



# The Western Port Channel Rotary Club of Hastings Western Port



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Details soon



District 9820

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## Message from the President

Hi all

Well last week we did not have an official speaker but we had a lot of information shared by the members present.

Firstly there were some thank you's for the Golf Day, it was another success and a grateful thanks to Mike and his team. A Sponsors thank you Breakfast has been organized for next Monday night, 30th March, I will need numbers for those attending.

Jeff spoke about the local Chaplaincy program and what funds have been used for in the past, they are in need of funds to continue this program which the local school principals believe is beneficial to the students who seek some support. A vote was taken and a donation of \$1000.00 will be made to give some financial support.

Heather attended the Women in Rotary Breakfast at the Crown. Heather and Therese both spoke about the morning and both agreed it was really worthwhile attending and a challenge has been put to the male members of the club to attend as there were quite a few men there.

Roy spoke about the problems in Vanuatu, our club has supported this area in the past in many ways with donations including DIK and they are receiving lots of support at the moment and he will keep us informed.

Mark who recently attended the PETS, filled us in on the weekend, there was obviously a great deal of information and I am sure over the next few months and into his presidential year we will hear more, especially the way Rotary will be heading into the future. He also attended the Foundation Seminar, the Grant applications has been changed, and there are new forms that need to be used.

Apologies to secretary@rotaryhastings.org.au



Important Dates:

District Conference 27-29 March

# *Last meeting discussions*

Apologies Jenny Cole, Mike Callaghan, Mike Sheehan

Wash-up for the Golf fundraising event will be a sponsor's breakfast on Monday 30th at the Beach hut Café cost will be \$15.00. This will be in lieu of the usual Monday evening meeting.

Our annual meeting at Westernport Secondary will be held on 27th April Dinner money will be donated to the school

Jeff reported that Kim has been adapting to the Queensland climate and is loving her new job.

Jeff also requested the club to consider supporting Chaplaincy in our local schools. Funding has been cut and Jeff believes that it helps children and their families find support for difficult times. Faye asked the club to vote to supporting a donation of \$1000.00. The majority of members attending voted to support.

Mark spoke about Foundation funding and the club again considered a Rotary Clock. It was decided to investigate with the Shire and work on a grant. We would need to consider for the following year as applications for this year's funding close in end of April. Roy will kick off the conversation with the Shire.

Eric will follow up about a community garden project which also could be worthwhile for foundation funding.

The 2015 Women in Rotary International Women's Day breakfast was another great success. The Palladium was sold out for the breakfast with over 1200 attendees. The topic for the day was 'Gender Equality' and the panel discussed ways that society and corporations are moving (or not) to give equal opportunities to men and women including recognising the role that both might play as carers and needing consideration. The panel was moderated by Geraldine Doogue and the panel members were



<b>Kate Jenkins</b>	–	Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission
<b>Professor Andrew Macleod</b>	–	Good Super Australia
<b>Mary Barry</b>	–	CEO National Heart Foundation
<b>Peta Searle</b>	–	St Kilda Football coach
<b>Tom Elliot</b>	–	Radio presenter.

A key note address was given by Judge Frances Millane.  
The discussion was lively and interesting.

Rotary does incredible things:-

There was a presentation of a research grant of over \$400,000 to Despina Ganella for work over the next 3 years with the Florey Institute and the Baker Foundation.

Money raised on the morning (over \$60,000) went to Violence Free Families, Interplast, Kids Foundation, Friends-R-4 (providing funds for urgent medical research and assistance to cancer sufferers and their families) and the Albert Part Rotary Club programs.

It was a shame that we were unable to have the Western Port Secondary College organise girls available to attend in time to take them to the event but we should look to make it happen next year. Several schools had girls at the event. It would be terrific if some of our male members could also attend. The breakfast is now attended by a good number of Rotarians and corporate representatives of both genders. Maybe we could look to book a table of 10 for next year.

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# International News



Happy clap everyone

Gary C.K. HUANG  
Rotary International President  
2014-2015



## PRESIDENTIAL MESSAGE

GARY C. K. HUANG  
PRESIDENT 2014-15

March 2015

In Rotary, we have the opportunity to build bonds of friendship with fellow Rotarians around the world. And once a year, at our international convention, we have the chance to get together with all of our Rotary friends, to share new ideas, plan new service, and just have fun.

What better way to celebrate the end of the 2014-15 Rotary year, and Light Up Rotary with your friends, than to travel together to the 106th annual Rotary International Convention in São Paulo, Brazil? Whether you have never been to a convention before or are an experienced convention goer, this will be one you won't want to miss. Preregistration pricing ends on 31 March, so plan now for the biggest Rotary party of the year.

The convention will begin on Saturday, 6 June, and after the opening ceremony there will be a traditional Brazilian Carnival party and a Samba School Parade at the Anhembi Sambadrome. Even if you think you have no rhythm or can't carry a tune, you will find yourself dancing, singing, and laughing all night long. The party and parade will feature the bright colors, feathers, and sequins of Carnival costumes as well as the sights and sounds of samba, the Afro-Brazilian music and dance, and the delicious food and drinks of São Paulo.

On Monday night, Ivete Sangalo, winner of two Latin Grammy Awards, will entertain Rotarians. And every evening of the convention, Rotary Restaurant Nights will let you enjoy discounts in the culinary capital of Latin America. Savor fish from the Amazon, sushi with a Latin flair, Brazilian beef, and other offerings from some of São Paulo's 30,000 restaurants and bars. Admission to several museums in São Paulo, including the excellent soccer museum, will also be free with your convention badge.

Brazil reflects a diversity almost as great as Rotary's: Paulistanos, as the people of São Paulo are known, have created a lively culture with influences from all over the world. One of the highlights of any Rotary convention is always hospitality night, where you can get to know local Rotarians. Monday night is your chance to experience the paulistano lifestyle with the Rotarians of Brazil – but be sure to book early, as numbers are limited.

In Rotary, service and friendship go hand in hand. As you focus on the work of this Rotary year, I ask you not to lose sight of the importance of international friendship, and to register for the São Paulo convention now, at [www.riconvention.org](http://www.riconvention.org).

- See more at: <http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50070/Stories/presidents-mes->



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



# District 9820 News

District Governor: Charlie Speirs



**Look at the program for District Conference.  
Its not to late to be inspired**

## PROGRAM – Friday 27th March

5.00pm	Finger Food/Refreshments commence
5.30pm	Call to order – MC Tim Ellis
5.35pm	Ride to Conference Civic Reception
5.45pm	Civic welcome to Conference/Official Party/Flags of the World
6.00pm	Welcome Host Club - P Ron Elliott
6.05pm	Mayor to open Conference
6.10pm	Conference opening address - DG Charlie Speirs
6.25pm	Tonga Project - PDG Tony Spring
6.35pm	Entertainment and Golf Awards – Tim Ellis
6.50pm	Close Plenary session
7.10pm	Buffet Dinner
9.30pm	Evening concludes

2.45pm	ANZAC remembrance
2.55pm	Session close

## District Resolutions Session

3.30pm Second Floor meeting room.

## PROGRAM – Saturday 28th March

### Evening

6.00pm	20s DINNER/DANCE
	DANCE TILL YOU DROP TO THE BAKER BOYS!
	Special presentation by students from 'Amy's Dance Studio'
11.15pm	Last bus

## PROGRAM – Saturday 28th March

### Morning

9.00am	Call to Order – MC Keith Westwood
9.05am	Welcome/acknowledge dignitaries and PDGs
9.10am	Inner Wheel - Kay Rankin
9.20am	Address RIPPR PDG Edward S. Burongoh
9.40am	Entertainment - Tim Ellis
10.00am	Keynote Speaker – Judy Powell - Lung Foundation Research
10.30am	Morning Tea and Fellowship
10.55am	Call to order
11.00am	Keynote Speaker - Gemma Sisia - School of St Jude, Tanzania
11.25am	GSE team introduction and report from 2014 team to America
11.45am	Keynote Speaker - Steve Moneghetti - Never give up!
12.15pm	Lunch

### Afternoon and Evening

1.00pm	Call to order – MC Eric Neill
1.05pm	Keynote Speaker - Ross McMullin - ANZAC people
1.30pm	ANZAC foes to friends – Dr John Basarin
1.45pm	GSE Teams: Turkey and Australia
2.10pm	Keynote Speaker – Air Commodore Christine Tolson - Serving the community

## PROGRAM – Sunday 29th March

### Morning

8.40am	Call to Order – MC Peter Wallis
8.45am	Morning Reflections and Call to Higher Service – Rev Derek Poupard with DG Charlie and Janne Speirs
9.10am	Rotary International update - RIPPR PDG Edward S. Burongoh
9.25am	ROMAC - Di Double
9.35am	Solomon Island Project - Ian Draper
9.45am	Rotaract – Emily Barr & Ben Hill
10.00am	Keynote Speaker - Brooke Squires - African conversations
10.30am	Morning Tea
11.00am	Call to Order / District awards
11.10am	Youth Exchange Project – Dan Kraan
11.25am	Keynote Speaker - Daryl Mills - Donations in Kind With Bob Glindemann
11.55am	RI Convention Sao Paulo – PDG Tim Moore
12.00pm	Conference observations- RIPPR PDG Edward S. Burongoh
12.10pm	On to Conference - DGE Merv Williams
12.20pm	Closing Remarks - DG Charlie Speirs
12.30pm	Conference Close and Lunch in the Park



## District Events

Ride to Conference Tour  
Mar 22, 2015 – Mar 26, 2015

Rotary Leadership Institute session  
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Lakeside Lutheran College  
Mar 22, 2015  
9:30 AM – 3:00 PM

9820 District Conference Sheppar-  
ton  
Mar 27, 2015 – Mar 29, 2015  
District Conference, Shepparton  
2015 Online Registration Link

Mar 27, 2015 – Mar 29, 2015  
APRIL is ROTARY MAGAZINE  
MONTH

Apr 01, 2015 – Apr 30, 2015  
Tarra Festival Art Show RC Yarram  
Apr 03, 2015 – Apr 06, 2015  
EASTER

Apr 03, 2015 – Apr 06, 2015  
GSE (D2430 Turkey) Farewell Din-  
ner

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

Apr 04, 2015  
GSE (D9820 Australia) Farewell  
Dinner  
Apr 04, 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 (or see me in a KILT)  
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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 cana-  
pes served from 7pm – entertainment until midnight. Silent  
Auction, Raffles and Spot Prizes. (Dress: Black Tie/After 5).

## Are you registered?

Visit the New Conference Website!



Speakers

Accommodation

Rotary on the move July 2014

Have a look at the latest Rotary on the Move newsletter

"NEW CLUB BREAKS THE MOULD" Australia's newest eClub is definitely different!



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