

# The Western Port Channel Rotary Club of Hastings Western Port



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## Message from the President

Hello everyone.

August is Rotary Membership and New Club Development Month. On August 24th we are holding a finger food night, this is a night where you can invite friends, work colleagues, family, business associates, golf buddies along so that they can hear about Rotary and the projects that we are involved in, both local and international.

It is our job to grow the club and promote the work that Rotary does. Your challenge is to bring a minimum of 2 people along on the night. Your guests will enjoy free finger food and a drink while they gain an insight into Rotary.

Recruiting new members is one of the most important things we can do to ensure the future of our club.

Over the years you may have asked many people to join, why not ask these people again? Their circumstances may have now changed and they may see it as a privilege to be invited to join.

How have you benefited from being a part of Rotary? Do you know someone that you think might benefit in a similar way?

24th August is your chance.

Regards  
Mark

**EACH ONE  
BRING ONE**



**COME, JOIN ROTARY**



Interested in finding out how Rotary is eradicating Polio?  
<http://www.endpolio.org/>  
Contact [info@rotaryhastings.org.au](mailto:info@rotaryhastings.org.au) to see how you can help



K.R. "Ravi" Ravindran  
Rotary International President  
2015-2016



## RI Presidential Message AUGUST 2015

One evening, when I came into the office, I said to my father: "It's been a good day today, Dad. We've earned a little more." "Oh," said Dad, "what do you mean?" "Well, I've just been to the station with two boxes of our toy ducks for the Danish Co op. Normally they get three coats of varnish, but since it's for the Co-op, I only gave them two. So I saved the business a bit of money." He looked at me in dismay. "Godtfred, fetch those boxes back. Unpack them and give the ducks another coat of varnish. You're not going to bed until the work's done – and you'll do it all on your own." There was no arguing with Dad. And it was a lesson for me about what quality meant.

Today, Lego's quality standards are legendary, and its products are the most popular toys in the world: Lego pieces outnumber humans 86 to 1.

The leaders at the Rotary International, zone, district, and club levels have to maintain the highest standards in governance. The RI president and directors must serve the membership in a meaningful manner; zone leaders must deliver on the investment Rotary makes in them; district leaders must provide dynamic leadership in the district and focus on transparency in accounting and timely reporting of financials; and club leaders must adhere to proper reporting functions and get their clubs onto Rotary Club Central.

Just as Christiansen refused to consider sending a lesser product to any of his clients, so should we refuse to consider giving a lesser effort to any of our work. We must always demand the best of ourselves – in our professional lives, and especially in our Rotary work.

For in Rotary, what is our product? It is not wooden ducks or plastic bricks. It is education, water, health, and peace. It is hope, and it is life itself. For this work, only our best is good enough. I ask you all to remember this – and to do your very best to Be a Gift to the World. - See more at:

## ROTARY GLOBAL REWARDS:

THE GOOD YOU DO - COMES BACK TO YOU

Presenting a member benefit program too good to keep to yourself. With discounts on travel, hotels, dining, services, and more, Rotary Global Rewards is designed to help you get more good work done and build Rotary friendships.

Rotary Global Rewards. Beginning July, 2015, only Rotary club members who are signed in to their My Rotary account can redeem the offers. Create your My Rotary account on [www.rotary.org](http://www.rotary.org) to take advantage of the Rotary member benefit program.



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District 9820 News

Merv Williams  
District Governor, District 9820  
2015-2016

## Margie Abbott – the new Patron of ROMAC



ROMAC (Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children) is proud to announce Mrs Margie Abbott has accepted the position of Patron for our Rotary Australia & New Zealand wide life-giving charity. Margie Abbott, wife of Australian Prime Minister Tony Abbott, is well known for her caring approach to children.

ROMAC Patron MRs Margie Abbott with baby Fitzpatrick Unga and mum Freda at Canberra Hospital.

As a former trained teacher and directly involved with childcare centres in Sydney, Mrs Margie Abbott is well qualified to understand the challenges that babies and children face who require life-saving and/or dignity restoring surgery. ROMAC provides 'life-giving' surgery for children from our nearest neighbouring countries including Fiji, Vanuatu, Solomon Islands, PNG, Timor Leste and more. Mrs Margie Abbott made it very clear that her role as Patron was on condition she made a positive difference and that her involvement would ensure even more children would benefit. Already she has visited a child and is planning a function for ROMAC at Kirribilli House to raise the awareness and support for the life-giving work provided by ROMAC.

ROMAC has been in operation for over 25 years. Rotarians volunteer their time and expertise to run this Rotary program that encompasses all the Districts of Australia and New Zealand. Assisted by many eminent Australian and New Zealand surgeons, who generously donate their time free for the treatment of our patients, this humanitarian program has provided over 400 children from more than 20 developing countries with urgent medical treatment that has given them new hope. Further information contact District 9820 ROMAC Chair, Di Double, Rotary Club of Berwick.

- See more at: <http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50070/Stories/margie-abbott-%E2%80%93-the-new-patron-of-romac#sthash.dlerPxjd.dpuf>



ROMAC

<http://www.romac.org.au>

Rotary Oceania Medical Aid for Children



Rotary  
Club of Hastings Western Port

# From the Secretary's Pen

10th August 2015

Present: Mark, Linda, Faye, Heather, Allan, Mike S, Paddy, Bill, Don, Jeff, Jenny  
Apologise: Roy, Mike C, Marcia, Eric  
Guest: Louisa Castle - Second Chance Rescue Service

Chairperson: Paddy

Paddy  
Opened meeting, welcomed guest

Mark:  
Spoke about 24th August, New Membership drive, invitation on table for people to take and hand out.  
Grahame Gordon will be speaking at the club on the 17th August  
31st August social night at Somers General Store, \$25.00 per head, bring partners, friends and prospective new members. RSVP to [secretary@rotaryhastings.org.au](mailto:secretary@rotaryhastings.org.au)

Linda:  
Correspondence: Tabled incoming mail. Invoice for district and Insurance was tabled, request to pay. Moved and Seconded to be paid.  
Faye to pay bill while Mike C is away

Paddy:  
Reported that he and Malcolm attended a meeting with the Shire in relation to the street market. Rotary continue the management of the market for another 2 years. Shire will assist with marketing the market and Hastings with \$1500, with assistance from Shire, Chamber and Rotary.

Jenny:  
Question about Lightning Bolts support

Linda:  
Responded to the Lightning bolts request stating an email had been sent requesting more information and that it was raised at the board meeting where it was decided that this could fit with Playon. Information will be passed onto Playon

Mark:  
Thanked Louisa, mentioned that the board meet regularly and that we would discuss the possibilities of support in some form.

Gave a brief run down of the simple survey results.  
Back by popular demand, Chairperson, Grace, Toast, Bell, Sergeant. Majority agreed that we should do visioning, visit other clubs, should use social media. Mark will make available a copy of the results. Require someone with a sense of fun to step up to be sergeant

Merv's challenge to us all was to use social media. Mark suggested we could run a 'get onto facebook night' at the library, said that you can use facebook safely and use it to find out what the grand children are up-to.



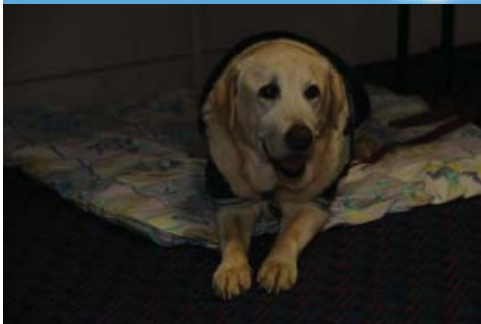
# From the Secretary's Pen

10th August 2015

Contact us to  
Adopt, Foster,  
Donate, Volunteer  
or help an  
animal in need



## SECOND CHANCE RESCUE SERVICES



Louisa Castle of  
Second Chance  
Rescue Services  
brought along  
Gwen a 15 year  
old Labrador.

Louisa takes in

many different animals, and nurses them back to good health using natural remedies. She also retrains animals so that they can fit well into their newly adopted families. Louisa has always been surrounded by various animals and has also worked at a vet nurse for more than 20 years. Her work is mainly based around Hastings and the immediate surroundings. Donations of old single sheets and blankets are always welcome. More information can be found at



<https://www.facebook.com/secondchancerescueservices>



# Free to Shine Update

## Free to Shine

I heard Nicky Mih on the radio a couple of years ago and followed Free To Shine up on the web.

She was inspired to do something when she read Somaly Mam's book 'The Road of Lost Innocence' on her experiences as a child sold into a brothel. So Nicky flew off to see what was happening in rural villages in Cambodia and to find out what she could do to protect the girls.

It's a small Australian charity set up in 2010, with the sole aim to keep vulnerable girls in school to prevent them being put into the sex trade. I got in touch with Nicky and she was due to come to talk to us...but I had to postpone her visit as I was going to be away. We tried other dates but she as she is often over in Cambodia it didn't work out. The charity has kept 492 girls enrolled and supported in school, installed 143 water filters and constructed 5 village houses so far.



Hi Jenny,

Please find attached photos of the water filters we were able to provide, courtesy of your Rotary Club's generous donation. THANK YOU so much for your support - it means the world.







## District Events

Youth Exchange Camp 1  
Saturday Aug 29  
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RAWCS Southern Region Seminar:  
Traralgon  
Visit by RI Director Guiller Tumangan to  
Victorian Districts

Sunday Aug 30  
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RAWCS Southern Region Seminar:  
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Victorian Districts

Monday Aug 31  
Visit by RI Director Guiller Tumangan to  
District 9820

Tuesday Sep 1  
Visit by RI Director Guiller Tumangan to  
Victorian Districts  
SEPTEMBER IS BASIC EDUCATION &  
LITERACY MONTH

Wednesday Sep 2  
Visit by RI Director Guiller Tumangan to  
Victorian Districts

Thursday Sep 3  
Visit by RI Director Guiller Tumangan to  
Victorian Districts

Saturday Sep 5  
National Rotary Success Conference  
and Youth Summit (Canberra)

Sunday Sep 6  
National Rotary Success Conference  
and Youth Summit (Canberra)

Fathers Day

Sunday Sep 27  
Rotary Foundation Meeting

# Club Events

Date	Event
<b>Membership Month</b>	
August 3rd	Board Meeting
August 4th	Whats the real story - ICE
August 10th	Louisa Castles
August 15th	Concert at Beleura House and Garden - Mt Eliza Rotary
August 17th	Grahame Gordon - Membership
August 24th	Invite friends to learn about Rotary
August 29th-30th	RAWCS Southern Region Information weekend
August 31st	Social night
<b>Literacy &amp; Education Month</b>	
September 7th	Board Meeting
September 13th	Music Masterclass
September 21st	
September 28th	



## 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/>

