

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,

Our last meeting was at Westernport secondary, I have heard it was again an enjoyable evening and members were well looked after, wine glasses topped up often.

Eric has reminded us that the Red Shield Appeal will be later this month. This week we can look at the availabilities of members and how many collection points we can collect at. The club has been involved with collecting for this worthy cause for many years now, I hope we can continue to do so.

A reminder that Jim Peddie is in respite care for one more week and would like any visitors to pop in.

He is at

Somercare
22 Graf Rd
Somerville

Cheers

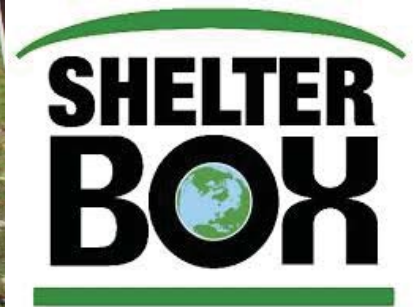
President Faye

Apologies to secretary@rotaryhastings.org.au



Important Dates:
District Conference 27-29 March

ShelterBox News



Sir Angus Houston joins Shelterbox

Former Chief of the Defence Force, Air Chief Marshal Sir Angus Houston AK AFC (Ret'd), has accepted the position of Patron of ShelterBox Australia.

ShelterBox Australia is part of a worldwide humanitarian service organisation providing emergency shelter and vital supplies to support communities overwhelmed by disaster and humanitarian crisis. Since ShelterBox began in 2000, it has responded to earthquakes, floods, volcanoes, tsunamis, hurricanes, landslides, typhoons and conflict, delivering emergency humanitarian aid to communities in need. ShelterBox is currently working in Vanuatu following the destruction caused by Cyclone Pam, as well as in Cameroon, Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Gaza, Niger, Iraq, Malawi, Pakistan, Philippines and Syria.

In accepting the position of Patron, Sir Angus said: "I am delighted to accept the offer to become Patron of ShelterBox Australia. Over the years I have been involved in many disaster and humanitarian relief operations. I am acutely aware of the need for the provision of shelter to those in need, and ShelterBox brings life-saving aid, hope and dignity to families made homeless by disasters worldwide. I look forward to working with the people of ShelterBox on current and future disasters."

"ShelterBox Australia is delighted to have Sir Angus as its new Patron," ShelterBox Australia chair Bob Furner said. "Sir Angus is well-known for his commitment to serve the nation in a va-

More news @

<http://www.rotarydownunder.com.au/latest-news/sir-angus-houston-joins-shelterbox/70641b92-7885-1a1b-4629->



Rotary



International News



Happy clap everyone

Gary C.K. HUANG

Rotary International President



One of my favorite parts of a Rotary convention is the House of Friendship. In Chinese, we say: "To have friends come together from faraway places is a wonderful thing."

At the 106th annual Rotary International Convention, 6-9 June, the House of Friendship will reflect the excitement and the diverse blend of cultures of São Paulo, the host city. In between general sessions, you can relax and enjoy all that Brazil has to offer – sample the cuisine, browse locally made gifts, and take in top-quality entertainment. You also can get ideas for service and find partners at booths showcasing Rotary projects and Rotarian Action

Groups.

And best of all, you'll have the opportunity to spend time with old friends and make many new ones.

The House of Friendship is a wonderful place to bring your convention guests – your family and your friends from home. By attending conventions with me, my family experienced the true internationality of Rotary. Eventually my wife, Corinna, and all three of my children joined Rotary clubs.

You and your guests will want to be sure to come early for World Water Summit 7, on 4 June, sponsored by the Water and Sanitation Rotarian Action Group, or for the Rotary Peace Symposium, 4-5 June.

This year we are honored that Dr. Oscar Arias, former president of Costa Rica, will be the keynote speaker at the Rotary Peace Symposium. Arias received the Nobel Peace Prize for brokering a peace agreement that ended the brutal civil wars in Central America.

Other events 4-5 June include the Rotaract Preconvention Meeting, the International Institute, and the Youth Exchange Officers Preconvention Meeting.

When the convention is over, spend time exploring all that Brazil has to offer – pristine beaches just a few hours away, the excitement and glamour of Rio de Janeiro, and the wonders of the Amazon rain forest.

Every year, I return from the Rotary convention inspired to do more, to give more in Rotary service throughout the year. Register today at www.riconvention.org. I look forward to seeing you in São Paulo!

- See more at: <http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50070/Stories/presidents-message-may-2015#st-hash.11PsvKVY.dpufa>



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



District 9820 News

District Governor: Charlie Speirs
2014 - 15



Matching Grant for Disadvantaged Girls in India.



Rotary Club(s): Hastings Westernport, Kooweerup Lang Lang, Mt. Martha, Narre Warren, Pakenham and Rosebud Rye in conjunction with The Rotary Club of Dharmavarum Midtown.

Matching Grant No 75271 has come to a very positive conclusion.

Money came from our six supporting District 9820 Clubs, District 9820 Designated Funds, District Designated Funds (DDF) from India, and the local Dharmavarum Midtown Club in India.

The Rotary Foundation matched these funds to bring it up to \$55,100.

The Rotary Club of Dharmavarum Midtown were our partner Club, a dynamic Club with many hard working Rotarians.

Members from the Rotary Club of Narre Warren visited India and were part of the distribution of school uniforms, and sports equipment to six schools in rural locations. Just getting to the schools took some time because of the bad road conditions, however the visits were all worthwhile. Just to see the pleasure in the girls eyes when receiving their school uniforms was amazing. We were very pleased that the schools chosen were selected on the basis of need rather than convenient location.

The students were excited to have visitors at their schools. We received wonderful receptions by the school community, as well as families who came in to see what was happening. Computers, desks, sports equipment and a large number of school uniforms had been distributed prior to our visit.

The breakdown of expenditure for the Matching Grant was as follows -

- 55% towards uniforms, books, fees, and lunch utensils for 1400 girls
- 15% desks
- 15% sports equipment
- 15% computers for the Vocational Training Centre for girls and young women

We made some great friendships on our trip and we will maintain our friendships with the Rotary Club of Dharmavarum Midtown

For more information on The Rotary Foundation Matching Grant program, please contact PDG Ray Martin (Sorrento).

- See more at: <http://portal.clubrunner.ca/50070/SitePage/our-district-in-action-international/disadvantaged-girls-in-india#sthash.LBj85gNk.dpuf>

Rotary



District Events

MAY is ROTARY HEALTH MONTH
May 01, 2015 – May 31, 2015

Rotary Leadership Institute session
1 Sale
May 03, 2015

Mothers Day
May 10, 2015

RYPEN Weekend (TBC)
May 15, 2015 – May 17, 2015

RF Committee Meeting
May 17, 2015

RLI session 3
Lakeside Lutheran College

May 17, 2015
9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

MUNA Camp at Forrest Edge
May 22, 2015 – May 24, 2015

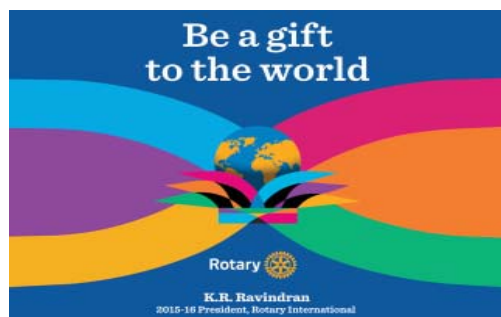
GSE (D9820 Australia) Arrives
Home
May 24, 2015

Shine On Awards Ceremony: South-
ern Districts (TBC)

May 24, 2015
RLI session 2 Sale

May 24, 2015
9:30 AM – 3:00 PM

JUNE is ROTARY FELLOWSHIP
MONTH
Jun 01, 2015 – Jun 30, 2015



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

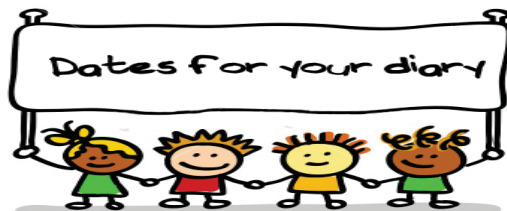
Looking for people to frock up
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I am writing to let you know that the Rotary Club of Berwick and the St John of God Berwick Hospital are conducting a Charity Gala Ball on Friday, May 22nd 2015; at The Grand, 90 Cathies Lane, Wantirna South

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).





Diary dates May 2015		
May 4	Club meeting	Speaker to be confirmed Discuss Red Shield Appeal
May 11	Club meeting	Guest speaker Principal Richard Mucha Reading for Life
May 18	Club meeting	Speaker to be confirmed
May 25	Club meeting	Speaker to be confirmed
May 30 and 31	Red Sheild Appeal	Collectors required

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