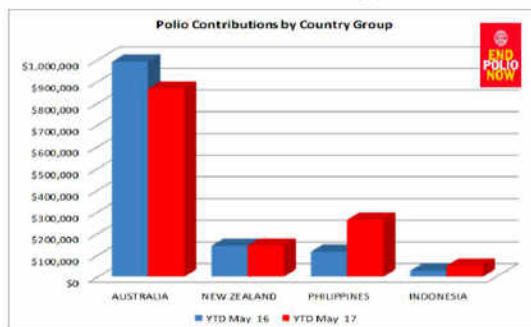
By the time you read this it will be nearly over for this year's contributions, but we ask that you all play your part and really focus on the next three years. If you are on a District Foundation committee, ask yourself, "What am I going to do to ensure that we as Rotarians deliver on our promise to the children of the world."

In Australia and New Zealand, the bulk of the contributions come from the Clubs. In the Philippines and Indonesia, the majority of the contributions come from the individual Rotarians.

Let's be innovative like D9685 where they used a DDF match from Clubs to contribute US\$2650. As you can see this pushed actual contributions to Polio up over 50% in that District.

Look ahead and ensure that your District has a contribution plan to End Polio Now.

Mark Anderson
Senior Coordinator Fund Development.



POLIO CHALLENGE - YTD MAY 2017			
AUSTRALIA			
DISTRICT	YTD MAY 16	YTD MAY 17	INCREASE
9455	\$34,114	\$50,842	49.0%
9465	\$200,045	\$38,377	-80.8%
9500	\$17,630	\$27,625	56.7%
9520	\$34,578	\$15,557	-55.0%
9550	\$46,764	\$24,658	-47.3%
9570	\$14,035	\$23,674	68.7%
9600	\$35,642	\$33,244	-6.7%
9630	\$171,716	\$82,726	-51.8%
9640	\$30,728	\$65,041	111.7%
9650	\$25,466	\$12,897	-49.4%
9670	\$22,275	\$29,165	30.9%
9675	\$30,892	\$33,638	8.9%
9685	\$83,051	\$127,618	53.7%
9700	\$12,438	\$24,624	98.0%
9710	\$47,030	\$68,607	45.9%
9780	\$35,357	\$67,493	90.9%
9790	\$35,048	\$25,895	-26.1%
9800	\$31,215	\$42,778	37.0%
9810	\$26,517	\$54,323	104.9%
9820	\$43,883	\$13,829	-68.5%
9830	\$11,992	\$2,609	-78.2%
TOTAL	\$990,416	\$865,220	-12.6%
NEW ZEALAND AND PACIFIC ISLANDS			
DISTRICT	YTD MAY 16	YTD MAY 17	INCREASE
9910	\$18,814	\$18,549	-1.4%
9920	\$26,533	\$29,741	12.1%
9930	\$25,184	\$36,704	45.7%
9940	\$34,327	\$14,752	-57.0%
9970	\$18,238	\$21,294	16.8%
9980	\$19,360	\$21,532	11.2%
TOTAL	\$142,456	\$142,573	0.1%
PHILIPPINES			
DISTRICT	YTD MAY 16	YTD MAY 17	INCREASE
3770	\$2,211	\$7,111	221.6%
3780	\$576	\$6,159	969.8%
3790	\$14,755	\$10,894	-26.2%
3800	\$34,408	\$24,422	-29.0%
3810	\$21,644	\$36,625	69.2%
3820	\$480	\$26,980	5515.8%
3830	\$18,463	\$77,676	320.7%
3850	\$2,634	\$4,489	70.4%
3860	\$16,425	\$55,661	238.9%
3870	\$3,815	\$12,002	214.6%
TOTAL	\$115,412	\$262,019	127.0%
INDONESIA			
DISTRICT	YTD MAY 16	YTD MAY 17	INCREASE
3410	\$15,276	\$27,967	83.1%
3420	\$12,695	\$22,592	78.0%
TOTAL	\$27,972	\$50,559	80.7%
ALL REGIONS TOTALS	\$1,276,255	\$1,320,370	3.5%

FINANCE MATTERS

Fiscal Year End

For Australian clubs and districts, please be guided by the following link on [Ways to Give](#) to the Foundation.

For your reference, the JUNE 2017 RI exchange rate for AUD is AUD1.35 to USD1.00.

Club Invoices for July-December 2017

Please assist us in generating your club invoices. Please ensure that current club officers update the following by 30 June 2017:

- a) designated *incoming* club officers
- b) valid email addresses of incoming club officers
- c) club membership updates
- d) Subscriptions

Membership Dues for Rotary Year 2017-2018

	FOR AUSTRALIAN CLUBS ONLY		
	Dues** US\$	GST US\$	Total with GST US\$
Jul17-Dec17	30.00	3.00	33.00
Council on Legislation levy (RY2017-2018)*	1.50	0.15	1.65
Jan18-Jun18	30.00	3.00	33.00
Total for the year	61.50	6.15	67.65

*COL is billed together with the July 2017 Club Invoice

**Dues applicable to all clubs. GST applies only to clubs in Australia.

January 2017 Club Invoice Collection Status as at 15 June 2017

There are 13 clubs in the Philippines and one club in the Pacific Islands that have been terminated for non-payment of membership dues. These are clubs that have outstanding balances of USD250 and above.

Requests for reinstatement involve the payment of reinstatement fees of USD30/member plus the current outstanding balance. These requests will only be accepted until 23 October 2017.

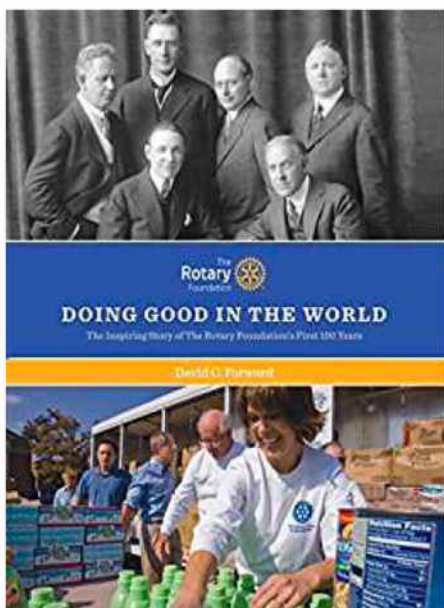


The Rotary Foundation Grants Paid by our Regional Office in May 2017

Contributions and partnerships formed with overseas clubs benefit communities in dire need of humanitarian aid. Just this past month alone, The Rotary Foundation through this office has paid over USD500,00 toward various projects aligned with Rotary's six areas of focus.

Area of Focus	Grant Title	Country	USD Amount
Water and Sanitation	La Majada Water System in San Jacinto, Guatemala	Guatemala	41,842
	Water and Sanitation project in Los Puentes-Opatoro, Honduras	Honduras	88,045
	BARANGAY MAYURO WATER SYSTEM	Philippines	47,285
	Water Filters and Composting Toilets For Tribal Areas of the Marilog District of Davao City	Philippines	60,501
Disease Prevention and Treatment	UPGRADE OF PHILIPPINE RED CROSS SAN PABLO CITY CHAPTER	Philippines	31,412
	Cebu Blood Collection	Philippines	43,444
	Blood Transfusion Car and ELISA blood screening test donation to Karangasem Regency - Bali	Indonesia	35,325
	Establish a Blood Collecting Unit at Philippine Red Cross Malabon City Chapter	Philippines	41,500
Economic and Community Development	Global Grant Scholarship Caroline English	Australia	30,000
Maternal Health and Childcare	Let's Save Infant Lives at Batangas Medical Center	Philippines	84,255
Total Grants		USD	503,609





Doing Good in the World: The Inspiring Story of The Rotary Foundation's First 100 Years. The Rotary Foundation Centennial, this book vividly documents the Foundation's history, the development of its programs, and the difference that Rotarians have made around the world.

US\$40.00 each

Available for purchase: <https://shop.rotary.org>

Please remember that all items for sale in the Rotary Shop are shown in USD, please use the exchange rates below to calculate the amount in AUD (plus GST) or NZD if paying by Bank Deposit or Cheque.

Thank you.

DATES TO REMEMBER		
Date	Meeting/Event	Venue
29-31 August 2017	GETS Zone 8	Darwin, Australia
1-3 September 2017	Institute Zone 8	Darwin, Australia
5-7 September 2017	GETS Zone 7B	Auckland, NZ
8-10 September 2017	Symposium Zone 7B	Auckland, NZ
28-30 November 2017	GETS Zones 6B, 7A, 10B	Taipei, Taiwan
1-3 December 2017	Institutes Zones 6B, 7A, 10B	Taipei, Taiwan
23-27 June 2018	Rotary International Convention	Toronto, Canada

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE RATES AGAINST THE US\$			
Date	Australia	New Zealand	Philippines
July 2017	1.32	1.37	50.00
June 2017	1.35	1.45	50.00
April 2017	1.35	1.45	50.00

ROTARY INTERNATIONAL MOTOR VEHICLE RATES—PER KM RATE			
Date	Australia AU\$	New Zealand NZ\$	Philippines PHP
April 2017	0.66	0.73	23.52
May 2017	0.66	0.73	23.52



Kenyan clubs celebrate Foundation centennial

By Valentine Nyakiere, a member of the Rotary Cub of Nyeri, Kenya

**Rotary
Voices**

We wanted to celebrate [The Rotary Foundation Centennial](#) by addressing the health challenges of people in Kenya. So clubs in District 9212 came up with the idea to hold medical camps across the country and provide much needed health services to hundreds. This was also perfect timing as doctors in Kenya had gone on a strike that lasted 100 days!

We formed a district centenary committee of club presidents chaired by Joe Kamau, president of the Nairobi East Rotary Club, and held our first medical camp at Kashani Primary School in Kiembeni, Mombasa, on 11 March.

The camp served over a thousand people; with the major benefit being that the community was educated on TB Guinea Worm which is quite rampant in the area. A second camp was held at ACK St. Paul's Cathedral Church in Embu on 18 March.

In the [July 1965 edition of The Rotarian magazine](#), then RI President C.P.H. Teenstra stated:

“This, fellow Rotarian, is what binds us together: a unity of desire and a unity of purpose to serve society and to serve mankind, but a unity in diversity.”

This spirit is what kept the team together, as visiting clubs had to travel not less than 100 kilometers to make the rotational meetings.

A happy recipient of health care during the centennial medical camp.

The third and final medical camp took place on 25 March at St. Catherine's Primary School in Nairobi. The camp focused on services to children under 15 years old and their caregivers. The camp served 1,200 people, more than half being children. The St. Catherine's Clinic staff and local community health workers played a huge role in providing services and controlling the lines.

After the final medical camp, the main committee donated surplus medicine to three charity projects: The St. Catherine's School Clinic, HOPE Citadel Foundation, Rotary Club of Utumishi and The Kuwinda fire tragedy.

Rotarians made the centennial project happen. They offered their medical skills, provided entertainment, and helped secure media coverage. To a person, they described the experience as rewarding and satisfying.

Learn how you can [help Rotary fight disease](#).



Rotary members worked with the Hope Citadel Foundation to provide health care at the medical camps.



A happy recipient of health care during the centennial medical camp.

The following four pages from Interplast



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Congratulations to Turia and Michael



Earlier this month our inspiring Ambassador Turia Pitt revealed on *60 Minutes* that she had to return home early from our fundraising trek in Nepal because she was pregnant. We're so thrilled for Turia and Michael at this wonderful news, and wish them all the best on this next adventure.

Watch the 60 Minutes interview on YouTube. [CLICK HERE](#)

While in Nepal, Turia watched an Interplast team at work at the Kirtipur Hospital, where she met Radj, a boy who couldn't smile. **[Turia reflects on Radj's story on her website. CLICK HERE](#)**



The latest edition of our regular newsletter, **Inside Interplast**, is now available as a pdf document on our website.

This edition features stories from PNG, Myanmar, Fiji and Cambodia, a short report and photo from Turia Pitt's visit to Nepal, and some beautiful images from Tonga.

Read Inside Interplast [here](#).

You can also read the newsletter's front page story about our PNG program on our [website](#).

Long-term investment in training produces results for plastic surgeons

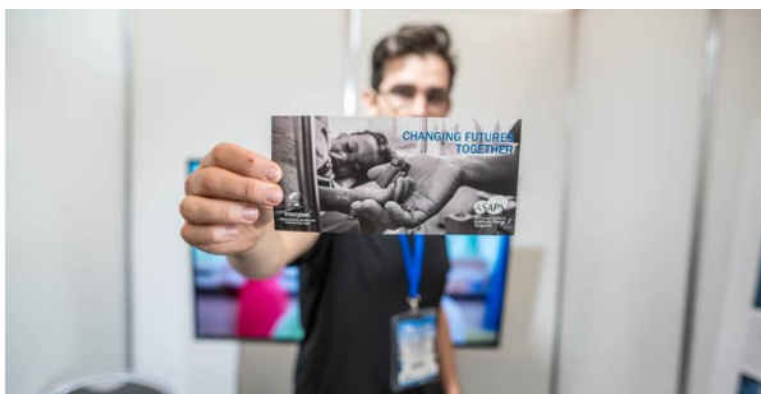


Across the Asia Pacific, local surgeons are growing in expertise with long-term Interplast support.

In Papua New Guinea, we have been working with Dr John Maihua for almost 15 years, supporting his ongoing training and professional development. When our teams first met Dr Maihua, he was a trainee in PNG's plastics program. Now he is the only fully qualified plastic surgeon in PNG, serving a population of 7.6 million people.

[Find out more about Dr Maihua's story on our website.](#) [CLICK HERE](#)

ASAPS and Interplast join forces



We are delighted to announce that the Australasian Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgeons (ASAPS) has chosen Interplast Australia & New Zealand as its preferred charity partner.

ASAPS has been one of the peak bodies for cosmetic surgery in Australia and New Zealand for 40 years.

The partnership was officially launched and promoted to all ASAPS members at the recent Non-Surgical Symposium on the Gold Coast, one of the biggest events in the ASAPS calendar.

[Find out more on our website.](#) [CLICK HERE](#)

Celebrate the 10th Eureka Climb with us



Interplast has been a part of the Eureka Climb since its inception in 2008. This year we're excited to be celebrating 10 years of climbs to the best views in Melbourne from the Eureka Skydeck.

On Sunday, 19 November, participants will ascend 1642 steps over 88 floors to the Skydeck, the highest observation deck in the Southern Hemisphere.

Find out more on our website, go straight to the **Eureka Climb website to register**, and get a taste of the views that await you on the **Eureka Skydeck website**.

[Click here Skydeck](#)

[Click here Register Eureka Climb](#)

[Click here Website info](#)

Corporate supporters changing futures

We couldn't do our life-changing work throughout the Asia Pacific without support from across the community, including our many generous corporate partners. Along with valuable financial support, they also provide us with supplies, promote our work and give their employees opportunities to volunteer their time and skills to raise money and awareness for Interplast.

Find out about all our corporate partners on the Interplast website. [CLICK HERE](#)

A variety of programs for June



We've finished off the financial year with a variety of programs. We started June with the arrival of an anaesthetist from Myanmar for a six-week placement in Melbourne under the supervision of various Interplast volunteers. We delivered a week-long nurse education program in Solomon Islands, a two-week surgical and training program to Rabaul in PNG, and a hand surgery and therapy mentoring program is being delivered during the last week of June in Colombo, Sri Lanka. This visit also includes a review of our Sri Lankan programs. We also supported the annual Mongolian Society of Anaesthetists conference, which took place in Ulaanbaatar.

Tax appeal: time is running out to donate

The end of the financial year is only a couple of days away, but there's still time to donate to our **Tax Appeal** if you want your deduction to apply to this year's tax return. Many thanks if you have already donated. [CLICK HERE](#)

**Find out more and make your donation
at: www.interplast.org.au/donate**

[CLICK HERE](#)



Another great Rotary International Convention has come and gone and our thoughts now turn to Toronto in 2018. It was great meeting up and working alongside our ShelterBox colleagues from our affiliates around the world.

My apologies for not being able to get the June issue out to you whilst in Atlanta, but I have formed a double issue this month by joining June and July.

Our work continues apace around the world and we are currently working on a number of deployments which you can read more about in our Operations Update.

Our 'Shine for ShelterBox' Campaign will get underway shortly and we invite as many of you as possible to join in and host a candlelit supper, lunch, dinner party or other such function to help us to Shine a Light for those less fortunate and in need of our help!

You can register your event to receive a 'Shine for ShelterBox' campaign pack by clicking on the link below.

Please [register here](#).

'LEAVING THEIR MARK ON THE WORLD'



The Colombian town of Mocoa sits in a picturesque part of the country where the Andes crumbles into the Amazon – it's a mixture of jungle, monkeys and waterfalls.

But last March, torrential rain to the Putumayo region turned Mocoa into a town of tragedy. A third of the region's expected monthly rain fell in just one night, bringing an onslaught of mud, trees and rocks.

More than 250 people died, while hundreds were left without shelter as whole neighbourhoods were crushed by the landslides.

ShelterBox was alerted to the crisis by Rotarian Gloria Cajavilca.

[Read more >](#)

'CLIMATE CHANGE'



President Donald Trump has announced that the U.S. is withdrawing from the 2015 Paris climate agreement. (Via BBC)

Global disaster relief agency, ShelterBox, offers comment on President Donald Trump's decision to withdraw America from the Paris Agreement on Climate Change.

ShelterBox has grown over 17 years into an international organisation with affiliates all over the world. Their experience in the world's disaster and conflict zones has given unique insight on the effects of extreme weather events.

"Climate change is not fake news. America leaving the Paris Climate Change Agreement is incredibly disappointing and could mean even more hardship for the most vulnerable people on our planet. Through our work with devastated communities across the world, we've seen first-hand how the growth and movement of populations combined with poverty and increasing extreme weather events means more and more families are dealing with the consequences - including flooding, landslides, drought, famine, and tropical storms.



Typhoon Haiyan as seen from space

Leaders in the global community have a responsibility to unite and do more to protect the people who are impacted the hardest by these events."

- Chief Executive of ShelterBox, Chris Warham