

# The Western Port Channel Rotary Club of Hastings Western Port



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Details soon



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## Message from the President

Hi there,

When we last met we had a lovely breakfast at the Beach Hut, the Sponsors for our Golf day were invited as a thank you, 5 sponsors attended and thanks to those members who made the effort to an early start of the day. The food was yummy, just love to start the day with bacon and eggs, especially if you don't have to cook.

I hope all have had a lovely Easter and have not eaten too many Easter eggs but then I have heard that good quality chocolate is beneficial.

This week Linda has worked hard in organising the Library shelves to be donated to DIK. All that remains is for them to be loaded into a van and transported to their warehouse.

A working bee is needed on Monday night and there are some details on the flyer attached. The van is booked and I will be picking it up on Monday arvo for us to load on Monday night. I will be driving the loaded van on Tuesday to Donations in Kind.

The DIK organization is happy to have the shelves and they will be off to some place that will put them to good use and I am sure we will hear from them where they ended up.

Hope to see you on Monday night for this great donation to DIK, many hands make light work.

Cheers

President Faye

Apologies to secretary@rotaryhastings.org.au



**Important Dates:**

District Conference 27-29 March

# Rotary Hastings Western Port & DIK



**MORNINGTON PENINSULA  
LIBRARY SERVICE**  
HASTINGS | MORNINGTON | ROSEBUD | SOMERVILLE | MOBILE

*Library shelving being donated to DIK from Mornington Peninsula Library Service. Thanks to Linda Humphries for liaising with Library Management and DIK to make this happen.*

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 6:00 pm

Rotary Hastings Western Port, DIK project

We need to pack a truck with Library shelving and deliver to DIK.

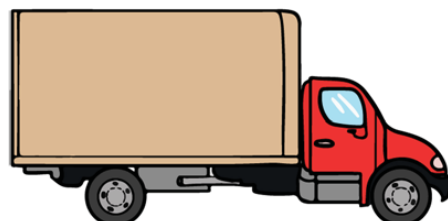
Not heavy work! Shelves will be dismantled, all we need to do is move and pack into the truck.



Pizza

BYO drinks

Tea & Coffee provided



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# International News



Happy clap everyone

Gary C.K. HUANG  
Rotary International President



## **POLIO VACCINE CELEBRATES 60TH ANNIVERSARY**



Sunday, 12 April, marks 60 years since the Salk polio vaccine was declared safe, effective, and potent. In that time, the number of polio cases has dropped by 99 percent worldwide. With just three countries remaining polio-endemic, we are closer than ever to eradicating this crippling disease.

Jonas Salk's inactivated polio vaccine (IPV) has been crucial in helping us reach our goal of a polio-free world. Before the vaccine was widely available, in the United States alone, polio

crippled more than 35,000 people each year. By 1957 -- two years after the introduction of Salk's vaccine -- cases in the U.S. had fallen by almost 90 percent, and by 1979, polio had been eradicated there.

The impact on the rest of the world has taken longer. In 1988, when Rotary International launched the Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) with its partners at the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, polio continued to cripple children in 125 countries. Today, polio remains endemic in only three: Afghanistan, Nigeria, and Pakistan. And it has been more than eight months since Nigeria's last case, making a polio-free Africa a real possibility.

Salk's vaccine will play an important role in the end-game strategy against polio when 120 countries introduce IPV into their routine polio immunization systems this year. Leading that effort are the GPEI partners and Gavi, a global vaccine alliance, along with Sanofi Pasteur, the largest manufacturer of polio vaccine.

"As more than 120 countries in the world are introducing IPV, we are beginning the last chapter on polio eradication," said Olivier Charmeil, Sanofi Pasteur's chief executive officer. "At Sanofi Pasteur, we have had a long-term vision of IPV as the ultimate public health tool able to finish the job started with Oral Polio Vaccine (OPV)."



Watch Huang's membership message  
<http://vimeo.com/102266910>



# District 9820 News

District Governor: Charlie Speirs  
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Rotarians never cease to amaze me! This month I have shared in fund raising events, been involved in final Conference planning and heard some exciting Rotary stories. I was invited to be present at one Club where a large cheque to be handed over for Motor Neurone Disease research...a good news story that turned out to be a classic case of starting a conversation, joining the dots and bringing parties together for a super outcome. The conversation between the Pakenham Inner Wheel and Rotary Clubs regarding Motor Neurone Disease fund raising and research grew to someone drawing in a third party, introducing that person to a fourth party (researchers) and creating an outcome whereby a five year funding agreement resulted in a cheque for \$3 million – yes, you're reading it correctly! – handed over from the Stafford Fox Medical Research Foundation to the Florey Research Institute to accelerate research into finding a cure for Motor Neurone Disease. Well done to all concerned – you continue to LIGHT UP ROTARY

With March being Literacy Month, I am happy to let you know that we have progressed literacy within our own country by supporting a Global Grant to access Library books for an indigenous community near Cairns in Queensland. This is a slightly different use for a Global Grant being used in Australia rather than overseas but desperately needed nonetheless.

As Presidents, remember that statements towards Presidential Citations close at the end of March – at this point of time I only have a few so please consider the work done by your Club during the year and even if you are unsure, it costs nothing to forward the completed brochure to me. If I have any questions or queries I will contact you to clarify potential areas of possibility.

As you would be aware, Vanuatu has been devastated by the recent weather event and as we usually do, D9820 is already looking at how best to use some of our Emergency moneys toward the RAWCS fund. This has been put together by the District Governors in Australia after a very legitimate looking email was circulated requesting monetary donations from a reliable source, but which turned out to be a scam. As a result, an immediate RAWCS fund was introduced. Disaster Aid Australia has also moved quickly to look at how best it can provide support at this time. As we tend to do, however, D9820 has held back on offers of any other aid until the need is known more fully and the country moves into recovery mode. Watch this space. We have Clubs in the District which already have operations in Vanuatu and they are also keeping their ears and eyes open for areas of opportunity to assist.



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## District Events

APRIL is ROTARY MAGAZINE MONTH  
Apr 01, 2015 – Apr 30, 2015  
EASTER

Apr 03, 2015 – Apr 06, 2015  
Tarra Festival Art Show RC Yarram  
Apr 03, 2015 – Apr 06, 2015

GSE (D9820 Australia) Farewell  
Dinner  
Apr 04, 2015

GSE (D2430 Turkey) Farewell de-  
part for home  
Apr 04, 2015

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Farewell Dinner  
Apr 04, 2015

RYLA Weekend Camp  
Apr 10, 2015 – Apr 12, 2015

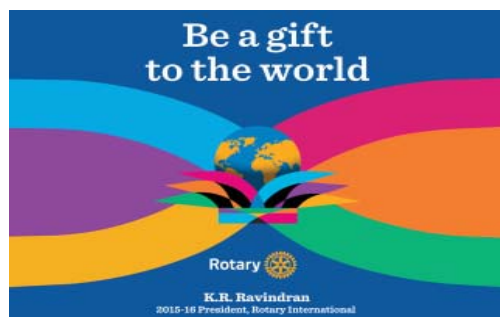
Rotary Leadership Institute  
session 2  
Lakeside Lutheran College  
Apr 12, 2015  
9:30 AM – 3:00 PM

MUNA: Close for delegate applica-  
tions  
Apr 14, 2015

GSE Team departs for Turkey  
Apr 15, 2015

District Presidents Elect Training  
(PETS)  
Apr 18, 2015

District Assembly (Club member  
Growth and Development  
Apr 19, 2015



## A message from Merv Williams DG Elect 2015-2016

For your Diary

Saturday, April 18 -  
District President Elect Training Seminar

Sunday, April 19 –  
District Assembly – For all club Presidents, Presidents  
Elect, Directors & members.

Full details of these district events will be circulated  
closer to the day.

## St John of God Berwick Hospital Day Oncology Centre Fund-raiser

Looking for people to frock up  
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I am writing to let you know that the Rotary Club of Berwick and the St John of God Berwick Hospital are conducting a Charity Gala Ball on Friday, May 22nd 2015; at The Grand, 90 Cathies Lane, Wantirna South

This is a fund raising event with proceeds donated to the new St John of God Berwick Hospital Day Oncology Centre at Kangan Drive, Berwick.

The event will commence with pre-dinner drinks and canapes served from 7pm – entertainment until midnight. Silent Auction, Raffles and Spot Prizes. (Dress: Black Tie/After 5).



# 2 Great Opportunities

Dear All

Prior to the District Rotary Conference for the past 14 years a group of Rotarians and friends together with the Youth Exchange students have push-bike ridden to conference, individuals get their own sponsors and over 6 days ride 600km.

The Ride to Conference has raised over \$700,000 with funds supporting Primary School Life Education Program, Disaster Aid and Rotary Centenary House in Gippsland. This year the Jared Dunscombe Foundation was added to the list of recipients. Jared, a car accident victim when he was a child leaving him with physical and mental problems, was a determined very likable young man who was unfortunately killed during a Ride to Conference in Geelong a while ago. Jared's parents, Past Presidents of Cranbourne RC, set up the Foundation, please look at [www.jaredfund.org.au](http://www.jaredfund.org.au) for more information about this remarkable young man, his life, his demise and his legacy. During this last weekend's District Rotary Conference there was an excellent presentation on ROMAC which included a description of a recent case from Timor Leste of an eleven year old girl with a huge facial tumour she had had since very early in her life, she was brought to Victoria (Monash) has had multiple operations rebuilding her face after the tumour was removed over a period of eight months. This was sponsored by the Jared Dunscombe Foundation, in fact the Dunscombes' boarded them and looked after them the whole time - a fantastic humanitarian effort. You can find out more about ROMAC at [www.romac.org.au](http://www.romac.org.au)

Kathy Dunscombe is organising a fund raiser dinner at Clover Cottage on Sunday 24th May at 6pm (see attached flyer).

We at Somerville Tyabb Rotary thought that we could put a bus (or two) on for this worthwhile cause being held at a great venue.

We will need to book (and pay) early as space will be limited and it is sure to be well supported.

Please get numbers to me ASAP and we will bulk purchase.

Best regards

Captain Dick Cox

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## ***Attention Presidents and Secretaries,***

Over the last two years Rotarians have been asking when we were we going to have another National Rotary Success Conference. It is going to happen this September! I would urge you to register now for what I am sure will be a great conference.

I would like to invite all Rotarians to the 2015 Rotary Success Conference and Youth Summit which will be held at the Hellenic Club, Canberra on 5 – 6 September 2015. This conference is an affordable conference as the price of \$120 per person covers, morning teas, lunch, afternoon tea and the Saturday night dinner. It will commence at 8.30am on the Saturday morning and conclude at 12.30pm on the Sunday.

All attendees will be able to have input into the conference breakout sessions over the weekend. It will be a conference that everyone will get something out of.

Who should be attending? All Rotary Leaders, Presidents and Presidents Elect, PR Chairs, Membership Chairs and Future Rotary Leaders and Rotarians who want to be involved in the continuing success of Rotary in Australia. At this conference you will be able to participate in breakout sessions on various topics such as Membership Retention, Membership Recruitment and Extension, Diversity in Rotary, Flexibility and Innovative Clubs in the Future, Leadership, Public Image and Media, and more. As well, people will find out what has been successful for some clubs in growing and getting stronger. Social media will also be explored with Rotary Public Image Coordinator Wendy Gaborit leading the discussion. Wendy has a great grasp on social media and how it can work for clubs and getting engaged with the local community.

There will be presentations about a number of new innovative ideas on a wide range of topics, all practical ideas that you can use in your club.

The program will consist of mainly breakout groups enabling everyone to be able to participate and interact over the weekend in a practical, worthwhile and meaningful way.

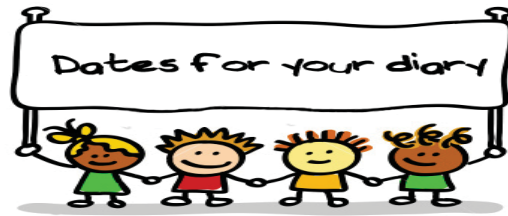
Coupled with the Rotary Success Conference this year will be a Youth Summit for people under 40 years of age.

The Youth Summit will be an opportunity for people to put forward ideas and practical thoughts on how Rotary clubs can interact with younger people ... how and why Rotary clubs need to become more involved with Rotaract and Interact.

This Conference will be focusing on the future. We are positive that every Rotarian will gain practical knowledge and new ideas to take back to their Clubs and Districts from this Conference. You will meet Rotarians from across Australia and be able to share with them your ideas and hear their ideas; it will be a great experience for everyone.

Register now at: <http://www.rotaryd9710.org.au/success-conference.html>

Regards,



## Diary dates April 2015

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| April 13          | This weeks meeting is a <b>Working bee</b> at Hastings Library | From 6 pm<br>Members required to load the van for dispatch to DIK   |
| April 18          | <b>Emu plains Market</b><br><br>Last one                       | Shifts 8.30 to 10.30    10.30 to 1.00 ish<br>1        Faye                    1<br>2                                    2<br>3                                    3<br>4                                    4 |
| April 20          | Club meeting   | Guest speakers<br>Mark and Linda to give a report of the recent Conference in Ballarat  |
| April 27          | Club meeting<br>note venue change                              | Westernport Secondary    6 for 6.30<br>Funds from dinner money will be donated to the college   |
| May 2<br>Saturday | District<br>Membership Forum<br>9.30 to 4pm<br>Lunch provided  | Baw Baw Shire Council Chambers<br>107 Princes Highway<br>Trafalgar  |

### Useful Links

<https://www.rotary.org/>  
<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en/rotary-foundation>  
<https://www.rotary.org/myrotary/en>  
<http://district9820.org/>  
<http://www.rotaryaustralia.org.au/>  
<https://www.rotary.org/en/give/>

### The Rotary Four Way Test Of the things we do....

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendships
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned



### Rotary Grace

For Good Food, Good Fellowship,  
and the opportunity to serve through Rotary. We give thanks.

Amen

# HAPPY CLAP